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Newly Issued Stamps.

**BIOPAL.**—Inscribed octagonal frame enclosing Indian inscription:

$\frac{1}{4}$  anna, sq. black.  
 $\frac{1}{2}$  " " rose.

**DANISH WEST INDIES.**—Same as the 1874 issue:

5 cents, rect. grey & green.  
10 " " brown & blue.

**EAST INDIES.**—Head in variously shaped frames; **EAST INDIA POSTAGE** in upper part of frame and value in letters in lower:

9 pies, rect. violet.  
6 annas, rect. bistre.  
12 " " brown.

**HOLLAND.**—Large figure of value on circle in centre; **NEDERLAND** at top and **CENT** at bottom; figure of value in angles:

$\frac{1}{4}$  cent, rect. rose.  
1 " " green.  
2 " " yellow.  
 $2\frac{1}{2}$  " " purple.

**HONGKONG.**—The 30 cent violet, surcharged **TWENTY EIGHT CENTS** in black 28 cents, rect. violet.

**JAPAN.**—Similar to last issue of adhesive stamps:

**POSTAL CARDS.**

5 rin, oval, orange.  
1 sen, oval, blue.

**MAURITIUS.**—The 10 penny stamp of 1872 surcharged **HALF PENNY** in black  $\frac{1}{2}$  penny, rect. marone.

**MONTSERRAT.**—The Antigua stamps surcharged **MONTSERRAT** in black at top:

1 penny, rect. red.  
6 pence, rect. green

**NEWFOUNDLAND.**—Same as 1866-68 issue:

5 cents, oblong, blue.

**NEW ZEALAND.**—The 1874 1 penny adhesive in upper right corner, **POST CARD. NEW ZEALAND. THE ADDRESS** etc. surrounded by frame:

**POSTAL CARD.**

1 penny, rect. brown on buff

**NORWAY:** Drammen.—2s in centre; **BY** on left, **DRAMMEN** at top, **POST** on right:

2 skillings, sq. blue.

**PERSIA.**—Head of shah on circle in centre; Persian lion below, value in Turkish numerals in upper angles and in Arabic numerals in lower angles.

Printed in black on colored ground:

1 shahi, rect. lilac.  
2 " " green.  
5 " " rose.  
10 " " blue.

**PERU.**—Similar to the 2 c. stamp of 1874:

10 centavos, rect. green.

**TASMANIA.**—Same as 1870:

4 pence, rect. yellow.

**TURKEY.**—Crescent, enclosing Turkish inscription, resting on curved band inscribed **EMP: OTTOMAN**; value below and in Turkish numerals at sides.

Printed in color on colored ground:

10 paras, rect. black on blue.  
20 " " brown on green.  
50 " " blue on yellow.  
2 piasters, rect. black on yellow.  
5 " " red on blue.  
15 " " carmine on red.

**NOTES.**

The final **E** is now omitted on the 10 pfennig envelope stamp of the German Empire.

A certain party in Hoboken, N. J. has succeeded in changing blue to green and amuses himself by altering the 100 c. blue of the 1866 issue of Bolivia. The altered stamps have a dull, dirty appearance whereas the original is of the same color as the 5 c.

The new 5 c. stamp of Newfoundland is rouletted instead of perforated.

The 5 bani stamp of Roumania is now very poorly printed in bistre on white.

We have seen the 1 p. orange of 1872 and the 20 c. brown of 1866, of Peru, cut diagonally and used in place of the 10 c.

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Damask,	7	25
Marble,	8	30
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Antigua,	3	15
Argentine Republic, 1867.	3	15
Austria, 1850.	5	8
Baden, 1853-7.	4	10
Brazil, 1866.	7	25
Canada, 1868.	6	12
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