Was the "Junior" older than we thought?, by the editor with material from Glenn Morgan

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Just as anthropologists and archaeologists make new discoveries which put the origins of the human species even further back in time, Glenn Morgan has discovered a short item in a 19th century newspaper which suggests that the idea of a Junior Philatelic Society, the forerunner of the National, was mooted several years before the Junior was founded in 1899.

He has found a copy of *The Daily News* dated November 3rd 1891 which carries a gossip column article suggesting a group of philatelists were thinking of setting up a Junior Philatelic Society which would complement the London Philatelic Society, precursor of the Royal. The piece can be found in the third column of the full page under the heading "This Morning's News", and there is also some reference to Queen Victoria's Jubilee, which might also be of interest.

The actual article is also shown and I leave readers to ponder whether Fred Melville, founder of the Junior, had a hand in the 1891 proposal, or did he take up an idea launched by other philatelists and finally push it to fruition eight years later. I would like to hear from readers who might shed more light on our Society's origins.

Michael L.Goodman

It is good sport for some to sneer at the postage-stamp collecting enthusiasts, "Philately"—to give it its own proud distinguishing appellation—still flourishes and grows. terest. ss In token of this fact, it is now proposed to establish in London a "Junior Philatelic Society." me was end. The word "junior," we are warned, is to be interpreted as referring to the status of the society rather than to the age of those who wish to ho become members thereof. "Let it," says the Government understood that it is not in the spirit of opposition that such a society is started, as the Philatelic Society of London has done and is doing

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