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THE COLUMBIAN SERIES OF POSTAGE STAMPS.

CLOSELY following the authorization by Congress to establish the Columbian Exposition in Chicago, the idea was conceived by the department of issuing, concurrently with that event, a special series of stamps with illustrations to commemorate the discovery of America by Columbus, such stamps to be sold at all the post-offices in the country, without, however, discontinuing the issue and sale of the stamps in current use. This idea was afterwards frequently suggested to the department, both by correspondence and through the public press, and it was in the line of a custom connected with national jubilees that seems to be growing among great nations of the world.

The advantages to be gained by such a special series of stamps were so manifest that it was determined to provide for their issue, and the necessary arrangements for manufacturing the stamps were concluded in September last. The subjects selected as the prominent features of the stamps were conspicuous events connected with the discovery of America. As the delineation of these events involved the engraved reproduction of pictures or other works of art somewhat crowded with figures, it was found necessary, in order to do justice to the subject, to adopt a larger size for the stamps than that of the series in present use, and of a somewhat different form. The size adopted was of the same height, and of very nearly double the length of the present stamp. The work of preparing the new stamps was put immediately in hand, and it is expected that they will be placed on sale on the 1st of January next.

The denominations, designs, and colors of the Columbian stamps are as follows:

1-cent stamp: Columbus on Ship Board, in Sight of Land; color, medium shade of blue.

2-cent stamp: The Landing of Columbus; color, maroon.

3-cent stamp: The *Santa Maria*, the Flag-Ship of Columbus; color, medium shade of green.

4-cent stamp: The fleet of Columbus, consisting of the *Santa Maria*, the *Nina*, and the *Pinta*; color, light blue.

5-cent stamp: Columbus Appealing to Queen Isabella for Aid; color, chocolate brown.

6-cent stamp: Columbus Entering Barcelona in Triumph; color, royal purple.

10-cent stamp: Columbus Presenting Natives at the Spanish Court; color, Vandyke brown.

15-cent stamp: Columbus Reciting the Story of His Discovery; color, dark green.

30-cent stamp: Columbus at La Rabido, demonstrating the theory of his enterprise; color, Sienna brown.

50-cent stamp: The Recall of Columbus by Isabella, after the rejection of his proposition; color, carbon blue.

\$1-stamp: Isabella pledging her jewels in support of the project; color, rose salmon.

\$2-stamp: Columbus in Chains; color, toned mineral red.

\$3-stamp: Columbus describing his third voyage; color, light yellow green.

\$4-stamp: Portraits, in three-quarters face, of Isabella and Columbus; color, carmine.

\$5-stamp: Portrait, in profile, of Columbus; color, black.

The portrait of Columbus is the same as that used on the souvenir coin, a plaster cast of the same having been kindly furnished by the Treasury Department. It will be observed that the subjects do not strictly follow the logical sequence of events, it having been thought better to illustrate the leading denominations of stamps—those in everyday use by the public—with the representations of the more important events connected with the discovery.

The denominations in the new series are the same as those of the regular series, except that the 50-cent is substituted for the 90-cent stamp, and an addition is made of the denominations of \$1, \$2, \$3, \$4 and \$5, these latter denominations being intended for large parcels of first-class matter to foreign destinations, their use having been several times heretofore recommended by the postmasters at a number of the principal offices from which it is convenient to send matter requiring the employment of such high values. The number of new stamps to be issued is fixed at 3,000,000,000, equal to about one year's supply of the regular stamps.

The introduction of the Columbian series of postage stamps will contribute in a marked way to the great recognition given by the Government of the United States to the Columbian Exposition; and they will create for it, both in this country and abroad, an interest that will help it financially and in many other ways. In addition, the "mania," as it is called, for collecting postage stamps, as specimens, is universal throughout the world. It affects every class and condition of people, and is not confined by age or sex. It is shared, perhaps, by millions of people, from the school boy and girl to the monarch and the millionaire and the value of stamps in private collections which will never be drawn upon to pay postage may safely be placed at many millions of dollars. The beauty and unique character of the new Columbian stamps will cause their sale in large quantities, simply for use in collections; and not only will they be purchased in single or partial sets by collectors, but, in view of the limited time in which they will be issued, they will be accumulated in great quantities by dealers and others to meet future demands.

Moreover, it has been found that the issue of a new series of stamps stimulates correspondence by mail; and immediately upon the introduction of the Columbian stamps business concerns will be likely to get out special editions of their advertisements and circulars, in order that the stamp may first be seen upon envelopes covering the enclosure of their advertising matter, to which more conspicuous attention will accordingly be drawn. The consequent interchange of thought, the encouragement to trade, and the increased revenue to the postal service will be in every way desirable.

The introduction of the new stamps, though not designed primarily for that object, will prove to be a revenue measure of the highest importance to the public service. The net profits to be derived from their issue, that is, the extra amount beyond the ordinary revenue that would have resulted from the sale and use only of ordinary stamps, may be fairly placed at \$2,500,000.

COLUMBIAN STAMPED ENVELOPES.

For the reason that led to the introduction of Columbian adhesive postage stamps, arrangements have been made for issuing at the same time a special series of Columbian embossed stamped envelopes. The new issue will consist of eight different sizes, selected in part from those in the regular series, and they will be made of the same standard of paper as that in the best quality of envelopes in present use. The color of the paper will be light cream, instead of white and amber, as in the present style, and it will be specially watermarked. The denominations are 1, 2, 5, and 10 cents. The design of the stamp is circular in form, of somewhat large size, and contains as the principal features the heads of Columbus and Liberty in profile, with words to indicate the character and value of the stamp. The colors will be the same as those of the Columbian adhesive stamps of corresponding denominations.—
From Report of the Postmaster-General.

NEW ISSUES.

BY R. R. BOGERT.

Argentine Republic.—The new issue went into use October 1. They are $\frac{1}{2}$, 1, 2, 5, 10, 12, 16, 24, 50c., 1, 2, 5 pesos. Also cards, 2, 4, 6, 6 + 6; letter cards, 2 and 6c.; bands, $\frac{1}{2}$, 1, 2, 4. The jubilee stamps were of 2c. and 5c. value, not 5c. and 12c. as previously reported.

Azores.—Card, 10 + 10. We now have sets for Angra, Horta and Ponta De garda, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 50, 80r.

Bolivia.—A set of newspaper stamps has appeared; values, $\frac{1}{2}$, 1, 2, 10, 20, 50c., 1, 2, 5, 10 bolivianos.

Fiji.—It is reported that the 4d. stamp has been increased in value by surcharging it 5d.

Guinea.—*L'Esche de Timbrologie* illustrates a 5r. stamp of new design.

Hayti.—We have received the current 3c. stamp surcharged 2c. in same type as was employed in 1890. It was to be used only until arrival of new supply by next steamer.

Labuan.—We have received 2c. carmine, 6c. green, 8c. violet, 10c. brown, 12c. blue, 16c. gray, 40c. yellow brown, without watermark.

Madeira.—We have for Funchal 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 50, 80r.

Mozambique.—The issue of 1886 has been surcharged *Compã de Mozambique* in Roman.

New Zealand.—6d., O. P. S. O.

Oil Rivers.—2d., blue, env., and 1d., card, 1891, of Great Britain, have been surcharged for this Protectorate.

Philippine.—10c. carmine and 20c. gray are reported.

Portugal.—We have the 5 and 10r. with *Provisorio* in large Roman, diagonal surcharge in red, and 20 same in violet.

Sierra Leone.—The current 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ d. card has been disfigured by erasing value with pen and handstamping 1d.

South African Republic.—A stamp of £5, current type, it is said, will soon be issued.

Timor.—The 20 and 40r., 1886, are reported to have received the same surcharge as those of Macao, "Journes 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ r."

Uruguay.—*Le Timbre Poste* illustrates a full set of post-cards and one letter card. They are 2c., 2 + 2c., for interior; for U. P. U., 2, 2 + 2, 3, 3 + 3; letter card, 3c.

PHILATELIC PERENNIALS.

(Written Expressly for the Quaker City Philatelist.)

[BY CANADENSIS.]

CLEVELAND is elected, and the comet failed to strike us, but stamp auctions are going on just the same. This reminds me that some of these auctions are run mighty queer, and I advise collectors to be careful what they are doing. Two or three little experiences will be enough to satisfy you that unless you can strictly depend upon the parties you send your bid to, they can fool you in a number of ways. But there are two or three concerns holding regular auctions which are reputable and straightforward. Probably none of these auctions will actually swindle you, but there are a few little things worth remembering. You send in a bid list counting of say thirty bids ranging from 75 cents to \$7, the dealer executes all bids for 25 cents, no matter whether it is one lot or twenty lots, the uniform charge is 25 cents. None of your bids but the one on a cheap lot are close enough to secure anything. Your bid of 75 cents gets there apparently, and this despite the fact that another party bid 80 cents on the same lot, but as this latter has secured other lots he is content, and you

are given the *benefit* of 5 cents, while the dealer charges you 25 cents. You see he makes 20 cents over and above his other profits or commission by giving you the lot for 5 cents cheaper than the higher bidder. That cheap lot will cost you all the way from \$1.15 to \$1.25 after you pay for your registration or money order and postage. The lot was worth 75 cents, but not 1 cent more, and you are out probably 50 cents on the deal.

Then, again, some of the catalogues do not faithfully describe their specimens. Minute tears, creases, bad obliterations, close cut and numerous other things they overlook. You expect to get, at least, a *fair* specimen, but are disappointed even in that. I recently sent a lot of bids and secured between \$15 and \$20 worth, but upon examination they were nearly all badly damaged and improperly described. I kept but one lot on which I had bid \$3.50 as my limit. That lot cost me just \$4.06, and was more than it was worth. My postage and registration of returned lot was 11 cents, money order 10 cents, commission 35 cents. It is surprising to some bidders how it is that your limit is always run; for instance you bid \$4.50 and the next bid to you is \$3.90; you might not always get it for \$3.95, *but you ought*. You will pay probably \$4.45 or the full amount.

Another time I bid \$3.50 on a lot numbered 53. By a mistake it went in as 58. Now 53 was a single stamp, but 58 was a set of "specimens," Executives, such as sold in Chicago the other day for \$4.85 and \$5.05 per set, and dear enough at that. There was my bid with parties who know the value of the stamps—know that you are not fool enough to pay \$15 or more for a set of *specimens*, yet they sent me the lot for a figure somewhere about \$10, with a polite note that they "were astonished to receive such a bid from you," but if you did not desire the set, you could send them \$3.50 and they would sell the set for \$5 to some one else. I have not paid my *fine* yet.

If I dabble in philately
Or touch upon timbrophily
I am loaded with the praises of the men I chance to meet.

I've some stamps really charming,
But a havoc quite alarming
I create among the maidens when I walk the street.

That stanza represents a new advent into our ranks, *i. e.*, the philatelic dude, who is mashed on his own shape. However, he is harmless.

The other day I met the publisher of the *Ottawa Philatelist* upon the street. Now, he is a great friend of mine, but I plainly saw he had the hoodoo, and did not permeate any elongated conversation with him. He handed me a post-card, as a tear fell gently to the pavement, and asked me to read it. I started to read it:

"Dear Sir:—We offer you a special deal on Lorillard's Sensation Cut Plug ——"
"Hold on," said ye publisher; "that's not it! Don't you see he has written cross-wise over an old printed card?"

I started again:

"Dear Sir:—Cannot accept your offer to exchange advertising space. Am not advertising in *young* papers, which are published as an experiment. Yours,

"W. W. JEWETT."

"Say, did you ever see the first paper published by the Portland (Me.) *Era* man? If you did, all right, but that is why I sigh so heavily," says ye publisher.

"But," says I, "that accounts for the milk in the cocoanut and not for the hair on the outside!"

"I'll get even with him for sending me that double chawed-up surcharged postal card!" says ye publisher, and he walked off *on bis ear*.

To this paper the dealer sends
His advertising odds and ends;
An eager public reads each line—
His postage stamps look really fine.

The *Quaker City Philatelist*, I am told, is one of the best advertising mediums going. Being official organ of two good societies it certainly reaches the cream of collectors who *buy*, and that is what dealers want. An entire absence of publishers' "ads" is another feature.

It will soon be ten years since we saw the old 3-cent U. S. green stamp, yet its epitaph still lives. Mr. P. M. Wolsieffer can supply philatelic waltzes, gallops and songs. One of these latter has the epitaph above referred to:

By an act of Congress into being I came,
With a smiling face and a noble name.
I met my death by an act of the same
In March, eight-three, I say to my shame.

I had the pleasure of looking at a fine collection of Indian Native States the other day. I don't mean that it was a collection of the States, or even a collection of Indians in their native state, but simply stamps. And, oh! what stamps! Bhopaul, Hyderabad, Nowanuggur, Pountch, Raj Naudgaon and Talcher galore. It reminded me that

There was a collector in Brighton
Whose folks he thought he would frighten,
So he bought some Alwur
And those of Jhalawar
For Jhind and Punjaub he was slighting.

Another new boy-poet has crossed the philatelic horizon. He arose as a star in the East and will set as a thunderbolt in the West, provided Biela's comet don't turn around and strike him for creating a rival sensation. The name of the new poet is "Fox," and his effulgent rays o'erspread the *Pennsylvania Philatelist*. He is particularly down on the A. P. A., but I guess all the A. P. A. cares for this *shouter* will not amount to much.

Fiscal collectors are meeting with hard luck. They complain that there is not enough interest taken by philatelists in this sort of collecting, but if they will wait a few years more they will see a big boom in revenue stamps of all countries. At present, in France, Germany and England, there are thousands who collect the fiscal stamps of the world and do not touch postage at all.

A fiscal collector in Dundee,
Went out on a devil of a spree,
He sold all his stamps,
The beer gave him cramps,
And, now he is broke—do you see?

Some persons are so thin-skinned that they can't take a joke. "Canadensis" can take one, and don't get mad either when he takes his medicine, even if it is dished up in a stamp paper.

The rage for serial stories in the smaller stamp papers continues unabated. The last number of the Bungtown *Philatelic Bladder* contained the following, entitled:

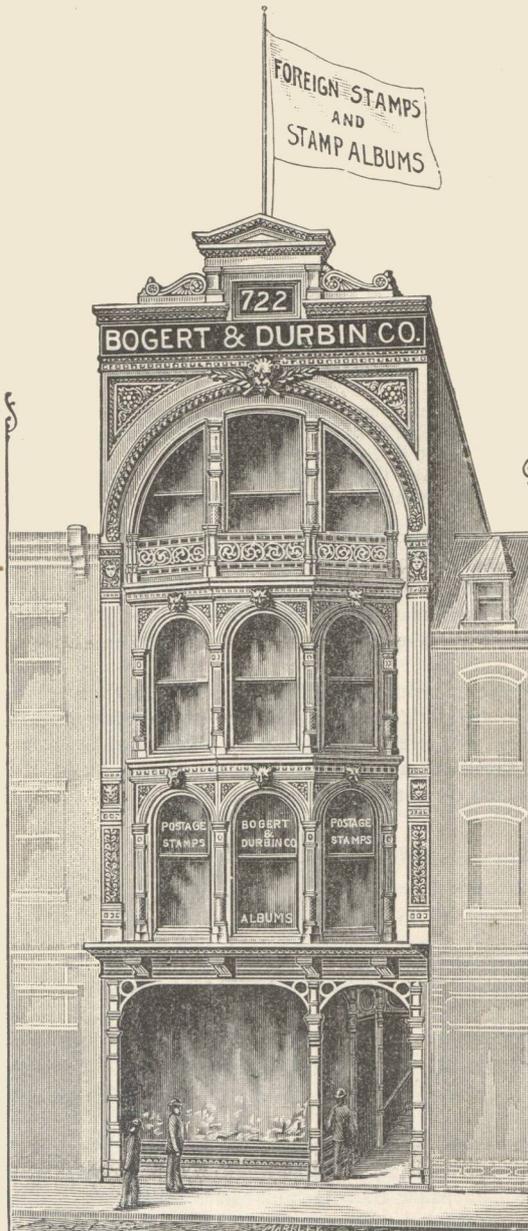
"PHILATELY'S LOVE DREAM.

"Gather me closer, darling," whispered Gladdys Ann Tioquia McMurphy, gazing up into the sad blue unsevered eyes that but faintly illumined the unperforated marble pallor of Fauntleroy Dan Mark Beruster's alabaster brow.

"Sweetness," he responded philatelically, with a strange, sweet 4500-variety-pocket smile, "I am not gathering so much as I was; I mean I am not collecting such sweet gems every day, but when the first snowy touch of winter's frost-gemmed hand ——"

The continuation of this interesting serial will be found in the Bungtown *Philatelic Bladder* (price, 10 cents a year). A celluloid coffin, a packet of hinges and a rare stamp given away with every copy.

"*Non nobis solum.*"



BOGERT & DURBIN CO.'S NEW OFFICE.

THE Bogert & Durbin Co. will have another auction of dealers' stock shortly, the stock of the Penn Stamp Co., of Philadelphia, having been placed with them for sale. It will contain some rare lots of U. S. The collection of Mr. H. McAllister is also in the hands of their cataloguers.

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MR. THEODORE TOPPELL, the well-known stamp dealer of New York, has relinquished his business there and is now connected with the Bogert & Durbin Co.'s Philadelphia office. Mr. Toppell is widely and favorably known to the philatelic world, and will, no doubt, become a favorite with their patrons.

GLEANINGS.

BY LEROY D. WALKER.

THE Worcester Co. Philatelic Association is a thing of the past. Too bad, as they were a nice lot of "phils," as a rule, with a few exceptions. It is also rumored that Branch 5, of the W. P. U., at San Francisco, is about to give up the ghost. It has been known for sometime that they were having trouble. 'Tis sad to chronicle failures, but "every dog has his day."

THE *Worcester Philatelist* is edited and published by Walter L. Brown, of Worcester, Mass., and sent gratis to his friends and his friends' friends. He shows a great deal of enterprise, the paper is ably edited and its typographical appearance excellent, and the matter is always fresh and newsy, and above all interesting. You are a lucky dog if you are the recipient of it.

ROBERT STOCKWELL HATCHER, late of the Literary Board of the A. P. A., made a trip to the coast last summer, but I failed to meet him. Very sorry, as I should have liked to, very much.

THE Government officials are about to abolish the "Special Request" envelopes which have for a long time worked a hardship on the job printers. Of course the local printer cannot compete with the Department in a case of this kind, and so they (Department) obtained the majority of the work. A bill has been introduced in Congress for this purpose, and it will no doubt carry, as it has all the printers' contingent backing it. If it carries it means a great many less envelopes and the corresponding number more stamps will be used.

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SECRETARY'S REPORT.

NEW MEMBERS.

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L. B. Swetland, 248-250 Morrisson street, Portland, Ore.

In another portion of the reports will be noticed the proposed reduction of the annual dues from \$2 to \$1.25 from January 1, 1893; this action has met with the approval of all the officers and Trustees with one exception, and we trust that it will be favorably received by the collectors who are not as yet members.

The W. P. U. has attained a position, whereby it is enabled to give as many and perhaps more benefits at reduced dues. What one society has done, another can do, and we think that during the coming year we can promise our members more than ever, and be pretty sure of fulfilling same.

We should have a large increase in membership, as the price of dues is placed within reach of all.

Attention is again called to the nominations for officers at the election next spring.

Nominations to be made by any member of the Society will be published in the official journal until March, 1893, when said nominations will be voted on.

I trust that members will give this their careful consideration.

A. P. HOSMER, *Secretary and Treasurer.*

DECEMBER 1, 1892.

PURCHASING AGENCY.

Many members of the W. P. U. having at various times desired to bid at the New York auction sales, but having been deterred by our having no representative, can now be accommodated. Mr. George R. Tuttle, 520 Summer avenue, Newark, N. J., has kindly consented to execute bids for any W. P. U. member who will send them to him.

Mr. Tuttle's offer comes very opportunely to the Chicago members, and we trust that all others will intrust their bids to him.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF EXCHANGE.

The record for the past month shows that this office received 101 sheets of stamps, valued at \$1084.92, which were all promptly put on circuits, and yet the cry is "more!" I will have to ask branch managers, as well as one or two individual members using this department, to be more regular in reporting numbers of books received by them, as unless they do so I have no way of locating a book when it is necessary to do so, which is occasionally the case when a member wishes to know how soon to expect the return of his sheets, etc.

That there is a good demand for *rare* stamps in the W. P. U. is proven by the fact that within the last month 36 specimens, priced from \$10 to \$55 each, have been disposed of through this department.

BREWSTER C. KENYON,
Superintendent of Exchange.

LOS ANGELES, CAL., November 22, 1892.

W. P. U. LIBRARY.

Several lots have been received from Mr. Breder and others since my last report, which are accepted with thanks.

I have now complete files of many of the best magazines, which will be bound soon and placed in a good-sized bookcase. I wish to thank the members for their cordial support of this department, and trust that they will continue in the good work.

Don't be afraid to send your duplicates, as we can exchange them for others, if we *do* have them.

B. S. ROSS, *Librarian.*

34 WIELAND STREET, CHICAGO.

REDUCTION OF DUES.

In response to an order from the Trustees and other officers I am instructed to state that on and after January 1, 1893, the annual dues of the W. P. U. will be \$1.25 per annum, instead of \$2 as heretofore.

This step has been taken, because we believe that the same benefits can be given members at a less cost than formerly, and with this idea in mind we have made the reduction.

A formal change in the Constitution will be made at the April election.

A. P. HOSMER, *Secretary.*

AUCTION SALES.

A full account of the sales to be held in Chicago will be given in the next number of this journal, together with prices realized for the rarest specimens.

A priced catalogue of the *special sales* of the Western Philatelic Union will be mailed on receipt of 50c.

Branch 1 has several more sales in progress; dates to be announced later.

THE Chicago *News-Record* and Omaha *World-Herald*, each lately contained a page article, illustrated with half a dozen cuts, describing the Omaha Fast Mail, running between Chicago and Omaha. The *Oregonian* of Portland, Oregon, recently contained a column editorial noting the improvement in postal facilities. The Chicago *Drovers' Journal* prints a two-column article about the first mail stage running into Chicago and who the proprietors were.

Above are some of the articles I have recently noted in the daily press. It always pays a philatelist, no matter how learned or how young, to peruse such articles. Thus will you store away many bits of information, statistics and anecdotes, which, when you and the boys get together to talk or trade stamps, etc. (you know), will be just the thing you want to say, or the story you want to tell; so never skip or pass by an article relating to stamps or the Post-Office Department.

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*Heligoland, 21 varieties	25
*Hawaiian envelopes, 5 varieties, entire	35
Italy, unpaid, containing 50 and 100 liras, 3 varieties, 1891, and 1c. to 10 liras, 1870, 17 varieties, catalogued at \$1.50	70
Italy, unpaid, 50, 100 liras	40
*Nicaragua, 1891, 10 varieties	40
*Nicaragua, official, 1891, 10 varieties	40
Samoa, 1887, complete, from 1/2 d. to 2sh., 6d. and 2 1/2 d., catalogued, unused, at \$2.65, used, for.	50

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