

Contrasting with March issue this one focusses on a few events : the annual Chelles photo event and the 2018 Club general assembly.

The most intriguing feature is a letter in French sent in 1853 or 1854 by Charles Wheatstone from Paris to Lord Lyon Playfair. The main subject of the letter is a new cyphering technique based on di-or trigrams, which tool is a cube! This technique was shortly adopted by the British Ministry for Foreign Affairs. Regarding stereoscopy C.W. relates the disappointment of abbot Moigno, former secretary of (François) Arago, when he presented a Brewster stereoscope to the French Academy of sciences and found out that many attendees could only see with one eye. He also mentions the name of several galleries where stereoscopic pictures were on display.

Please allow me to “like” a 3D portrait of our friends Manuelle Toussaint & Michel Mikloweit by Pierre Meindre.

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