

FORTUNES HAVE BEEN FOUND IN OLD POSTAGE STAMPS

The other day an envelope was thousand dollars worth of the old found in Vancouver with two old stamps and he is not anywhere near Canadian stamps on it and was sold through yet.

in New York at auction for \$4,000. That gentleman made that money Flying in Canada was born of war. have required years and millions of When burning up a lot of old pa- by knowing that some old stamps had pers on occasion of cleaning up a value. Those up-to-date boys who Courthouse one of the caretakers "cleaned up" that old business and noticed a lot of funny old stamps and only know waste paper as old rubbish just for curiosity fished a few out of have a nice little ten thousand dolthe fire. They fetched several thou- lar business to be sure, but threw sand dollars and the man is wonder- away a dozen times that amount by ing just what size of a huge fortune not looking out for the stamps. Just a little incident by way of

Some sixty-five years ago a school- illustration how to handle stamps. A boy in London took a notion and sent Scotch boy here in Canada a few his pecket money, a few pounds alto- months ago found a trunkful of old gether, to some Postmasters in the correspondence that his grandfather! various British Colonies and asked had exchanged between Scotland and the front during the post-war years, from Great Britain are visiting the half-penny and penny stamps. In him \$52 for the old Canadian stamps quick to establish the necessary code for the future linking of the Empire the parade." those days it took a number of months he found. Unfortunately the boy of laws for aerial navigation. The by airways, and the Post Office Dept. Ceylon, Nova Scotia, Newfoundland velopes with his thumb nail or they was given to a branch of the Royal what will be an Atlantic to Pacific horseback from Columbus Circle to S. Barnard, K.C., M.C., of Cove Value St. dressed like Lady Coding to England. By the time the stamps would have fetched several times the Canadian Air Force, and to-day the air mail route. arrived the boy had lost interest in price. Soaking them off a few min- Dominion is safeguarded by a set of stamps and had joined the navy, utes in water and drying them be- strict regulations governing the li-When the replies came the envelopes tween blotters would have been bet- censing of all mechanics, pilots, air with the stamps were laid aside and ter. Not only were a great many of harbors, international flying signals, forgotten. The boy has long since these stamps damaged when taking and the inspection of air craft. grown old and died. The other day them off the way he did, but also old an old lady going through some old stamps are worth more if left on the effects in the attic of that house ran original envelopes than if taken off. during these recent crowded years of liam M. Jardine's watchful Dept. of Lieutenant-Governor of British Colacross the stamps. She called in a In old business premises, court stamp expert and he helped her to houses, etc., etc., there's many a find

get \$60,000 for those stamps. to be made yet. Also, there's many An old gentleman died the other an attic and corner in old houses in day in New York State. He had run this country where old papers and a little business all his lifetime and letters repose with a fortune in had always had the habit of answer- stamps on them. It well repays the ing his letters, then putting them effort to make a thorough search. back into the envelopes they came in | The writer of this article will be and putting them away on file. When too glad to examine any old stamps he died his business was perhaps for any reader. However passing exworth ten thousand dollars. He left pert opinions on merely description it to his boys who had been through a is useless nor can it be done intellicommercial college course and had gently on samples but anyone caring modern and up-to-date ideas. The to submit stamp collections or accumfirst thing they did was to "clean up." | ulations of old stamps I shall be They hauled several tons of old pa- pleased to give expert opinions and pers from the attics of the old busi- valuations. The envelopes or parness premises and called in a waste cels should be securely packed and paper merchant. They sold him the carry senders as well as my address lot of paper for \$15. The paper man on both sides in case one gets obliterloaded it up on rigs and carted it ated. Address them to the "Hobby away. When the last load was being Corner Editor" of the Canadian carted through the streets, one of Salesman and Agent Magazine, 160 the envelopes fluttered to the ground Princess Street, Winnipeg, Manitoba, and as luck would happen, right at | Canada. the feet of a postage stamp collector who was an expert; and then the fun started. After one glance at the stamp, that gentleman ran after the dray end asked where the paper came from. On being told he immediately rushed to the two boys and they advised him there was no more but that | the Blank Paper Co. bought the lot. He took a taxi and rushed to the paper company only to be informed that these particular loads of paper were already baled and furthermore that they were mixed with a dozen tons of paper and loaded into a railway car ready to go to the paper mill. Asking the value of the car of waste paper and being told it was over a couple of hundred dollars, he promptly offered three hundred dollars, got I did the reels." car and had it shunted to a little warehouse where he rented space and began sorting it, with help of course.

FLYING IN CANADA

reaching out with an ambitious pro- ada's contribution has been along gram of aerial navigation which the sound commercial lines. In 1926, Perhaps Our Farmers May Breeding, warned the Department, most imaginative of the Fathers of 56,000 square miles of Canadian ter-Confederation never entertained even ritory were photographed and mapin their wildest dreams.

Peace came, and the young airmen, dollars if done by ground work. trained in war days, looked to the The year 1927 has brought a prac- kernel of truth in that there is a

administration of these regulations is taking the initial steps towards PRACTICAL PROGRESS.

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civil departments of government for tical acknowledgment by parliament wonderful opportunity for our On employment. They were needed and of this valuable work. Since the war tario and Quebec horse breeders in within two or three years of the close Canada has never spent more than the near future. of the war many of them were in the \$1,500,000 a year for air develop-Royal Canadian Air Force, detect- ment. This year more than \$3,000, ing forest fires, locating smugglers 000 was voted by parliament for the on the boundaries, and mapping out Royal Air Force to be divided between by photography the vast areas of the military and civil flying. Cities are being encouraged to set aside land for Civil flying soon pushed its way to future air harbors, technical advisers

FUTURE BRIGHT.

ADAMSON'S ADVENTURES—By O. Jacobsson.

He Gets Kicked Out.

HORSES! HORSES!

Soon Help the U.S. Out. The U. S. magazine "Time" gives us the following story, and while it

may be a story only, it does hold the

ACUTE SHORTAGE. A native of Detroit met a friend on Broadway, Manhattan. "When are you going back to Detroit?" asked Friend.

"This evening," said Detroiter. and the Government of Canada was Dominion to make recommendations better stay over to-morrow and see ing taken by British capitalists In his anxiety not to be late he sets

You'd better stay over and see." that some interesting developments expected. His plan of campaign is

Canada's future in the air is as- Detroiter. "Why, I haven't seen a of British capital in various Cansured. So certain is the Canadian horse for 20 years!"

come that at the Imperial Conference tell this story are being more apt Dominion may be looked for in the of 1926, Canada pledged herself to than risque, was indicated by a re- near future. The most conspicuous work done the erection of a great mooring mast port last week from Secretary Wil- Sir Frank S. Barnard who was

1920. The next five years will show do not anticipate!" a 30 per cent. or 40 per cent. reduction of their present scanty number. must be stimulated to meet what is already an acute shortage on farms

BRITISH CAPITAL

"Oh, boy! Will I stay?" shouted with regard to the further investment ruined and he's lost the point." adian industries or for the opening Government of the development to That the blase dinner guests who of new industrial enterprises in the

> From what he had been able to gather from British financiers during his visit to England, however, it appeared, he said, that the movement hind. of British capital to this country Don't sway! Swaying-moving present but for the prevalent convic- balance. tion on the other side that the Fedscale in Canada.

Finding Optimistic Viewpoint.

port of en address given in Toronto thoughts. Think only of how to hit recently by Hon. W. R. Motherwell, the ball. to count her blessings instead of re-

"From coast to coast," said Mr. tions that this year the flood of immidevelopment of the country and the five weeks, over thirty thousand new-

realization of its natural resources." comer: tions, he said that though the present the season at over 203,030. This is spring was somewhat late there was good news. We need all the new citino reason for anything but the great- zens we can get, provided they are of est of optimism. He cited the big the right kind, and we ought to get crop of 1915 and said that at mid-June in that year tehre had been no system is largely selective to-day. great promise of such a development

where machinery is impracticable.

LOOKS OVER CANADA

Duties Affect Investors.

umbia from 1914 to 1919, arrived at Quebec recently by the "Empress of France." He was accompanied by a stroke! Lady Barnard.

Canadian Minister of Agriculture, he stated that "Canada is now ready and able to be mindful of the injunction viewing any disadvantages."

TENNIS EXPERT GIVES NEW THEORY

The Old Idea of Anticipating Plays Branded as "Poor Stuff.

The common theory which credits the great tennis player with a chess champion's ability to anticipate his opponent's next move is all bunk according to Major J. C. S. Rendall, three times professional tennis champion of Europe, and a recognized expert on tennis technique, in an article in the current issue of The American Boy Magazine on "Tennis That Wins." Major Rendall carefully explodes the old idea that brains and the ability to out-guess one's opponent count any more in tennis than in -say-boxing.

He observes, "Many times I've heard spectators marvel at the match player's ability to 'anticipate' his opponent's next move. Sometimes have even heard people say that "anticipation'-the faculty of guessing flying history in Canada has been the vast derigibles being built in Agriculture. U.S. horses, said the where the next ball will land—is the the survey work in which the Domin- England to cruise the world through report, and U.S. mules, are decreas- foundation of a good player's skill. ing rapidly in numbers. Their popu- To counteract this idea, let me say, lation is 17 per cent. less than in emphatically, that the best players

MOVE TOWARD BALL.

"To anticipate is to gamble, to guess. The good player does not guess," points out Major Rendall. "His line of thought, if he consciously expressed it, would be along this order: 'The ball that my opponent has just hit is travelling toward me. I don't know exactly where it will fall. But I will gradually move toward it, keeping my feet, my arms, my shoulders always in the proper position to address the ball. Consequently, I can stop whenever I like Income Tax and Succession and be ready to make the return without any adjustment of position.

"This is not anticipation. On the Quebec .- There is a tremendous contrary, it indicates a distinct re-"No, no. Don't do it. You had amount of interest in Canada be- fusal to guess. He guesses too soon. representative of all branches of in- off hotfoot, fatally committed to a "What parade?" asked Detroiter. | dustry in the British Isles at the pre- definite direction. In other words, he "Why, a woman is going to ride sent moment, stated Hon. Sir Frank has anticipated. Often he reaches the

HELPFUL HINTS. Some of the rules that have helped

Major Rendall in his twenty years of match play throughout England, Europe, and India are as follows: Lean toward the ball-never away

Never stand still-except to make

Approach the ball smoothly and easily, using the slide. Slide with your left foot always ahead and your right foot always be-

would be far greater than it is at from side to side-is ruinous to good

Don't run and stop suddenly, take eral income tax and succession duties too long steps, face away from the in the various provinces were high as ball when retiring to the baseling. compared with the rates of similar wave arms and raquet when addresstaxes in England and this acted as ing the ball, stand with stiff knees, or a deterrent to investment on a large stand on one foot to hit the ball. All these cause loss of balance. In playing a base line game stay

five feet behind the line.

In playing a net game get as close to the net as possible. Toronto.-According to a press re- that no room is left for orteide And lastly, concentrate so parnedly

The Tide of Immigration. Already there are ample indica-

Motherwell, "men were now looking gration into Canada is going to be heavy, for the figures so far constifor the optimistic viewpoint, finding heavy, for the figures so far consti-it and forging shead for the greater fute a record since the war. Within disembarked. Official Referring to agricultural condi- estimates at the probable total for the proper type now, seeing that our

It is of the utmost importance, however, after we have secured the "Why do you bring two young men sort of immigrant calculated to deas partners?" asked the dance hostess, velop into a good Canadian citizen, to "I always carry a spare," replied the see that he is welcomed immediately upon his arrival and made to feel that he is welcome from the very beginning of his residence here. First impressions are of incalculable value in this direction. This country's welcome should start

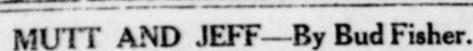
on the disembarkation dock. It should not be delayed until the immigrant has reached his destination. Strangers to our ways and with the natural diffidence of the newcomer amid unusual surroundings and novel conditions, many of the immigrants only need that gesture of cordiality to inspire ther -The Montreal Star.

Mollic-"I wonder how the expression 'an arm of the sea' originated?" Harry (with a tender look)-"Perhaps comebody noticed that it hugged the

A merry party was going on in one of the rooms of a large hotel when the festivities were interrupted by an eltendant, who said: "Gentlemen, I have been cent to ask you to make less noise. The gentleman in the next room says he can't read." "Can't read?' replied the hose. "Go and tell him he ought to be ashame! to say so. Why, I could read when I was five years old."

Did the Reels. Bill-"Gee, what a time I had at the Jim-"Why, you can't dance." BiH (still slightly stewed)-"Oh, but

While tennis is rather a quiet game, it can't be played without a racket.





GAVE CHANG VI Chang Reveals Story His Armored Cars

Those of Cantones Collision. Peking-The tale of h morning and a train cou miraculously held turned

LUCK AND FOG

against the Cantonese in I ince and made possible Ma Tso Lin's rapid advance so just been brought back to the Marshal's son, Gen Hisino-liang. Marshal Chang's troops chow, but their hold up portant railway function ous. They had been unable

heavy artillery across River, and Cantonese held leading southward. Mo Cantonese had an armore many times daily this train ried a big Krupp gun, we the tracks almost to the Cheng-chow, spray mach ever the landscape, and be attal Chang's hearquarters of Chengchow itself. The Northerners had a

train, too, but as the Car knew it was in a repair ! south side of the river, a basily demaged. After four days of this s

Northerners managed to train-but this the Canton The merning of the fifth

position train. The shells

the chief of staff, and more ty of the 100 men who were The crippied Southern wounded were sent to be the Northern train, which I

out and made a surprise ? Cantonese line which car ried retreat of the whole on couthward to Yencheng, a Peking faction control of t "And the best of it all, eral Chang, "is that our t nothing. We captured it

tained a scretch nor a casp

Pass last spring from Mi Y lising. The Sense of Hu

Katharine M. Wilson in Centemporary Review: humor purges away bitter ing our hartful experience where they delight our m of harassing them; by it v our discomforts, especial pect. In fact, this make significance of humor, its raison detre. Things are in theseselves, only as we go; humor depends more tude of mind than on so trinsically ludicrous in t situation. And it is not ar much as a point of view; gion "a sense of humor" this, for we do not talk o

Russian Birds for Calgary, Alta. - Arra#2 being made to bring wave cies of game birds to Alb cluded among these will of Russian "cock of the the Estonian Government pary Pish and Game As import pheasants and bol from England. The few s gerian partridges liberate 20 years ago have now hundreds of thousands a pacted that the game birds cd from the Estonian Gov fare no well in western have the Eungarian parts

an Economic Union of Eur to preserve European i made even greater headw. supposed .- Sir Alfred Mor

The idea of the necessi