COLLECTING POST CARDS
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The Perils of the Philatelic Sea are many and great, and we the poor Philatelists, launched in boats of paper succumb to all the storms that rage thereon, yet perhaps our boats are of more than paper for to-day we resist some of the many storms manfully and often successfully. But to make a long story short let us here try to remedy something that, to some, may be one of the “Perils.”

The collecting of Post Cards, unless carried on properly is dangerous; sometimes I have known collectors to collect post cards in the same album with their stamps. This is a very risky thing to do and should be avoided by collectors, for some of their stamps on the same paper will, most likely, get spoiled by the cards. Cards should never be in the same book with stamps for damage will always come of it.

Some collectors put a hinge on the top corners of the card and paste it on the opposite page to the stamps and every time they open or close their albums the consequence is this card flapping about tears off half a dozen stamps and often damages some.

To insure against damage, if a collector intends collecting post cards and stamps together he should have a separate album for each, and in this way none of his stamps will be hurt and he will have a much more picturesque collection.

Post cards do make a very pretty array especially unused and often a very valuable one as also do envelopes and arranged in design they would catch the eye of many a non-philatelist and perhaps add one more to our ranks. But please don’t discourage him by opening your album to show your collection and exhibit several stamps pulled off and hurt by the card on the opposite page.