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### The Week's News.

The Editor is always pleased to receive Early Information of New Issues, or of Discoveries interesting to Stamp Collectors, and will acknowledge such contributions either by name in the journal or by the presentation of several interesting newly-issued stamps, as preferred.

The index number and serial letter after the title of each paragraph indicate the issue of E.W.S.N. in which the last reference to that country appeared.

**GREAT BRITAIN.** — Unadhesive Stamps (422 R 432).—Mr. Oswald Marsh has shown us a new date on the Provisional Registration Stamp, die 5, with band III., viz., 4.3.78. The same correspondent has also shown us a proof set of the Illustrated London News Newspaper Stamps, 1d. die N1, 1½d. die O1 and 2d. die P1, struck on a half sheet of white wove notepaper, and surcharged "Specimen" in red. Till now no specimen copies of any of the special Newspaper Dies had come to our notice.

**Cheque Dies** (431 M 432).—We have seen dies GD 2.5.07 and GK 11.9.07, also thistle L, 12.9.07.

**BERMUDA** (389 V 432). — The Colonial Stamp Market has shown us the following novelty.



Adhesive. Wmk. Crown CA multiple, ordinary paper.  
2d. orange, centre greenish-grey.

Issued 12.12.07 or earlier.

**BRITISH POST OFFICES, LEVANT** (419 C 432).—All the stamps surcharged with value in piastres have been withdrawn from issue, except the 1 piastre on 2½d. blue. No one seems to have foreseen this, although now we come to think of it, it was obviously necessitated by the reduction in the postal rates to 1½d. per ounce for all ounces after the first.

A letter from England to Constantinople costs 2½d. for the first ounce and 1½d. each succeeding ounce, but the reply has hitherto cost one piastre or 40 paras (equal to 2d.) or a multiple of one piastre. Instead of stamps of 1, 2, 4, 12 and 24 piastres, there are now required therefore others of 1, 1½, 3½, 9½, 18½ or say in even figures 1, 1½, 3, 9, 18. It is not unlikely changes may be made also in the stamps of the French, German, Italian and Russian Levant Post Offices. The Austrian Post Office has already issued a 30 paras (or ¾ piastre) stamp.

**CAYMAN ISLANDS** (431 W 432).—Last week we chronicled a second provisional, and this week the Colonial Stamp Market has shown us a third. All the 1d. stamps having been surcharged ½d., there is now a shortage of the former and consequently some of the 5/- stamps have now been surcharged 1d.



1d

Adhesive. Surcharged in black approximately as above.  
1d. on 5/- red and green.

Issued 29.11.07 or earlier. We illustrate a strip of three of this stamp on the entire envelope and also a block of the ½d. on 5/-. Concerning the ½d. on 1d., R. D. writes:—

"With reference to the Cayman Islands Provisional issue, of 'One halfpenny' on the penny current issue postage stamp, chronicled in your issue of 12.10.07, have any readers of your publication observed an abnormal specimen of the overprint in question: viz.: a 'comma' situated in the upper portion of the 'o' in the word one? The stamp on which this occurs, is situated in the bottom row of pane, and the last to the right hand side. The specimen which I have before me is an unused one, consequently cannot be a mark caused by any accidental means, such as a

### Cayman Islands: A Second Provisional.

The overprint is very crudely handstamped, and we have not seen a specimen in which the "1" comes out clearly. Traces of the multiple Crown CA watermark may be seen on the margin.



spot of ink from the cancellation stamp used in the Post Office, or otherwise, but is a clear and unmistakable impression, and the comma (which it appears to be) is produced in the overprinting. It requires no magnifying glass to see this peculiarity, as it is quite, if not more distinct than the full stop after the word halfpenny. I should be glad to hear if any of your readers have discovered a similar specimen."

G. W. writes:—

"Re Cayman Islands ½d. on 1d., I have two of these stamps without any stop after Halfpenny. The impression of the overprint has so fallen as to leave the . over one of the holes in the perforation, with the result that no impression has been taken. I notice in the sheet you illustrated that the overprint was well centred. I have a strip of 12 with it much at one side. The Y in one case turns right over to next stamp."

W. P. writes:—

"I recently received from the Cayman Islands 10 1d. stamps surcharged one-halfpenny, and on comparing them with the sheet you illustrated in Stamp News I find those received to be different in more ways than one, viz.—

1st.—The surcharge is slanting, and most of them are so printed that the Y of penny is printed on the perforation, and in one case the stop after the Y falls on the next stamp,

and in two cases there is no stop showing owing to it falling where the hole of the perforation comes.

2nd—On one of the stamps the penny in halfpenny seems to have dropped and is slightly lower than the word "half."

3rd—The first N in penny is broken on one stamp only.

4th—The ny seems to be smudged."

[The surcharge does not appear to us to be different, the stamps being rather surcharged off centre.—Ed.]

G. W. writes further:—

"Re Cayman Islands, ½d. on 1d. Supplementing my recent Post Card on the above stamps. I find on further examination a peculiar 'Over print' on one of the stamps a rough sketch of which I enclose. There are the faintest of faint inkmarks on other parts of the stamp which would suggest that this is something like a double surcharge. It only happens, however, on the one stamp out of a strip of twelve. It is the stamp immediately on the left of the stamp which is attached to the control number. Will this constitute a minor variety?"

**DENMARK** (422 R 432).—A correspondent sends us the new Xmas stamp for 1907. It is of course only of minor interest to stamp collectors,

### Cayman Islands: A Third Provisional.

Having surcharged all the 1d. stamps to make halfpenny ones, a provisional 1d. has now had to be provided. We are fortunately able to illustrate this also.



On His Majesty



England.

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These Sheets are newly mounted this week.

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# Approval Sheets of New Issues.

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having no value for payment of postage although sold at post offices. It bears portraits of the King and Queen, is printed in light grey-blue and black and is inscribed "Glædelig Jul; Godt Nyt Aar!" (literally, a Merry Christmas and good New Year). Issued 1.12.07 or earlier.

**MALAY STATES** (427 E 432). — The Colonial Stamp Market has shown us the following novelty.



*Adhesive.* Wmk. Crown CA multiple, chalk-surface paper. 2 green and carmine.

Issued 4.12.07 or earlier.

**PAPUA** (427 X 432).—The permanent set is beginning to make its appearance, the first specimen being shown us by Miss Brooks.



*Adhesive.* Design as above, but "Papua" instead of "British New Guinea"; the centre part is printed from the old plate probably whilst the frame with new title and value is lithographed.

3d. light green and black, wmk. Crown and double-lined A upright, perf. 11.

Earliest postmark seen, 6.11.07.

**ROUMANIA** (423 L 432).—*L'Echo de la Timbrologie* now cancels its previous chronicle of a new set to appear on 1.1.08 (particulars of which we reproduced in *E.W.S.N.*, No. 423). The issue has been indefinitely postponed.

**SOUTH AUSTRALIA** (429 M 432).—Sheets of the new 10d. just received by the Colonial Stamp Market have the consecutive numbers "10d. 119" onward in orange-brown at the top righthand corner.

**SOUTHERN NIGERIA** (421 Q 432).—The Colonial Stamp Market has shown us several novelties.



*Adhesives.*

(i.) Wmk. Crown CA multiple, ordinary paper. 2d. red-brown and pale grey (instead of black).

(ii.) Wmk. Crown CA multiple, chalk-surface paper). 4d. pale green and black (paler green than before).

6d. bright mauve and black (brighter mauve than before).

5/- yellow and black.

20/- pale violet and green (paler violet than before).

Issued 10.12.07 or sooner: the 4d. was issued 11.07 or earlier.

The consecutive numbers on sheets of the 1d. all rose, 3d. chalk-surface and 1/- chalk-surface just received are respectively 2618, 014 and 669. The 1/2d. all green and 2 1/2d. all blue have not yet been issued and the 10/- Southern Nigeria is not at present obtainable at Lagos.

**ST. LUCIA** (429 Y 432).—The following two novelties have been shown us by Mr. James Rhodes.



*Adhesives.* Wmk. Crown CA multiple, ordinary paper.

1/2d. all green. 1d. all rose.

Earliest postmark seen, 2.12.07.

**SWITZERLAND** (431 D 432). — Another value of the Tell design is chronicled in *The Postage Stamp* of 21.12.05/169.



*Adhesive.* No wmk., perf. 11 1/2. 3c. pale brown.

The earliest postmark we have seen on the 2c. yellow is 14.12.07.

**TRINIDAD** (424 Q 432).—Mr. E. J. Brewer, Jr., writes under date of 18.12.07:—

"I received a parcel from Trinidad yesterday, franked with the two 1/- stamps enclosed which have the single watermark. The only difference between them and my 'old' 1/- stamps, that I have noticed, is that these new arrivals have the words "one shilling" in thinner type.

"I should be glad of your opinion as to how they come to be used now. As all the other 1/- stamps I have had lately from the same correspondent have had the new wmk. ?

"Are they going back to the 'single' again, or do you think that old stock is being used up ?

"The parcels I receive are all posted at the same office (Port of Spain).

"I thought you might like to hear of this as it struck me as being rather curious."

The 1/- Trinidad stamps with single watermark have at least once previously been re-issued after the multiples appeared, so that we think it a case of the stock being mixed. The same thing happened with the 4d. value; new stock being placed on the top and issued first.

In *E.W.S.N.* No. 415, we chronicled the 1/- lilac on yellow, on the authority of Mr. A. W. Macgregor Frame, but nothing seems to be known of it in Trinidad. Is this another case of a new issue appearing for a short time before old stock is exhausted ?

**VICTORIA** (429 O 432).—We are informed by the Rev. J. H. Rice that he has the 2/- value, punctured OS, with Crown A watermark. This value has not yet been reported with the new watermark.

*Adhesive.* Wmk. Crown A, perf. —? 2/- blue on rose. Punctured OS.

The 5/- perf. 11 recently chronicled is already out of issue but is of course liable at any time to be reprinted.

**Our Prize Competitions.**

No. 1. APPROVAL DEPT. (Current Issues).

To the competitor who has purchased by the end of next week the most stamps from our approval sheets of current issues (informing us at the time he wishes the number to compete) we will send post free a copy of "Our Own Times" Postage Stamp Album. This album is specially arranged for King's Head stamps and other current colonial issues.

*Result, Week ending 28th December, 1907.*

	Stamps
FL (winner and 8th last week) ...	136
1P (runner-up and also last week) ...	134
BC (3rd last week) ...	104
GK (4th last week) ...	87
WP (6th last week) ...	82
LW (5th last week) ...	81
JN (7th last week) ...	69
PN (9th last week) ...	63
RB ...	53

Non-winners' totals are carried forward to next week.

No. 2. APPROVAL DEPT. (Old Issues).

To the competitor who has purchased by the end of next week the most stamps from our approval sheets of old issues (informing us at the time he wishes the number to compete) we will present a copy of the "Good Old Times" Postage Stamp Album (no watermarks, perforations, surcharges, minor varieties).

SECTION II.—EUROPE AND COLONIES.

*Result, Week ending 28th December, 1907.*

GA (winner and runner-up last week) ...	83
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JI (3rd last week) ...	61
JE (5th last week) ...	57
JH (9th last week) ...	36
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SECTION III.—REST OF THE WORLD.

Same conditions as No. 2 but only open to winners of No. 2. The prize is Part III. of the Album.

GP (winner) ...	20
JF (runner up) ...	19
RW ...	9

Non-winners' totals are carried forward to next week. Winners residing abroad will be required to pay carriage and customs charges if any.

The awards are made and albums posted every Monday.

Since our main object in giving these albums away is to get them known, winners can repay us by showing them to stamp-collecting friends as well as by purchasing stamps.

No. 3. EDITORIAL COMPETITION.

The competitor who sends us the most interesting item of information for our New Issue column each week will be credited 2/6, which must be claimed within seven days (allowance to foreign readers) and may be selected from any of our approval sheets. From time to time we shall voluntarily increase the prize.

21st December, 1907.

JH for note on Western Australia (2/6).

Winners are requested to make early application for their prizes.

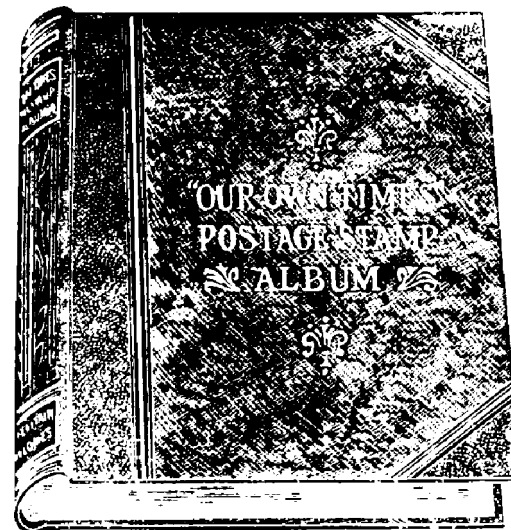
A Newcastle-on-Tyne winner writes (30.11.07):—"I received the 'Good Old Times' Album safely on Tuesday. It is quite beyond my expectations, being really a beautiful volume and so concise."

Mrs. G. writes again (23.12.07):—"I like the album more every day and it is a real pleasure putting in my stamps. I am only putting in unused and they look lovely."

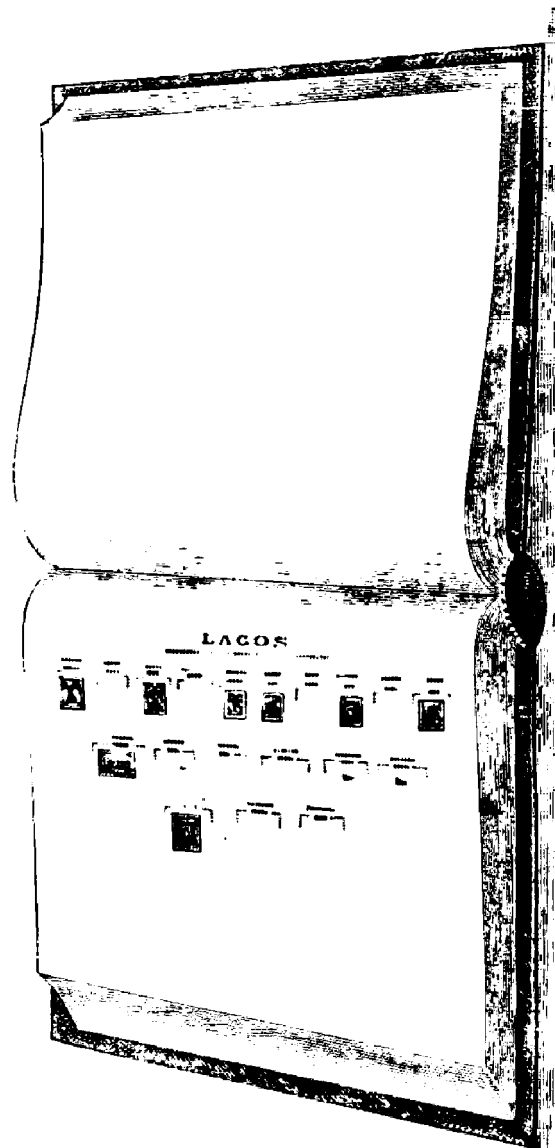
A Liverpool winner writes (17.10.07).—"I have to thank you for 'The Old Times' Album sent to me on Monday last. Like everything else sent out by your firm it is, of its kind, the very best."

**Our Albums.**

We are now able to give two illustrations of our new albums. They are bound alike, as shown in the following illustration.



The album opens as shown in the following illustration, thus enabling two albums to be compared close together.



There is plenty of blank space for additional varieties and a blank quadrillé-ruled page after each colony, so that the album provides space for New Issues for many years to come. The complete set will be as follows:—

Simplified System.

- † Part I. Great Britain and Colonies.
- \* Part II. Europe and Colonies.
- \* Part III. Rest of World.

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- \* Part I. Great Britain and Colonies.
- \* These are all published.

† Expected early in 1908.

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Limit of value required. 1/-, 5/-, 10/-, £1, £20	
Quantities required. x1, x2, x4, etc.	
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£1 " " " " " 23/4.
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## The Week's News.

The Editor is always pleased to receive Early Information of New Issues, or of Discoveries interesting to Stamp Collectors, and will acknowledge such contributions either by name in the journal or by the presentation of several interesting newly-issued stamps, as preferred.

The index number and serial letter after the title of each paragraph indicate the issue of E.W.S.N. in which the last reference to that country appeared.

**GREAT BRITAIN.**—*Cheque Dies* (431 M 433).—We have cheque die G.M., 27.9.07. Those known of the current series are:—Rose, AA to GM except DK, DN, DT to DW, EI, EU, FK to FN, FS, GE to GJ, GL; Thistle, A to L, P; Shamrock, A to J except H.

*Record Dates of Use* (427 T 433).—The following new record has been shown us:—  
1d. red, plate 145. —on, 16.4.71. Mr. F. J. Cowan.

**AUSTRIA** (429 W 433).—The new stamps were duly issued on 1.1.08 and are a little better than photographs of them led us to expect, but we fancy the business population will not like their size.

Mr. A. D. Jenny writes:—"The Ministry of Commerce has ordered that the Jubilee stamps shall be issued on the 1st January, 1908, and that the old stamps shall keep their currency until the 31st May, 1908, becoming obsolete as from 1st June. The old stamps will be exchanged for new up to the 1st July, without charge. In the course of 1908, new envelopes, postcards, etc. will also be issued."

The values are as follows:—

Adhesives.	
1h. grey	Karl VI.
2h. blue-violet	Maria Theresa.
3h. red-violet	Joseph II.
5h. green	Franz Joseph I. (1908).
6h. yellow	Leopold II.
10h. rose-red	Franz Joseph I. (1908).
12h. red	Franz I.
20h. brown	Ferdinand I.
25h. blue	Franz Joseph I. (1908).
30h. olive	" (1848).
35h. grey-blue	" (1875).
50h. green	" (Marshal's uniform).
60h. red	" (on horseback).
1k. viol. & carm.	" (Order of Golden Fleece).
2k. olive & red	Castle of Schönbrunn.
5k. viol. & yel.	Hofburg.
10k. brn, blue & gold	Franz Joseph I.

**CAYMAN ISLANDS** (432 X 433).—We understood that only 12 sheets or 1440 of the 5/- had been surcharged "½d." but Mr. J. G. McNaughtan, writing under date of 2.1.08 says there were 19 sheets of the ½d. on 5/- and 15 of the 1d. on 5/-. Be this as it may, how comes it that there were so many thousands of the 5/- value in stock; why were they printed?

**GRENADA** (420 Z 433).—The following novelty is shown us by Mr. Vint.



Adhesive. Wmk. Crown CA multiple, chalk-surface paper.  
6d. lilac and green.

Issued 20.12.07 or earlier.

**LABUAN** (425 Z 433).—We understood that the issue surcharged "Straits Settlements" was first made on 1.1.07 but we have just seen three specimens of the 2c. postmarked 21.12.06. They appeared to be genuine.

With regard to the error "no stop after Cents," Mr. Saw Hock Taik writes, under date of 7.12.07:—

"I notice in your *Weekly*, No. 425, of 16th inst., of an error having been found in the issue of Labuan surcharged Straits Settlements of 4/18 cents without stop after cents.

"I may state that I received a consignment of these stamps from the Labuan Post Office in March last and at once noticed the errors, but did not wish to make it known to the philatelists

of your city about the matter with a view of seeing what magazine would be the first to discover it.

"I have also several copies in pairs and sheets of another value, that is 4/12 cents, with the same errors. This was found on the 8th stamp of the 1st and 6th row in the sheet No. 70.

"I may mention that I also discover that the surcharge is not uniform in kind, but are in some cases n/m apart. To satisfy you upon this point, I enclose you a pair for your information on condition, however, that you will inform your readers in your paper as having received this communication from my firm (the Straits Stamp Company).

"I am inclined to believe that only four or five sheets of these stamps had been printed in error, and as these had never been discovered before, I must say, I have every reason to believe that I am the only person who possess and can show these varieties.

"I should be glad if you can see your way to dispose of the above pair to any of your subscribers who care for these varieties for the sum of £5, which I consider much cheaper than 1 cent Brunei black surcharge."

[The pair of 4 on 12c. enclosed by our correspondent shows one stamp without stop after "Cents" but we do not notice any other variation. The Colonial Stamp Market did not value the varieties found by it at anything approaching £5.—Ed.]

**MALAY STATES** (432 F 433).—Mr. G. A. Berwin writes that he has had the \$1 on chalky-paper since the beginning of 12.07. It must therefore have been issued in 11.07 or earlier.



Adhesive. Wmk. Crown CA multiple, chalky paper.  
\$1 green.

**ROUMANIA** (432 M 433).—*L'Echo de la Timbrologie* (15.12.07) says that the following remainders have been recently offered by auction at the instance of the Roumanian Post Office. There was a reserve on the second lot of £8,000, but the highest bid was £2,000.

First Lot.

40,000 sets of the Charity stamps of 1905-06, S.G. Cat. Nos. 551 to 566.

Second Lot.



1 ban .. 1,121,349	25 bani .. 23,759
3 bani .. 98,816	40 .. 170,109
5 .. 725,215	50 .. 153,870
10 .. 598,877	1 leu .. 185,510
15 .. 180,011	2 lei .. 232,262



(Various designs of which the above is one).

1 ban .. 1,302,334	25 bani ..
3 bani .. 689,625	(error) .. 250,000
5 .. 493,642	40 bani .. 479,267
10 .. 1,046,413	50 .. 425,685
15 .. 287,571	1 leu .. 450,085
25 .. 458,796	2 lei .. 478,046

The total face value of lot 2 is 3,122,294 lei 86 bani or about £120,000. Even at £8,000 they would be reduced to one-fifteenth face value. They were not however sold, but may of course be offered again.

In November last, 400,000 sets of the four charity stamps issued in 1907 (*Catalogue Officiel* Nos. 180 to 183) were offered at auction and were sold for 20,000 francs (£800). They are now said to be selling at 8 centimes (about ½d.) per set amongst the Bucharest dealers, although catalogued 11d.

The postal authorities are also now selling the used stamps from money order forms, etc.

**ST. LUCIA** (432 Z 433).—We were informed by Messrs. Coates & Marsh on 30.12.07 that they had received the 2½d. all blue, so that it must have been issued at least as early as 20.12.07.



Adhesive. Wmk. Crown CA multiple, ordinary paper.  
2½d. all blue.

## Another Change in British Colonial Stamps.

(From the *Bazaar, Exchange & Mart*.)

THE recent decision of the postal authorities to the effect that every British stamp shall in future have its value printed in numbers (instead of, or as well as, printed letters signifying a number) will have more wide-spreading results than most collectors at present imagine. Counting up the number of British Colonial stamps whose value is expressed in words only, the total is not much below a hundred. If every stamp in the Empire is to be brought into line with this regulation the change will be far-reaching.

Take Antigua and Dominica first. The values on the present issues, up to 2s. 6d., are expressed in words only. There have been enough changes in these two Colonies lately to satisfy the most exacting specialist—CC's, CA's, multiples, chalkies, and a possibility of unicolour in place of bicolour—and on the top of this there is now the prospect of a change in design, involved by the addition of the value on each stamp in figures.

Bahamas, ½d. to 1s., have their values expressed in words only. So have the majority of stamps of Barbados, Cyprus, Hong Kong, the 1s. and 5s. Leeward Islands, 1 rupee Mauritius, and most of the lower values of India—including all Indian Native States of the corresponding denominations.

The change will apparently affect Gibraltar from the ½d. value up to £1. The same may be the case with Malta (up to 2s. 6d.); Montserrat (up to 2/6); St. Kitts (all through). Turks Island and Trinidad are also affected throughout, and West Australia with the exception of the 2s., 2s. 6d., and £1. Others that occur to mind are the 3d., 6d., and 1s. Jamaica, N.S. Wales 4d. to 1s., the newly-issued 6d. of New Zealand, and some of the values of South Australia.

These occur as examples on looking casually through the catalogue; no doubt a patient investigator could amplify the list. If these stamps are to bear Arabic numerals in future, the design will have to be altered to admit the numeral, and a fresh issue be thus created. The change may occupy some time, and be spread over perhaps a couple of years; still, the collector will act wisely who gathers such stamps as are likely to be affected by the change. Beyond doubt opportunities for good investment will occur here. There is at present no very great demand for some of the stamps that are threatened with alteration, and should it occur suddenly some of them would be found to be scarce.

The paragraph conveying the news of this change is in the *Colonial Office Journal*, page 164 of the October number, and is as follows: "Another point which is of considerable interest

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We have now incorporated in these sheets a £1000 Collection of British Colonials.

<p><b>GREAT BRITAIN AND COLONIES.</b> (2691 different sorts exist).</p> <p>479 Gt. Britain, miscellaneous used</p> <p>105 Antigua and Bahamas</p> <p>106 Barbados</p> <p>107 Bechuanaland and Cayman Is.</p> <p>480 B.C.A.</p> <p>108 Bermuda</p> <p>109 B. Honduras</p> <p>462 B. Columbia &amp; Vancouver Is.</p> <p>110 B.E.A.</p> <p>111 B. Guiana</p> <p>112 B.S.A.</p> <p>113 Cape Colony</p> <p>114 Ceylon, Pence issues and 1st Cents issue</p> <p>481 Ceylon, Cents issue</p> <p>115 Cook Islands</p> <p>116 Cyprus</p> <p>104 Canada, 1870-97</p> <p>117 " 1859-70, used</p> <p>118 " 1851-68</p> <p>119 " 1897-1904</p> <p>120 " jubilee and Map</p> <p>121 Dominica</p> <p>122 Falkland Islands</p> <p>123 Fiji Islands</p> <p>124 Gambia</p> <p>125 Gibraltar</p> <p>126 Gold Coast</p> <p>127 Grenada</p> <p>469 Heligoland and Ionian Islands</p> <p>128 Hong Kong</p> <p>129 East India</p> <p>130 India (Empire)</p> <p>131 Jamaica</p> <p>357 " used</p> <p>132 Labuan, Queen's Head</p> <p>133 " Pictorial</p> <p>483 " 1895-03</p> <p>134 Lagos</p> <p>135 Leeward Islands</p> <p>348 Madagascar, British Post.</p> <p>136 Malta</p> <p>137 Mauritius, Pence issues</p> <p>488 " Cents "</p> <p>138 Montserrat and Nevis</p> <p>139 Natal</p> <p>140 New Brunswick, Nova Scotia</p> <p>141 Newfoundland, 1857-80</p> <p>482 " 1880-1905</p> <p>488 New Republic</p> <p>142 New South Wales, 1850-53</p> <p>143 " 1862-97</p> <p>144 New Zealand, 1st design</p> <p>145 " "</p> <p>146 Niger Coast</p> <p>147 " "</p> <p>148 North Borneo, 1883-1889</p> <p>486 " Pictorial issues</p> <p>149 Northern Nigeria</p> <p>150 Orange Free State and Colony</p> <p>498 Prince Edward Is.</p> <p>151 Queensland, 1860-79</p> <p>152 " 1882-96</p> <p>153 " (current issues)</p> <p>492 " 1891-1907</p> <p>154 St. Christopher</p>	<p>155 St. Helena</p> <p>156 St. Lucia</p> <p>157 St. Vincent</p> <p>158 Sarawak</p> <p>159 Seychelles</p> <p>160 Sierra Leone</p> <p>161 S. Australia, 1855-1887</p> <p>162 " long stamps</p> <p>163 S. Nigeria</p> <p>499 Solomon Is. and Somaliland</p> <p>487 Stella and Tobago</p> <p>164 Straits</p> <p>434 "</p> <p>165 Malay States</p> <p>166 Johore</p> <p>167 Negri Sembilan and Pahang</p> <p>168 Perak</p> <p>169 Selangor and Sungei Ujong</p> <p>170 Tasmania, 1851-1892</p> <p>452 " 1892-1906</p> <p>171 Tonga</p> <p>172 Transvaal, 1869-1885</p> <p>173 " 1896 and Pietersburg</p> <p>489 " 1894-07</p> <p>174 Trinidad</p> <p>175 Turks Islands and Virgin Islds.</p> <p>176 Uganda</p> <p>177 Victoria, 1851-1862</p> <p>490 " 1863-1885</p> <p>178 " 1885-1887</p> <p>491 " 1900-1906</p> <p>179 Western Australia</p> <p>180 Zanzibar</p> <p>181 Zululand</p>	<p><b>EUROPE AND COLONIES.</b> (3545 different sorts exist).</p> <p>182 Austria, 1833-90</p> <p>183 " 1890-96</p> <p>184 " 1891-1905</p> <p>185 Austrian F.P.O., 1850-67</p> <p>186 " 1883-1903</p> <p>187 Bavaria, 1849-67</p> <p>188 " 1867-74</p> <p>189 Belgium, 1849-68</p> <p>190 " 1868-1906</p> <p>191 Bosnia, 1879-1901</p> <p>192 " 1906</p> <p>193 Bulgaria</p> <p>194 Crete</p> <p>195 Bosnia</p> <p>435 "</p> <p>196 Denmark, unused</p> <p>197 Danish West Indies</p> <p>198 Finland, 1860-75</p> <p>199 " 1890-1900</p> <p>200 France, Head of Liberty</p> <p>201 " 1849-70</p> <p>202 " Peace and Commerce</p> <p>203 " 1849-06, unused</p> <p>204 " 1900-06</p> <p>361 " used</p> <p>205 French Foreign P.O., 1902</p> <p>206 French Colonies, Part I.</p> <p>207 " Part II.</p> <p>208 Djibouti</p> <p>209 Obock</p> <p>412 Guadeloupe</p>	<p>413 Indo-China</p> <p>414 Madagascar and New Caledonia</p> <p>210 French Somali Coast</p> <p>211 French Congo, Guyana &amp; Guinea</p> <p>212 French West Africa</p> <p>213 Tunisia</p> <p>214 Germany, 1868-75</p> <p>215 " 1875-79</p> <p>216 Germany, 1859-1902</p> <p>217 German Colonies</p> <p>415 German Colonies, used and un.</p> <p>218 Alsace and Brunswick</p> <p>219 Baden, Bergedorf and Bremen</p> <p>220 Hamburg, Hanover and Lubeck</p> <p>405 Mecklenburg Schw. and Str. and Oldenburg</p> <p>406 Prussia</p> <p>407 Saxony</p> <p>408 Schleswig-Holstein</p> <p>409 Thurn and Taxis</p> <p>477 Greece, 1896 used</p> <p>478 " 1901-1906, used</p> <p>470 " cheap used</p> <p>315 " 1861-96</p> <p>316 " 1901-06</p> <p>223 Holland, 1852-72</p> <p>224 " 1876-91</p> <p>225 Holland, 1891-99</p> <p>226 Dutch Indies, 1870-83</p> <p>227 " 1892-93</p> <p>228 Curaçao</p> <p>229 Suriname</p> <p>230 Hungary, 1871-1898</p> <p>231 " 1900</p> <p>232 Iceland</p> <p>233 Italy, 1851-90</p> <p>234 " 1890-95</p> <p>420 " unused</p> <p>235 Italian States</p> <p>403 "</p> <p>236 Luxembourg</p> <p>237 Monaco</p> <p>238 Montenegro (1st type)</p> <p>239 " (later issues)</p> <p>423 " postally used</p> <p>240 Norway, general</p> <p>241 " 1872-77</p> <p>242 Portugal, 1853-88</p> <p>243 " 1892-1905</p> <p>244 Port. Colonies near Europe</p> <p>493 "</p> <p>245 Ditto, beyond Europe, 1870-93</p> <p>416 " " 1897 design</p> <p>402 " " 1870-1898</p> <p>246 Ditto (Vasca da Gama), 1898</p> <p>247 Ditto, 1897 type</p> <p>248 Mozambique, India and Nyassa</p> <p>428 Pictorial stamps</p> <p>249 Roumania, 1858-71</p> <p>250 " 1871-90</p> <p>417 " 1890-1891</p> <p>418 " Pictorial</p> <p>251 Russia</p> <p>252 Russian Foreign P.O.</p> <p>253 San Marino</p> <p>254 Serbia, 1866-94</p> <p>255 " 1901-05</p> <p>256 Spain, 1850-67</p>	<p>257 Spain, 1850-1872</p> <p>397 " 1870-78</p> <p>258 " 1879-95</p> <p>424 " 1873-75</p> <p>259 Cuba, 1855-77</p> <p>260 " 1882-98</p> <p>419 " 1877-1881</p> <p>421 Elobey and Spanish Guinea</p> <p>261 Fernando Poo</p> <p>262 Philippines</p> <p>389 Philippine Islands</p> <p>263 Porto Rico</p> <p>390 " unused</p> <p>264 Sweden (early issues)</p> <p>410 Sweden (1902)</p> <p>265 Switzerland, 1845-82</p> <p>266 " 1828-1900</p> <p>267 Turkey, 1863-76</p> <p>268 " 1892-06</p> <p>398 "</p> <p>269 Wurtemberg</p> <p>425 "</p> <p><b>REST OF WORLD.</b> (2565 different sorts exist).</p> <p>270 Abyssinia</p> <p>384 Afghanistan</p> <p>271 China</p> <p>273 Congo Free State</p> <p>274 Corea, unused</p> <p>275 " "</p> <p>276 Egypt</p> <p>473 "</p> <p>277 Japan, 1871-76</p> <p>278 " 1894-1900</p> <p>467 " 1876-1904</p> <p>279 Liberia, 1860-1892</p> <p>453 Liberia, 1892-06</p> <p>280 Persia, 1868-91</p> <p>281 " 1891-1906</p> <p>463 Shanghai</p> <p>283 Siam</p> <p>284 Argentine Republic, 1858-67</p> <p>285 " " 1882-90</p> <p>286 " " 1889-92</p> <p>287 " " 1892-99</p> <p>458 Buenos Aires and Corrientes</p> <p>288 Bolivia, 1866-67</p> <p>289 " 1878-97</p> <p>290 " 1897-01</p> <p>291 Brazil, 1844-78</p> <p>292 " 1878-1900, chiefly used</p> <p>293 " 1880-1904</p> <p>294 Chili, 1852-81</p> <p>295 " 1881-1906</p> <p>379 " used</p> <p>296 Colombia, 1859-70</p> <p>297 " 1876-86</p> <p>298 " 1890-96</p> <p>299 " 1902-04</p> <p>300 Colombia (Cartagena and other issues, 1898-05)</p> <p>433 " 1902 issue</p> <p>301 Costa Rica, 1862-89</p> <p>454 " 1892-06</p> <p>302 Dominican Republic, 1862-1900</p> <p>466 "</p> <p>303 Ecuador, 1865-94</p>	<p>430 Ecuador, 1899-05</p> <p>432 " 1895-99</p> <p>304 Guatemala, 1871-97</p> <p>305 " 1902</p> <p>426 " 1897-06</p> <p>306 Hayti, 1871-98</p> <p>422 " 1898-1906</p> <p>307 Honduras, 1865-92</p> <p>431 " 1891-02</p> <p>308 Mexico, 1856-74</p> <p>309 " 1874-84</p> <p>310 " 1886</p> <p>311 " 1886-99</p> <p>429 " 1886-03</p> <p>312 Nicaragua, 1862-91</p> <p>313 " 1892-97</p> <p>455 Nicaragua, 1898-06</p> <p>314 Panama (un-surcharged)</p> <p>317 Paraguay, 1870-1892</p> <p>318 " 1900-03</p> <p>319 " 1903-07</p> <p>460 Paraguay (cheap used)</p> <p>320 Peru, 1858-74</p> <p>321 " 1895-96</p> <p>456 " 1897-07</p> <p>322 Salvador, 1867-92</p> <p>323 " 1892-95</p> <p>464 " 1895-96</p> <p>465 " 1897-06</p> <p>324 Uruguay, used and unused</p> <p>325 " 1856-90</p> <p>326 " 1890-05</p> <p>327 " 1895 to date</p> <p>383 " unused</p> <p>427 " 1895-07</p> <p>328 Venezuela, 1859-06 (for internal postage)</p> <p>329 Venezuela, 1880-96 (Foreign correspondence)</p> <p>457 Venezuela, 1898-06 (Foreign correspondence)</p> <p>330 United States, 1851-1900</p> <p>331 " 1894-04</p> <p>332 " cheap used</p> <p>461 United States (used)</p> <p>333 Confederate States and Cuba</p> <p>443 Samoa</p> <p>334 Hawaii, 1853-1882</p> <p>459 " 1891 (Pictorial issue)</p> <p><b>INDIAN NATIVE STATES.</b> (301 different sorts exist).</p> <p>335 Alwar, Bamra and Bhor</p> <p>336 Alwar to Bhopal, first issue</p> <p>476 Bhopal, second issue</p> <p>337 Bundi</p> <p>494 Bussahir</p> <p>338 Charkhari and Cochin</p> <p>495 Dhar, Dutta and Faridkot</p> <p>339 Holkar and Hyderabad</p> <p>340 Jaipur, Jhind, and Jhalawar</p> <p>496 Jummoo and Kashmir</p> <p>341 Kishengarh</p> <p>342 Las Bela, Nepal &amp; Nowanuggur</p> <p>343 Rajnandgaon, Rajpepla and Sirmoor (Scinde Dawk)</p> <p>497 Soruth, Travancore &amp; Wadhwan</p>
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<p>500 Aitutaki on N.Z.</p> <p>501 Antigua (Postage Dues)</p> <p>581 Australian Commonwealth</p> <p>502 Bahamas, King, &amp;c.</p> <p>503 Barbados</p> <p>504 Bechuanaland, King</p> <p>505 Bermuda, Dockyard</p> <p>506 Br. Central Africa, King</p> <p>507 British Guiana</p> <p>508 Br. Honduras, King</p> <p>374 British New Guinea</p> <p>509 Br. New Guinea and Papua</p> <p>510 Br. South Africa (unused)</p> <p>380 Brunei, 1st issue, used and</p> <p>512 Brunei, surch. and pictorial</p> <p>511 Canada, King, &amp;c.</p> <p>513 Cape, King</p> <p>514 Cayman Is., King</p> <p>515 Ceylon, King</p> <p>516 Chamba on India, King</p>	<p>360 Cook Islands, Queen's Head</p> <p>517 Cook Is.</p> <p>518 Cyprus, King</p> <p>519 Dominica, pictorial</p> <p>520 E. Africa, King</p> <p>521 Falkland, King</p> <p>522 Fiji, King</p> <p>523 Gambia, King</p> <p>524 Gibraltar, King</p> <p>525 Gold Coast, King</p> <p>526 Grenada, King</p> <p>527 Gwalior on India, King</p> <p>528 Hong Kong, King</p> <p>529 India, King</p> <p>530 C.E.F. on India, King</p> <p>531 Jamaica, Arms</p> <p>532 Jhind on India</p> <p>533 Johor, 1904</p> <p>534 Labuan, Crown</p> <p>580 Labuan, pictorial</p>	<p>411 Labuan, sur. 'Straits'</p> <p>381 " " used and un.</p> <p>535 Lagon, King</p> <p>536 Leeward, King</p> <p>537 Levant on Gt. Britain</p> <p>538 Malay States</p> <p>539 Maldives on Ceylon</p> <p>540 Malta, King, &amp;c.</p> <p>541 Mauritius, Arms</p> <p>542 Montserrat, Arms</p> <p>371 Morocco Ag. on Gibraltar— varieties</p> <p>543 Morocco on Gibraltar</p> <p>544 Morocco on Gt. Britain</p> <p>545 Nabha on India, King</p> <p>546 Natal, King [Family</p> <p>547 Newfoundland, Cabot and Royal</p> <p>548 New South Wales</p> <p>583 New Zealand Pictorials and Officials</p>	<p>549 New Zealand, pictorial</p> <p>550 Niue on N.Z.</p> <p>551 North Borneo</p> <p>552 N. Nigeria, King</p> <p>553 Orange River Colony, King</p> <p>554 Patiala on India, King</p> <p>555 Penrhyn on N.Z.</p> <p>556 Queensland</p> <p>557 St. Helena, King, &amp;c.</p> <p>558 St. Kitts-Nevis, pictorial</p> <p>559 St. Lucia, King</p> <p>560 St. Vincent, King</p> <p>561 Sarawak, Rajah's Head</p> <p>562 Seychelles, King</p> <p>563 Sierra Leone, King</p> <p>564 Solomon Islands</p> <p>346 Somaliland, 1st issue</p> <p>565 Somaliland, King and Queen.</p> <p>579 " Prot. King surch.</p>	<p>347 Somaliland</p> <p>377 Somaliland Officials, 1st issue varieties</p> <p>378 Somaliland Service</p> <p>566 South Australia</p> <p>567 S. Nigeria, King</p> <p>568 Straits, King</p> <p>375 Sudan</p> <p>376 Sudan, varieties</p> <p>569 Sudan, Camel</p> <p>570 Tasmania, pictorial</p> <p>571 Tonga, pictorial and portrait</p> <p>350 Transvaal C.S.A.R.</p> <p>572 Transvaal, King</p> <p>573 Trinidad</p> <p>574 Turks Islands</p> <p>575 Victoria</p> <p>576 Virgin Islands</p> <p>577 Western Australia</p> <p>349 Zanzibar, 1904, and varieties</p> <p>578 Zanzibar, Arms</p>
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# Approval Sheets of British Stamps.

<p>101 Gt. Britain, 1840-41, imperf.</p> <p>102 " 1880-1884</p> <p>103 " 4d. to plate 10</p> <p>345 " 2d. blue, 1840-41</p> <p>352 " 1855-1862</p> <p>353 " 1867</p> <p>354 " 1867, 3d. rose</p> <p>355 " Miscellaneous</p> <p>356 " 2d., plate numbers</p> <p>358 " Miscellaneous</p> <p>362 " 4d., plate 11 to 18</p> <p>365 " Foreign Postmarks</p> <p>366 " old 6d. violet</p>	<p>367 Gt. Britain, old 8d., 9d., 10d., 2/-, 5/-, 10/-, and £1</p> <p>368 " 1840-1855</p> <p>369 " " Specimen " Stamps</p> <p>391 " 4d. rose, 1855-57</p> <p>392 " 2d. blue, 1840-57</p> <p>393 " 2/6, 5/-, 10/- and £1</p> <p>394 " 4d., 6d., 1/- of 1855-57</p> <p>395 " 4d. orange, pl. nos.</p> <p>396 " 1/-, plate numbers</p> <p>399 " imperforate</p> <p>400 " Glasgow and other local pmks., etc.</p>	<p>401 Gt. Britain, 1d. 2d., 1840-41</p> <p>437 " Maltese Cross postmark 1d. red, imperf. (singles and strips)</p> <p>438 " 1d. red, Stars, perf. varieties</p> <p>439 " 2d. blue, Stars, perf. varieties</p> <p>440 " 2d. blue, imperf., 1841, for plating</p> <p>441 " 2d. blue, plate Nos.</p> <p>442 " 1u. and 1gd. red, plate numbers</p>	<p>444 Gt. Britain, shades of 4d. rose, L.C., in pairs, at 2d. each</p> <p>445 " old 2d., 3d., 4d., &amp;c., on pieces of letter</p> <p>446 " 3d. rose, plate Nos.</p> <p>447 " old 3d., 4d., &amp;c., in pairs and strips</p> <p>448 " shades of 4d. rose, 1857, in dated pairs</p> <p>449 " 4d. rose, pairs, with dated pmks., various shades of rose</p>	<p>450 Gt. Britain, 4d. rose, S.C., MS. and L.C., fine shades</p> <p>451 " 4d., plate Nos., mostly dated copies</p> <p>471 Unused English</p> <p>472 Gt. Britain, unused, chiefly 1880-97</p> <p>474 " very fine used copies 2½ to 6d. values</p> <p>475 " very fine used, 9d., 1/- and miscellaneous</p> <p>485 " Officials, Telegraphs, &amp;c.</p>
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to stamp collectors will be found in the provision of the Rome Convention that stamps of all values which are valid for the prepayment of postage or correspondence sent from one country of the Postal Union to another must, as from 1st October, bear their values in Arabic numerals. This, if strictly carried out, will involve a new issue of stamps in all cases in which the values are expressed in words. The first Colony to take definite action in this matter is Ceylon, where, however, the change will not take effect until March next year, when 5 and 6 cents stamps of the new pattern may be expected. The expense of complying strictly with this regulation will be considerable, and will fall heavily upon the smaller Colonies, and the new plates will, therefore, only be made as opportunities occur."

Not till the above has been mentally digested for a day or two does its depth of meaning appear. It should mean, however, all that is written in this article, although the Philatelic World does not seem to have yet realized the full significance of it.

J. W. H. H.

## Our New System of Quotations.

### WHY WE ALTERED IT.

We have analysed the Quotations in our issue of 28.12.07, the last under the old system, with the following result.

	Stamps listed excluding those "not issa."	Unused Out of stock.	Used. Out of stock.
Page 2	621	219	375
" 3	638	304	407
" 4	694	358	433
Total	1953	881	1215

This table is of considerable interest in many ways. First and foremost it illustrates the inefficiency of the methods at present adopted by the trade to keep stock complete (for we are no exception in this respect). This incompleteness of stock is only partially the fault of the trade; the majority of collectors are also responsible, since they insist on extreme cheapness, and it does not pay to keep stamps lying idle in stock unless a good profit is to be made and it is a fallacy to suppose all stamps can be bought at large discounts.

Most collectors think a dealer is making a handsome profit when he makes 33½%, yet if he turns his stock over once in two years, he is only earning 16½% gross on his annual turnover and an average dealer's expenses including losses and bad debts may generally be reckoned at 15% to 20% of his turnover. We know of a case where the ratio was nearly 30%.

In our own case we had at the end of last year 55% of current stamps in stock, but only 37% of used stamps. In both cases we believe these figures indicate a high percentage of efficiency, compared with the generality of dealers' stocks. Nevertheless, the question arises, how can these percentages be increased? An ordinary tradesman can replenish his stock by sending an order to his wholesale house, but the stamp market knows no wholesale dealers.

We hope that under our new system, by concentrating our attention on the unused stamps, we shall be able to force our stock to at least 90% of completeness; the actual percentage after the first week of our new system (including a few used stamps) is about 70%, which is already an improvement. The financial success of a stamp business lies rather in efficiency than in extreme cheapness of prices and indifferent service.

A new and promising profession is opened up by the present situation in the stamp market, namely, that of stamp buyer or "jobber," working in a limited market. Many dealers, who at present try to stock all the 40,000 or 50,000 varieties catalogued by Gibbons in both used and unused condition (nearly 100,000 different descriptions) and who only succeed in maintaining their percentage of completeness at about 20%, would do far more business as specialists in a single group of countries with an efficiency-percentage of 70% or 80%. It is the percentage of efficiency which wants raising, not the prices reducing. A complete collection, priced separately, will always draw custom, but when its percentage of completeness falls, custom ceases to be attracted.

When it is generally recognized that success depends on a high percentage of efficiency, more dealers will go in for group-dealing or even for single countries, and we may expect West African, American, South African, etc., markets, as on the Stock Exchange.

There are even many collectors at the present day with plenty of spare time on their hands who would find it very advantageous to turn stamp-jobber in the stamps of a single country. There are many ways of making profits, besides getting first pick (and at lower prices) for one's collection of a much larger selection of stamps. Take the case of a stamp catalogued 1/-. A big dealer

may be offered a copy at 9d., but he is far too busy a man to bother about a transaction with a 3d. profit attached. The consequence is that the owner offers it elsewhere and a collector with more leisure comes along and buys it. The dealer saves his time but loses his profit besides being undersold, and even perhaps losing a customer. Yet the same dealer would probably be glad to buy a dozen copies at even 10d. or 11d. each. This is where the middleman has a fine chance to come in. He makes his profit by saving the big dealer's time and prevents the market being depreciated by underselling. It often happens that where a dozen stamps in one lot might be sold to a big dealer at, say, 10d. each, it is not worth his time to purchase them one by one at 9d. or less. At present, there is no organization by which big buyers may effectively meet small sellers. For many reasons it is unsatisfactory to leave buying to inexperienced employees whilst experienced buyers first want too big a salary and then start in business for themselves, sometimes taking the customers with them.

## Our Prize Competitions.

### No. 1. APPROVAL DEPT. (Current Issues).

To the competitor who has purchased by the end of next week the most stamps from our approval sheets of current issues (informing us at the time he wishes the number to compete) we will send post free a copy of "Our Own Times" Postage Stamp Album. This album is specially arranged for King's Head stamps and other current colonial issues.

Result, Week ending 4th January, 1908.

	Stamps
TP (winner and runner-up last week)...	134
BC (runner-up) ...	104
GK (4th last week) ...	87
WP (5th last week) ...	83
LW (6th last week) ...	81
JN (7th last week) ...	69
PN (8th last week) ...	63
RB (9th last week) ...	53
JS ...	45

Non-winners' totals are carried forward to next week.

### No. 2. APPROVAL DEPT. (Old Issues).

To the competitor who has purchased by the end of next week the most stamps from our approval sheets of old issues (informing us at the time he wishes the number to compete) we will present a copy of the "Good Old Times" Postage Stamp Album (no watermarks, perforations, surcharges, minor varieties).

#### SECTION II.—EUROPE AND COLONIES.

Result, Week ending 4th January, 1908.

JO (winner and runner-up last week)...	70
EW (runner-up) ...	68
JE (5th last week) ...	63
JI (4th last week) ...	61
JH (6th last week) ...	36
HN (7th last week) ...	36
HH (8th last week) ...	28
AD (9th last week) ...	28
HW ...	23

#### SECTION III.—REST OF THE WORLD.

Same conditions as No. 2 but only open to winners of Section II. The prize is Part III. of the Album, and stamps purchased from any approval sheets of old issues count.

Result, Week ending 4th January, 1908.

JF (winner and runner-up last week)...	39
HH (runner-up) ...	15
RW (3rd last week) ...	9

Non-winners' totals are carried forward to next week. Winners residing abroad will be required to pay carriage and customs charges if any.

The awards are made and albums posted every Monday.

Since our main object in giving these albums away is to get them known, winners can repay us by showing them to stamp-collecting friends as well as by purchasing stamps.

### No. 3. EDITORIAL COMPETITION.

The competitor who sends us the most interesting item of information for our New Issue column each week will be credited 2/6, which must be claimed within seven days (allowance to foreign readers) and may be selected from any of our approval sheets. From time to time we shall voluntarily increase the prize.

28th December, 1907.

EM for note on Switzerland (2/6).

4th January, 1908.

Miss B for note on permanent issue of Papua (2/6).

Winners are requested to make early application for their prizes.

A Newcastle-on-Tyne winner writes (30.11.07):—"I received the 'Good Old Times' Album safely on Tuesday. It is quite beyond my expectations, being really a beautiful volume and so concise."

Mrs. G. writes again (23.12.07):—"I like the album more every day and it is a real pleasure putting in my stamps. I am only putting in unused and they look lovely."

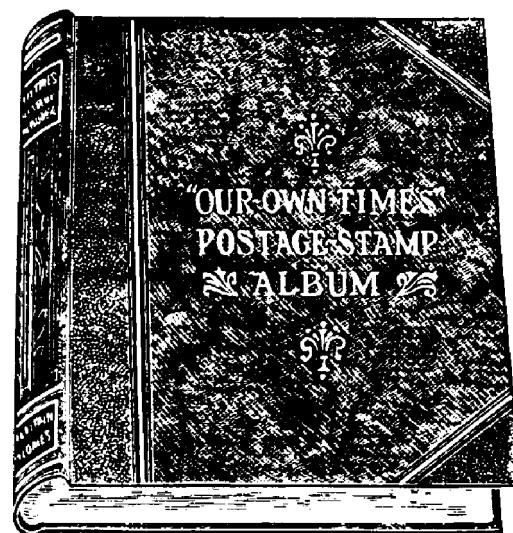
A Liverpool winner writes (17.10.07).—"I have to thank you for 'The Old Times' Album sent to me on Monday last. Like everything else sent out by your firm it is, of its kind, the very best."

A Lavender Hill Collector writes (5.11.07):—"I have this morning received the splendid album 'Our Own Times' for which I tender my best thanks. I think it very handsome and it is just the album I wanted."

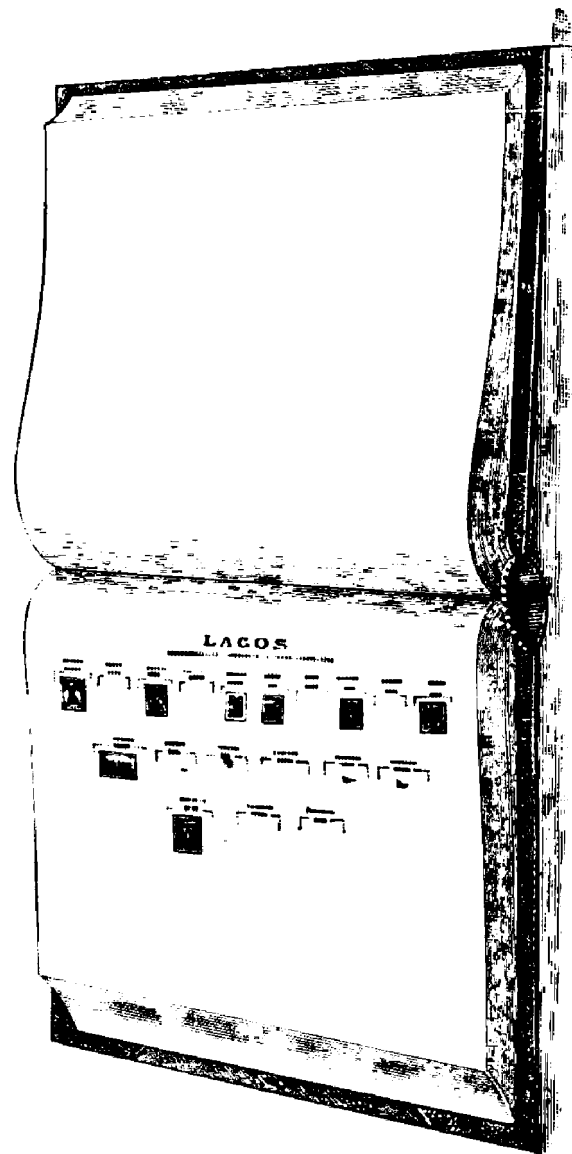
J. B. writes (5.12.07):—"I beg you to accept my best thanks for Album received this week. It is a gem and one that anybody who is fortunate enough to obtain it, may be proud of."

## Our Albums.

We are now able to give two illustrations of our new albums. They are bound alike, as shown in the following illustration.



The album opens as shown in the following illustration, thus enabling two albums to be compared close together.



There is plenty of blank space for additional varieties and a blank quadrillé-ruled page after each colony, so that the album provides space for New Issues for many years to come. The complete set will be as follows:—

#### Simplified System.

- † Part I. Great Britain and Colonies.
- \* Part II. Europe and Colonies.
- \* Part III. Rest of World.

#### Specialized System.

- \* Part I. Great Britain and Colonies.
- \* These are all published.

† Expected early in 1908.

The price of the albums is 20/- each.



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## The Week's News.

The Editor is always pleased to receive Early Information of New Issues, or of Discoveries interesting to Stamp Collectors, and will acknowledge such contributions either by name in the journal or by the presentation of several interesting newly-issued stamps, as preferred.

The index number and serial letter after the title of each paragraph indicate the issue of E.W.S.N. in which the last reference to that country appeared.

**GREAT BRITAIN.**—Record Dates of Use (433 U 434).—The following new records are shown us by Mr. S. Hodson.

Machine cancellation	London, 26.11.1857.
Duplex postmark	Manchester, 25.2.1854.
Octagonal 6d.	Lancaster, 15.4.1854.
1d. L.C. 16 blued paper	Liverpool, 16.8.1855.
2d. S.C. 14, plate 5	Edinburgh, 27.7.1855.

Dr. R. N. Arnold Wallinger also sends several records.

Octagonal 10d. die 2	Newcastle-on-Tyne, 4.6.1852
" " 1/- die 2	Hull, 20.12.1854.
1/- no corner letters	Wigan, 11.2.1857.
1/- small letters	Paisley, 22.10.1863.

The pair of 1/- no corner letters are on a blue envelope dated 11.2.1857 and addressed to Lagos, West Africa. They appear to be on slightly blued paper.

**BRITISH CENTRAL AFRICA** (426 O 434).—No change has yet been made in the stamps of this Protectorate (the title of which is now changed to "Nyasaland") and the Postal Authorities decline to give any information as to whether a change is in contemplation.

Latest sheets received by the Colonial Stamp Market (issued 4.12.07) bear the following sheet-numbers:—1d. chalk-surface A8881, 4d. single A0446, 6d. single A0487, 2d. single A0889.

**CAYMAN ISLANDS** (433 Y 434).—Our question of last week respecting the 5/- stamp has soon found an answer. The *Colonial Office Journal* (1.08/246) states that the stamps of this Colony "will in future bear the words 'Postage and Revenue' instead of only 'Postage.'" As soon as a set becomes available for revenue as well as postal purposes, high values become a necessity. The same journal states that "½d. and 1d. stamps of this kind have recently been supplied, but there has been no change of colour or paper. Two new values, i.e. 3d. and 10s. will be issued shortly and a change of the colours of the other stamps of the series is under consideration. No change, of course, will be made in the 2½d. value."

We may consequently expect all the present stamps to be obsolete shortly and a new set inscribed "Postage & Revenue" to appear, consisting of the values ½d., 1d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 6d., 1/-, 5/-, 10/-.

The above notice has had the effect of causing a jump in the price of all Cayman Island stamps and those collectors who had the foresight to buy their copy of the *Colonial Office Journal* promptly on 1.1.08 had an excellent opportunity of picking up some bargains during the first week or fortnight of the New Year.

**CUBA** (414 V 434).—We learn of another value of the re-engraved set from *Mekel's Weekly Stamp News* (28.12.07/436).

Frank P. Azpeitia has supplied us with a hitherto missing link in the new printings of the current Cuban stamps; namely, the re-engraved 5c. value. Mr. Azpeitia has kindly sent us both used and unused copies of the re-engraved stamp, and the appearance is strikingly different from the old printing. This is due, however, to the extreme whiteness of the paper, and the peculiar shade of blue ink used, which gives it a very cold appearance. It is also somewhat lighter than the old stamp. The additions made by the engraver, that are most readily noticed, are two little right-angled ornaments added to the tablet containing the word "Cuba." They will be found in the upper corners, or rather in the extreme points of the tablet, to the left of the "C" and to the right of the "A." The new stamp has been in circulation in Havana since about the first of December.

There are other minor differences than that noted above, including the engraving of the lower leaves at the left, the shape of the ornament in the extreme upper right corner of the stamp, etc., but the easiest means of identification will be by the two ornaments noted above.



Adhesive.  
5c. blue, re-engraved. No wmk.

**CYPRUS** (427 N 434).—The Colonial Stamp Market has shown us sheets of the new 5 para stamp. The description given in E.W.S.N. No. 427 is correct, except that the colour is bistre-yellow rather than yellow-brown; in fact, the stamp may fairly be called yellow and black. The earliest postmarked copy we have seen is dated "Larnaca, 1.1.08," but we are informed by a correspondent that he bought a copy of the stamp early in 11.07 off a club packet.

**DOMINICA** (424 I 434).—The *Colonial Office Journal* (1.08/246) reports the despatch to the Colony of the 6d. value on chalk-surface paper, multiple watermark.

**FRANCE** (428 C 434).—The following novelty is chronicled by the *L'Echo de la Timbrologie* (31.12.07/687).



Adhesive. Perf. 14 x 13½.  
20c. brown-lilac.  
Issued 20.12.07.

**GOLD COAST** (398 Q 434).—The *Colonial Office Journal* (1.08/245) states that "Gold Coast 2d. stamps will shortly be supplied in the existing colours, but on unsurfaced paper. The 1d. stamps are about to be printed from a new single colour printing plate." Until recently it has been the practice in the case of surface-printed "Postage and Revenue" sets to print only the ½d., 1d. and 2½d. values on unsurfaced paper, but from the above announcement it appears likely that the chalk-surface paper is to be limited to the higher values. If so, low values of other colonies, besides the 2d. of Gold Coast, may appear or reappear on ordinary paper.

**HOLLAND** (426 W 434).—As we foresaw, a second issue of the surcharged Postage Due set has been made. *L'Annonce Timbrologique* (12.07/2511) says:—

L'Administration des Postes de Hollande, voyant le succès inouï des timbres taxe de Ruyter, en a offert un second tirage aux philatélistes, ce qui a fait tomber du coup le 1 florin de 50fr. à 3fr. 50c. Notre confrère Ewen avait donc vu juste en supposant que les chiffres indiqués pour le reliquat des timbres commémoratifs n'étaient pas exacts.

The present price asked for the complete set is about 6/-, the face value being 3/10.

**LAGOS** (390 F 434).—Here is the explanation of the Lagos-Southern Nigeria mystery that has been puzzling some of our contemporaries for two years past! When the two colonies were amalgamated, there was of course a stock of Southern Nigerian stamps in Southern Nigeria and of Lagos stamps in Lagos. As both colonies were in future to be known as Southern Nigeria, the separate issues inscribed "Lagos" became no longer necessary, but at the same time it was considered inadvisable to waste the stock on hand, which in the ordinary course of issue at Lagos was sufficient to last two years or so. In order to make a quicker end of it, the following procedure was adopted. The post offices in the colony are supplied from three centres—Lagos in Lagos, Calabar and Warree in Southern Nigeria—and these three centres keep the bulk of the stock. The stock at Lagos was divided into three equal portions, one being kept at Lagos, a second going to Calabar and the third to Warree. On the other hand, Calabar and Warree returned their stocks (which were of course Southern Nigerian stamps) to Lagos where they have been held pending the exhaustion of the supplies of Lagos stamps. It was also arranged that dealers should only be supplied with stamps from Lagos. The peculiarity of this arrangement was that, whereas

Lagos, in supplying dealers, had by far the largest demand and Warree the smallest, being a less important centre than Calabar, each centre received a third of the stock. The stock was, moreover, divided regardless of watermark or paper, and it is not unlikely that the third portion of the 5/- stamps retained at Lagos contained none on chalk-surface paper, as it has proved to be a very scarce stamp. As soon as Lagos had used up its third portion (some of the 10/- remained as late as December 1907), the Southern Nigerian stamps were issued, and as Calabar and Warree were not so quick in using up their stock, the apparent anomaly occurred for a short time of Lagos stamps being used only in Southern Nigeria and Southern Nigeria stamps only in Lagos. However time has now righted matters and the Lagos stamps are practically finished at all three centres. Probably most of the 5/- on chalk-surface paper were used for fiscal purposes and those of our clients who secured it at a reasonable rate have reason to thank the Colonial Stamp Market for the trouble and expense they went to at the time. The total number of chalk-surface high values secured by the Colonial Stamp Market was 280 2/6, 260 5/- and 230 10/-, not a large number considering the popularity of West Africans; the 5/- is of course, the good one. The latest date any were obtained was April 1907, and most were sold at 2/11, 5/10 and 11/8 respectively. Had we had the above explanation earlier, more might have been secured. The distribution of the Lagos stock took place about 1.7.06 and it was not till early in 1907 that we found the Lagos 5/- chalk-surface was to be had in Southern Nigeria and much of the stock had then been used.

**MAURITIUS** (423 L 434).—We read as follows in the *Colonial Office Journal* (1.08/246):—

The Government of Mauritius keeps a supply of stamps with blank duty tablets, the value being inserted locally. The colours of these stamps are doubly fugitive black, green on blue paper, or purple on red paper. The green stamp has now been supplied on the surfaced multiple watermarked paper.

The green stamp is the one used for the Express Delivery 18c. stamp.

**NATAL** (429 N 434).—We read as follows in the *Colonial Office Journal* (1.08/246):—

The Government of Natal has decided to adopt doubly fugitive ink for all its larger-sized stamps, i.e. from 5/- upwards, as soon as a further supply is required. The colours will in future be as follows:—

Value.	Border.	Centre.
5/-	.. D.F. purple	.. Carmine.
10/-	.. ..	.. Chocolate.
£1	.. ..	.. Blue.
£1 10s.	.. ..	.. Brown.
£5	.. D.F. green	.. Black.
£10	.. ..	.. Brown.
£20	.. ..	.. Violet.

It follows that all the above stamps will be printed on the specially surfaced paper.

The colours differ in every case from those of the present stamps.

**NORTHERN NIGERIA** (420 M 434).—The *Colonial Office Journal* (1.08/246) reports that the 2d. and 5d. values with multiple watermark and printed on chalk-surface paper have been sent to the colony. The fact that the new supply of the 2d. is on this paper rather negatives the likelihood of the change suggested in another column under Gold Coast.

**PAPUA** (432 Y 434).—The Colonial Stamp Market has shown us sheets of another value of the permanent set.



Adhesive. Design as above, but inscribed "Papua."  
Wmk. Crown over double-lined A upright, perf. 11.  
4d. brown and black.

Earliest postmark seen, 20.11.07.

The Colonial Stamp Market has also shown us entire sheets of all the values with small

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No varieties of perforation or watermark are examined or described; no notice is taken of surcharges. All are standard varieties that have first claim to be represented in a general collector's album. Should any of the stamps have rare perforations, or be in scarce shades, nothing extra is charged on that account.

We have now incorporated in these sheets a £1000 Collection of British Colonials.

GREAT BRITAIN AND COLONIES. (2691 different sorts exist). 479 Gt. Britain, miscellaneous used 105 Antigua and Bahamas 106 Barbados 107 Bechuanaland and Cayman Is. 480 B.C.A. 108 Bermuda 109 B. Honduras 462 B. Columbia & Vancouver Is. 110 B.E.A. 111 B. 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Australia, 1855-1887 162 " long stamps 163 S. Nigeria 499 Solomon Is. and Somaliland 487 Stellaland and Tobago 164 Straits Settlements 434 165 Malay States 166 Johore 167 Negri Sembilan and Pahang 168 Perak 169 Selangor and Sungei Ujong 170 Tasmania, 1853-1892 452 " 1892-1906 171 Tonga 172 Transvaal, 1869-1885 173 " 1896 and Pietersburg 489 " 1894-07 174 Trinidad 175 Turks Islands and Virgin Islds. 176 Uganda 177 Victoria, 1851-1862 490 " 1863-1885 178 " 1885-1887 491 " 1900-1906 179 Western Australia 180 Zanzibar 181 Zululand  EUROPE AND COLONIES. 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Colonies near Europe 493 " " 245 Ditto, beyond Europe, 1870-93 416 " " 1897 design 402 " " 1870-1898 246 Ditto (Vasca da Gama), 1898 247 Ditto, 1907 type 248 Mozambique, India and Nyassa 428 Pictorial stamps 249 Roumania, 1858-71 250 " 1871-90 417 " 1890-1891 418 " Pictorial 251 Russia 252 Russian Foreign P.O. 253 San Marino 254 Serbia, 1866-94 255 " 1901-05 256 Spain, 1850-67	257 Spain, 1850-1872 397 " 1870-78 258 " 1879-95 424 " 1873-75 259 Cuba, 1855-77 2601 " 1882-98 419 " 1877-1881 421 Elobey and Spanish Guinea 261 Fernando Poo 262 Philippines 389 Philippine Islands 263 Porto Rico 390 " unused 2641 Sweden (early issues) 410 Sweden (1902) 265 Switzerland, 1845-82 266 " 1828-1900 267 Turkey, 1863-76 268 " 1892-06 398 " " 269 Wurtemberg 425 " "  REST OF WORLD. (2565 different sorts exist). 270 Abyssinia 384 Afghanistan 2711 China 273 Congo Free State 2741 Corea 275 " " 2761 Egypt 473 " " 277 Japan, 1871-76 278 " 1894-1900 467 " 1876-1904 279 Liberia, 1860-1892 453 Liberia, 1892-06 280 Persia, 1868-91 281 " 1891-1906 463 Shanghai 2831 Siam 284 Argentine Republic, 1858-67 285 " " 1882-90 2861 " " 1889-92 287 " " 1892-99 458 Buenos Aires and Corrientes 288 Bolivia, 1866-67 289 " 1878-97 290 " 1897-01 291 Brazil, 1844-78 292 " 1878-1900, chiefly used 293 " 1880-1904 294 Chili, 1852-81 2951 " 1801-1906 3791 " cheap used 296 Colombia, 1859-70 297 " 1876-86 298 " 1890-96 299 " 1902-04 300 Colombia (Cartagena and other issues, 1898-05) 433 " 1902 issue 301 Costa Rica, 1862-89 454 " 1892-06 302 Dominican Republic, 1862-1900 466 " " 303 Ecuador, 1865-94	430 Ecuador, 1899-05 432 " 1895-99 304 Guatemala, 1871-97 305 " 1902 426 " 1897-06 306 Hayti, 1871-98 422 " 1898-1906 307 Honduras, 1865-92 431 " 1892-02 308 Mexico, 1856-74 309 " 1874-84 310 " 1886 311 " 1886-99 429 " 1886-03 312 Nicaragua, 1862-91 313 " 1892-97 455 Nicaragua, 1898-06 314 Panama (unsurcharged) 317 Paraguay, 1870-1892 318 " 1900-03 319 " 1903-07 460 Paraguay (cheap used) 320 Peru, 1858-74 321 " 1895-96 456 " 1897-07 322 Salvador, 1867-92 323 " 1892-95 464 " 1895-96 465 " 1897-06 324 Uruguay, used and unused 325 " 1856-90 326 " 1890-05 327 " 1895 to date 383 " unused 427 " 1895-07 328 Venezuela, 1859-06 (for internal postage) 329 Venezuela, 1880-96 (Foreign correspondence) 457 Venezuela, 1898-06 (Foreign correspondence) 330 United States, 1851-1900 331 " 1894-04 332 " " 4041 " cheap used 461 United States (used) 333 Confederate States and Cuba 443 Samoa 334 Hawaii, 1853-1882 459 " 1891 (Pictorial issue)  INDIAN NATIVE STATES. (301 different sorts exist). 335 Alwur, Bamra and Bhor 336 Alwur to Bhopal, first issue 476 Bhopal, second issue 337 Bundi 494 Bussahir 338 Charkhari and Cochin 495 Dhar, Duttia and Faridkot 339 Holkar and Hyderabad 340 Jaipur, Jhind, and Jhalawar 496 Jummo and Kashmir 341 Kishengarh 342 Las Bela, Nepal & Nowanugger 343 Rajnandgaon, Rajpeepa and Sirmoor (Scinde Dawk 344 Sirmoor 497 South Travancore & Wadhwan
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† These Sheets are newly mounted this week.

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BRITISH COLONIES ONLY, CHIEFLY KING SINGLES AND MULTIPLES, USED AND UNUSED.

Stamps purchased from these Approval Sheets count in the Competition for "Our Own Times" Album, whereas those purchased from the above Sheets (obsolete issues) count in the "Good Old Times" Competition.

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# Approval Sheets of British Stamps.

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"Papua" surcharge and we note two varieties. The sheets are printed in six rows of five.

1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30

Varieties.

No. 10. Inverted d for p in "Papua." This stamp has marginal paper at right hand side. Nos. 16 and 21, p in "Papua" with broken serif causing it sometimes to look like a d. These stamps have marginal paper at left and cannot rank with the variety on No. 10.

No. 17. The "pua" of "Papua" is "dropped." Nos. 4 and 16 are threaded through the white dot at the bottom of the stamp (half way between the value at either side), no doubt with a view to facilitating even surcharging, but the practice is somewhat unfortunate from a philatelic point of view, as the stamps so threaded or pin-holed cannot be considered other than damaged stamps. All values are threaded in the same position.

The surcharged 1/4d. and 1/2d. are now quite sold out but the 1d., 2d., 2 1/2d., 6d., 1/- and 2/6 with small surcharge were still current in November.

ST. LUCIA (433 A 434).—We learn from the *Colonial Office Journal* (1.08/245) that the recently chronicled uni-coloured 1/4d., 1d. and 2 1/2d. stamps were despatched to the colony early in 10.07.

SWITZERLAND (432 E 434).—The following new value has been shown us by Mr. A. D. Jenny, issued 7.1.08 or earlier.



Adhesive. Perf. 11 1/2. 15c. violet.

TRINIDAD (432 R 434).—There is no doubt that the 1/- lilac and blue on yellow stamp has been issued, as we are shown a postmarked copy by Mr. N. H. Goodman. At the same time, it is not quite clear when, as the 1/- with single watermark is again in use.

URUGUAY (422 H 434).—The following notes on Uruguayan stamps are taken from a letter written by Mr. A. H. Davis and published in *Gibbons' Stamp Weekly* (14.12.07/380):—

"MONTEVIDEO, 28th Oct., 1907.

"Another extensive forgery of the current 5c. postage stamps has recently come to light, and it appears to have occasioned a serious loss of revenue to the Post Office, as most of the big commercial houses here are in the habit of buying large quantities of stamps at one time for franking their correspondence, and since this forgery was discovered many firms have returned numbers of the 5c. stamps to the Postal Department, and most are false. Many of the money-changers here are allowed to sell stamps, and, of course, this gives the forgers exceptional opportunities for disposing of their stock. In fact, a money-changer has been arrested in connexion with the affair, and he appears to have been making a good thing out of it. The forgeries are said to be so well executed as to deceive even the Inspectors of the School of Arts and Trades, where the current issue was printed. The matter was discovered through the arrest of a printer and others in connexion with the forgery of fiscal stamps. The serious attention of the Uruguayan Government has been called to the facility with which the postage stamps are being forged, and they have cabled urgent orders to Messrs. Waterlow & Son, of London, for the immediate engraving of 7,000,000 postage stamps of the different values, using for this purpose the plates and designs already in their possession. Messrs. Waterlow were the engravers of Uruguayan postage stamps from 1889 to 1900, but since then the stamps have been lithographed locally by the School of Arts and Trades, with the consequence that they have more than once been successfully forged. The new stamps should be here very soon.

There is an interesting minor variety of the current 5c. which consists in the ornamentation on the left side of the stamp near the figure of value forming an S. This variety occurs once in each sheet of 100 stamps, and as only 3000 were printed before it was discovered, it is rather scarce. I was fortunate to acquire half a dozen copies. In the new 7c. there is a slight flaw in the plate which gives to the letters "LI" of REPUBLICA the appearance of a bad "H." This also occurs once in the pane. Of the current 5 mils., 2 c., and 10 c. I possess blocks imperforate on one side only. I mention these varieties, as I do not remember to have seen them chronicled by any of the philatelic papers. I have recently seen very good reprints of the 1 c.

and 2 c. of 1882, and I am told they were printed some years ago.

According to a return just published, there are in this country, in addition to the General Post Office, 18 sub post offices, 77 branch offices, 787 agencies, and 50 telegraph offices; and considering that this is a very sparsely populated country, with only two or three towns of any importance, I think we are remarkably well served.

From the 1st inst. the letter weight has been raised from 15 grammes to 20 grammes, and as the postage on local letters costs 2 1/4d. and on foreign 5d. this is a considerable concession to those who have large correspondence."

### Sale of a "Post Office" Mauritius.

On the 8th inst., Messrs. Glendining & Co. sold a 1d. red "Post Office" Mauritius by auction. We are informed that it was bought by a collector, realising only £450, but it should be stated that it was in rather bad condition.

### Our Prize Competitions.

#### No. 1. APPROVAL DEPT. (Current Issues).

To the competitor who has purchased by the end of next week the most stamps from our approval sheets of current issues (informing us at the time he wishes the number to compete) we will send post free a copy of "Our Own Times" Postage Stamp Album. This album is specially arranged for King's Head stamps and other current colonial issues.

Result, Week ending 11th January, 1908.

	Stamps
BC (winner and runner-up last week)...	104
WP (runner-up) ... ..	94
GK (3rd last week) ... ..	87
LW (5th last week) ... ..	81
JN (6th last week) ... ..	69
PN (7th last week) ... ..	63
RB (8th last week) ... ..	53
JS (9th last week) ... ..	45
GS ... ..	44

Non-winners' totals are carried forward to next week.

#### No. 2. APPROVAL DEPT. (Old Issues).

To the competitor who has purchased by the end of next week the most stamps from our approval sheets of old issues (informing us at the time he wishes the number to compete) we will present a copy of the "Good Old Times" Postage Stamp Album (no watermarks, perforations, surcharges, minor varieties).

#### SECTION II.—EUROPE AND COLONIES.

Result, Week ending 11th January, 1908.

FL (winner) ... ..	107
JI (runner-up) ... ..	92
EW (2nd last week) ... ..	86
JE (3rd last week) ... ..	63
JH (5th last week) ... ..	36
HN (6th last week) ... ..	36
AD (8th last week) ... ..	28
HW (9th last week) ... ..	23
ES ... ..	17

#### SECTION III.—REST OF THE WORLD.

Same conditions as No. 2 but only open to winners of Section II. The prize is Part III. of the Album, and stamps purchased from any approval sheets of old issues count.

Result, Week ending 11th January, 1908.

HH (winner and runner-up last week) ... ..	48
Mrs. U (runner-up) ... ..	30
RW (3rd last week) ... ..	24
CC ... ..	14
JF ... ..	14
GS ... ..	8

Non-winners' totals are carried forward to next week. Winners residing abroad will be required to pay carriage and customs charges if any.

The awards are made and albums posted every Monday.

Since our main object in giving these albums away is to get them known, winners can repay us by showing them to stamp-collecting friends as well as by purchasing stamps.

#### No. 3. EDITORIAL COMPETITION.

The competitor who sends us the most interesting item of information for our New Issue column each week will be credited 2/6, which must be claimed within seven days (allowance to foreign readers) and may be selected from any of our approval sheets. From time to time we shall voluntarily increase the prize.

11th January, 1908.

McN for note on Cayman Islands (2/6).

Winners are requested to make early application for their prizes.

A Newcastle-on-Tyne winner writes (30.11.07):—"I received the 'Good Old Times' Album safely on Tuesday. It is quite beyond my expectations, being really a beautiful volume and so concise."

Mrs. G. writes again (23.12.07):—"I like the album more every day and it is a real pleasure putting in my stamps. I am only putting in unused and they look lovely."

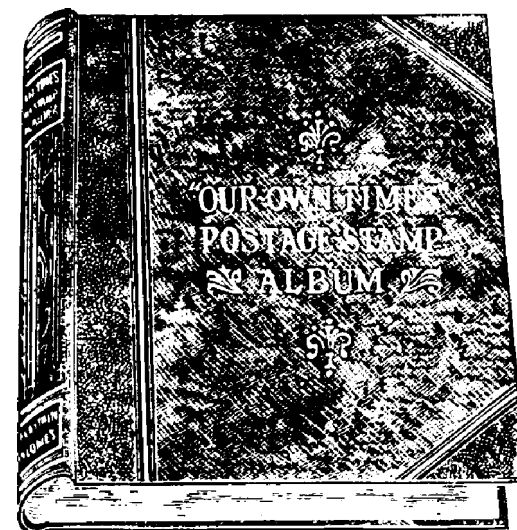
A Liverpool winner writes (17.10.07).—"I have to thank you for 'The Old Times' Album sent to me on Monday last. Like everything else sent out by your firm it is, of its kind, the very best."

A Lavender Hill Collector writes (5.11.07):—"I have this morning received the splendid album 'Our Own Times' for which I tender my best thanks. I think it very handsome and it is just the album I wanted."

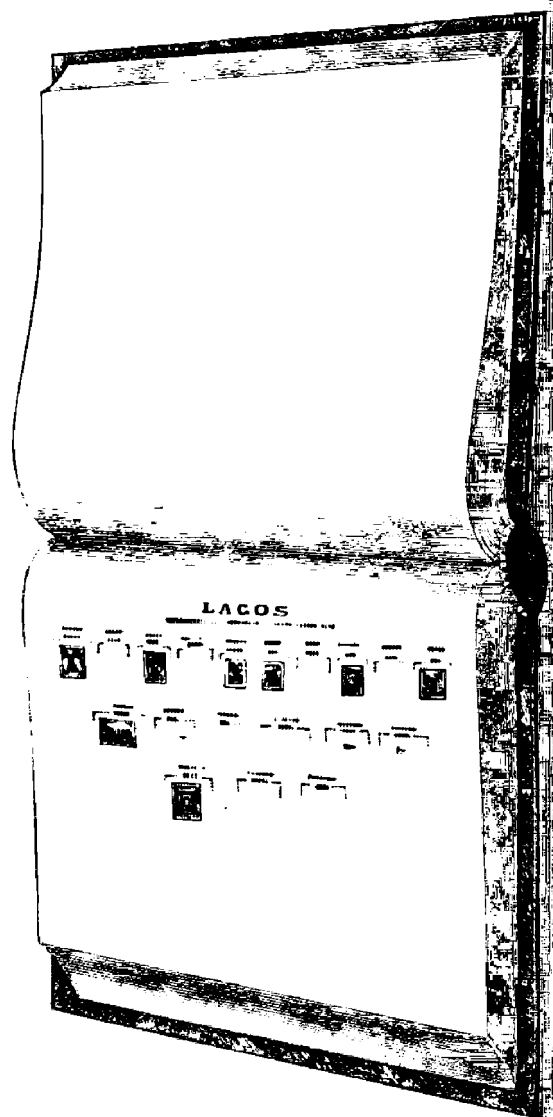
J. B. writes (5.12.07):—"I beg you to accept my best thanks for Album received this week. It is a gem and one that anybody who is fortunate enough to obtain it, may be proud of."

### Our Albums.

We are now able to give two illustrations of our new albums. They are bound alike, as shown in the following illustration.



The album opens as shown in the following illustration, thus enabling two albums to be compared close together.



There is plenty of blank space for additional varieties and a blank quadrille-ruled page after each colony, so that the album provides space for New Issues for many years to come. The complete set will be as follows:—

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- ‡ Part II. Europe and Colonies.
- \* Part III. Rest of World.

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- \* These are all published.

† Expected early in 1908.

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France.

FR ai 3c., new shade.

Nabha, King Service.

NA au† 1a. to 1r., set of 7.

New South Wales.

NSW bf £1, wmk. Crown A, perf. 11 x 11½.

Victoria.

VC br† 5/-, wmk. Crown A, perf. 11. This finishes the distribution of this stamp, and with the exception of the 2d. perf. 11, 3d. perf. 11 and 1/- perf. 11, brings the public issues watermarked Crown A up to date. We have not yet been able to secure sufficient of the Official stamps to complete the distribution of them, but we hope to send them in due course.

bl† £1, wmk. Crown A, perf. 11 (rare).  
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bp† £2 " wmk. Crown A, p. 12½.

Australian Commonwealth.

Postage Due.

AU ak 4d., Melbourne paper, wmk. Crown A.  
al 6d. " " " "  
aj 1/-, wmk. NSW, perf. 12 x 11.

Abyssinia.

AB ah\* 1g. to 16g., set of 7 stamps (July, 1907).

Abyssinia, Postage Due.

AB ai\* 1g. to 16g., set of 7 stamps (July, 1907).

West Australia.

WA br\* 5/- wmk. Crown A, perf. 12 x 12½. All these stamps had inverted watermark.

Spain, Rio de Oro.

SPR ab† 15c. on 25c.

Natal.

NT bc† £5 King, single wmk. Crown CC.  
bd† £10 " " " " (These are likely soon to be issued in new colours).

During the coming week we are sending out the new Austrian. They just missed last week's distribution by a few hours.

British New Guinea.

Speaking of the 4d. type i., *The Postage Stamp* says that "some dealers never got a single copy of the 4d. but though the 4d. tops the prices at present, the general opinion is that the 2/6 will beat it in the final race for rarity and as a matter of fact there were fewer printed of the 2/6 than of the 4d., the numbers being 4d. 2,970; 2/6 2,730. Ewen must have had a nice haul, for he is still offering the set complete, "4d. to 2s. 6d. mint for 2s." This latter figure is obviously a misprint for 20/-, the lowest we ever sold the set being 1/2 per 1/- face-value. We had just over 1000 of the 4d. but only between 500 and 600 of the 2/6 and most of them were sold at 5d. and 2/11 respectively! The 2/6 sold very slowly at the Post Office and we believe were not all gone even only a few weeks ago, so that we should doubt if they will be as valuable as the 4d. Everyone who has the 2/6 will want a 4d. to fill the gap in the set but there are many collectors who bought the set 1/- who will not add the 2/6, so that decreased demand will more than counterbalance the 7% shortage of stock. Altogether our New Issue clients have done well out of Papua. We have not only sold them both sets complete at a total cost for the two of about 13/- but we delivered them as early as anyone. From 40/- to 60/- is a rough estimate of their real market value.

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## The Week's News.

The Editor is always pleased to receive Early Information of New Issues, or of Discoveries interesting to Stamp Collectors, and will acknowledge such contributions either by name in the journal or by the presentation of several interesting newly-issued stamps, as preferred. The index number and serial letter after the title of each paragraph indicate the issue of E.W.S.N. in which the last reference to that country appeared.

**BARBADOS** (418 B 435).—We are informed that the total quantities of the Nelson issue printed on multiple Crown CA paper were as follows:—

½d.	50,000.
2d.	12,000 (two shades mixed).
2½d.	27,000.

There is presumably no record as to the proportion of each shade in the lot of 2d. but the bistre shade seems to be rarer than the bright yellow. All are now obsolete.

**BRITISH GUIANA** (424 A 435).—The *British Guiana Philatelic Journal* (12.07/9) advises its readers, if they want a speculation, to buy the 60c. single CA of 1903 and multiple ordinary. Of the former 10,080 were printed and of the latter 10,320, most of which were doubtless used for fiscal purposes. The same journal states that the 48c. single watermark occurs in two distinct shades, (i.) grey black and brown-lilac, (ii.) grey and brown-lilac.

**CAYMAN ISLANDS** (434 Z 435).—We are informed by Messrs. Coates & Marsh that they have received the following new stamps. There will now presumably be an end of the provisional stamps.



**Adhesive.** Design as above but inscribed "Postage & Revenue."  
½d. green.  
1d. rose.

Earliest postmark seen, 27.12.07.

**CHAMBA STATE** (321 T 435).—The following two new stamps have been overprinted for use here.

**Adhesives of India, overprinted "Chamba State."**  
½ anna "Postage and Revenue" (72,480 printed).  
1 anna " " (36,480 " ).  
**Official Adhesives.** Indian stamps overprinted.  
½ anna "Postage and Revenue" (48,480 printed).  
1 anna " " (24,480 " ).

For the above information we are indebted to the *Philatelic Journal of India* (12.07/447), which journal also states that the following are the total quantities of King's Head "postage" stamps surcharged for Chamba to date.

	Ordinary.	Service.
3 pies	192,720	144,480
½ anna	48,240	43,680
1 "	24,240	26,880
2 annas	29,760	24,480
3 "	6,480	nil
4 "	5,520	24,960
6 "	5,520	nil
8 "	6,720	3,360
12 "	3,120	3,120
1 rupee	4,320	3,120

Most of these stamps have now been in use since 1903, a matter of nearly five years, and the above figures are an eloquent testimony to the small number of collectors there really are in the world who make an attempt to get anywhere near complete in even low value stamps. Supposing firstly that two-thirds of the above 3120 12 anna (or 1/-) stamps have been issued, secondly that three-quarters of these have come on the philatelic market and thirdly that half of the last-named number are held in dealers' stocks, how many collectors of Chamba stamps are there in the whole world, making allowance for collectors of pairs, blocks and shades (not to say varieties of type and entire-sheet collectors)? Signs are not wanting that general collecting is regaining popularity and if it does, how are collectors to be supplied with such stamps as those just referred to? They are ever so much

rarer than Sydney Views and Cape Woodblocks. Collectors of modern issues have evidently got a good thing in hand if only they have a little confidence and patience.

**GIBRALTAR** (427 Z 435).—We are shown by Mr. J. Ireland a copy of the ½d. printed in one shade of green only; the value has hitherto been in a darker green.

**GWALIOR STATE** (417 F 435).—We have already reported that the ½ anna green "Postage & Revenue" had been seen by a Continental contemporary, presumably a specimen copy, as the Gwalior State authorities informed us in 12.07 that it was not then known to them. However, confirmation of its printing is to hand in the *Philatelic Journal of India* (12.07/447) where we read of the following:—

**Adhesives.** Indian stamps overprinted.  
½ anna, "Postage & Revenue" (528,480 printed).  
1 anna " " (264,480 " ).  
**Official Adhesives.** Ordinary Indian stamps overprinted.  
½ anna, "Postage & Revenue" (528,480 printed).  
1 anna " " (264,480 " ).

From the same source we learn of the printing of some high values.



**Adhesives.** Indian stamps overprinted.  
2 rupees, rose and brown (1,536 printed).  
3 " brown and green (1,536 " ).  
5 " blue and violet (1,536 " ).

The *Philatelic Journal of India* also states that the total quantities of King's Head Indian stamps surcharged for Gwalior to date are as follows:—

	Ordinary.	Service.
3 pies	3,194,880	841,200
½ anna	432,720	504,720
1 "	288,960	432,960
2 annas	217,200	108,960
3 "	145,200	nil
4 "	54,720	24,920
6 "	11,280	nil
8 "	19,920	24,920
12 "	7,680	nil
1 rupee	8,880	6,240

Since the philatelic demand would be no larger in the case of Gwalior than Chamba, it follows that the bulk of above stamps are for ordinary use, and in not the slightest degree speculative, yet they are far from being popular.

**HONGKONG** (427 I 435).—Particulars of new consignment-letter varieties, including a new letter, M, are sent us by Mr. A. H. Stamford, and we take the opportunity of publishing the complete list as it now stands.



**Consignment Letters of King Edward Issue.**  
Printings A to E with single watermark only.

	A	B*	C	D	E
	End 1902?	Date?	2.03?	8.03?	2.04?
	Highest	Highest	Highest	Highest	Highest
	No. seen.	No. seen.	No. seen.	No. seen.	No. seen.
1c.	A0626	—	C010876	—	—
2c.	A5017	—	C04876	—	—
4c.	A5174	—	C03763	—	E2652
5c.	A0746	Boo73	C0309	—	E1958
8c.	A0675	—	C00521	—	—
10c.	A1618	—	C0918	—	E2007
12c.	A0209	—	C00238	—	—
20c.	A0094	—	C00143	D391	E287
30c.	A0127	—	—	D178	E159
50c.	A0076	—	C00107	D00125	E127
\$1	A0072	—	C00067	C181	E053
\$2	A0028	—	—	—	E023
\$3	A0146	—	—	—	—
\$5	A0042	—	—	—	—
\$10	A0027	—	—	—	E019

\* This consignment consisted almost exclusively of revenue stamps. The only postage stamp was the 5c., which is used largely for revenue purposes.

Printings F to J have multiple watermark, with exceptions noted; H and J are on chalk-surfaced paper.

	F	G	H	J
	8.04?	2.05?	8.05?	2.06?
	Highest	Highest	Highest	Highest
	No. seen.	No. seen.	No. seen.	No. seen.
1c.	—	—	—	—
2c.	—	—	—	—
4c. on red	F4827	G0501	—	—
5c.	F5486	G5458	—	J2479
8c.	F1968	G1161	—	—
10c. on blue	F2764†	G2587	—	—
12c.	F003†	G072†	—	—
20c.	F163	G340	—	—
30c.	F242	G181	—	—
50c.	F036	G118	—	—
\$1	F058	G160	—	—
\$2	F017	G12	H0043	—
\$3	—	—	H0025	—
\$5	—	—	H004	—
\$10	F009†	G11	—	—

† Single wmk.; all other F and G have multiple wmk.

Printings K to N have multiple watermark, and are on chalk-surfaced paper except where noted.

	K	L	M	N
	8.06?	2.07?	8.07?	2.08?
	Highest	Highest	Highest	Highest
	No. seen.	No. seen.	No. seen.	No. seen.
1c.	—	—	—	—
2c.	—	—	—	—
4c. on red	K1701	L7540†	—	—
4c. rose	K3544	(no longer current)	—	—
5c.	—	L13001†	—	—
6c.	K0970	L827	—	—
8c.	—	—	M0003†	—
10c. on blue	K121	—	—	—
10c. blue	K2930†	(no longer current)	—	—
12c.	—	(L?)†	—	—
20c.	K97	—	—	—
30c.	K395	L652	—	—
50c.	K007	L002	—	—
\$1	K153	—	—	—
\$2	K012	—	—	—
\$3	K06	—	—	—
\$5	K02	—	—	—
\$10	K01	—	—	—

† Multiple watermark, ordinary paper.

The following have now been issued:—

**Adhesives.** Wmk. Crown CA multiple.  
6c. black-violet and orange-red. Chalky paper.  
\$10 lilac on red. Chalky (?) paper.

Issued 15.12.07 or earlier.

**JHIND STATE** (387 J 435).—The following new stamps have been printed for this State, reports the *Philatelic Journal of India* (12.07/448).

**Adhesives.** Indian stamps overprinted.  
½ anna, "Postage & Revenue" (24,240 printed).  
1 anna " " (12,240 " ).  
**Official Adhesives.** Ordinary Indian stamps overprinted.  
½ anna, "Postage & Revenue" (72,480 printed).  
1 anna " " (96,480 " ).

From the same source, we take the following particulars of the total quantities of King's Head Indian stamps overprinted for Jhind State to date.

	Ordinary.	Service.
3 pies	361,200	48,480
½ anna	48,480	120,720
1 "	18,480	72,720
2 annas	22,560	21,360
3 "	19,920	—
4 "	12,960	3,840
6 "	8,160	—
8 "	6,720	720
12 "	6,720	—
1 rupee	4,320	1,440

The 8 annas Service is thus revealed as a much rarer stamp than had been supposed, but it is of course liable any day to receive another printing.

**NABHA STATE** (399 N 435).—The following new stamps are reported by the *Philatelic Journal of India* (12.07/448) as printed.

**Adhesives.** Indian stamps overprinted.  
½ anna, "Postage & Revenue" (24,480 printed).  
1 anna " " (22,080 " ).  
**Official Adhesives.** Ordinary Indian stamps overprinted.  
½ anna, "Postage & Revenue" (17,280 printed).  
1 anna, " " (10,080 " ).

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From the same source we learn that the total quantities of Indian "postage" stamps surcharged to date are as follows:—

	Ordinary.	Service.
3 pies	336,720	4,080
½ anna	24,240	19,440
1 "	24,240	12,240
2 annas	34,320	10,320
3 "	41,520	—
4 "	14,160	6,720
6 "	8,000	—
8 "	6,480	5,280
12 "	4,720	—
1 rupee	4,080	5,280

A Continental contemporary mentioned some time ago (see E.W.S.N. No. 399) the 12 annas overprinted "Service" but as we suspected at the time and as is evident from the above, it does not exist.

PAPUA (434 Z 435).—We now illustrate the design of the new issue.



PATIALA STATE (348 O 435).—The following novelties are reported by the *Philatelic Journal of India* (12.07/449) as printed.

Official Adhesives. Ordinary Indian stamps overprinted.

½ anna, "Postage & Revenue" (360,240 printed).  
1 anna " " (240,240 printed).

The unified ½ and 1 anna ordinary stamps have not yet been printed. From the same source, we learn that the total quantities printed of King's Head Patiala stamps to date are as follows:—

	Ordinary.	Service.
3 pies	540,480	—
½ anna	1,740,960	854,920
1 "	241,680	840,480
2 annas	481,920	120,240
3 "	289,920	2,160
4 "	48,240	48,240
6 "	48,240	—
8 "	24,240	24,240
12 "	24,240	—
1 rupee	48,480	24,240

The 3 annas value is added to the service set of this State alone, but on the other hand there is no 3 pies service.

QUEENSLAND (426 I 435).—*Gibbons Stamp Weekly* (11.1.08/31) reports having received the following novelty.



Adhesive. Lithographed, perf. 12½, 13.

£1 bluish-green, wmk. Crown A twice sideways (instead of Crown Q).

The 2/6 and 10/- have already been chronicled with Crown A watermark, so that only the 5/- of the high values is now wanting.

ROUMANIA (433 N 435).—Although the new adhesives have not yet made their appearance, some new stationery bearing stamps of the new design has been issued, the following details being taken from *Der Philatelist* (15.12.07/448).

Postcard.

5 bani, light green.

Lettercard.

15 bani, dark lilac.

SIAM (426 N 435).—The Colonial Stamp Market has shown us an entire sheet of 120 of a new provisional issued on 16.12.07. It seems that there has been an unusual demand for this value lately, and the stock was used up quicker than that of the other values. Possibly it was not considered worth while to order from England a fresh supply of this one value; at any rate, no order was sent until a few weeks ago, when the stock was on the verge of exhaustion. Consequently a provisional became necessary, and 200,000 of the current design 24 atts have been surcharged "1 Att" with a thin bar through the old value. If stamp collectors and dealers should be so unkind as to buy the post office out of this supply, it will be forced, willy-nilly, to make a second provisional, as there is no chance of the fresh supply of 1 att stamps arriving from England before February. However, 200,000 1 att stamps would cost \$2000 or about £150, so perhaps they may last out. We have gone carefully over the sheet and cannot find any error or misprint.

Adhesive.

"1 Att" on 24a. brown-purple and blue.

In 1904 owing to depreciation of the currency, postal union stamps of 3, 6, and 14 atts in green, red and blue respectively replaced the old ones

of 2, 4 and 10 atts and a new value 28 atts took the colour and place of the 24 atts. It is the remainders of the latter stamp that have no doubt been used for the new provisional.

SWITZERLAND (434 F 435).—The 5c. and 10c. of the new series can be had in sheets as well as booklets now (1.08).

We are informed by Major Lister, writing under date of 14.1.08, that he has just obtained the 20 and 50c. on granite paper, wmk. Cross (without rings) and that the perforation is 11½ × 12. The 50c. is so coarse as to look like a lithographed stamp. Our correspondent also has the 50c. and 1f. perf. 11½ × 12, but on white paper, wmk. Cross (without rings). They are only catalogued perf. 11½ × 11.

URUGUAY (434 I 435).—We learn from *Gibbons Stamp Weekly* (11.1.08/31) that the 2c. and 5c. of both the 1904-05 and 1906-07 issues, catalogue Nos. 282, 283, 291 and 292 (? also 290) are to be withdrawn on 27.2.08 and that the 2c. vermilion and 5c. blue of the 1900-01 issue, catalogue Nos. 273 and 274, have been reissued in exactly the same colours.

### Our Prize Competitions.

No. 1. APPROVAL DEPT. (Current Issues).

To the competitor who has purchased by the end of next week the most stamps from our approval sheets of current issues (informing us at the time he wishes the number to compete) we will send post free a copy of "Our Own Times" Postage Stamp Album. This album is specially arranged for King's Head stamps and other current colonial issues.

Result, Week ending 18th January, 1908.

	Stamps
WP (winner and runner-up last week)...	94
GK (runner-up) ...	87
LW (4th last week) ...	81
GS (9th last week) ...	70
JN (5th last week) ...	69
PN (6th last week) ...	63
RB (7th last week) ...	60
JS (8th last week) ...	45
GL ...	41

Non-winners' totals are carried forward to next week.

No. 2. APPROVAL DEPT. (Old Issues).

To the competitor who has purchased by the end of next week the most stamps from our approval sheets of old issues (informing us at the time he wishes the number to compete) we will present a copy of the "Good Old Times" Postage Stamp Album (no watermarks, perforations, surcharges, minor varieties).

SECTION II.—EUROPE AND COLONIES.

Result, Week ending 18th January, 1908.

J1 (winner and runner-up last week)...	138
CM (runner-up) ...	115
EW (3rd last week) ...	86
ES (9th last week) ...	74
JE (4th last week) ...	72
HN (6th last week) ...	64
JH (5th last week) ...	36
AD (7th last week) ...	28
HN (8th last week) ...	23

SECTION III.—REST OF THE WORLD.

Same conditions as No. 2 but only open to winners of Section II. The prize is Part III. of the Album, and stamps purchased from any approval sheets of old issues count.

Result, Week ending 18th January, 1908.

CC (winner) ...	48
JC (runner-up) ...	37
WF ...	37
Mrs. U (2nd last week) ...	35
RW (3rd last week) ...	24
JF ...	14
ES ...	13
GS (6th last week) ...	8
GA ...	7

Non-winners' totals are carried forward to next week. Winners residing abroad will be required to pay carriage and customs charges if any.

The awards are made and albums posted every Monday.

Since our main object in giving these albums away is to get them known, winners can repay us by showing them to stamp-collecting friends as well as by purchasing stamps.

No. 3. EDITORIAL COMPETITION.

The competitor who sends us the most interesting item of information for our New Issue column each week will be credited 2/6, which must be claimed within seven days (allowance to foreign readers) and may be selected from any of our approval sheets. From time to time we shall voluntarily increase the prize.

18th January, 1908.

NG for note on Trinidad 1/- (2/6).

Winners are requested to make early application for their prizes.

A Newcastle-on-Tyne winner writes (30-11.07):—"I received the 'Good Old Times' Album safely on Tuesday. It is quite beyond my expectations, being really a beautiful volume and so concise."

Mrs. G. writes again (23.12.07):—"I like the album more every day and it is a real pleasure putting in my stamps. I am only putting in unused and they look lovely."

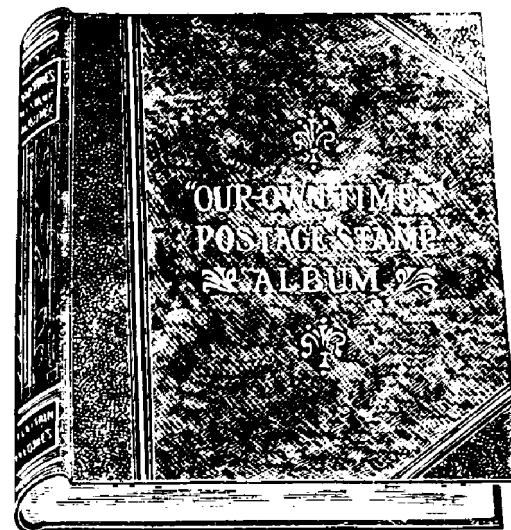
A Liverpool winner writes (17.10.07).—"I have to thank you for 'The Old Times' Album sent to me on Monday last. Like everything else sent out by your firm it is, of its kind, the very best."

A Lavender Hill Collector writes (5.11.07):—"I have this morning received the splendid album 'Our Own Times' for which I tender my best thanks. I think it very handsome and it is just the album I wanted."

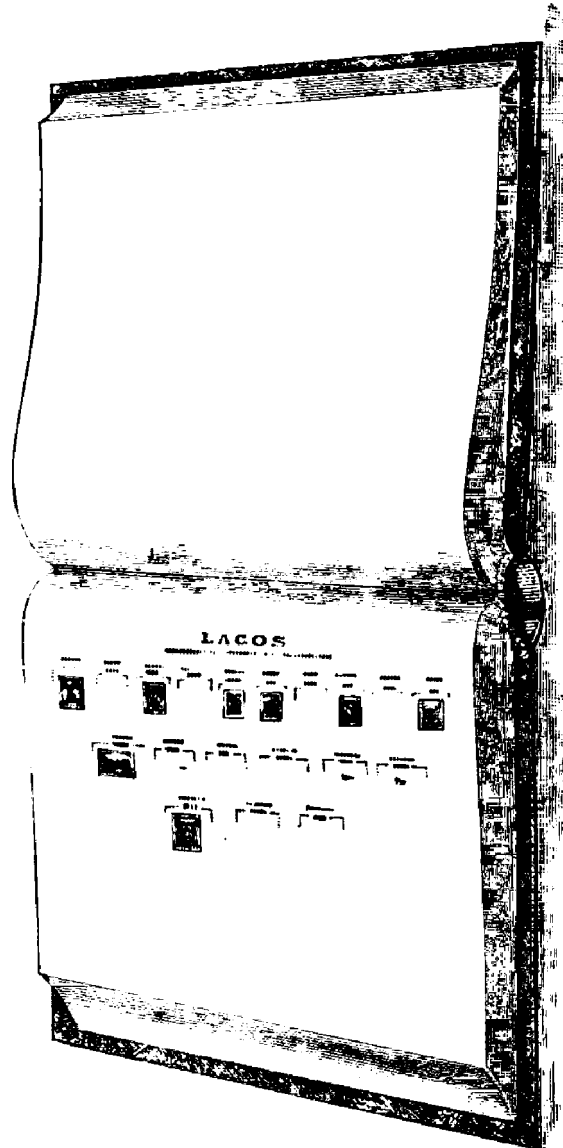
J. B. writes (5.12.07):—"I beg you to accept my best thanks for Album received this week. It is a gem and one that anybody who is fortunate enough to obtain it, may be proud of."

### Our Albums.

We are now able to give two illustrations of our new albums. They are bound alike, as shown in the following illustration.



The album opens as shown in the following illustration, thus enabling two albums to be compared close together.



There is plenty of blank space for additional varieties and a blank quadrillé-ruled page after each colony, so that the album provides space for New Issues for many years to come. The complete set will be as follows:—

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- † Part I. Great Britain and Colonies.
- \* Part II. Europe and Colonies.
- \* Part III. Rest of World.

Specialized System.

- \* Part I. Great Britain and Colonies.

\* These are all published.

† Expected early in 1908.

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DISTRIBUTION No. 362, 10.1.08.

Cyprus.

CP am\* 5 paras, King, multiple, wmk. Crown CA. Austria.

AS ae\* 1h. to 1kr., set of Jubilee stamps issued 1st January, 1908, as follows:—

- |                   |                             |
|-------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1h. grey          | Karl VI.                    |
| 2h. blue-violet   | Maria Theresa.              |
| 3h. red-violet    | Joseph II.                  |
| 5h. green         | Franz Joseph I. (1908).     |
| 6h. yellow        | Leopold II.                 |
| 10h. rose-red     | Franz Joseph I. (1908).     |
| 12h. red          | Franz I.                    |
| 20h. brown        | Ferdinand I.                |
| 25h. blue         | Franz Joseph I. (1908).     |
| 30h. olive        | " (1848).                   |
| 35h. grey-blue    | " (1875).                   |
| 50h. green        | " (Marshal's uniform).      |
| 60h. red          | " (on horseback).           |
| 1k. viol. & carm. | " (Order of Golden Fleece). |
- af\* 2kr. olive and red (Castle of Schönbrunn), and 5kr. viol. and yellow (Hofburg).  
ag\* 10kr. brown blue and gold. Franz Joseph I.

Trinidad.

TR au\* 5/- wmk. Crown CA multiple, chalky paper.

S. Australia, Official.

- SA bs† Punctured OS 8d., type i, wmk. SA, p. 11‡  
 bt† " " 10d., type i, " p. 11‡  
 br† " " 1/-, type ii, " p. 12  
 bl† " " 2/6, type i, " p. 11‡  
 bm† " " 5/-, type ii, " p. 12

British Central Africa.

BC ab £10, wmk. Crown CC, ordinary paper.

Malay States.

MY ax† 5c. wmk. Crown CA multiple, ordinary paper.

ay 20c. wmk. Crown CA multiple, chalky paper. More are expected shortly. By the way, a provincial dealer in asking 15/- for this stamp. Our rate is 7d.!

Tasmania.

- TA bc† 1d. wmk. Crown A, perf. 11 × 12‡ and 2d. wmk. Crown A, perf. 12‡ × 11. Sent out at 10/- the two. Lowest quotation we have observed elsewhere is 15/- each.  
 bg 2d., wmk. Crown A, perf. 12‡ × 11.

Papua (1908 design).

- BN ah\* ½d., wmk. Crown A, set of two, ordinary and inverted wmk., sent out at 1½d. the two.  
 ai 4d., wmk. Crown A, perf. 11.

British New Guinea.

Small surcharge "Papua."

- BN aj\* 1d., 2d., 2½d., 6d., 1/-, set of five stamps (to complete the set, the ½d. and 4d. having already been sent to every subscriber). The total cost of the complete set of type ii. as supplied to New Issue clients is, including the 2/6, the very low rate of 8/9 the eight stamps.  
 uk\* 2/6, sent out at 3/9.  
 ap 2½d., dull blue shade.

Variety, inverted "d" in Papua.

- BN al 1d., 2d., 2½d., 6d., 1/-, sent out at only 12/6 the five.  
 am 2/6, sent out at 7/6. These inverted "d" varieties which we sent out were taken from position No. 10 on the sheet alone (and have margin at right-hand side). A somewhat similar error occurs on positions Nos. 16 and 21 (margin at left side), and besides being less clear (probably a broken p), No. 16 also has a pin-hole through it near the lower edge, and we do not consider them of nearly the same value or interest.

Variety, dropped "pua" in Papua.

- BN an 1d., 2d., 2½d., 6d., 1/-, sent out at only 12/6 the five.  
 ao 2/6, sent out at only 7/6.

The ½d. and 4d. values surcharged "Papua" are now quite exhausted in the Colony, and the others are not expected to last long.

Siam.

SM ak\* 1 att on 24 atts.

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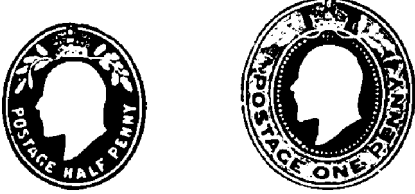
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## The Week's News.

The Editor is always pleased to receive Early Information of New Issues, or of Discoveries interesting to Stamp Collectors, and will acknowledge such contributions either by name in the journal or by the presentation of several interesting newly-issued stamps, as preferred.

The index number and serial letter after the title of each paragraph indicate the issue of E.W.S.N. in which the last reference to that country appeared.

**GREAT BRITAIN.**—Unadhesive Stamps (422,430,432 T 436).—Die 47 has now turned up in yellow-green, a specimen being shown us by Mr. E. Bentley Wood, under date of 23.1.08. Our list now stands:—



Envelope Dies. List of die-numbers known.

- ½d. dark green. Dies 7 to 30; 43 to 55.
- ½d. yellow-green. Dies 45 to 65 exc. 49, 53.
- 1d. Dies 7 to 30; 43 to 74.
- 1½d. yellow, 1½d. violet, 4d., 10d., 1/- Dies 1, 2, 2½d. Die 3. 3d. Dies 1, 2, 6d. Dies 1 to 10.
- 3d. Registration, Dies 1 to 15.

We now have registration envelopes with contract letters HA and IA, die 15 still being used to stamp them.

**Railway Letter Stamps** (430 F 436).—Mr. C. W. Hellowell writes:—

"I have not yet seen in E.W.S.N. a description of the new 'Gt. Central and North Staffs.' Railway Letter Stamps. The stamps are the same type as before; in sheets of 12, 4 rows of 3. They are yellow-green in colour, and perf. 11½. The inscription at the top is 'Great Central and North,' and at the bottom, 'Staffordshire Ry. Com.'"

To this we can add that they are printed in sheets of 24 which are cut in two before issue.

**Sinn Fein Stamps.**—A correspondent sends us the following cutting from an evening paper. They are of course not postage stamps.

Sir T. H. Grattan Esmonde, M.P., formerly an Irish Nationalist Whip, announces that the Sinn Feiners have now postage stamps of their own, and that if his correspondents want replies to their letters they must put one of these on their envelopes as well as the English stamp.

**ANTARCTIC EXPEDITION** (A 436).—We take the following note from the *Daily Mail* of 20.1.07.

Lieutenant Shackleton, chief of the expedition which starts on New Year's Day on the barquentine Nimrod, to search for the South Pole, addressed a crowded meeting in Wellington Town Hall. . . . The Government has approved the proposal for opening a post office in King Edward Seventh Land—the Nimrod's destination, from which the dash to the Pole will be made by motor-car—and a suitable surcharged stamp will be issued for England.

The following further news respecting the expedition appeared in the *Daily Graphic* of 23.1.08.

WELLINGTON (N.Z.), Wednesday.

The Koonya has returned here, after having towed the Nimrod, Lieutenant Shackleton's ship, with the British Antarctic Expedition on board, 1,500 miles to within a mile of the ice. Heavy gales prevailed from January 1st to January 15th, when the two vessels parted company. The disconnection of the tow lines was extremely difficult owing to the innumerable icebergs. Lieutenant Shackleton reports that the Nimrod is a wonderful sea-boat. His farewell signal was "Crew all well. Confident of success."

As the Koonya is sure to bring a batch of correspondence from members of the expedition, it will be interesting to see if it is franked with the special stamps. If not, we are not likely to hear anything further of them till about January, 1909, when the expedition is expected to return.

**BELGIUM** (424 Z 436).—*L'Echo de la Timbrologie* (15.1.08/5) states on the authority of *La Revue Postale* that there is a likelihood of new values of 15c. and 40c. being issued, on account

of the altered postal rates. The 50c. value is to be withdrawn.

**CEYLON** (402 F 436).—A new wrapper is reported by a correspondent writing under date of 25.1.07.

Wrapper.  
6c. rose (same design as 5c. yellow-brown).  
Issued 9.1.08 or earlier.

**FRANCE** (434 D 436).—The Postage Stamp (18.1.08/217) reproduces the following interesting history of the Sower type, but we are rather surprised that it makes no unfavourable comment on the number of varieties. Personally we see no cause for unfavourable comment, but what would some of our philatelic journals have said if they had said New Zealand or Labuan had dropped and changed their issues in the same way?

Mr. Franz Reichenheim, the well-known specialist in the stamps of France, in December last read an exhaustive paper before the Royal Philatelic Society on "The Stamps of France in the 'Sower' types and their different retouches," which is published in the December number of the *London Philatelist*. From this excellent paper we quote Mr. Reichenheim's Reference List:—



Design No. I.

"Sower" with lined background, with line marking horizon and with rising sun.

- 2 April, 1903. 15c. slate-green (shades).  
Varieties: a. On thin paper.  
b. On thick paper.  
c. Imperforate.
- 28 April, 1903. 25c. blue (many shades).
- 6 May, 1903. 10c. rose-carmine (shades).  
Variety: Imperforate.
- 29 June, 1903. 20c. purple (many shades).  
30c. lilac (several shades).  
Variety: Imperforate.

(Suppressed by Decree, dated 4 April, 1906).



Design No. II.

"Sower" walking on an incline. Background quite plain.

- 13 April, 1906. Type 1. (Shaded face and shaded arms, etc. Stamps printed in blocks of 50 without millésime).  
10c. vermilion.
- 17 May, 1906. Type 2. (Shading on the face, arms, etc., taken off. Stamps printed in the usual sheets with millésimes).  
10c. vermilion.



Design No. III.

"Sower" walking on flat ground.

- 28 July, 1906. Type 1. (Thin figure of "Sower")  
10c. vermilion.
- 15 Oct., 1906. Type 2. (Figure improved by a thin white line, added by Monsieur Mouchon).  
10c. vermilion.  
Varieties: a. Imperforate (?).  
b. 10c. brick-red.
- 15 Oct., 1906. Type 3. (White line made thicker at the Government Printing Office).  
10c. vermilion.  
Varieties: a. Imperforate (?).  
b. 10c. brick-red.
- Date? Type 4. (As Types 2 and 3, but shading of garments in loops).  
10c. vermilion.
- 9 Nov., 1906. Types 2 and 3.  
35c. (thin figures of value), lilac (shades).  
Variety: Imperforate.

Design No. IV.

Similar to Design III., Type 3, but some shading round the lower part of the right arm and some shading between the original contour of the figure and the added white line taken off.

- 5 March, 1907, in booklets } 5c. dark green (four shades).
- 19 March, 1907, in sheets }

- Variety: Imperforate (?).
- 25 May, 1907. 30c. orange (three shades).  
Variety: Imperforate (?).
- 19 June, 1907. 25c. blue (five shades).  
Variety: Imperforate.

End of Nov., 1907. 35c. (thick figures of value), reddish-lilac.

**ITALY** (414 X 436).—A Turin correspondent writes us under date of 21.1.07:—"I hasten to send you the enclosed new 40c. stamp which I secured at the General Post Office. The stamps are ready for distribution and should reach the general public in about a fortnight. The 50c. is also ready, and the 15c. is in future to be printed at the State Printing Office in this town in the same small size as the 40c. and 50c."

In the *Bazaar, Exchange & Mart* (22.1.08/218) we read of another value, the 25c., but the design is again slightly modified. The issues in the new designs are as follows:—



- Adhesives. (i.) Design as above, head to right.  
15c. grey-blue (issued about a year ago and already chronicled). Perf. 12.
- (ii.) Design as above, but head to left and Arms in opposite corner.  
40c. light brown, perf. 14.  
50c. lilac (said to have been printed).
- (iii.) Design as ii. but without background of water.  
25c. bright blue, perf. 14.

Design i. is line-engraved and it is because this process was found to be too expensive, that the alteration was made; designs ii. and iii. are surface printed.

**LUXEMBURG** (421 O 436).—The remaining values of the set are reported by *L'Echo de la Timbrologie* (15.1.08/6).



- Adhesives.  
30c. olive.  
87½c. blue.  
1f. violet.  
2½f. red.  
5f. lilac.

Although this purports to complete the set, we should not be surprised if a 40c. was not added, being the double letter-rate under the new Postal Union tariff. Why also are the 4th and 5th multiples of 12½c. (62½c. and 75c.) omitted?

**NICARAGUA** (429 K 436).—The following note is from *Gibbons Stamp Weekly* (25.1.08/63). "Inventive minds are still hard at work on the provisional issues of this country. Our New York house forwards us four new Officials, all overprinted on the 1c. green, Waterlow print. The disfiguration consists of the word OFICIAL in one line, and the value in another, both reading up. So far we have received a 15c., 20c. and 50c., in black, the value being in figures; and a 1 peso, in red, expressed in words—UN PESO. No doubt other values will soon be issued. All the copies we have received are postmarked 30 November, 1907."

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We have now incorporated in these sheets a £1000 Collection of British Colonials.

<p><b>GREAT BRITAIN AND COLONIES.</b> (2691 different sorts exist).</p> <p>479 Gt. Britain, miscellaneous used 105 Antigua and Bahamas 106 Barbados 107 Bechuanaland and Cayman Is. 480 B.C.A. 108 Bermuda 109 B. Honduras 462 B. Columbia &amp; Vancouver Is. 110 B.E.A. 111 B. Guiana 112 B.S.A. 113+ Cape Colony 114+ Ceylon, Pence issues and 1st Cents issue 481 Ceylon, Cents issue 115 Cook Islands 1161 Cyprus 104 Canada, 1870-97 117 " 1859-70 118 " 1851-68 119 " 1897-1904 120 " Jubilee and Map 121 Dominica 122 Falkland Islands 123 Fiji Islands 124 Gambia 125+ Gibraltar 126 Gold Coast 127 Grenada 469 Heligoland and Ionian Islands 128 Hong Kong 129 East India 130 India (Empire) 131 Jamaica 357 " used 132 Labuan, Queen's Head 133 " Pictorial 483 " 1895-03 134 Lagos 135 Leeward Islands 348 Madagascar, British Post. 136 Malta 137 Mauritius, Pence issues 488 " Cents 138 Montserrat and Nevis 139 Natal 140 New Brunswick, Nova Scotia 141 Newfoundland, 1857-90 482 " 1880-1905 468 New Republic 142 New South Wales, 1850-55 143 " 1862-97 144 New Zealand, 1st design 145 " " 146 Niger Coast 147 " " 148 North Borneo, 1883-1889 486 " Pictorial issues 149 Northern Nigeria 150 Orange Free State and Colony 498 Prince Edward Is. 151 Queensland, 1860-79 152 " 1882-96 153 " (current issues) 492 " 1891-1907 154 St. Christopher 155 St. Helena</p>	<p>156 St. Lucia 157 St. Vincent 158 Sarawak 159 Seychelles 349 " " 160 Sierra Leone 161 S. 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† These Sheets are newly mounted this week.

The above fine series of Approval Sheets consists solely of stamps arranged according to our "Monthly Quotations" (4d. post free).

# Approval Sheets of New Issues.

BRITISH COLONIES ONLY, CHIEFLY KING SINGLES AND MULTIPLES, USED AND UNUSED.

Stamps purchased from these Approval Sheets count in the Competition for "Our Own Times" Album, whereas those purchased from the above Sheets (obsolete issues) count in the "Good Old Times" Competition.

<p>500 Aitutaki on N.Z. 501 Antigua 581 Australian Commonwealth Postage Dues 502 Bahamas, King, &amp;c. 503 Barbados 504 Bechuanaland, King 505 Bermuda, Dockyard 506 Br. Central Africa, King 507 British Guiana 508 Br. Honduras, King 585 British New Guinea 509 Br. New Guinea and Papua 510 Br. South Africa [unused 380 Brunei, 1st issue, used and 512 Brunei, surch. and pictorial 511 Canada, King, &amp;c. 513 Cape, King 514 Cayman Is., King 515 Ceylon, King 516 Chamba on India, King</p>	<p>360 Cook Islands, Queen's Head 517 Cook Is. 518 Cyprus, King 519+ Dominica, pictorial 520 E. Africa, King 521 Falkland, King 522 Fiji, King 523 Gambia, King 524 Gibraltar, King 525 Gold Coast, King 526 Grenada, King 527 Gwalior on India, King 528 Hong Kong, King 529 India, King 530 C.E.F. on India, King 531 Jamaica, Arms 532 Jhind on India 533 Jnhor, 1904 534 Labuan, Crown 580 Labuan, pictorial</p>	<p>411 Labuan, sur. 'Straits' 381 " " used and un. 535 Lagos, King 536 Leeward, King 537 Levant on Gt. Britain 538 Malay States 539 Maldives on Ceylon 540 Malta, King, &amp;c. 541 Mauritius, Arms 542 Montserrat, Arms 504 Morocco Ag. on Gibraltar— varieties 543 Morocco on Gibraltar 544 Morocco on Gt. Britain 545 Nabha on India, King 546 Natal, King [Family 547 Newfoundland, Cabot and Royal 548 New South Wales 583 New Zealand Pictorials and Officials 549 New Zealand, pictorial</p>	<p>550 Niue on N.Z. 551 North Borneo 552 N. Nigeria, King 553 Orange River Colony, King 554 Patiala on India, King 555 Penrhyn on N.Z. 556 Queensland 557 St. Helena, King, &amp;c. 558 St. Kitts-Nevis, pictorial 559 St. Lucia, King 560 St. Vincent, King 561 Sarawak, Rajah's Head 562 Seychelles, King 563 Sierra Leone, King 564 Solomon Islands 346 Somaliland, 1st issue 565 Somaliland, King and Queen, surch. 579 " Prot. King 347 Somaliland</p>	<p>377 Somaliland Officials, 1st issue varieties 378 Somaliland Service 566 South Australia 567 S. Nigeria, King 568 Straits, King 376 Sudan, varieties 569 Sudan, Camel 570 Tasmania, pictorial 571 Tonga, pictorial and portrait 350 Transvaal C.S.A.R. 572 Transvaal, King 573 Trinidad 574 Turks Islands 575 Victoria 576 Virgin Islands 577 Western Australia 349 Zanzibar, 1904, and varieties 578 Zanzibar, Arms</p>
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# Approval Sheets of British Stamps.

<p>101 Gt. Britain, 1840-41, imperf. 102 " 1880-1884 103 " 4d. to plate 10 345 " 2d. blue, 1840-41 346 " fine copies, mostly 1d. and 2d. 347 " very fine copies of 4d. and 6d. 352 " 1855-1862 353 " 1867 351 " 1867, 3d. rose 355 " Miscellaneous 356 " 2d., plate numbers 358 " Miscellaneous</p>	<p>362 Gt. Britain, 4d., plate 11 to 18 365 " Foreign Postmarks 366 " old 6d. violet 367 " old 8d., 9d., 10d., 2/-, 5/-, 10/-, and £1 368 " 1840-1855 369 " " Specimen " Stamps 391 " 4d. rose, 1855-57 392 " 2d. blue, 1840-57 393 " 2/6, 3/-, 10/- and £1 394 " 4d., 6d., 1/- of 1855-57 395 " 4d. orange, pl. nos. 396 " 1/-, plate numbers</p>	<p>399 Gt. Britain, imperforate 400 " Glasgow and other local pmks., etc. 1d., 2d., 1840-41 401 " Maltese Cross postmark 1d. red, imperf. (singles and strips) 437 " 1d. red, Stars, perf. varieties 438 " 2d. blue, Stars, perf. varieties 439 " 2d. blue, Stars, perf. varieties 440 " 2d. blue, imperf. 1841, for plating 441 " 2d. blue, plate Nos.</p>	<p>442 Gt. Britain, 1d. and 1½d. red, plate numbers 444 " shades of 4d. rose, L.C., in pairs, at 2d. each 445 " old 2d., 3d., 4d., &amp;c., on pieces of letter 446 " 3d. rose, plate Nos. 447 " old 3d., 4d., &amp;c., in pairs and strips 448 " shades of 4d. rose, 1857, in dated pairs 449 " 4d. rose, pairs, with dated pmks., various shades of rose</p>	<p>450 Gt. Britain, 4d. rose, S.C., MS. and L.C., fine shades 451 " 4d., plate Nos., mostly dated copies 471 Unused English 472 Gt. Britain, unused, chiefly 1880-97 474 " fine 3d. and others 475 " very fine used, 9d., 1/- and miscellaneous 485 " Officials, Telegraphs, &amp;c.</p>
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50 CVS. UN PESO

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Official. Waterlow print, overprinted as above in black (except the 1 peso, which is in red). Perf. 14, 15.

- 15c. on 1c. green (a).
- 20c. " 1c. " (a).
- 50c. " 1c. " (a).
- 1p. " 1c. " (b).

PAPUA (435 A 436).— This country is evidently going to keep the chroniclers of New Issues busy, as we have two more varieties to report this week.



Adhesive. With small surcharge "Papua." 2½d. blue (instead of ultramarine) and black. Variety, inverted d in "Papua" (No. 10 on sheet). Variety, pua in "Papua" dropped (No. 17 on sheet).

We only found one sheet of the above in the Colonial Stamp Market's last importation, all the rest being ultramarine, although there were slight shades amongst the latter.



Adhesive. Permanent design. 4d. brown and black. Perf. 12½ instead of 11.

First specimen of this stamp is shown us by Mr. Edward Smith. Either the perf. 11 variety has had a very short life or both varieties are being issued together indiscriminately. Time will show whether either is rare. The new stamps are evidently being printed at Melbourne and not at Brisbane as was at first supposed.

QUEENSLAND (435 J 436).— We are informed by Mr. L. W. Crouch that he has the following novelty:—



Adhesive. Wmk. Crown over A. 2d. blue.

Issued 25.12.07 or sooner.

SIAM (435 O 436).—A correspondent writes us as follows from Bangkok, under date of 6.12.07:—"The 10 ticals stamps are entirely sold out at the Post Office. There will be another 1000 revenue stamps of the same kind surcharged in a few days and if possible the surcharge will be the same as on the first lot, but as the original plate has been destroyed, this may be difficult. There are still several hundreds of the 20 and 40 ticals in stock. I was very astonished to read in No. 426 of the E.W.S.N. that you had found two different stops in the setting. I myself had checked the sheet but this variety escaped my observation. There are only four oval stop varieties in the sheet, on the first four stamps of the lowest row."

With regard to the 1 att provisional chronicled last week, our correspondent says:—"Before the provisional 1 on 24 atts were printed the postmaster here was compelled to deliver local printed matter without stamps for several days." He wrote the remark "1 att stamps run short, postage paid" on the envelopes. On 14 and 15.12.07 he also used a stamp made of printers' type, with the same text, for this purpose. Do you think there will be any interest taken in these by collectors? A certain gentleman posted 1200 envelopes addressed to himself and sent them to England, as I am told. He hopes to make a fortune out of them.

"New stamps of 9 and 18 atts will arrive shortly."

The two new values, just mentioned, are the outcome of the reduction of the Postal Union rate for letters (now 2½d. the first ounce and 1½d.

per additional ounce instead of 2½d. per half-ounce). Nine atts is the equivalent of 1½d., whilst 14 atts represent 2½d. In future, the rate, instead of being 14 atts+14, 28, 42, etc., will be 14 atts+9, 18, 27, etc. The new 18 atts (3d.) stamp will also be useful as a multiple of 1d., the rate to England.

SWITZERLAND (435 G 436).—*Le Collectionneur de Timbres-Poste* (1.1.08/7) states that the design of the stamps of 20c. to 5 francs is in preparation. The stamps of 3 and 5 francs (the latter a higher value than any found in preceding sets) will be printed in two colours.

Envelopes can now be stamped with 2c., 5c., 10c., 12c. or 15c., stamps and it is the intention to extend this facility, which appears to be greatly appreciated.

### Our Prize Competitions.

#### No. 1. APPROVAL DEPT. (Current Issues).

To the competitor who has purchased by the end of next week the most stamps from our approval sheets of current issues (informing us at the time he wishes the number to compete) we will send post free a copy of "Our Own Times" Postage Stamp Album. This album is specially arranged for King's Head stamps and other current colonial issues.

Result, Week ending 25th January, 1908.

	Stamps
GK (winner and runner-up last week)...	87
GS (runner-up) ... ..	87
LW (3rd last week) ... ..	81
RB (7th last week) ... ..	71
JN (5th last week) ... ..	69
PN (6th last week) ... ..	63
JS (8th last week) ... ..	45
BW ... ..	43
GL (9th last week) ... ..	41

Non-winners' totals are carried forward to next week.

#### No. 2. APPROVAL DEPT. (Old Issues).

To the competitor who has purchased by the end of next week the most stamps from our approval sheets of old issues (informing us at the time he wishes the number to compete) we will present a copy of the "Good Old Times" Postage Stamp Album (no watermarks, perforations, surcharges, minor varieties).

#### SECTION II.—EUROPE AND COLONIES.

Result, Week ending 25th January, 1908.

CM (winner and runner-up last week)...	140
JE (runner-up) ... ..	100
ES (4th last week) ... ..	89
EW (3rd last week) ... ..	86
HN (6th last week) ... ..	64
JH (7th last week) ... ..	36
AD (8th last week) ... ..	28
HW (9th last week)...	23
FS ... ..	21

#### SECTION III.—REST OF THE WORLD.

Same conditions as No. 2 but only open to winners of Section II. The prize is Part III. of the Album, and stamps purchased from any approval sheets of old issues count.

Result, Week ending 25th January, 1908.

JC (winner and runner-up last week)...	76
FL (runner-up) ... ..	71
WF (3rd last week) ... ..	57
Mrs. U (4th last week) ... ..	50
JF (6th last week) ... ..	37
JO ... ..	33
RW (5th last week) ... ..	32
DD ... ..	27
ES (7th last week) ... ..	21

Non-winners' totals are carried forward to next week. Winners residing abroad will be required to pay carriage and customs charges if any.

The awards are made and albums posted every Monday.

Since our main object in giving these albums away is to get them known, winners can repay us by showing them to stamp-collecting friends as well as by purchasing stamps.

#### No. 3. EDITORIAL COMPETITION.

The competitor who sends us the most interesting item of information for our New Issue column each week will be credited 2/6, which must be claimed within seven days (allowance to foreign readers) and may be selected from any of our approval sheets. From time to time we shall voluntarily increase the prize.

25th January, 1908.

C & M for note on Cayman Is. (2/6).

Winners are requested to make early application for their prizes.

A Newcastle-on-Tyne winner writes (30.11.07):—"I received the 'Good Old Times' Album safely on Tuesday. It is quite beyond my expectations, being really a beautiful volume and so concise."

Mrs. G. writes again (23.12.07):—"I like the album more every day and it is a real pleasure putting in my stamps. I am only putting in unused and they look lovely."

A Liverpool winner writes (17.10.07).—"I have to thank you for 'The Old Times' Album sent to me on Monday last. Like everything else sent out by your firm it is, of its kind, the very best."

A Lavender Hill Collector writes (5.11.07):—"I have this morning received the splendid album 'Our Own Times' for which I tender my best thanks. I think it very handsome and it is just the album I wanted."

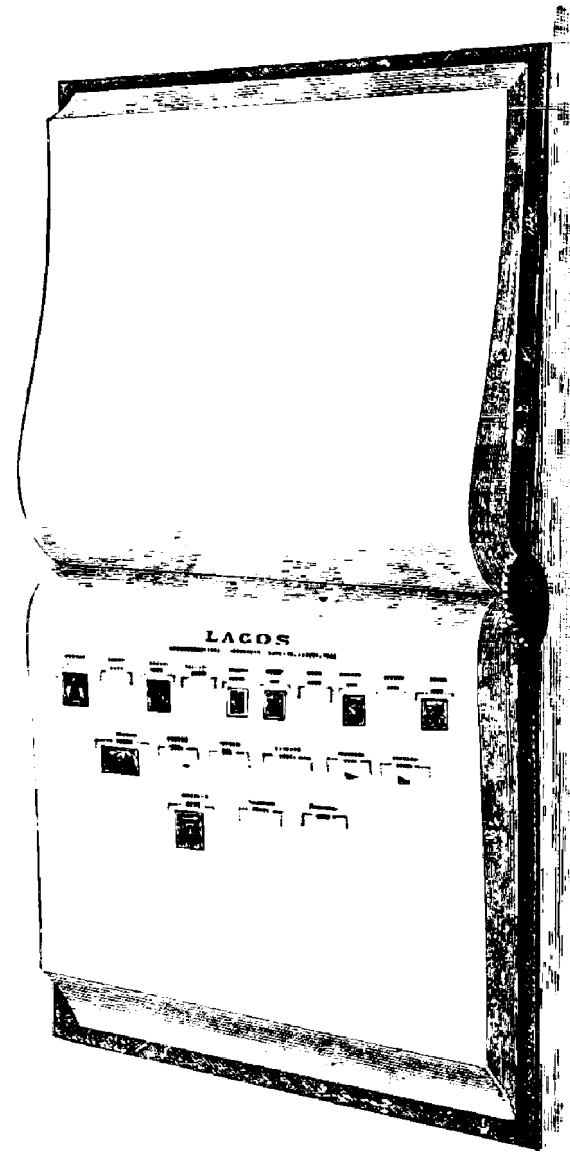
J. B. writes (5.12.07):—"I beg you to accept my best thanks for Album received this week. It is a gem and one that anybody who is fortunate enough to obtain it, may be proud of."

### Our Albums.

We are now able to give two illustrations of our new albums. They are bound alike, as shown in the following illustration.



The album opens as shown in the following illustration, thus enabling two albums to be compared close together.



There is plenty of blank space for additional varieties and a blank quadrillé-ruled page after each colony, so that the album provides space for New Issues for many years to come. The complete set will be as follows:—

#### Simplified System.

- † Part I. Great Britain and Colonies.
- \* Part II. Europe and Colonies.
- \* Part III. Rest of World.

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- \* Part I. Great Britain and Colonies.

\* These are all published.

† Expected early in 1908.

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NOTE.—If other countries are not wanted, please state.	

Marginal copies, with plate-number.  
An extra commission of 5% is charged for these.

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† distribution previously commenced and now continued.  
‡ " " " and now completed.  
§ " completed, whilst no sign signifies that distribution has commenced. The letters AA ab, ac, etc., are those we employ to expedite invoicing.

DISTRIBUTION No. 363, 17.1.08.  
Holland.

Ruyter surcharge, Postage Due.  
HOue\* ¼c. to 1 gulden, complete set of 13. In some cases we were obliged to send the ¼c. used, as we were unable to procure it unused. Complete sets, unused, sent out at 5/6.

Orange River Colony.

ORaj† 4d. King, multiple ordinary.

Japan.

JAaa ½sn. to 20sn., set of 9 latest colours and perfs.  
ab 4, 8, 15, 25, 50sn., set of latest shades.  
ac\* 1½, 3, 5sn., new colours.  
ad\* 6sn., new value.

France.

FRaj\* 20c., perf. 14 × 13½, new design.

Switzerland.

SZag† 5 and 10c., new design.  
ah\* 2, 3, 15c. "

Mauritius.

MU at\* 15c. wmk. Crown CA multiple, chalky paper. With the exception of the 1c. and 1r. values, this distribution brings the country up to date. The 1c. and 1 rupee are being sent out during the current week.

C.E.F. on India.

INC aa 1a. rose, Queen. These stamps were previously sent out used. As we have now received a supply of unused, we are commencing the distribution again.

Johore.

JO aa 10c., new shade.

St. Lucia.

SL am ¼d., 1d., 2½d., wmk. Crown CA multiple, single colours.  
an 1d. and 2½d., wmk. Crown CA multiple, single colours.

Salvador.

SA ab 1c. to 24c., 1907 issue.

Hungary.

HU ah 12f., S.G. No. 128 (a rarity) and 145a. for comparison.

Natal.

NT ae £10 and £20, "specimen."

Siam.

SM ak† 1 att on 24 atts.  
al† 10, 20, 40 Ticals. (Used).

Straits on Labuan.

LA aj† 40c. on 18c., variety no stops after "cents."

Malay States.

MY ax† 5c. wmk. Crown CA multiple, ordinary paper.  
ay 20c. wmk. Crown CA multiple, chalky paper. More are expected shortly.

Cayman Islands.

CY ae† ¼d. on 1d. King, multiple wmk. CA.

New South Wales.

Melbourne Paper.

NSW ay† ¼d. wmk. Crown double-lined A.  
at† 1d., " "  
au† 2½d., " "  
av† 4d., " "  
az† 8d., " "  
bb† 2/6, " "

This set printed on Melbourne paper may prove to be a good thing. It was only in use a few weeks whilst European dealers were holiday making in the summer. We ourselves were too late for all values except the 2d., 8d. and 10d., but by offering double and treble face value and even more we have secured enough ¼d., 1d., 2½d. and 4d. to finish our distribution, in addition to the above three values. Those not yet complete are the 6d., 1/- and 2/6, but we are hoping to get them; in fact, have a few 6d. and 1/- to send out this week.

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## The Week's News.

The Editor is always pleased to receive Early Information of New Issues, or of Discoveries interesting to Stamp Collectors, and will acknowledge such contributions either by name in the journal or by the presentation of several interesting newly-issued stamps, as preferred.

The index number and serial letter after the title of each paragraph indicate the issue of E.W.S.N. in which the last reference to that country appeared.

**GREAT BRITAIN.**—*Railway Letter Stamps* (436 G 437).—Mr. H. L. Bevir writes:—"I have seen a specimen of the Manchester and Milford Railway, control No. 6558. The words 'Manchester & Milford' at the top are entirely obliterated by the words 'Great Western' printed in thick black capitals, somewhat larger than the words 'Manchester & Milford.' The word 'Railway' at the bottom is similarly overprinted with the word 'Railway' in black. The stamp was used at Swindon, so it would seem that when the G.W.R. took over the Manchester & Milford Railway, the stamps on hand were sent to London to be overprinted and are being issued to any stations on the G.W.R. which happen to apply for stamps."

Any readers living near a G.W. Railway station would do well to enquire for these stamps, as in all probability they will be rare.

**BRITISH POST OFFICES, LEVANT** (432 D 437).—We are informed by Mr. F. Chauntler that he has seen the following two novelties.

*Adhesives.* Chalk-surface paper.  
2 piastres on 5d. Great Britain.  
12 " 2/6 lilac.

The Colonial Stamp Market has also shown us the 5d., issued 1.08 or earlier.

**BAVARIA** (411 T 437).—We learn from *L'Echo de la Timbrologie* (31.1.08/51) that prizes are being offered for new designs for Bavarian stamps.

Several values of the current set have been surcharged E for Eisenbahn (Railway) for use by the Railway Companies.

**GWALIOR STATE** (435 G 437).—The Colonial Stamp Market has now shown us an entire sheet of the new ½ anna Postage and Revenue, issued 17.1.08 or earlier. The principal varieties of type are:—

No. 185. Gwalior is 2½mm. above the native inscription; the space usually measures 1½ to barely 2½mm.  
No. 230. Long R in "Gwalior" (as heretofore).

**INVERTED WATERMARKS** (411 G 437).—Some additions are reported by Messrs. J. E. Podger, L. A. Thruston, W. G. Ward, R. Atkinson, jr., and Alex. Maxwell.

*Inverted Watermarks; current designs only.*

Australian Commonwealth, Postage Due, Crown N.S.W., ½d. 1d., 2d., type II.  
Barbados, 2/6 black.  
British Honduras, 2c. KS.  
Cyprus, KS, ½ piastre.  
East Africa, KS, 2s.  
Gold Coast, KS, 1d.  
Jamaica, ½d. AS.  
Lagos, KN, 2d.  
Mauritius, AS, 4c. 6c.  
Morocco on Gib. KM, 10c.  
Natal, KS, 5d.  
New South Wales, Crown A, 4d., 6d., 8d., 9d., 1/-.  
Melbourne 2d.  
New South Wales, Crown NSW, 6d., 9d., 1/-.  
Orange River, KS, ½d., 1d.  
Sierra Leone, KN, 3d.  
Somaliland, KS, 2a.  
Southern Nigeria, KS, ½d.  
Straits, KM, 1c., 3c.  
Tasmania, Crown A, 1d.  
Transvaal, KN, 2½d.  
Victoria, Crown A, 2d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 1/-.  
" V Crown, 3d., 5d., 6d.  
" Postage Due, Crown A, ½d., 1d.  
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## Reviews.

*Stanley Gibbons' Catalogue, Part I., 1908.* The philatelic event of last week was the publication of the 1908 edition of this well-known catalogue. The new edition this year has been awaited with unusual interest, owing to the many suggestions for simplifying the hobby. The publishers have however taken no steps to differentiate between "standard" and "minor" varieties and have even added to the latter number at the expense of new issues. We have been looking through the various editions of this catalogue, commencing with No. 8 of 1891 (the earliest we possess, unfortunately) and they throw an interesting side light on some burning philatelic questions of the day.

At the present time, stamp collectors are divided up into a number of rival camps, the two strongest of which numerically are perhaps the general collector and the collector of British Colonial New Issues. The former accuse the latter of trying to exterminate general collecting by encouraging with their purchases hordes of New Issues, which are swelling the number of catalogue varieties to such an extent that the collector of ordinary means must either (a) give up the hobby, (b) fall a victim to specialism which has been gradually gaining power for some ten or fifteen years past, or (c) in the last resort, go over to the camp of his hated enemy, the New Issue Collector. The latter retorts—and with a very good show of reason—that it is not new issues which are swelling the Catalogue and thereby rendering general collecting impossible, but the over-elaboration in the listing of old issues. A comparison of the new Gibbons' with the old editions makes this very clear. Take, for instance, the case of New South Wales:

Period of Use.	No. of Different Stamps.	
	Ewen's Simplified System, 1908.	Gibbons' Specialized System, 1891.
1850-60 .. ..	18	45
1860-70 .. ..	8	28
1870-80 .. ..	1	10
1880-90 .. ..	12	16
1890-91 .. ..	3	6
	47	105

Down to 1891 New South Wales had thus issued 47 really distinct stamps, but collectors had multiplied this to 105 of their own free will by agreeing to recognize differences of watermark, perforation, engraving, etc.

If collectors had kept to the simple standard of designs, values and colours, as advocated at the present date by *Ewen's Stamp Quotations*, only five new issues would have appeared since 1891 to trouble them.

If they had kept to Gibbons' specialist standard of 1891, namely, designs (including the more important modifications), values, colours (including the most important shades), surcharges (without types), and watermarks, they would still have only had about 30 or 40 New Issues to reckon with.

On the other hand, a glance at the new Gibbons reveals the following astonishing figures. The 1891 total of 105 varieties plus 40 new issues has grown to the grand total of 549 varieties of postage stamps only. In face of this fact it is really ludicrous that collectors should ascribe the increase in the catalogue to New Issues. Of these 404 added varieties only 121 were issued since 1891, so that, although New South Wales has been busy printing its stamps on ordinary and chalk-surface paper, borrowing paper from Melbourne, changing its perforating machines down to the fraction of a tooth, producing different dies of the same design and generally out-New-Zealanding New Zealand, it has only succeeded in adding 121 new issues to 283 new varieties created by collectors and stamp dealers themselves!

If we examine the catalogue in this light we begin to see how matters really stand in the philatelic world. Moens, in one of his earliest stamp albums, published probably about 1860, thought so little of perforation that he inserted a note in the album recommending collectors to "cut the perforations off and gum the stamps down"! Then the fashion started of distinguishing between perforate and imperforate stamps

and later still Dr. Legrand invented the perforation gauge. Stamp dealers eagerly seized upon these new teachings because they were not only enabled thereby to sell to each collector 2 or 3 copies of the same stamp but on the plea that one was rarer than the others they could get an enhanced price for it. Every development that has since come along has put increasing profits in the pockets of both stamp dealers and collectors, in fact, of everyone who had unsorted material on hand and at the same time was wide awake enough to keep abreast of the times.

In 1891 matters had so far progressed that Gibbons' catalogue differentiated between imperf. and perf.; between the principal watermarks and CC 12½ and CC 14; and even in a few instances noted shades, but even such differences of design as British plate-numbers were still entirely ignored (although probably priced distinctively in their stock-books). Each specialist development has been welcomed by collectors because each collection was so much raw material which yielded prizes at every turn. During the last fifteen years dealers and collectors have been buying all they can find, and sorting it, and classifying it with such thoroughness that the chance of finding new varieties in a paying proportion is now probably gone for ever. If the development has now reached its limit, what is to become of specialism? Will it still continue to attract, now that there is no longer the excitement of making discoveries and the stimulus of finding common varieties suddenly become rare? Or are we on the eve of a reaction that will carry us back to the "Simple Life," sweeping away perforations, watermarks, surcharges and the multitude of other distinctions with which the modern catalogue is encumbered?

Dealers have, of course, during the past fifteen years made huge paper profits out of the specialist development. Whereas in 1895 a dealer would set down in his stock-taking a parcel of 100 stamps at say 1d. each or 8/4, his stock-sheet in 1900 would read:

No.—			
Variety (a)	80 at 1d. ..	..	— 6. 8
" (b)	20 at 6d. ..	..	— 10. —
			— 16. 8

Or a paper profit of cent. per cent. As most dealers adopt the bad system of valuing their stock at a certain percentage off catalogue price, it follows that a large proportion of their apparent profits are really only paper profits, and in view of the fact that the specialist development is now nearly at an end, paper profits from this source must of course cease, a serious outlook in some cases. In 1908, the above stock-taking would read:

No.—			
Variety (a)	.. ..	60 at 1d.	5.—
Shade of same	.. ..	15 at 3d.	3. 0
Second shade	.. ..	5 at 2/6	12. 6
Variety (b)	.. ..	15 at 6d.	7. 6
Compound perf. x+y+z	.. ..	5 at 2/-	10.—
			38. 9

This time a paper profit of about 140%! Imagine the development that has taken place in the last fifteen years, and one cannot doubt that enormous profits must have accrued to someone. No wonder a collection like the Breitfuss, in course of accumulation for 30 years or more past, sells for five figures! In the first place, most of the stamps must have been bought as New Issues and even though the New Issue rate in those days was cent. per cent. have alone proved a fine investment, but all this material has been enormously enhanced by the specialist development alluded to.

The fact that as soon as a country is fully developed and collectors are provided with a more complete and reliable guide than they have ever had before, their interest begins to abate, leads us to the question, "Are the rank and file only tolerating all these minor distinctions so long as development means a chance of picking up bargains?" Is it not a rather startling and disheartening fact that as soon as a catalogue of a country attains to a high state of excellence, the demand for that country's stamps begins to fall off? Is it not the truth that collectors like to make discoveries but do not want to read about other people's? Is not the demand for a

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<p><b>GREAT BRITAIN AND COLONIES.</b> (2891 different sorts exist).</p> <p>479 Gt. Britain, miscellaneous used 105 Antigua and Bahamas 106 Barbados 107 Bechuanaland and Cayman Is. 480 B.C.A. 108 Bermuda 109 B. Honduras 462 B. Columbia &amp; Vancouver Is. 110 B.E.A. 111 B. Guiana 112 B.S.A. 113 Cape Colony 114 Ceylon, Pence issues and 1st Cents issue 1471 Ceylon 481 Ceylon, Cents issue 115 Cook Islands 116 Cyprus 104 Canada, 1870-97 117 " 1859-70 118 " 1851-68 119 " 1897-1904 120 " Jubilee and Map 121 Dominica 122 Falkland Islands 123 Fiji Islands 124 Gambia 125 Gibraltar 126 Gold Coast 127 Grenada 469 Heligoland and Ionian Islands 128 Hong Kong 129 East India 130 India (Empire) 131 Jamaica 357 " used 132 Labuan, Queen's Head 133 " Pictorial 483 " 1895-03 134 Lagos 135 Leeward Islands 348 Madagascar, British Post. 136 Malta 137 Mauritius, Pence issues 488 " Cents 138 Montserrat and Nevis 139 Natal 140 New Brunswick, Nova Scotia 141 Newfoundland, 1857-90 482 " 1880-1905 468 New Republic 142 New South Wales, 1850-53 143 " 1862-97 144 New Zealand, 1st design 145 " " 1461 Niger Coast 148 North Borneo, 1883-1889 4861 " Pictorial issues 149 Northern Nigeria 1501 Orange Free State and Colony 498 Prince Edward Is. 151 Queensland, 1860-79 152 " 1882-96 153 " (current issues) 492 " 1891-1907 154 St. Christopher 155 St. Helena</p>	<p>156 St. Lucia 157 St. Vincent 158 Sarawak 159 Seychelles 349 " 1601 Sierra Leone 161 S. Australia, 1851-1887 162 " long stamps 1631 S. Nigeria 499 Solomon Is. and Somaliland 487 Stella'and and Tobago 164 Straits Settlements 431 " 165 Malay States 166 Johore 167 Negri Sembilan and Pahang 168 Perak 169 Selangor and Sungei Ujong 170 Tasmania, 1853-1892 452 " 1892-1906 171 Tonga 172 Transvaal, 1869-1885 173 " 1896 and Pietersburg 489 " 1894-07 174 Trinidad 1751 Turks Islands and Virgin Islds. 176 Uganda 177 Victoria, 1851-1862 490 " 1863-1885 1781 " 1885-1887 491 " 1900-1906 1791 Western Australia 180 Zanzibar 181 Zululand</p>	<p>209 Obock 412 Guadeloupe 413 Indo-China 414 Madagascar and New Caledonia 210 French Somali Coast 211 French Congo, Guyana &amp; Guinea 212 French West Africa 213 Tunis 2141 Germany, 1868-75 215 " 1875-79 216 Germany, 1859-1902 217 German Colonies 415 German Colonies, used and un. 218 Alsace and Brunswick 219 Baden, Bergedorf and Bremen 220 Hamburg, Hanover and Lubeck 405 Mecklenburg Schw. and Str. and Oldenburg 406 Prussia 407 Saxony 408 Schleswig-Holstein 409 Thurn and Taxis 477 Greece, 1896 used 478 " 1901-1906, used 470 " cheap used 315 " 1861-96 316 " 1901-06 223 Holland, 1852-72 224 " 1876-91 225 Holland, 1891-99 226 Dutch Indies, 1870-83 2271 " 1892-95 228 Curaçao 229 Suriname 230 Hungary, 1871-1898 231 " 1900 232 Iceland 233 Italy, 1851-90 234 " 1890-95 420 " unused 235 Italian States 403 " 236 Luxemburg 237 Monaco 238 Montenegro (1st type) 239 " (later issues) 423 " postally used 240 Norway, general 241 " 1872-77 242 Portugal, 1853-88 243 " 1892-1905 244 Port. Colonies near Europe 493 " 245 Ditto, beyond Europe, 1870-93 416 " " 1897 design 4021 " " 1870-1898 246 Ditto (Vasca da Gama), 1898 247 Ditto, 1897 type 248 Mozambique, India and Nyassa 428 Pictorial stamps 249 Roumania, 1858-71 250 " 1871-90 417 " 1890-1891 418 " Pictorial 251 Russia 252 Russian Foreign P.O. 253 San Marino 254 Servia, 1866-94 255 " 1901-05 256 Spain, 1850-67</p>	<p>257 Spain, 1850-1872 397 " 1870-78 258 " 1879-95 424 " 1873-75 259 Cuba, 1855-77 260 " 1882-98 419 " 1877-1881 421 Eloyey and Spanish Guinea 261 Fernando Poo 262 Philippines 389 Philippine Islands 263 Porto Rico 390 " unused 264 Sweden (early issues) 4101 Sweden (1902) 265 Switzerland, 1845-82 266 " 1828-1900 267 Turkey, 1863-76 268 " 1892-06 398 " 269 Wurtemberg 425 "</p>	<p><b>REST OF WORLD.</b> (2565 different sorts exist).</p> <p>270 Abyssinia 384 Afghanistan 271 China 273 Congo Free State 274 Corea 275 " 276 Egypt 473 " 277 Japan, 1871-76 278 " 1894-1900 467 " 1876-1904 279 Liberia, 1860-1872 453 Liberia, 1892-06 280 Persia, 1865-91 281 " 1891-1906 463 Shanghai 283 Siam 284 Argentine Republic, 1858-67 285 " " 1882-90 286 " " 1889-92 287 " " 1892-99 458 Buenos Aires and Corrientes 288 Bolivia, 1866-67 289 " 1878-97 290 " 1897-01 291 Brazil, 1841-78 292 " 1878-1900, chiefly used 293 " 1880-1904 294 Chili, 1852-81 295 " 1801-1906 3791 " cheap used 296 Colombia, 1859-70 297 " 1876-86 298 " 1890-96 299 " 1902-04 300 Colombia (Cartagena and other issues, 1898-05) 433 " 1902 issue 301 Costa Rica, 1862-89 454 " 1892-06 302 Dominican Republic, 1862-1900 466 " 303 Ecuador, 1865-94</p>	<p>430 Ecuador, 1899-05 432 " 1895-99 304 Guatemala, 1871-97 305 " 1902 426 " 1897-06 306 Hayti, 1871-98 422 " 1898-1906 3071 Honduras, 1865-92 431 " 1892-02 308 Mexico, 1856-74 309 " 1874-84 310 " 1886 311 " 1886-99 429 " 1886-03 312 Nicaragua, 1862-91 313 " 1892-97 455 Nicaragua, 1898-06 314 Panama (unsurcharged) 317 Paraguay, 1870-1892 318 " 1900-03 3191 " 1903-07 4601 Paraguay (cheap used) 320 Peru, 1858-74 3211 " 1895-96 456 " 1897-07 3221 Salvador, 1867-92 323 " 1892-95 464 " 1895-96 465 " 1897-06 324 Uruguay, used and unused 325 " 1856-90 326 " 1890-05 327 " 1895 to date 383 " unused 427 " 1895-07 328 Venezuela, 1859-06 (for internal postage) 329 Venezuela, 1880-96 (Foreign correspondence) 457 Venezuela, 1898-06 (Foreign correspondence) 330 United States, 1851-1900 331 " 1894-04 332 " 404 " cheap used 461 United States (used) 333 Confederate States and Cuba 343 Samoa 3341 Hawaii, 1853-1882 459 " 1891 (Pictorial issue)</p>
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# Approval Sheets of British Stamps.

<p>101 Gt. Britain, 1840-41, imperf. 102 " 1880-1884 103 " 4d. to plate 10 345 " 2d. blue, 1840-41 346 " fine copies, mostly 1d. and 2d. 347 " very fine copies of 4d. and 6d. 352 " 1855-1862 353 " 1867 354 " 1897, 3d. rose 355 " Miscellaneous 356 " 2hd. plate numbers 358 " Miscellaneous</p>	<p>362 Gt. Britain, 4d., plate 11 to 18 365 " Foreign Postmarks 366 " old 6d. violet 367 " old 8d., 9d., 10d., 2/-, 5/-, 10/-, and £1 368 " 1840-1855 369 " "Specimen" Stamps 391 " 4d. rose, 1855-57 392 " 2d. blue, 1840-57 393 " 2 6, 5/-, 10/- and £1 394 " 4d., 6d., 1/- of 1855-57 395 " 4d. orange, pl. nos. 396 " 1/- plate numbers</p>	<p>399 Gt. Britain, imperforate 400 " Glasgow and other local pmks., etc. 401 " 1d., 2d., 1840-41 437 " Maltese Cross postmark 1d. red, imperf. (singles and strips) 438 " 1d. red, Stars, perf. varieties 439 " 2d. blue, Stars, perf. varieties 440 " 2d. blue, imperf. 1841, for plating 441 " 2d. blue, plate Nos.</p>	<p>442 Gt. Britain, 1d. and 1½d. red, plate numbers 444 " shades of 4d. rose, L.C., in pairs, at 2d. each 445 " old 2d., 3d., 4d., &amp;c., on pieces of letter 446 " 3d. rose, plate Nos. 447 " old 3d., 4d., &amp;c., in pairs and strips 448 " shad's of 4d. rose, 1857, in dated pairs 449 " 4d. rose, pairs, with dated pmks., various shades of rose</p>	<p>450 Gt. Britain, 4d. rose, S.C., M.S. and L.C., fine shades 451 " 4/-, plate Nos., mostly dated copies 471 Unused English 472 Gt. Britain, unused, chiefly 1880-97 474 " fine 3d. and others 475 " very fine used, 9d., 1/- and miscellaneous 485 " Officials, Telegraphs, &amp;c.</p>
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simplified catalogue rather the desire for a catalogue that will chronicle their discoveries and leave out other people's? Is not the absorption of present-day collectors in New Issues due to the desire for excitement that is no longer to be found in studying the older issues? And lastly, is not the remedy to be found in an appeal to the collecting instinct and a return to the "simple life?"

However we are forgetting that we started out to review the new catalogue! In looking through the introduction we cannot pass without comment the "note of warning to collectors in regard to over-speculation in modern issues of British Colonials." The warning is pure rubbish; and the statements either incorrect or highly exaggerated. Modern issues of British Colonies are not now imported in enormous quantities; one can easily see from the statistics furnished by the smaller Colonies that "enormous quantities" are not even printed. We will even go so far as to doubt whether many more are imported to-day than in Moens' time. Where the Colonies reap a harvest is by issuing longer sets, including high values. As we pointed out some years ago, to buy a single complete set of all our Colonies' stamps up to £1 face value would to-day cost about £50 and few collectors care to go beyond blocks of four; in fact we do not know of a single collector who has done so. Furthermore in the old days dealers got cent. per cent. on New Issues and it paid to put them away; if they sold half their importation they got their capital back and could lock the rest up as an investment. In Moens' time there were fewer Colonies (Africa being still an unknown continent, more or less) and sets were short, so that a quarter the capital would sell two or three times as many of each stamp. Even British Railway newspaper stamps Moens used to import by the hundred. This "speculation in new issues" is a bogey put up by dealers who are anxious to shake their growing popularity. In 1901 we were told that "enormous" speculation was going on in Queen's Head Colonial stamps, yet to-day Messrs. Gibbons have to admit that "we have run short of many of the later issues of the late Queen and of the earlier issues of His Majesty King Edward VII., and as we have had to pay higher for many of these stamps, the selling prices are also raised." If one wants to trace 'speculation' in stamps, go to the exhibitions and look at the hundreds of such stamps as Cape Triangulars, Pence Ceylon, Sydney Views, often gathered together in a single collection. They are much commoner than many "king singles." Coming to the Queen's Head sets that were current when King Edward succeeded to the throne, we get such results as the following:—

Queen's Head Sets.

	Face Value.	Catalogue Value.	Profit.
Bahamas ½d. to 5/-	7/1½	20/8	185%
B.E.A. ½a. to 8a.	3/2	7/8	142%
" 1r. to 5r.	20/-	47/6	135%
" do., large	20/-	51/-	155%
Canada ½c. to 10c.	1/6	3/11	155%
Ceylon 2c. to 2r. 25c.	7/-	21/10	210%
Cyprus ½ to 45p.	10/11	31/3	190%
Falkland ½d. to 5/-	10/7	27/7	161%
Gambia ½d. to 1/-	2/7	14/-	460%
Gibraltar ½d. to 1/-	2/4	5/1	120%
Gold Coast ½d. to 10/-	19/1	49/6	150%
Grenada ½d. to 1/-	2/11	12/4	300%

In view of the fall that has taken place on the Stock Exchange, even in many gilt-edged securities, it is surprising to find stamps advancing so well. Of course the above profit is not nett, but nevertheless the table is an eloquent testimony to our contention that the market is not and never has been swamped with New Issues.

In Great Britain it is a vast improvement to have the plate-numbers under the respective stamps, but we certainly think the whole list might with advantage be revised. The shades of the first twenty stamps are word for word the same as in Gibbons 1895-96 catalogue and this was we believe the first edition in which they priced plate-numbers! The prices of the used 1d. red plate-numbers 223 and 224 appear to us rather exaggerated, although they are certainly scarcer than ten years ago. That good old chestnut the "Cardiff penny" is still included; why it should be catalogued and the Birmingham penny, Manchester penny and all the rest of them be left out we fail to understand. The "Alexandria sixpenny" (6d. pl. 8, imperf.) too ought certainly to find a place.

With reference to the note after No. 44a, the second known copy of 1d. red plate 77 there referred to was bought by Mr. Ewen and sold to Mr. H. J. Crocker, being burnt along with the rest of the latter's collection of British stamps in the San Francisco collection. The Tapling copy is therefore now unique.

The used 10d. octagonal, die 1, seem rather cheap at 17/6, but quite a lot of the other English are a shade too high. The 1/- no letters is catalogued 2/6, yet our Quotations Dept. have had so many sent in they have been forced to lower their buying quotation to ¼d. in self-defence. A recent wholesale list quotes 5/- per dozen.

We should like to see Great Britain dealt with on the American system and surely if fiscals never authorized for postal use, private telegraph companies' stamps and impressed newspaper stamps are included, there can be no sound reason for excluding railway letter fees and cut square envelope stamps. In British Somaliland, a concession is made to the extent of including the "BRIT SH" error of the official stamps and mentioning the other more important errors in foot notes. The Colonial Stamp Market's advertised retail rates for Nos. 106, 107, 108 are 2/6 each and we see no reason for doubling them, although the advance is one we shall be the last to quarrel with. The price for No. 117 is surely a misprint and intended for No. 118.

King's Head sets with single watermark show a good yield. Look for instance at the following:—

	Face Value.	Catalogued.	Percentage of Profit.
Cayman Is. ½d. to 1/-	1/10	16/-	750%
Ceylon 2c. to 2r. 25c.	7/4	84/7	1080%
Cyprus ½pi. to 45pi.	10/11	96/6	850%
East Africa ½ to 8as.	2/2	28/-	1200%
Fiji Islands ½d. to £1	28/-		still current
Gambia ½d. to 3/-	11/7	40/8	250%
Gibraltar ½d. to £1	36/-	54/5	50%

The above are not picked out specially; other colonies show equally big advances. Only in a very few cases are single watermarks now still current.

In Jamaica, the "Ser.et" errors are set out in full, although not all priced.

Labuan. The 1902-03 issue is given as "perf. 15 as before." This is not quite accurate as anyone who has studied the perforations of this issue will know.

In Leeward Islands the sexagenary issue—surely a speculative issue if ever there was one—continues on its upward course, the complete set now cataloguing £7/19/-.

Rather a shock awaits us when we come to Mauritius. Fancy the famous "Post Office" being catalogued only £650! One would have been less surprised to see £1650, especially as we are told in the introduction prices are for fine copies. The 2r. 50c. surcharged "Postage & Revenue" has jumped to 15/- but the unsurcharged variety still lingers at 6/-, yet the former is a "new issue" and the latter an 1879-er.

If the £25 B.C.A. and £25 Northern Nigeria are catalogued, why is the £20 Natal omitted? Nevis 1/- lilac used takes one's breath away at £12! Fancy 54 used 1/- lilac Nevis being equal in value to a Post Office Mauritius!

The note at foot of page 187 may be revised, as other values besides the 2d. exist. The list of recent issues of New Zealand comes out very strong, with very complete notes. But the Exhibition ½d. and 1d. are surely priced too low. New Zealand, No. 646 does not exist; the chronicle in the S.C.F. must have been an oversight.

Nova Scotia 1/- unused are quoted £70 and £80 according to shade.

Has Northern Nigeria No. 28 been issued? The 10/- Queen's Head is now catalogued £3/10/- and the complete set £6/12/4. In 1902 the Colonial Stamp Market was actually overstocked with these stamps and had hard work to sell them off at 1/2 per 1/-!

In Queensland there are a number of additions owing to the further elaboration of the different forms of the Crown Q watermark and collectors who have any stamps bearing this watermark will doubtless be looking to see if they have the rare varieties.

The Southern Nigeria Queen's Head set is catalogued £3 8s. 1d. The 5/- is one of the few King singles not quoted for. The £1 multiple watermark is advanced to £3, but is it not current?

Straits on Labuan 3c. to \$1 are quoted 27/2, the 1 and 2c. being left unpriced.

Pahang \$50 on \$5 Perak is still omitted but its right to a place in the catalogue is unimpeachable.

Victoria. The 1850 issue is rewritten. All the recent £1 and £2 stamps are left unpriced, which seems to indicate that they are likely to prove scarce.

(The catalogue can be obtained of Ewen's Colonial Stamp Market, Ltd., 2/9 post free).

Major Evans and the "Simple Life."

In Stanley Gibbons' Monthly Journal for January Major Evans, in his Editorial, expresses the following opinion:—"We are inclined to think that where strict limitation is desired, it is well to strike out certain classes of stamps altogether; we are not sure that a list which excluded all surcharged stamps, except the few which were not issued unsurcharged, would not be found a popular one with those who wish to practise the 'simple life' in philatelic matters."

Ewen's simplified system is the only one which complies with both the above conditions; it not only excludes postage dues, postal-fiscals, etc.,

but ignores surcharges, treating them in the same way as a postmark or other cancellation. Under this system a complete collection of the world's stamps would number 9,100. A list of them is published in Ewen's Stamp Quotations, 4d. post free.

Our Prize Competitions.

No. 1. APPROVAL DEPT. (Current Issues).

To the competitor who has purchased by the end of next week the most stamps from our approval sheets of current issues (informing us at the time he wishes the number to compete) we will send post free a copy of "Our Own Times" Postage Stamp Album. This album is specially arranged for King's Head stamps and other current colonial issues.

Result, Week ending 1st February, 1908.

	Stamps
GS (winner and runner-up last week)...	96
RB (runner-up and 4th last week) ...	82
LW (3rd last week) ...	81
JN (5th last week) ...	69
PN (6th last week) ...	63
BW (8th last week) ...	53
GC ...	49
JS (7th last week) ...	45
GL (9th last week) ...	41

Non-winners' totals are carried forward to next week.

No. 2. APPROVAL DEPT. (Old Issues).

To the competitor who has purchased by the end of next week the most stamps from our approval sheets of old issues (informing us at the time he wishes the number to compete) we will present a copy of the "Good Old Times" Postage Stamp Album (no watermarks, perforations, surcharges, minor varieties).

SECTION II.—EUROPE AND COLONIES.

Result, Week ending 1st February, 1908.

ES (winner, and 9th last week) ...	106
JE (runner-up and last week) ...	100
EW (4th last week) ...	86
HN (5th last week) ...	64
FS (8th last week) ...	51
JH (6th last week) ...	36
AD (7th last week) ...	28
ES ...	27
JR ...	25

SECTION III.—REST OF THE WORLD.

Same conditions as No. 2 but only open to winners of Section II. The prize is Part III. of the Album, and stamps purchased from any approval sheets of old issues count.

Result, Week ending 1st February, 1908.

FL (winner and runner-up last week)...	92
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SECTION I.—GREAT BRITAIN AND COLONIES.

Although this album is not likely to be ready for several months, winners of Section III. intending to compete for it can have their purchases credited in the meantime, all the totals being carried forward until the competition commences. This album will complete the very handsome series of three volumes.

Non-winners' totals are carried forward to next week. Winners residing abroad will be required to pay carriage and customs charges if any.

The awards are made and albums posted every Monday.

Since our main object in giving these albums away is to get them known, winners can repay us by showing them to stamp-collecting friends as well as by purchasing stamps.

No. 3. EDITORIAL COMPETITION.

The competitor who sends us the most interesting item of information for our New Issue column each week will be credited 2/6, which must be claimed within seven days (allowance to foreign readers) and may be selected from any of our approval sheets. From time to time we shall voluntarily increase the prize.

1st February, 1908

LC for note on Queensland (2/6).

Winners are requested to make early application for their prizes.

A Newcastle-on-Tyne winner writes (30-11.07):—"I received the 'Good Old Times' Album safely on Tuesday. It is quite beyond my expectations, being really a beautiful volume and so concise."

Mrs. G. writes again (23.12.07):—"I like the album more every day and it is a real pleasure putting in my stamps. I am only putting in unused and they look lovely."

A Liverpool winner writes (17.10.07).—"I have to thank you for 'The Old Times' Album sent to me on Monday last. Like everything else sent out by your firm it is, of its kind, the very best."



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## The Week's News.

The Editor is always pleased to receive Early Information of New Issues, or of Discoveries interesting to Stamp Collectors, and will acknowledge such contributions either by name in the journal or by the presentation of several interesting newly-issued stamps, as preferred.

The index number and serial letter after the title of each paragraph indicate the issue of E.W.S.N. in which the last reference to that country appeared.

**GREAT BRITAIN.**—*Railway Letter Stamps* 437 H 438).—Considerable interest attaches to present happenings on the Great Western Railway and there is much speculation amongst collectors as to what it all means. It will be remembered that last week Mr. Bevir drew attention to the fact that Swindon Railway Station was using Manchester and Milford Railway letter stamps (a railway now merged in the G.W.R.) in an unknown design surcharged "Great Western Railway" in black.

It so happened that the famous Crystal Palace football team were playing Swindon in the Southern League last Saturday so the Editor took the opportunity of "killing two birds with one stone" and made the journey to Swindon. At Paddington he tried to purchase some of the stamps unused but the clerk was too wide awake, although he was ultimately persuaded to show what he had in stock. They were all torn into singles and appeared to consist solely of the surcharged variety. On the way down the Editor handed a letter out of the train at Didcot but it met with no success, the stamp being one of the old unsurcharged ones, 3rd printing. At Swindon after the match Mr. Ewen discovered the parcels office and was assured that the stamps were kept at the booking office, only to be told by the booking clerk that they were kept at the parcels office. On returning to the latter place the clerk said he had none of the stamps but on being pressed admitted that there was a stock on hand but that they were locked up and the clerk who had the key had gone out! On being asked what he would do if he had to send a letter, he replied that he would use a 2d. parcel label, all of which seems to indicate that the Great Western Railway have a very lax system of dealing with letters. However the Editor left a letter to be despatched when the clerk with the key came in and it duly arrived with a surcharged stamp No. 6573. Mr. Bevir's was No. 6558. Truly, the collection of railway letter stamps is more a sport than a hobby!

If any readers who live near a Great Western Railway Station and have occasion to write to the Editor would forward their letter by train, he would be extremely obliged and would of course refund the cost.

The Great Western Railway has until recently had in its possession the remainders of railway letter stamps taken over by it when amalgamating the Pembroke & Tenby, North Pembroke and Fishguard and other lines, and there is a possibility that, being worried by collectors with applications for specimens, it has ordered them to be surcharged and used up. If so there is a strong likelihood that some very rare varieties are now in use somewhere on the system. The Editor is especially anxious to purchase them unused. If the railway officials refuse to sell, they can sometimes be induced to exchange, that is to say, give new varieties for old, of which there is a liberal supply of unused specimens on the market.

**ABYSSINIA** (418 W 438).—This is a country whose stamps are just now coming in for a great deal of attention. In *Gibbons Stamp Weekly* (25.1.08) we read:—

Since the founding of Djibouti the French influence has much increased in Abyssinia. The numerous caravans from the interior of this country take their way to the new French port, instead of to Zeila as before. Emperor Menelik II. had rich presents from the European Legations; once the French Governor

Legarde brought 100,000 fire-arms of latest designs to the capital.

In 1896 the construction of the railway from Djibouti to Diré-Daouah was begun by a French society. Much British capital was engaged therein. Though France pays a subvention of 500,000 francs annually for this railway, it has always to face financial difficulties. The line could not be continued up to Addis-Abeba, and the French society several times sold obligations to the Ethiopian Railway Trust (London), and was on the point of becoming Anglicized. To prevent this the Ethiopian Convention was signed the 3rd December, 1905, by France, England, and Italy. France will now build the railway up to the capital (500 km.); from thence it will be continued to the valley of the Nile by England. In the last few years the French influence has much diminished in favour of Great Britain. A proof of this is the opening of the Bank of Abyssinia, more or less ruled by the National Bank of Egypt. Just now there are grave difficulties between Menelik and the French Government.

At all events, Abyssinia has a great postal future. First there were French and Italian offices maintained by the respective Legations. French offices exist still in Addis-Abeba, Harar, and Diré-Daouah. A regular postal and telegraph service was introduced by Minister Ilg at his private cost and risk. He engaged the officials—Swiss, French and Greek. Till a year ago the postal administration was his private property, then it was taken over by the State. Twice a week there is communication between the French Somali coast and Diré-Daouah by rail, the train leaving Djibouti at six o'clock in the morning, and arriving at six in the evening. The next important office is that of Harar, where the famous Ras Maconen lived. Following a very bad route of 500 km. over mountains, through deep valleys, and over rivers, couriers bring the postal bags and parcels to the capital. At the stations men and mules are changed in order to proceed during the night, the whole journey occupying a week. Natives make little use of the postal arrangements; these are specially for the Legations, the European and Indian merchants, and for tourists, who in ever-increasing numbers pay a visit to the "African Switzerland." To day the Postmaster-General is a Swiss; the letter and parcel post is organized. Postage for letters can only be paid to Djibouti, the addressee having to pay an additional tax. A postal order service has not yet been established. Abyssinia is not in the Universal Postal Union; however, it will enter as soon as it can

give full guarantee for objects confided to it for transmission. For this purpose the final protocol of the Rome Convention of 1906 has been left open.

We illustrate the cover of the last letter received by the Colonial Stamp Market from Abyssinia. Following the usual custom of countries which are not yet members of the postal union, letters are franked with Abyssinian stamps as far as the frontier of the nearest postal union country, where they are re-stamped with stamps of the latter. Two letters lie before us which were sent by a resident at Adis Abeba to a friend in England, neither of these gentlemen being stamp collectors.

The first letter is franked with an *unsurcharged* 1 gairsh blue (S.G. No. 3) postmarked "Adis Abeba 17.10.1906"; on the back of the envelope is a blue postmark "Harar, 27.10.1906." On the front again are two 10c. and one 5c. French Somali Coast stamps postmarked "Cote Française des Somalis—Djibouti—30.10.1906" and lastly the postmark "Shepherd's Bush, W., 10.11.1906."

The second letter is franked with 1 gairsh blue surcharged in blackish-violet (S.G. No. 102) postmarked "Adis-Abeba, 5(?)4.1907." On the back is a 25c. blue French Levant, without surcharge, 1 piastre postmarked "Dirre-Daoua, Abyssinie, 15.4.07" and also the postmark "Shepherd's Bush, W., 2.5.07."

**ANTARCTIC EXHIBITION** (436 B 438).—The following extract is from the *Australian Philatelist* (1.1.08/60).

**LETTERS FROM THE POLE.**—Lieutenant Shackleton has received a telegram from the Postmaster-General of New Zealand authorising him to open a post-office at King Edward VII. Land. New Zealand stamps surcharged will be used for postal purposes, and Lieutenant Shackleton himself will occupy the position of postmaster. "This," he remarked to a press representative, "is another example of the Government's kindness. The stamps used on letters mailed at the most southerly post-office in the world, and one that will be unique, will be of great interest to our friends at Home. The fact that the post-office is to be a branch of your New Zealand institutions should be

## A Registered Letter from Abyssinia.

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av ½a., Gwalior 2½mm. above the native inscription instead of 1½ to barely 2½mm. (No. 185).

New South Wales.  
Melbourne Paper.

NSW bg ½d., Wmk. a letter of words "Commonwealth of Australia" in double-lined capitals.  
bh 4d., ditto.  
bi 6d., ditto.  
bj 1/-, ditto.  
bk 2/6, ditto.  
bl 6d., no wmk.  
bm 1/-, " "

Gold Coast.

GC aj† 1d. King, chalky paper. This has always been a difficult stamp to secure, and we are glad at last to be able to finish the distribution and bring the country up-to-date.

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Melbourne Paper.

am† 4d., wmk. letter of the words "Commonwealth of Australia" in double-lined capitals.  
an† 6d. ditto.  
ao† 4d., no wmk.  
ap† 6d. " "

British Somaliland on India.

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We are sending out with this week's New Issues the Tasmania 1d., perf. 11 × 12½, and 2d., perf. 12½ × 11. We hope to be able to finish the distribution this week.

We are also commencing the 1/- comb perforation New Zealand, small design, and expect shortly to talk seriously about this country, the shades of which have perhaps been a little neglected lately. Our agents are now hard at work and much gold is being poured into New Zealand's coffers!

An Egyptian correspondent sends us two sheets of the now rare 4m. brown and blue Sudan, which he calls Plates I. and II. We have no doubt however but that both are printed from the same Plate, but as the sheets show two interesting varieties and Sudan is a popular country, we have accepted them on behalf of our New Issue clients. The surest test of the so-called Plate II. is the lines between the camel's two front legs which are quite clear in "Plate II." but smudged in "Plate I." On many stamps of Plate I. the reins are straight and thick. These will be sent out this week at 9d. the two.

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## The Week's News.

The Editor is always pleased to receive Early Information of New Issues, or of Discoveries interesting to Stamp Collectors, and will acknowledge such contributions either by name in the journal or by the presentation of several interesting newly-issued stamps, as preferred.

The index number and serial letter after the title of each paragraph indicate the issue of E.W.S.N. in which the last reference to that country appeared.

**GREAT BRITAIN.**—*Railway Letter Stamps* (437 H 439).—We have seen a new printing for the Midland Railway.

Nos. 176001 to 188000? Black control-numbers on left side of stamp, thus reverting to the old system.

*Record Dates of Use* (427, 430, 433, 434 W 439).—In another column we publish the table of record early dates of 1d. red plate-numbers of Great Britain, revised to date.

The 151 records are at present held by 37 collectors, those heading the list being:—32 records, Mr. F. J. Cowan; 23, Mr. C. F. D. Marshall; 18, Mr. P. P. Wood; 12, Mr. W. Denison Roebuck; 7, Mr. H. S. Hodson; 6 each, Mr. H. P. Stewart and the late Mr. G. Gaffe (no notice of transfer having been given); 5, Dr. R. N. A. Wallinger; 4, Mr. M. Raffalovich; 3 each, Messrs. O. Firth, J. R. Yeates and S. G. Dudley.

**ANTARCTIC EXPEDITION** (436 B 439).—The following further details are published by the *Stamp Collectors' Fortnightly* (8.2.08/213).

**KING EDWARD VII. LAND.**—In the *Fortnightly* of Jan. 11th, under the heading of "Philately at Home and Abroad," appeared a news paragraph relating to the issue of surcharged stamps for "King Edward VII. Land," the "jumping off place" for Lient. Shackleton's expedition to the South Pole. We now have the following cutting from Mr. A. Rosenberg, of Woodville, N.Z., which sets forth the proposal in greater detail:—

The Postmaster-General (Sir Joseph Ward) yesterday [Dec. 18th, 1907] gave authority for the establishment of a post office in King Edward VII. Land, where the base of the Nimrod Antarctic Expedition will be situated.

One hundred sheets of New Zealand penny stamps will be overprinted and sent down to the iceclad territory by the Nimrod for the use of members of the expedition, the overprinting indicating to those who receive the letters that there is a New Zealand post office in the most southerly portion of the world. Sir Joseph Ward's announcement evoked considerable interest."

**BRITISH P.O., LEVANT** (438 F 439).—We are indebted to Mr. K. H. Kricorissian for the information that a British Post Office was opened at Stamboul on 7.2.08.

**ECUADOR** (418 J 439).—The following note is from *Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News* (1.2.08/41).—Hermann Focke has shown us some more of the Ecuador control marks, now current in that country.

The first has a circle 19 mm. in diameter, with heavy single rule with an inner circle 22mm. in diameter with thinner rule. Between the two circles is printed "Consejo Escolar" meaning Scholastic Council, or Administration of Schools. Within the inner circle is the word Quito, showing that surcharge is in use in that city. This surcharge has been seen on 1c., 2c. and 20c., all of the new issue, and it is printed in carmine.

The new 5c. stamp has also received a surcharge for use in Quito, which covers several stamps, but the specimens shown us by Mr. Focke are not sufficient to give us the whole of the wording. The surcharge is printed in purple, and evidently consists of a heavy rule shaped as a large oval, the only words appearing being "Direccion D"—

These new surcharges rather tend to discredit the opinion that the new surcharges are control marks, unless they are for official use and intended to provide a way to prevent the misuse of government funds or stamps.

**HAYTI** (426 E 439).—Are we to have another provisional issue? *Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News* (1.2.08/42) says that Hayti again is reported to be in the throes of a revolution and some

measure of success having been gained by the insurrectionists, it is represented that the revolutionists are marching on Port-au-Prince. As the loyalists are unlikely to allow their chief city to capitulate, some interesting occasions are anticipated. Further, it is not improbable that necessities will arise for various emergency issues during the progress of the campaigns of the opposing armies.

**MALAY STATES** (433 G 439).—We are indebted to a Taiping correspondent, writing under date of 20.1.08, for the information that the following has been issued.



Adhesive. Wmk. Crown CA Multiple, chalk-surface paper.  
\$5 green and blue.

**NEW ZEALAND** (438 Z 439).—Latest sheets of 1d., 2d. and 8d. received by the Colonial Stamp Market bore sheet-numbers 2376376, 2162861 and 2220660 respectively. They are thus all comparatively recent printings. The first sheet of the 3d. small design we had was numbered 2162057, whilst the small 6d. was numbered 2127865.

**NICARAGUA** (429 K 439).—We read as follows in *Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News* (1.2.08/44).

**NICARAGUA.**—Hermann Focke submits some more novelties from this country, including 50c. orange, Waterlow print, surcharged "Vale 10c." in blue, reading down. A companion to the provisional officials chronicled in No. 890 is also included the 1c. Waterlow print having been surcharged "OFICIAL—15 cvs." in two lines reading up.

Mr. Focke also submits a postal curiosity, which is of interest, though not entitled to a place in the catalogue. A letter was mailed at San Juan del Sur in one of the 1900 10c. envelopes surcharged "1907." The postage and registration required 70 centavos postage, and lacking postage, the postmaster or the sender added six more black envelopes of the same denomination, all carefully postmarked, and fastened together at the corner by a brass clip. The 70c. being thus made up, the package came along all right and was received in New York in good order. This was not a case where a curiosity was fixed up by interested parties but was found in the mail of a well-known New York house, having business connections with South and Central America.

Provisional Adhesive.  
Waterlow Print.  
10c. on 50c. orange, surcharge blue.  
Provisional Official.  
Waterlow Print.  
15c. on 1c. green, surcharge in black.

**PAPUA** (436 B 439).—We read as follows in *Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News* (1.2.08/42).

**"FAR AWAY PAPUA.**—A highly interesting and extensive report on the present conditions in the territory of Papua has been prepared by a royal commission of investigation and submitted to the Australian government. When the name of British New Guinea was changed to Papua and the stamps of the colony surcharged Papua to conform to the new order of things, there was some inquiry by philatelists as to the necessity of the overprinting; and in this way, attention was directed upon the colony in a general sense. From the report, we learn that the white population consists of miners numbering two hundred, approximately, besides a sprinkling of government officials, missionaries, traders, etc. There are several plantations under successful cultivation. The native or aboriginal population is from 300,000 to 400,000 divided among tribes innumerable, who speak different languages. Some of the natives are intractable to authority but the inhabitants of the coast and the islands are under control. The commission suggests that all inducements be held out to encourage colonization by Englishmen and it also favours the

advisability of taxing the natives in some mild form; so, fiscal stamps may appear to keep company with the postal issue."

**SALVADOR** (428 L 439).—We read as follows in *Gibbons Stamp Weekly* of 15.2.08/112. Messrs. Whitfield King & Co. have drawn our attention to an interesting point in connection with the September, 1907, issue.

The stamps of this issue show a picture of the Palacio Nacional, beneath which appear the words PALACIO NACIONAL. We had not previously noticed that this inscription exists on each stamp in black, and also in the colour of the frame. As two-colour printing means two distinct impressions from two different plates, it follows that this inscription must exist on both plates, probably with the idea of superimposing the two inscriptions so as to get the rest of the stamp in perfect register. It is not apparent on every specimen that the inscription is in two colours because of its minuteness, but traces of the second colour can generally be seen.

**SOUTHERN NIGERIA** (432 R 439).—The issue of the ½d. all green is now reported by the *Bazaar, Exchange & Mart* (12.2.08/434).

**UNITED STATES** (429 H 439).—We quote as follows from the *Stamp Collectors' Fortnightly* (8.2.08/213).

**UNITED STATES (Alexandria).**—Newspapers to hand from America report the discovery of a new variety of the Alexandria postmaster's issue, showing the impression on blue paper instead of on the thin buff. The *London Philatelist* just published, makes the following extract from a Boston newspaper.

"Kept for sixty years merely because of family associations and then by chance discovered to be of value and sold for \$4000, is the history of a stamp that has just found its way into the collection of George H. Worthington, the well-known stamp fancier of Cleveland, O.

"This unappreciated treasure was in the hands of Mrs. M. Fawcett, an old resident of Alexandria, Va. Recently she showed it to a stamp collector, who recognised its value and told her so. She then wrote to a Boston stamp dealer, J. M. Bartels, who offered her \$3000, but she did even better than that, in the end disposing of it to Mr. Worthington for \$4000, and collectors say that in Europe it would have sold for \$5000.

"This valuable stamp is a postmaster's provisional, issued in Alexandria, Va., in 1847. It is the only one known to be extant and is printed on blue paper. Collectors are congratulating themselves that it is to remain in this country, and especially in Mr. Worthington's collection, which, report says, will never be broken up, but is to go sometime in the possession of a museum."

The specimen, we learn, is in fine condition, and though cut round, it is lightly cancelled "Paid." This word also appears on the envelope, and the circular Alexandria postmark also fills the upper left hand corner.

## Great Britain 1d. Red Plate-Numbers.

ONE PENNY.

Plate No.	Plate put to press.	Record Earliest date of use.	Record-holder.
71	1.3.64	Liverpool, 13.5.64	C. F. D. Marshall
72	"	Liverpool, 17.5.64	W. D. Roebuck
73	"	London, W., 23.5.64	C. F. D. Marshall
74	"	London, 30.4.64	C. F. D. Marshall
76	"	London, S., 7.6.64	R. N. A. Wallinger
78	"	London, S.W., 13.5.64	H. S. Hodson
79	"	London, S.W., 7.5.64	S. H. Toole
80	"	London, W., 3.5.64	C. F. D. Marshall
81	"	Glasgow, 26.5.64	C. F. D. Marshall
82	"	Birmingham, 19.5.64	W. D. Roebuck
83	"	London, S.W., 16.5.64	H. S. Hodson
84	"	London, W., 23.5.64	M. Raffalovich
85	"	London, E.C., 14.5.64	H. S. Hodson
86	"	London, W.C., 2.5.64	H. S. Hodson
87	7.3.64	London, E.C., 2.5.64	C. F. D. Marshall
88	17.3.64	London, 9.5.64	C. F. D. Marshall
89	22.3.64	Bristol, 24.5.64	W. D. Roebuck
90	30.3.64	London, E.C., 27.4.64	H. S. Hodson
91	5.4.64	Wolverhampton, 25.5.64	C. F. D. Marshall
92	12.4.64	London, 19.5.64	M. Raffalovich
93	19.4.64	Swindon, 4.6.64	W. D. Roebuck

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Guiana 112 B.S.A. 113 Cape Colony 114 Ceylon, Pence issues and 1st Cents issue 147 Ceylon 481 Ceylon, Cents issue 115† Cook Islands 116 Cyprus 104 Canada, 1870-97 117 " 1859-70 118 " 1851-68 119 " 1847-1904 120 " Jubilee and Map 121 Dominica 122 Falkland Islands 123 Fiji Islands 124 Gambia 125 Gibraltar 126 Gold Coast 127 Grenada 469 Heligoland and Ionian Islands 128 Hong Kong 129 East India 130 India (Empire) 131 Jamaica 357 " used 132 Labuan, Queen's Head 133 " Pictorial 483 " 1895-03 134 Lagos 135 Leeward Islands 348 Madagascar, British Post. 136 Malta 137 Mauritius, Pence issues 484† " Cents 138 Montserrat and Nevis 139 Natal 140 New Brunswick, Nova Scotia 141† Newfoundland, 1857-80 482 " 1880-1905 468 New Republic 142 New South Wales, 1850-53 143† " 1862-97 144† New Zealand, 1st design 145 " " 146 Niger Coast 148 North Borneo, 1883-1889 486 " Pictorial issues 149 Northern Nigeria 150 Orange Free State and Colony 488† Prince Edward Is. 151 Queensland, 1860-1882 152 " 1882-96 153 " (current issues) 492 " 1891-1907</p>	<p>154 St. Christopher 155 St. Helena 156 St. Lucia 157 St. Vincent 158 Sarawak 159 Seychelles 349† " " 160 Sierra Leone 161 S. Australia, 1855-1887 162 " long stamps 163 S. Nigeria 499 Solomon Is. and Somaliland 487† Stella and and Tobago 164† Straits Settlements 434 " " 165 Malay States 166† Johore 167 Negri Sembilan and Pahang 168 Perak 169† Selangor and Sungei Ujong 170 Tasmania, 1853-1892 452 " 1892-1906 171 Tonga 172 Transvaal, 1860-1885 173 " 1896 and Pietersburg 489 " 1894-07 174 Trinidad 175 Turks Islands and Virgin Islds. 176 Uganda 177 Victoria, 1851-1862 490 " 1863-1885 178 " 1885-1887 491 " 1900-1906 179 Western Australia 180 Zanzibar 181 Zululand</p>	<p>208 Djibouti 209 Obock 412 Guadeloupe 413 Indo-China 414 Madagascar and New Caledonia 210 French Somali Coast 211 French Congo, Guyana &amp; Guinea 212 French West Africa 213 Tunis 214 Germany, 1868-75 215 " 1875-79 216 Germany, 1859-1902 217 German Colonies 218† Alsace to Brunswick 219† Hamburg to Oldenburg 220† Prussia and Saxony 221† Schleswig-Holstein and Thurn and Taxis 477 Greece, 1896 used 478 " 1901-1906, used 470 " cheap used 315† " 1861-96 316 " 1901-06 223 Holland, 1852-72 224 " 1876-91 225 Holland, 1891-99 226 Dutch Indies, 1870-83 227 " 1892-95 228† Curaçao 229 Suriname 230 Hungary, 1871-1898 231† " 1900 232† Iceland 233 Italy, 1851-90 234 " 1890-95 420 " unused 235 Italian Col., F.P.O., and States to Sicily 403 Italian States, Parma to Tuscany 236 Luxemburg 237 Monaco 238 Montenegro (1st type) 239 " (later issues) 423 " postally used 240 Norway, general. 241 " 1872-77 242 Portugal, 1853-88 243 " 1892-1905 244 Port. Colonies near Europe 493† " " 245† Ditto, beyond Europe, 1870-93 416 " " 1897 design 402 " " 1870-1898 246 Ditto (Vasca da Gama), 1898 247 Ditto, 1897 type 248 Mozambique, India and Nyassa 428 Pictorial stamps 249 Roumania, 1858-71 (imperf. issues. 250 " 1871-90 417 " 1890-1891 418 " Pictorial 251 Russia 252 Russian Foreign P.O. 253 San Marino 254 Serbia, 1866-94 255 " 1901-05 256 Spain, 1850-67</p>	<p>257 Spain, 1850-1872 397 " 1870-78 258 " 1879-95 424 " 1873-75 259 Cuba, 1855-77 260 " 1882-98 419 " 1877-1881 421 Elore and Spanish Guinea 261 Fernando Poo 262 Philippines 389 Philippine Islands 263 Porto Rico 390 " unused 264 Sweden (early issues) 410 Sweden (1902) 265 Switzerland, 1845-82 266 " 1828-1900 267† Turkey, 1863-76 268† " 1892-06 398 " " 269 Wurtemberg 425 " "</p>	<p>430 Ecuador, 1899-05 432 " 1895-99 304 Guatemala, 1871-97 305 " 1902 426 " 1897-06 306† Hayti, 1871-98 422 " 1898-1906 307 Honduras, 1865-92 431 " 1892-02 308 Mexico, 1856-74 309 " 1874-84 310 " 1886 311 " 1886-99 429 " 1886-03 312 Nicaragua, 1862-91 313 " 1892-97 455 Nicaragua, 1898-06 320 Panama (unsurcharged) 317 Paraguay, 1870-1892 318 " 1900-03 319 " 1903-07 460 Paraguay (cheap used) 320 Peru, 1858-74 321 " 1895-96 456 " 1897-07 322 Salvador, 1867-92 323 " 1892-95 464 " 1895-96 465 " 1897-06 324 Uruguay, used and unused 325 " 1856-90 326 " 1890-05 327 " 1895 383 " unused 427 " 1895-07 328 Venezuela, 1859-06 (for internal postage) 329 Venezuela, 1880-96 (Foreign correspondence) 457 Venezuela, 1908-06 (Foreign correspondence) 330 United States, 1851-1900 331 " 1894-04 332 " Columbus, Omaha, etc. 404† " cheap used 461 United States (used) 333 Confederate States and Cuba 443 Samoa 334 Hawaii, 1853-1882 459 " 1891 (Pictorial issue)</p>	<p><b>REST OF WORLD.</b> (2565 different sorts exist).</p> <p>270 Abyssinia 384 Afghanistan 271 China 273 Congo Free State 274 Corea 275 " " 276 Egypt 473 " " 277 Japan, 1871-76 278 " 1894-1900 467 " 1876-1904 279 Liberia, 1860-1892 453 Liberia, 1892-06 280 Persia, 1868-91 281 " 1891-1906 463 Shanghai 283 Siam 284 Argentine Republic, 1858-67 285 " " 1882-90 286 " " 1880-92 287 " " 1892-99 458 Buenos Aires and Corrientes 288 Bolivia, 1866-67 289 " 1878-97 290 " 1897-01 291 Brazil, 1844-78 292 " 1878-1900, chiefly used 293 " 1880-1904 294 Chili, 1852-81 295 " 1881-1906 379 " cheap used 296 Colombia, 1859-70 297† " 1876-86 298 " 1890-96 299 " 1902-01 300 Colombia (Cartagena and other issues, 1898-05) 433 " 1902 issue 301 Costa Rica, 1862-89 454 " 1892-06 302 Dominican Republic, 1862-1900 466 " " 303 Ecuador, 1865-94</p>	<p><b>INDIAN NATIVE STATES.</b> (301 different sorts exist).</p> <p>335† Alwur, Bamra, Bhor and Bhopal, first issue 476 Bhopal, second issue 337 Bundi 494 Bussahir 338 Charkhari and Cochin 495 Dhar, Duttia and Faridkot 339 Hoikar and Hyderabad 340 Jaipur, Jhind, and Jhalawar 496 Jummoo and Kashmir 341† Kishengarh 342 Las Bela, Nepal &amp; Nowanugger 343 Rajnandgaon, Rajpeepa and Sirmoor [Scinde Dawk 497 Soruth, Travancore &amp; Wadhwan</p>
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<p>101 Gt. Britain, 1840-41, imperf. 102 " 1880-1884 103 " 4d. to plate 10 345 " 2d. blue, 1840-41 346 " fine copies, mostly 1d. and 2d. 347 " very fine copies of 4d. and 6d. 352 " 1855-1862 353 " 1867 354 " 1867, 3d. rose 355 " Miscellaneous 356 " 24d., plate numbers 358 " Miscellaneous</p>	<p>362 Gt. Britain, 4d., plate 11 to 18 365 " Foreign Postmarks 366 " old 6d. violet 367 " old 8d., 9d., 10d., 2/-, 5/-, 10/-, and £1 368 " 1840-1855 369 " " Specimen " Stamps 391 " 4d. rose, 1855-57 392 " 2d. blue, 1840-57 393 " 2/6, 5/-, 10/- and £1 394 " 4d., 6d., 1/- of 1855-57 395 " 4d. orange, pl. nos. 396 " 1/-, plate numbers</p>	<p>399 Gt. Britain, imperforate 400 " Glasgow and other local pmks., etc. 401 " 1d., 2d., 1840-41 402 " Maltese Cross postmark 1d. red, imperf. 437 " (singles and strips) 438 " 1d. red, Stars, perf. varieties 439 " 2d. blue, Stars, perf. varieties 440 " 2d. blue, imperf., 1841, for plating 441 " 2d. blue, plate Nos.</p>	<p>442 Gt. Britain, rd. and 1/2d. red, plate numbers 444 " shades of 4d. rose, L.C., in pairs, at 2d. each 445 " o/d 2d., 3d., 4d., &amp;c., on pieces of letter 446 " 3d. rose, plate Nos. 447 " old 3d., 4d., &amp;c., in pairs and strips 448 " shades of 4d. rose, 1857, in dated pairs 449 " 4d. rose, pairs, with dated pmks., various shades of rose</p>	<p>450 Gt. Britain, 4d. r.o.e., S.C., MS. and L.C., fine shades 451 " 4d., plate Nos., mostly dated copies 471 Unused English 472 Gt. Britain, unused, chiefly 1880-97 474 " fine 3d. and others 475 " very fine used, 9d., 1/- and miscellaneous 485 " Officials, Telegraphs, &amp;c.</p>
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Plate No.	Plate put to press.	Record Earliest date of use	Record-holder.
94	26.4.64	London, S.E., 28.6.64	E. B. Wood
95	4.7.64	Ashbourne, 30.8.64	W. D. Roebuck
96	11.10.64	Nottingham, 28.12.64	P. P. Wood
97	7.3.65	Bury, Lanc., 23.5.65	C. F. D. Marshall
98	20.3.65	London, E.C., 1.6.65	C. F. D. Marshall
99	6.1.66	?, 19.2.66	C. F. D. Marshall
100	19.1.66	Oswestry, 20.3.66	R. H. Jones
101	12.4.66	London, E.C., 18.6.66	O. Firth
102	16.4.66	?, 29.6.66	O. Firth
103	8.8.66	Manchester, 10.10.66	G. Gaffe
104	22.1.68	London, W., 12.3.68	P. P. Wood
105	31.1.68	Hull, 14.3.68	F. J. Cowan
106	29.2.68	?, 27.4.68	Capt. Hancock
107	18.3.68	Barnsley, 6.5.68	H. P. Stewart
108	23.3.68	Mullingar, 28.5.68	P. P. Wood
109	"	Edinburgh, 22.5.68	W. D. Roebuck
110	"	Bury, Lancs., 29.5.68	G. Gaffe
111	"	Birmingham, 7.5.68	F. J. Cowan
112	12.5.68	Birkenhead, 17.7.68	F. J. Cowan
113	"	Liverpool, 29.6.68	F. J. Cowan
114	"	Bradford, Yks., 24.7.68	O. Firth
115	"	Hull, 5.7.68	H. P. Stewart
116	"	Birmingham, 20.6.68	G. Gaffe
117	9.6.68	Bristol, 31.7.68	C. H. Row
118	"	Manchester, 4.8.68	G. Gaffe
119	18.8.68	London, W.C., 23.10.68	P. P. Wood
120	8.9.68	Wolverh'pton, 10.10.68	F. J. Cowan
121	17.12.68	Uckfield, 4.2.69	W. D. Roebuck
122	16.1.69	Edinburgh, 16.3.69	P. P. Wood
123	18.1.69	Liverpool, 2.3.69	F. J. Cowan
124	"	Hull, 9.3.69	M. Raffalovich
125	15.2.69	Manchester, 20.4.69	F. C. Scarr
127	3.5.69	Glasgow, 28.6.69	J. R. W. Clark
129	10.5.69	London, E.C., 23.6.69	F. W. Knight
130	5.6.69	London, S.E., 19.8.69	F. J. Cowan
131	3.8.69	Liverpool, 16.9.69	C. F. D. Marshall
132	4.9.69	Newry, 22.11.69	P. P. Wood
133	1.10.69	Liverpool, 18.12.69	F. J. Cowan
134	8.10.69	Edinburgh, 1.1.70	J. R. Yeates
135	14.12.69	London, 2.3.70	H. P. Stewart
136	6.1.70	Wolverh'pton, 12.3.70	F. J. Cowan
137	5.3.70	Glasgow, 9.4.70	P. P. Wood
138	10.3.70	Edinburgh, 25.4.70	P. P. Wood
139	19.3.70	Chester, 14.5.70	J. R. Yeates
140	9.4.70	Halifax, 7.6.70	F. J. Cowan
141	7.5.70	Liverpool, 6.6.70	Dr. H. Armstrong
142	13.7.70	Liverpool, 31.8.70	F. J. Cowan
143	7.10.70	?, 14.11.70	F. J. Cowan
144	3.1.71	Manchester, 6.2.71	W. D. Roebuck
145	16.1.71	?, 16.4.71	F. J. Cowan
146	23.1.71	Liverpool, 25.3.71	P. P. Wood
147	4.2.71	London, 11.4.71	P. P. Wood
148	29.4.71	Wolverh'pton, 25.7.71	F. J. Cowan
149	15.5.71	London, S.E., 21.7.71	P. P. Wood
150	30.5.71	Margate, 17.8.71	S. G. Dudley
151	14.11.71	Glasgow, 13.12.71	S. G. Dudley
152	"	Cirencester 30.12.71	A. E. Dickson
153	27.12.71	London, 29.2.72	R. N. A. Wallinger
154	30.1.72	Leeds, 17.4.72	F. J. Cowan
155	20.4.72	?, 15.6.72	H. L. Ewen
156	22.4.72	Dumfries, 5.6.72	F. J. Cowan
157	"	Blackburn, 11.7.72	F. J. Cowan
158	4.5.72	London, W., 11.7.72	H. S. Hodson
159	17.8.72	Putona, 26.10.72	J. R. Yeates
160	"	Edinburgh 4.10.72	W. D. Roebuck
161	17.9.72	Bradford, 29.11.72	J. Neech
162	26.10.72	Manchester, 6.12.72	P. P. Wood
163	5.11.72	Bristol, 9.1.73	P. P. Wood
164	30.11.72	Glasgow, 31.1.73	F. J. Cowan
165	17.1.73	London, E.C., 15.4.73	W. T. Roycroft
166	18.1.73	Wigan, 31.3.73	F. J. Cowan
167	8.2.73	Bromley, 4.4.73	H. P. Stewart
168	8.5.73	Glasgow, 27.6.73	S. G. Dudley
169	21.6.73	Leamington, 8.9.73	A. W. Chambers
170	11.10.73	Bradford, 25.11.73	J. W. Stooke
171	27.10.73	Manchester, 2.1.74	F. J. Cowan
172	"	Liverpool, ?? 73	H. P. Stewart
173	2.4.74	Newhaven, 17.6.74	W. D. Roebuck
174	20.4.74	H. Heath, 17.7.74	P. P. Wood
175	5.9.74	W. Bromwich, 30.10.74	F. J. Cowan
176	12.12.74	Sunderland, 22.3.75	H. W. Harrison
177	29.12.74	Inverness, 13.2.75	H. W. Harrison
178	1.2.75	Wolverhampt'n, 5.4.75	F. J. Cowan
179	15.5.75	Swindon, 28.6.75	H. L. Bevir
180	22.5.75	Manchester, 7.7.75	M. Raffalovich
181	26.5.75	Bradford, 22.7.75	H. L. Bevir
182	19.6.75	Manchester, 1.8.75	G. Gaffe
183	9.8.75	Edinburgh, 28.9.75	C. W. Hiles
184	20.10.75	Port Madoc, 13.2.76	F. J. Cowan
185	4.12.75	Birmingham, 12.2.76	P. P. Wood
186	18.12.75	Manchester, 12.2.76	G. Gaffe
187	3.1.76	London, E.C., 29.2.76	C. F. D. Marshall
188	8.1.76	London, S.E., 4.3.76	C. F. D. Marshall
189	"	Aylesbury, 6.3.76	P. P. Wood
190	31.1.76	London, 24.3.76	G. Verméeren
191	19.2.76	Liverpool, 8.4.76	F. J. Cowan
192	19.2.76	London, S.E., 21.4.76	W. T. Roycroft
193	2.9.76	Leicester, 3.11.76	F. J. Cowan
194	13.11.76	Dublin, 12.1.77	G. Sandilands
195	18.11.76	London, W., 8.1.77	C. F. D. Marshall
196	15.1.77	Ilkley, 7.3.77	R. N. A. Wallinger
197	20.1.77	Burton-on-Trent, 7.3.77	Thos. Wilkinson
198	27.1.77	Exch'ge, L'pl, 19.3.77	F. J. Cowan
199	5.2.77	Dunmow, 17.4.77	R. N. A. Wallinger
200	3.3.77	Birmingham, 3.5.77	F. J. Cowan
201	21.4.77	Wallingford, 4.6.77	C. F. D. Marshall
202	19.5.77	Brighton, 21.7.77	C. F. D. Marshall
203	"	London, E.C., 19.7.77	C. F. D. Marshall
204	23.6.77	Portsea, 21.8.77	C. F. D. Marshall
205	8.9.77	London, S.E., 5.11.77	C. F. D. Marshall
206	"	?, 24.11.77	F. J. Cowan
207	12.11.77	Warrington, 20.12.77	F. J. Cowan
208	17.11.77	London, E.C., 30.1.78	P. P. Wood
209	24.11.77	Birmingham, 1.1.78	G. C. Gardner
210	8.12.77	Brighton, 6.2.78	C. F. D. Marshall
211	16.3.78	London, 26.4.78	C. F. D. Marshall
212	20.5.78	London, W., 10.7.78	H. S. Hodson
213	1.7.78	?, 30.9.78	F. J. Cowan

Plate No.	Plate put to press.	Record Earliest date of use.	Record-holder.
214	6.8.78	Birmingham, 20.9.78	F. J. Cowan
215	"	Neath, 14.10.78	H. G. S. Fell
216	2.9.78	Edinburgh, 15.11.78	W. D. Roebuck
217	23.11.78	?, 17.1.79	Miss C. Hoblyn
218	30.11.78	Scarborough, 31.12.78	H. P. Stewart
219	11.1.79	Dublin, 1.3.79	F. J. Cowan
220	"	Winchester 17.2.79	J. W. Holroyd
221	3.4.79	London, S.W., ? 6.79	G. Verméeren
222	6.5.79	Ipswich, 26.6.79	R. N. A. Wallinger
223	21.6.79	London, C.X., 22.8.79	W. D. Roebuck
224	23.6.79	Edinburgh, 9.9.79	P. P. Wood
225	27.10.79	Chorley, 4.12.79	C. F. D. Marshall

**Our Prize Competitions.**

**No. 1. APPROVAL DEPT. (Current Issues).**

To the competitor who has purchased by the end of next week the most stamps from our approval sheets of current issues (informing us at the time he wishes the number to compete) we will send post free a copy of "Our Own Times" Postage Stamp Album. This album is specially arranged for King's Head stamps and other current colonial issues.

**No. 2. APPROVAL DEPT. (Old Issues).**

To the competitor who has purchased by the end of next week the most stamps from our approval sheets of old issues (informing us at the time he wishes the number to compete) we will present a copy of the "Good Old Times" Postage Stamp Album (no watermarks, perforations, surcharges, minor varieties).

Result, Week ending 15th February, 1908.

	Stamps
RB (winner and runner-up last week)...	82
JN (runner-up and 3rd last week) ...	69
PN (4th last week) ...	63
HH (11th last week) ...	59
BW (5th last week) ...	58
GC (6th last week) ...	49
ES (12th last week) ...	46
JS (7th last week) ...	45
GL (8th last week) ...	41

Non-winners' totals are carried forward to next week.

**SECTION II.—EUROPE AND COLONIES.**

Result, Week ending 15th February, 1908.

EW (winner, and runner-up last week)	86
FS (runner-up and 4th last week) ...	79
HN (3rd last week) ...	64
JR (6th last week) ...	51
JH (5th last week) ...	36
AD (7th last week) ...	28
ES (8th last week) ...	27
HW (9th last week)...	23
FC (11th last week) ...	21

**SECTION III.—REST OF THE WORLD.**

Same conditions as No. 2 but only open to winners of Section II. The prize is Part III. of the Album, and stamps purchased from any approval sheets of old issues count.

Result, Week ending 15th February, 1908.

DD (winner and runner-up last week)...	131
RG (runner-up and 3rd last week) ...	131
WF (4th last week) ...	115
CM (9th last week) ...	105
Mrs. U (5th last week) ...	81
JO (6th last week) ...	76
RW (8th last week) ...	74
Mrs. C ...	62
JF (7th last week) ...	47

**SECTION I.—GREAT BRITAIN AND COLONIES.**

Although this album is not likely to be ready for several months, winners of Section III. intending to compete for it can have their purchases credited in the meantime, all the totals being carried forward until the competition commences. This album will complete the very handsome series of three volumes.

Non-winners' totals are carried forward to next week. Winners residing abroad will be required to pay carriage and customs charges if any.

The awards are made and albums posted every Monday.

Since our main object in giving these albums away is to get them known, winners can repay us by showing them to stamp-collecting friends as well as by purchasing stamps.

**No. 3. EDITORIAL COMPETITION.**

The competitor who sends us the most interesting item of information for our New Issue column each week will be credited 2/6, which must be claimed within seven days (allowance to foreign readers) and may be selected from any of our approval sheets. From time to time we shall voluntarily increase the prize.

15th February, 1908  
OM for note on East Africa (2/6).

Winners are requested to make early application for their prizes.

J. B. writes (5.12.07):—"I beg you to accept my best thanks for Album received this week. It is a gem and one that anybody who is fortunate enough to obtain it, may be proud of."

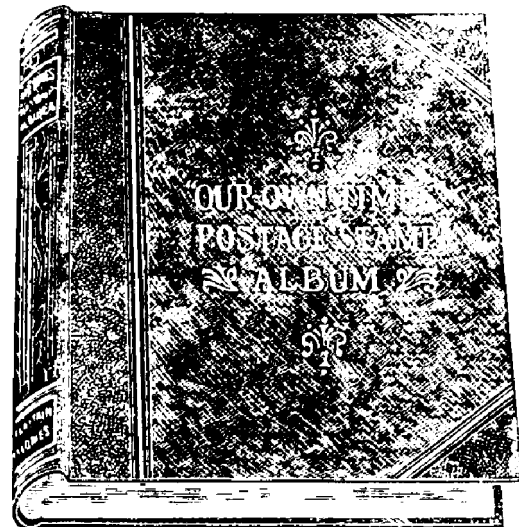
A Newcastle-on-Tyne winner writes (30.11.07):—"I received the 'Good Old Times' Album safely on Tuesday. It is quite beyond my expectations, being really a beautiful volume and so concise."

Mrs. G. writes again (23.12.07):—"I like the album more every day and it is a real pleasure putting in my stamps. I am only putting in unused and they look lovely."

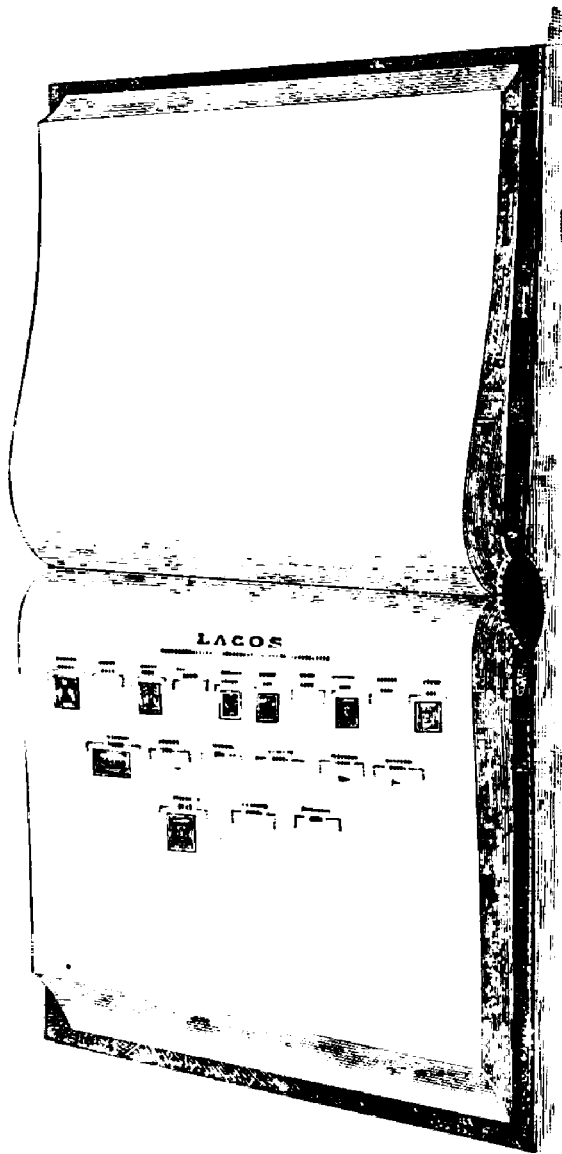
A Liverpool winner writes (17.10.07).—"I have to thank you for 'The Old Times' Album sent to me on Monday last. Like everything else sent out by your firm it is, of its kind, the very best."

**Our Albums.**

We are now able to give two illustrations of our new albums. They are bound alike, as shown in the following illustration.



The album opens as shown in the following illustration, thus enabling two albums to be compared close together.



There is plenty of blank space for additional varieties and a blank quadrillé-ruled page after each colony, so that the album provides space for New Issues for many years to come. The complete set will be as follows:—

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- † Part I. Great Britain and Colonies.
- \* Part II. Europe and Colonies.
- \* Part III. Rest of World.

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- \* These are all published.
- † Expected early in 1908.

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  - (c) Is misdescribed.
  - (d) Is damaged.
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X Postage Dues, Expr., etc.	
U Used stamps. (When stamps are unprocurable unused, we send them used)	
W Varieties of watermark & perforation	
V Minor varieties	
J Indian Native States.	
I Indian States on India.	
NOTE.—If other countries are not wanted, please state.	
Marginal copies, with plate-number.	
An extra commission of 5% is charged for these.	

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- ‡ " " " and now completed.
- " completed, whilst no sign signifies that distribution has commenced. The letters AA ab, ac, etc., are those we employ to expedite invoicing.

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St. Lucia.

SL am† ½d., 1d., 2½d., wmk. Crown CA multiple, single colours.

aq† ½d. and 1d., wmk. Crown CA multiple, single colours.

ap† ½d., wmk. Crown CA multiple, all green. With the exception of the 2½d. value, this distribution brings the country up to date.

New Zealand.

NZ bw 1/-, wmk. NZ over Star, comb perf. 14 × 13½, small design.

Cayman Islands.

CY ad† ½d. on 1d., King, wmk. Crown CA multiple.

Sudan.

SD br 4m., "Plate i." and "Plate ii." These stamps were sent us from Egypt as Plate i. and Plate ii. The surest way to test the difference between the two is that on Plate i. the lines between the camel's two front legs are smudged, but in Plate ii. they are quite clear.

Tasmania.

TA bc† 1d., wmk. Crown A., perf. 11 × 12½.  
1d. " " perf. 12½ × 11.  
bi† 1d. " " perf. 11 × 12½.

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TA ak 1d., punctured T, perf. 12½.  
al 1d. " " perf. 11.  
am 2d. " " perf. 12½.  
bj 2d. " " perf. 11.  
ao 3d. " " perf. 12½.  
ax 4d. " " perf. 14.

Nabha. King, Service.

NA au† ¼a. to 1r., set of 7.

New South Wales.

Melbourne paper.

NSW aw† 6d., wmk. Crown double-lined A.  
ax† 1/- " " " "  
bg† ½d., wmk. a letter of the words "Commonwealth of Australia" in double lined capitals.  
bh† ¼d. ditto.  
bi† 6d. ditto.  
bj† 1/- ditto.

Gwalior on India.

GIW as† ¼a., King, Postage and Revenue.

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By last Friday's mail we received a supply of the new 2d. Bermuda stamps, which will be sent out with this week's new issues.

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Southern Nigeria. new shades, are also being fully attended to this week.

The Managing Director regrets delay in replying to a large number of correspondents but his excuse must be the prevailing epidemic; he hopes, however, to be up and about again early next week.

### PRICE-CATALOGUES.

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## The Week's News.

The Editor is always pleased to receive Early Information of New Issues, or of Discoveries interesting to Stamp Collectors, and will acknowledge such contributions either by name in the journal or by the presentation of several interesting newly-issued stamps, as preferred.

The index number and serial letter after the title of each paragraph indicate the issue of E.W.S.N. in which the last reference to that country appeared.

**BARBADOS** (435 C 440).—The 1d. Tercentary and ½d., ¾d. and 2d. Nelson are now obsolete.

Mr. E. W. Williams shows us a current specimen of the ½d. Nelson with the green portion silvered over, no trace of the green remaining. The specimen is used and on piece of original.

**CANADA** (438 L 440).—Mr. C. L. Bagnall has shown us the 1c. pink postcard recently referred to and it appears that all private supplies of postcards are stamped in pink instead of green and not only those for the Dominion Express Co.

**GIBRALTAR** (435 A 440).—Five weeks ago we chronicled the ½d. printed in one shade of green only, but now find that we sent it out with our New Issue Service as far back as 10.07 and it should have been chronicled then.

We have also distributed the 2/- on chalk-surface paper but, as Mr. Alex Maxwell kindly points out, omitted to formally record it in these columns. We accordingly now remedy the omission.



Adhesive. Wmk. Crown CA multiple, chalk-surface paper.  
2/- green and blue.

Issued 29.10.07 or earlier.

**INVERTED WATERMARKS** (437 H 440).—The list of these given three weeks ago was unfortunately incomplete, an old list having by error been used as basis for it. We have a number of additions from Miss Brooks, Major W. J. Lister and Mr. T. W. Gardner, and now publish the revised list.

Inverted Watermarks; current designs only.

- Antigua, Arms, 6d. (CC ?)
- Australian Commonwealth, Postage Due, Crown N.S.W., ½d., 1d., 2d., 3d., 4d., 8d., 1/-, 5/-, type II., Crown A, 1d.
- Barbados, Arms, ½d., 2/6 AS.
- British Honduras, 2c., 5c., KS.
- Ceylon, KS, 6c.
- Cyprus, KS, ½ piastre.
- East Africa, KS, 2as.
- Gold Coast, KS, 1d.
- Jamaica, ½d. AS.
- Lagos, KN, 2d., 1/-.
- Mauritius, AS, 4c., 6c.
- Natal, KS, 5d.
- New South Wales, Crown A, 4d., 6d., 8d., 9d., 10d., 1/-, Melbourne 2d.
- New South Wales, Crown NSW, 6d., 9d., 1/-.
- Orange River, KS, ½d., 1d.
- Papua, Cr. A, p. 11, ½d.
- Queensland, Cr. V, 9d.
- Sierra Leone, KN, 3d.
- Somaliland, 2a. KS.
- Southern Nigeria, KS, ½d.
- Straits, KM, 1c., 3c.
- Tasmania, Crown A, 1d., 8d., p. 12½ and 11; 1/-, p. 12½; 9d., V 11; 1d., V 12½.
- Transvaal, KN, 2½d.
- Victoria, Crown A, 2d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 9d., 1/-, V Crown, 2d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 9d., 1/-, Postage Due, Crown A, ½d., 1d.
- Western Australia, 2/-, 5/-, V Crown.

Major Lister also mentions the 5d. Malta with multiple watermark upright.

**MALDIVE ISLANDS** (423 J 440).—The Postmaster of Maldives informs us under date of 8.1.08 that the surcharged Ceylon stamps are no longer to be issued and that the "Maldivian Government has proposed to strike entirely new stamps of its own." We shall thus have a new issue for these islands before long, but as to where they are going to be manufactured we have no information.

**SWEDEN** (355 L 440).—The following extract is from the *Western Morning News* of 16.2.08.

"Stamp collectors are offered a chance of effecting a 'deal' with the Swedish Post Office. That department offers for sale a large collection of Swedish and foreign postage stamps, most of them being attached to letters of advice, &c. The estimated quantity of paper bearing these stamps is about ten tons, and it has accumulated since 1878, which, the British Consul remarks, may offer some guidance in determining the possible value of the stamps."

**GREAT BRITAIN.**—*Early Date Records* (439 X 440).—We now continue the publication of the revised list of early date records.

### ONE HALF-PENNY.

Plate No.	Plate put to press.	Record (Earliest date of use.)	Record-holder.
1	20.6.70 Aberdeen,	1.10.70	W. D. Roebuck
3	28.6.70 Swansea rd	3.11.70	W. D. Roebuck
4	4.7.70 Stamford,	4.11.70	W. D. Roebuck
5	12.7.70 Belfast,	10.11.70	C. F. D. Marshall
6	19.7.70 London,	19.10.70	W. D. Roebuck
8	26.7.70 Leeds,	—, 11.70	J. J. Thorpe
9	9.10.71 Gateshead,	5.12.71	H. L. Ewen
10	2.10.73 Liverpool,	22.12.73	J. J. Thorpe
11	21.1.74 Lincoln,	4.6.74	R. N. A. Wallinger
12	29.6.74 Liverpool,	28.8.74	J. J. Thorpe
13	6.5.76 Dunse,	27.6.76	C. F. D. Marshall
14	16.11.76 Bristol,	9.3.77	W. D. Roebuck
15	6.5.78 Castlet'n, I.M.	10.7.78	C. F. D. Marshall
19	18.7.78 Huddersfield,	23.8.78	J. W. Holroyd
20	27.6.79 ?	4.10.79	F. G. Warwick

### THREE HALFPENCE.

1	6.6.70 London,	1.10.70	Official date
3	10.8.74 Birmingham,	7.1.75	M. Raffalovich

### TWOPENCE.

7	19.7.58 Devizes,	8.10.58	H. L. Ewen
8	21.9.59 Longford,	22.11.59	C. F. D. Marshall
9	14.3.61 Blackburn,	14.5.61	W. D. Roebuck
9b	— Southampton,	14.5.63	M. Raffalovich
12	28.10.68 Blackburn,	22.12.68	Unknown
13	13.4.69 Manchester,	1.7.69	C. F. Gwynn
14	16.9.71 London, E.C.,	29.2.72	W. D. Roebuck
15	14.3.76 London,	21.8.76	F. J. Cowan

### TWOPENCE HALFPENNY.

1	30.3.75 London, E.C.,	1.7.75	C. F. D. Marshall
1a	— Newc. on-T.,	10.7.75	C. F. D. Marshall
2	1.6.75 London, E.C.,	6.8.75	N. Yaar
3a	12.6.75 Carlisle,	12.11.75	O. Spannocchia
3b	— Lisburn,	23.5.76	O. Spannocchia
4	21.4.76 London,	28.6.76	G. Verméeren
5	3.7.56 "	21.8.76	R. Holliday
6	7.9.76 "	10.11.76	W. D. Roebuck
7	16.2.77 "	23.3.77	O. Spannocchia
8	4.6.77 "	2.7.77	W. D. Roebuck
9	14.9.77 Glasgow,	9.10.77	W. D. Roebuck
10	7.12.77 London, E.C.,	16.1.78	W. D. Roebuck
11	19.3.78 London,	14.5.78	R. N. A. Wallinger
12	25.5.78 London, W.,	17.9.78	R. N. A. Wallinger
13	30.9.78 Manchester	3.12.78	O. Spannocchia
14	11.2.79 London, E.C.,	20.3.79	N. Yaar
15	8.5.79 Nottingham,	17.6.79	G. Verméeren
16	15.8.79 Gracech'ch St.	8.10.79	R. N. A. Wallinger
17a	23.12.79 ?	23.1.80	Unknown
17b	— ?	5.2.80	Unknown
18	11.2.80 ?	2.3.80	H. W. Harrison
19	6.4.80 London,	4.5.80	W. D. Roebuck
20	11.10.80 Manchester,	11.11.80	O. Spannocchia
21	3.2.81 ?	28.3.81	H. W. Harrison
22	9.6.81 Lombard St.,	5.7.81	C. F. D. Marshall
23	9.6.81 Manchester,	6.7.81	W. D. Roebuck

### THREE PENCE.

2	19.2.62 London, E.,	26.5.62	M. Raffalovich
4a	19.12.64 London,	10.4.65	C. F. D. Marshall
4b	— London,	26.7.67	W. D. Roebuck
5	18.12.67 Bradford, Yks.	10.3.68	W. D. Roebuck
6	22.9.69 London,	19.1.70	W. D. Roebuck
7	19.10.71 "	4.11.71	W. D. Roebuck
8	29.2.72 "	14.5.72	W. D. Roebuck
9	31.7.72 Queenstown	8.10.72	R. N. A. Wallinger
10	1.1.73 London, W.C.,	17.3.73	W. D. Roebuck

Plate No.	Plate put to press.	Record (Earliest date of use.)	Record-holder.
11	17.4.73 London, E.C.	7.7.73	O. Spannocchia
12	4.9.73 ?	19.10.73	Unknown
14	12.1.74 London, W.C.	13.4.74	J. R. Yates
15	9.6.74 Huddersfield,	—, 8.74	W. D. Roebuck
16	29.10.74 London,	11.1.75	W. D. Roebuck
17	20.2.75 London, E.C.,	14.4.75	W. D. Roebuck
18	13.7.75 London,	17.9.75	W. D. Roebuck
19	8.3.76 London, E.C.	14.7.76	W. D. Roebuck
20a	29.11.78 Lincoln,	23.9.79	W. D. Roebuck
20b	— Aylesbury,	1.1.81	W. D. Roebuck
21a	? ?	17.8.81	Unknown
21b	— Mark Lane	—, 1.83	M. Raffalovich

### FOUR PENCE.

3	30.11.61 Malta,	7.2.62	W. D. Roebuck
4	7.9.63 London, E.C.,	17.11.63	E. B. Wood
7	8.6.65 London, W.,	14.7.65	M. Raffalovich
8	23.1.66 Hull,	23.6.66	W. D. Roebuck
9	16.5.67 London, E.C.,	16.6.67	W. D. Roebuck
9a	— London,	12.7.67	W. D. Roebuck
10	17.3.68 "	1.8.68	W. D. Roebuck
11	? "	11.3.69	M. Raffalovich
12a	21.3.70 Farnboro' St.,	23.7.70	W. D. Roebuck
12b	— London,	26.7.72	W. D. Roebuck
12c	— "	11.10.72	M. Raffalovich
13	11.10.72 Bakewell,	13.1.73	E. Bently Wood
14	8.5.73 Malta,	5.8.73	W. D. Roebuck
15a	Re-issue Manchester,	12.1.75	F. J. Cowan
15b	17.11.75 Bradford,	10.6.76	O. Spannocchia
15c	— London	12.3.77	O. Spannocchia
16	23.10.77 London, S.W.,	—, 12.77	J. R. Yates
17a	10.6.80 Chichester	25.8.80	W. D. Roebuck
17b	— London, E.C.	10.12.80	H. A. Fulcher
18	15.8.82 Lothbury	26.10.82	R. Holliday

### SIXPENCE.

3	9.9.62 Liverpool,	22.1.63	R. N. A. Wallinger
4	11.4.64 London,	28.7.64	C. F. D. Marshall
5	4.1.65 Southampton	17.5.65	A. E. Dickson
6a	22.11.66 London,	4.2.67	W. D. Roebuck
6ba	— London,	21.6.67	W. D. Roebuck
6bb	— London, E.C.,	22.7.68	W. D. Roebuck
6bc	— London, S.W.,	21.9.68	Unknown
8	18.12.68 Manchester.	12.3.69	W. D. Roebuck
9	3.5.70 London,	23.7.70	C. F. D. Marshall
9b	— London,	16.6.71	M. Raffalovich
11a	25.1.72 "	12.4.72	C. F. D. Marshall
11aa	— Barnstaple,	23.5.72	M. Raffalovich
11b	— No claim		
12a	22.4.72 Newc'le-on-T.,	24.8.72	Earl of Crawford
12b	— "	14.12.72	Unknown
12c	— Bradford, Yks.	24.6.73	W. D. Roebuck
13	11.12.73 London,	31.3.74	W. D. Roebuck
14	16.10.74 Brighton,	15.1.75	W. D. Roebuck
15	26.11.75 Manchester,	25.2.76	F. J. Cowan
16	2.11.77 ?	25.2.78	Unknown
17a	21.4.80 ?	10.6.80	F. Grove-Powell
17b	— London,	18.2.81	F. A. Campbell
18a	11.1.81 London, W.C.,	8.4.82	W. D. Roebuck
18b	— West Br'mwich,	7.2.83	W. D. Roebuck

### EIGHTPENCE.

1	— London, S.W.	6.10.76	J. W. Holroyd
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### NINEPENCE.

2	— London, E.	26.5.62	M. Raffalovich
4a	25.5.65 No claim		
4b	— Liverpool,	3.10.68	W. D. Roebuck

### TENPENCE.

1	22.3.67 Folkestone,	17.8.67	E. Leader
2	— London,	18.11.67	H. J. Crocker

### ONE SHILLING.

2	— Paisley,	22.10.63	R. N. A. Wallinger
4a	8.12.64 Malta,	6.5.65	O. Spannocchia
4b	— ?	9.8.67	Unknown
5	20.2.71 London,	16.5.71	W. D. Roebuck
6	20.3.72 { Cardiff,	24.5.72	W. D. Roebuck
6	20.3.72 { Cardiff,	24.5.72	F. Grove Powell
7	11.11.72 Seething Lane,	10.1.73	Unknown
8	10.6.73 London, S.E.,	1.9.73	W. D. Roebuck
9	21.11.73 London, E.C.,	1.6.74	W. D. Roebuck
10	14.7.74 St. Thomas,	4.10.74	W. D. Roebuck
11	14.12.74 Brighton,	12.3.75	G. Verméeren
12	24.6.75 St. Neots,	16.8.75	W. D. Roebuck
13a	17.1.76 London,	30.8.77	F. A. Campbell
13b	— London,	5.11.80	W. D. Roebuck
13c	— Glasgow,	30.6.81	F. A. Campbell
14	? Teignmouth,	7.12.81	W. D. Roebuck

### FIVE SHILLINGS.

1	18.4.67 London	12.8.70	W. D. Roebuck
2	25.3.74 London	9.10.74	J. W. Lowson
4	24.10.82 ?	30.11.82	W. D. Roebuck

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1d. black 15.4.40 Brighton,	6.5.40	H. L. Ewen
1d. red. imp. 21.1.41? Ballyrobe,	16.2.41	W. D. Roebuck
1d. S.C. 1., 16	20.2.54	?
1d. S.C. 1., 14	16.1.55	?
1d. S.C. 11., 16	16.3.55	?
1d. S.C. 11., 14	28.2.55	?
1d. L.C., 16	16.8.55	S. Hodson
1d. L.C., 14	16.7.55	?
1d. L.C., 16, rose	4.1.58	?
2d. no lines — 4.40 London,	—, 7.40	?
2d. lines 3 25.2.41? Glasgow	21.11.42	R. N. A. Wallinger
2d. " 4 6.12.49?	No claim.	—
2d. S.C., 16, 4	7.4.54	?
2d. S.C., 14	4.3.55	?
2d. S.C., 16, 5	2	?
2d. S.C., 14	Edinburgh 27.7.55	S. Hodson
2d. L.C., 16, 5	15.8.55	?
2d. L.C., 14	20.7.55	H. S. Hodson
2d. L.C., 16, 6	9.5.57	1.3.58
2d. L.C., 14	?	2.7.57
6d. Oct. 1 30.1.54 Lancaster,	15.4.54	S. Hodson
10d. " 1 3.1.48 No claim.		
10d. " 2 4.5.50 N/C on T	4.6.52	R. N. A. Wallinger
10d. " 3 8.2.53 No claim.		
10d. " 3 Re-issued Manchester,	18.10.64	H. L. Ewen
10d. " 4 8.12.54 No claim.		
1/- " 1 21.6.47		
1/- " 2 23.2.54 Hull	20.12.54	R. N. A. Wallinger
4d. S.G. 13.7.55? London, E.C.	14.9.55	H. C. Hodgson
4d. M.G. — ?	25.2.56	?
4d. M.Gwh — Liverpool,	3.2.57	W. D. Roebuck
4d. L.G. — Hull,	18.5.57	W. D. Roebuck
6d. lilac 29.3.56 Mullingar,	25.11.56	M. Raffalovich
1/- green 12.10.56 Wigan,	11.2.57	R. N. A. Wallinger

ISSUES OF 1880--1901.

1d. grn. 18.8.80 London, E.C.	22.10.80	F. G. Warwick
1d. brn. 28.10.79 do.,	3. 1.80	W. D. Roebuck
1 1/2d. brn. 24 8.80 London, W.	2.11.80	F. G. Warwick
1d. rose 20.9.80 ?	20.12.80	M. Raffalovich
1d. blk 1.3.81 London	8. 4.81	R. N. Wallinger
1d. 14 25.5.81 ?	12. 7.81	H. L. Ewen
1d. 16 14.10.81 ?	12 12.81	?
1d. revenue	17. 6.81	J. W. Holroyd

POSTMARK TYPES.

Maltese Cross in black London	1.9.40	R. N. A. Wallinger
" & No. London	15.4.43	
Bars & Number, Engl. Manch'r	8. 5.44	R. N. A. Wallinger
" Scot.	? — 6.44	?
" Irish.	? — 6.44	?
Circular with bars London, E.C.	8.11.79	H. L. Ewen
Machine Cancellation London,	26.11.57	S. Hodson
Triangular Leeds,	13. 5.94	H. L. Ewen
Duplex mark Manch.	25. 2.54	S. Hodson

Forgeries and their Collection for Reference Purposes.

In the 2.08 number of the *Monthly Report of the Herts Philatelic Society* there is an interesting account by Mr. C. J. Phillips of his firm's Reference Collection of Forgeries, from which we take the liberty of making the following extract. The paper was read before the Herts Philatelic Society by Mr. Frank C. Phillips.

I see that your Secretary has put me down for a Display of Forgeries for this evening; but with your kind permission I wish to extend slightly the scope of my exhibit so as to include Proofs, Reprints, Photographs and Genuine Stamps, all of which are often necessary for comparison in the examination of stamps for the purpose of detecting fraud.

I have brought with me a few volumes of the Reference Collection of my firm. The scope of the collection is somewhat as follows:—

1st, REPRINTS.—These are very complete, but few known reprints being lacking. I collect reprints in singles in all varieties, and, where I can obtain them, in entire sheets or in blocks of four. A block is frequently useful, the difference in the margin of a stamp being often almost essential in determining its character, e.g., 1858 issue of Wurtemberg.

In Reprints, I collect also, as a separate set, those having forged postmarks, such as are so common in Heligoland.

2nd, PROOFS AND ESSAYS.—I collect all kinds of Proofs and Essays, but only when they are of the same design as that of the issued stamp; an Essay of a design that differs from the stamp is of no use to me for expert work.

3rd, FORGERIES.—My collection of these is very complete, and is kept as up-to-date as is possible. I am always anxious to secure new and dangerous fakes of all kinds, and willing to pay a fair price for any that are likely to deceive stamp collectors.

Forged stamps can be classed into two broad groups; the one, and by far the smaller, being composed of forgeries made to deceive the authorities, and such are rather common in the early issues of Austria, Spain, Naples, etc.

The larger group by far is that of forgeries made to deceive stamp collectors. These forgeries are to be sub-divided into a good many classes, of which I will note a few briefly:—

Firstly; there is the forgery out-and-out, the whole stamp being imitated, and

often the postmark, perforation, and sometimes, though rarely, the watermark.

Secondly; and becoming rather common, is the penmarked fiscally-used stamp, with the penmarks removed, and the stamps offered as being unused. This is done very frequently with such stamps as the £2, £5, and £10 British South Africa, etc.

Thirdly; the word "Specimen" is removed, and the stamp is then offered as being unused, or, by applying a forged postmark, it is offered as a genuine used copy.

Fourthly; forgeries of a surcharge on a genuine stamp. This is much in vogue with the Paris forgery-monger, and is a trick not unknown in London, Brighton, and elsewhere. Surcharges that are frequently forged in this manner are those of the rarer British Officials, French Colonials, etc., and none of these should be purchased except from experts.

Fifthly; Forged perforations, made from imperforated stamps, or from common perforated stamps with extra large margins, etc.

Sixthly; there is a new and, I think, a dangerous forgery; it is made by taking a stamp of a low denomination, costing a penny or two, removing its value by chemical means, and then printing in a new value of a much higher denomination.

I hand round a page of my collection, showing: Lagos, 10/-, both Queen and King, made from the 1/2d. stamps.

Gold Coast, 20/- green and carmine, made from the 2/- in the same colours.

St. Lucia, 10/- Queen, made from the common 1d. In this I draw attention to the fact that both the top and bottom labels have been altered.

Gold Coast, 20/- King. For some time I was puzzled as to what stamp this could have been made from; but, I think, that the Straits Settlements 4c., which I show, is the one that has been operated upon, as the key-plate and colours are identical.

This Reference Collection is still far from complete, as I possess many thousands of forgeries still unclassified and unmounted, and I have but little time to give to that work. However, up to now we have filled twenty-six "Oriental Albums," and we shall have at least a dozen more when all our material is arranged.

Our Prize Competitions.

NO. 1. APPROVAL DEPT. (Current Issues).

To the competitor who has purchased by the end of next week the most stamps from our approval sheets of current issues (informing us at the time he wishes the number to compete) we will send post free a copy of "Our Own Times" Postage Stamp Album. This album is specially arranged for King's Head stamps and other current colonial issues.

NO. 2. APPROVAL DEPT. (Old Issues).

To the competitor who has purchased by the end of next week the most stamps from our approval sheets of old issues (informing us at the time he wishes the number to compete) we will present a copy of the "Good Old Times" Postage Stamp Album (no watermarks, perforations, surcharges, minor varieties).

Result, Week ending 22nd February, 1908.

	Stamps
HH (winner) ...	76
JN (runner-up and last week) ...	69
WB (15th last week) ...	68
PN (3rd last week) ...	63
BW (5th last week) ...	58
GC (6th last week) ...	58
ES (7th last week) ...	46
JS (8th last week) ...	45
GL (9th last week) ...	41

Non-winners' totals are carried forward to next week.

SECTION II.—EUROPE AND COLONIES.

Result, Week ending 22nd February, 1908.

FS (winner, and runner-up last week) ...	100
HN (runner-up and 3rd last week) ...	64
JR (4th last week) ...	57
EHS (7th last week) ...	37
JH (5th last week) ...	36
GP (10th last week) ...	31
AD (6th last week) ...	28
HW (8th last week) ...	23
FC (9th last week) ...	21

SECTION III.—REST OF THE WORLD.

Same conditions as No. 2 but only open to winners of Section II. The prize is Part III. of the Album, and stamps purchased from any approval sheets of old issues count.

Result, Week ending 22nd February, 1908.

RG (winner and runner-up last week) ...	152
WF (runner-up and 3rd last week) ...	144

	Stamps
CM (4th last week) ...	129
Mrs. U (5th last week) ...	93
Mrs. C (8th last week) ...	89
JO (6th last week) ...	86
ES (11th last week) ...	75
RW (7th last week) ...	74
GA (10th last week) ...	60

SECTION I.—GREAT BRITAIN AND COLONIES.

Although this album is not likely to be ready for several months, winners of Section III. intending to compete for it can have their purchases credited in the meantime, all the totals being carried forward until the competition commences. This album will complete the very handsome series of three volumes.

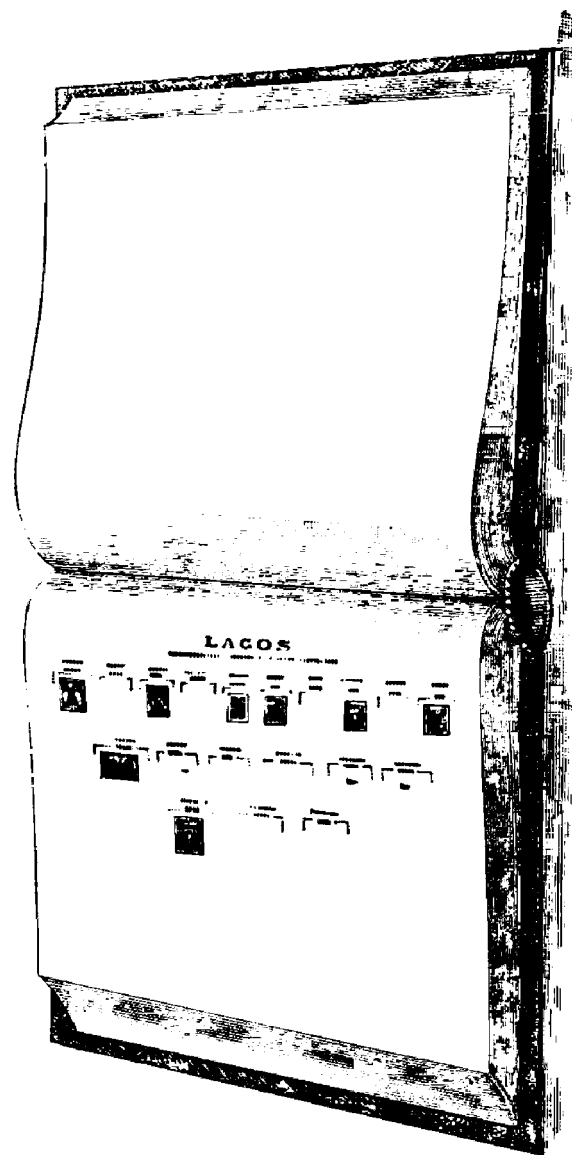
Non-winners' totals are carried forward to next week. Winners residing abroad will be required to pay carriage and customs charges if any.

Our Albums.

We are now able to give two illustrations of our new albums. They are bound alike, as shown in the following illustration.



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- \* Part II. Europe and Colonies.
- \* Part III. Rest of World.

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Bermuda.

BM ad\* 2d., Dockyard, wmk. Crown CA multiple.  
This distribution brings the country up to date.

S. Nigeria.

SN ax\* 1/4d., King, multiple, ordinary, new colour, all green.  
 ar† 1d. " " " new colour, all rose.  
 aq† 2d. " " " new shade (grey centre).  
 ap† 4d. " " " chalky, pale shade.  
 at† 1/- " " " "  
 av† 5/- " " " "  
 aq† £1 " " " pale shade.  
 The distribution of these stamps brings the country up to date.

St. Lucia.

SL aq† 1/4d. and 1d., wmk. Crown CA multiple, single colours.

Cayman Islands.

CY ad† 1/4d. on 1d., King, wmk. Crown CA multiple.

Sudan.

SD br 4m., " Plate i." and " Plate ii." Plate i. the lines between the camel's two front legs are smudged, but in Plate ii. they are quite clear.

Tasmania.

TA bc† 1d., wmk. Crown A., perf. 11 x 12 1/2.  
 ‡ 2d. " " perf. 12 1/2 x 11.

S. Australia, Official.

Punctured OS.

SA bb† 1d., wmk. SA, perf. 12 x 11 1/2.  
 bc† 2d., " SA, " 12 x 11 1/2.  
 be† 4d., " SA, " 11 1/2, type i.  
 bf† 5d., " SA, " 12 x 11 1/2.  
 bs† 8d., " SA, " 11 1/2, type i.  
 bi† 9d., " SA, " 12 " ii.  
 bl† 2/6 " SA, " 11 1/2 " i.

We have at last received a further supply of the Cayman Islands Provisionals 1/4d. on 5/- which we shall be sending out with this week's New Issues. We are also sending out this week the St. Lucia 2 1/4d. all blue, and we are glad to be able to finish the distribution and complete the set.

### The New Gibbons' Catalogue.

We reproduce the following criticism from the *Stamp Collectors' Fortnightly* and certainly think it is very much to the point.

"Apropos the publication of the new Part I., Gibbons, I have received a most interesting letter from the Rev. C. H. Lowe, of Skipton.

"I wonder whether," he writes, "the majority of your readers agree with you in thinking that Messrs. S. Gibbons are doing the right thing in ignoring any difference between chalk and ordinary paper multiples, or rather, I should say, in making the absurd compromise they have done in their 1908 catalogue? I, for one, think it is the greatest mistake, and is calculated rather to encourage the class of collector to whom this hobby is very fleeting pastime, than the class who go steadily on year after year. I am in no sense a specialist, but simply a collector of all English and Colonial stamps, yet it seems to me ridiculous to thus ignore stamps which are actually manufactured in a different way, when at the same time the New South Wales stamps (chalk) are listed, while more than a page is given to every conceivable way of printing the letter G in Griqualand, and the extraordinary list of the New Republic, South Africa, of which, I am sorry to say, I have never yet seen a single specimen! The whole of the chalk faced varieties that have so far been printed would not take up nearly half the space of the two countries I have mentioned. My point is that these chalk and ordinary faced multiples are in no sense freaks, but were made distinctly different by the Postal Authorities for definite reasons, and there is no sort of excuse for ignoring them, so long as in other instances distinctions, such as between white and blued paper, are made and other differences of a like nature."

**Ewen's Colonial Stamp Market, Ltd.,** 32, Palace Square, Norwood, London, S.E.

# Ewen's Weekly Stamp News.

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## The Week's News.

The Editor is always pleased to receive Early Information of New Issues, or of Discoveries interesting to Stamp Collectors, and will acknowledge such contributions either by name in the journal or by the presentation of several interesting newly-issued stamps, as preferred. The index number and serial letter after the title of each paragraph indicate the issue of E.W.S.N. in which the last reference to that country appeared.

**GREAT BRITAIN.—Railway Letter Stamps** (437,438,439 J 441).—We have been pursuing our investigations concerning the surcharged G.W.R. stamps and have also seen one used on a letter from Bath, kindly sent us by a correspondent. The result to date is as follows:—

Used at ordinary stations.

No.	
6471	Bath.
6558	Swindon.
6573	"

Used at stations of the late Manchester & Milford Railway.

No.	
42598	Llanbyther.
43039	Pencader.
43098	Strata Florida.
43225	Aberystwyth.

The stations at Llanilar, Llanrhystyd Road, Lampeter, Maesycrugiau, and New Quay Road were still using the ordinary 3rd issue Great Western stamps. If any of our readers should get any of these stamps from other towns, we would be glad to have a note of the control numbers.

**Metropolitan & Great Central Joint Railway.**—This Company has had a new printing of railway letter stamps; in fact, has nearly finished it.

2d. blue, Nos. 2401 to 3600.

So far as we can trace, there are none of the 2nd issue now at stations, although still a good few of the 1st issue. The 1st and 2nd printings appear to have been from different transfers, a rather curious fact considering that all the 24 printings of the Metropolitan Railway have been from the same transfer.

**Early Date Records** (440 Y 441).—The record for 6d. plate 3 in the table published last week should have been given as held by Mr. O. V. Spannochia.

**BELGIAN F.P.O.** (A 441).—We learn from *L'Echo de la Timbrologie* (29.2.08/123) that in consequence of the increasing commercial relations of Belgium with China, the Belgian government has opened several post offices in China. The stamps to be issued are the current 5, 10, 25 and 50c. surcharged "Chine" and with value in Chinese money. These may be superseded by a series of distinctive design.



Adhesives. Overprinted "Chine."  
5c. green.  
10c. rose.  
25c. blue.  
50c. grey.

**CAYMAN ISLANDS** (435 A 441).—This week we have yet another provisional to record!



Adhesive.  
"2½d." in black on 4d. brown and blue.

Issued 12.2.08. We are fortunately able to illustrate an envelope franked with one of these stamps.

C. R. writes us, under date of 29.2.08:—"I have this morning received from the Postmistress of the Cayman Islands an envelope bearing a 4d. bi-coloured stamp surcharged 2½d. and the Postmistress informs me that it has just been surcharged on February 12th."

Dr. N. writes:—"Have you seen the enclosed '2½d. on 4d.' Cayman Is.? Only two sheets have been printed, so it ought to be scarce. The information is official, so should be correct.

A.S. writes, also under date of 29.2.08:—"Of the very latest provisional of the Cayman Islands you may possibly have heard by this morning's mail—the 2½d. on 4d. The mail has been, I believe, an unprecedentedly quick one, as a correspondent in George Town, writing me on the 12th inst., sends me a pair of this new provisional (the surcharge on which appears in a diagonal position at the left corner of each stamp) and mentions that it was issued on that day, and that there were only two sheets surcharged. My informant also mentions that the authorities had intimated that the stamps would not be sold to dealers, as they were all required for local use, and were expected to be all used by the following day."

We believe it is correct that practically none of any of the Cayman Islands provisionals are being sent to dealers at face value, the idea amongst the Cayman Islanders evidently being that they will thereby foster a hungry and competitive market amongst the trade and reap big profits for themselves. And perhaps they are not far wrong, for collectors want the stamps and dealers have no redress against the postal officials. Dealers are in much the same position as a man who is blackmailed and to get the stamps for their clients they will have to pay and of course clients will have to pay too. It is only to be hoped that a just retribution will overtake those responsible for the speculations.

**ECUADOR** (439 K 441).—We quote as follows from *Stanley Gibbons' Monthly Journal* (29.2.08/178).

**ECUADOR.**—The "control" marks seem to be getting quite beyond control. Mr. Power sends us used specimens of various values of the issue of last year, bearing (in addition to their obliterations) divers overprints, the necessity for which is not at present apparent, though some of them seem to indicate that the Education Question has come to the front in other countries besides our own, and that postal revenue is perhaps being applied to other than postal purposes. The first that we describe below seems to be a complete and clear impression of the mark which puzzled us last month. *Mekeel's Weekly* add some items which we mark "(M)"

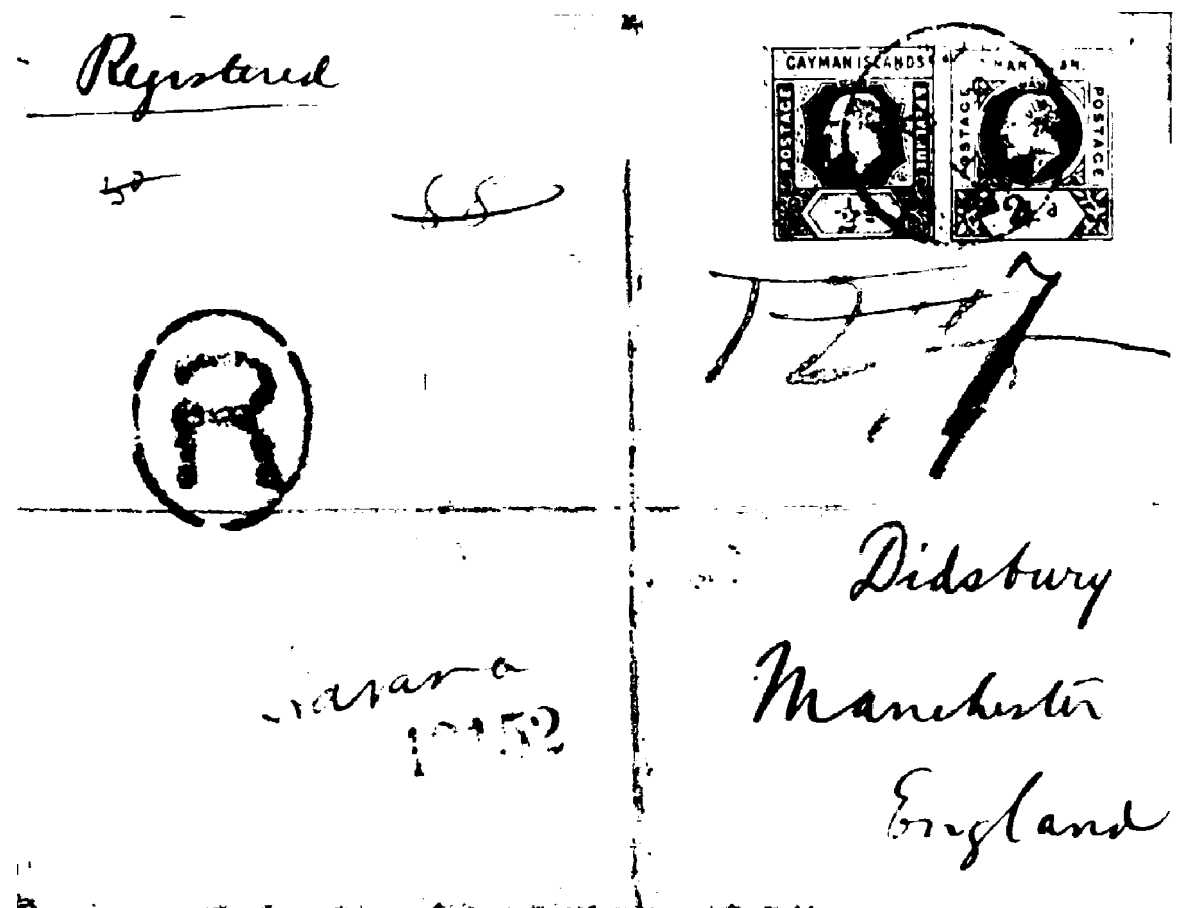
1. "FROM," with an ornament, like those shown in Type 69, before and after it.  
10c. blue, carmine surcharge.
2. "1907" in small figures.  
10c. blue, black surcharge.
3. Oval band inscribed "CONSEJO ESCOLAR" round the top and sides, with an ornament at foot, and "QUITO" in the centre; in carmine.  
1c. carmine (M).  
2c. green (M).  
10c. blue.  
20c. slate (M).
4. Oval with outer line only, similarly inscribed "CONSEJO ESCOLAR de MANABI," and "PORTOVIETO" in the centre.  
5c. purple, green surcharge.
5. An oval or circular band of larger size, only part of which is visible (and that indistinctly) on the copy sent us: we can see parts of the words "CONSEJO ESCOLAR."  
10c. blue, purple surcharge.
6. A small oval device of fancy pattern, with the letters "C E" on a solid ground in the centre.  
5c. purple, black surcharge.
7. An inscription in three vertical lines, of which we can only make out "COLE" followed by a portion of a letter "c" or "g," probably part of the word "COLEGIO," accompanied by the postmark of "MACHALA."  
1c. vermilion, black surcharge.
8. *Gibbons Stamp Weekly* describes another mark of the same nature, consisting of a "double circle 25mm. in diameter, containing the following inscription in three lines: C.—E.—DE LA—PROVINCIA."  
10c. blue, violet surcharge.

The same journal adds the 50c. to the list of stamps with lozenge-shaped control mark illustrated last month. According to *L'Echo de la Timbrologie* the devices like interlaced circles, in the corners of this design, are the letters "C.E." in monogram, in which case this is another form of "School Board" overprint.

*Gibbons Stamp Weekly* chronicles, on the authority of *Champion's Bulletin*, another value

## Cayman Islands: the Latest Provisional.

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Colonies near Europe 493 " 245† Ditto, beyond Europe, 1870-93 416† " " 1897 design 402 " " 1870-1898 246 Ditto (Vasca da Gama), 1893-97 247 Ditto, 1897 type 248 Mozambique, India and Nyassa 428 Pictorial stamps 249 Roumania, 1858-71 (imperf. issues) 250 " 1871-90 417 " 1890-1891 418† " Pictorial 251 Russia 252 Russian Foreign P.O. 253 San Marino 254† Serbia, 1866-05 255 " 1901-05 256 Spain, 1850-67</p>	<p>397 Spain, 1850-1872 257 " 1870-1878 258 " 1879-95 424† " 1873-75 259† Cuba, 1855-77 260 " 1882-98 419 " 1877-1881 421 Elobey and Spanish Guinea 261 Fernando Poo 262 Philippines 389 Philippine Islands 263 Porto Rico 390 " 264 Sweden, 1855-1872 410 Sweden (1902) 265† Switzerland, 1845-82 266 " 1882-1900 267 Turkey, 1863-76 268 " 1892-06 398 " 269 Wurtemberg 425† " "  <b>REST OF WORLD.</b> (2565 different sorts exist).</p> <p>270 Abyssinia 384 Afghanistan 271† China 273† Congo Free State 274 Corea 275† " " 276 Egypt 473† " " 277 Japan, 1871-76 278† " 1894-1900 467 " 1876-1904 279 Liberia, 1860-1892 453† Liberia, 1892-06 280 Persia, 1868-91 281 " 1891-1906 463† Shanghai 283 Siam 284 Argentine Republic, 1858-67 285 " " 1882-90 286 " " 1880-92 287 " " 1892-99 458 Buenos Aires and Corrientes 288 Bolivia, 1866-67 289 " 1878-97 290 " 1897-01 291 Brazil, 1844-78 292 " 1878-1900, chiefly used 293 " 1880-1906 294 Chili, 1852-81 295 " 1881-1906 379 " cheap used 296 Colombia, 1859-70 297† " 1876-86 298† " 1890-98 299† " 1902-04 300† Colombia (Cartagena and other issues, 1898-05) 433 " 1902 issue 301 Costa Rica, 1862-89 454 " 1892-06 302† Dominican Republic, 1862-1900 466 " " 303 Ecuador, 1865-94</p>	<p>430 Ecuador, 1899-05 432† " 1895-99 304 Guatemala, 1871-86 305† " 1902 426 " 1897-06 306 Hayti, 1871-98 422 " 1898-1906 307 Honduras, 1865-92 431 " 1892-02 308 Mexico, 1856-74 309 " 1874-82 310† " 1884-85 311 Mexico, 1886-99 429 " 1886-03 312† Nicaragua, 1862-91 313 " 1892-97 455 Nicaragua, 1898-06 314† Panama (unsurcharged) 317 Paraguay, 1870-1892, 318 " 1900-03 319 " 1903-07 460† Paraguay (cheap used) 320 Peru, 1858-74 321 " 1895-96 456† " 1896-07 322† Salvador, 1867-92 323† " 1892-95 464 " 1895-96 465 " 1897-06 324 Uruguay, used and unused 325† " 1884-90 326 " 1890-05 327 " 1895 383† " 1887-04 427 " 1895-07 328 Venezuela, 1859-06 (for internal postage) 329 Venezuela, 1880-96 (Foreign correspondence) 457 Venezuela, 1898-06 (Foreign correspondence) 330 United States, 1851-1900 331† " 1884, 1900, 1902. 332 " Columbus, Omaha, etc. 404 " cheap used 461 United States (used) 333 Confederate States and Cuba 443 Samoa 334 Hawaii, 1853-1882 459† " 1891 (Pictorial issue)  <b>INDIAN NATIVE STATES.</b> (301 different sorts exist).</p> <p>335 Alwur, Bamra, Bhor and Bhopal, first issue 476† Bhopal, second issue 337† Bundi 494† Bussahir 338 Charkhari and Cochin 495 Dhar, Duttia and Faridkot 339† Helkar and Hyderabad 340 Jaipur, Jhind, and Jhalawar 496 Jummoo and Kashmir 341† Kishengarh 342 Las Bela, Nepal &amp; Nowanugger 343† Rajnandgaon, Rajpepla and Sirmoor [Scinde Dawk 497 Soruth, Travancore &amp; Wadhwan</p>
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# Approval Sheets of British Stamps.

<p>101 Gt. Britain, 1840-41, imperf. 102 " 1880-1884 103 " 4d. to plate 10 345 " 2d. blue, 1840-41 346 " fine copies, mostly 1d. and 2d. 347 " very fine copies of 4d. and 6d. 352 " 1855-1862 353 " 1867 354 " 1867, 3d. rose 355 " Miscellaneous 356 " 2d., plate numbers 358 " Miscellaneous</p>	<p>362 Gt. Britain, 4d., plate 11 to 18 365 " Foreign Postmarks 366 " old 6d. violet 367 " old 8d., 9d., 10d., 2/-, 5/-, 10/-, and £1 368 " 1840-1855 369 " " Specimen" Stamps 391 " 4d. rose, 1855-57 392 " 2d. blue, 1840-57 393 " 2/6, 5/-, 10/- and £1 394 " 4d., 6d., 1/- of 1855-57 395 " 4d. orange, pl. nos. 396 " 1/-, plate numbers</p>	<p>399 Gt. Britain, imperforate 400 " Glasgow and other local pmks., etc. 401 " 1d., 2d., 1840-41 402 " Maltese Cross postmark 1d. red, imperf. (singles and strips) 437 " 1d. red, Stars, perf. varieties 438 " 1d. red, Stars, perf. varieties 439 " 2d. blue, Stars, perf. varieties 440 " 2d. blue, imperf., 1841, for plating 441 " 2d. blue, plate Nos.</p>	<p>442 Gt. Britain, 1d. and 1½d. red, plate numbers 444 " shades of 4d. rose, L.C., in pairs, at 2d. each 445 " old 2d., 3d., 4d., &amp;c., on pieces of letter 446 " 3d. rose, plate Nos. 447 " old 3d., 4d., &amp;c., in pairs and strips 448 " shades of 4d. rose, 1857, in dated pairs 449 " 4d. rose, pairs, with dated pmks., various shades of rose</p>	<p>450 Gt. Britain, 4d. rose, S.C., MS and L.C., fine shades 451 " 4d., plate Nos., mostly dated copies 471 Unused English 472 Gt. Britain, unused, chiefly 1880-97 474 " fine 3d. and others 475 " very fine used, 9d., 1/- and miscellaneous 485 " Officials, Telegraphs, &amp;c.</p>
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of the fiscal series of "1901-1902" converted to postal use by means of Type F11.

3c. in black on 25c. yellow.

**FRENCH F.P.O.** (428 U 441).—The following new stationery is reported by the *Deutsche Briefmarken-Zeitung*, surcharged similarly to the new postage adhesives (see *E.W.S.N.* No. 428).

*Envelope.*

2c. on 5c. green.

*Postcards.*

4c. on 10c. carmine on green.

" " (reply card).

*Letter-card.*

4c. on 10c. rose on bluish.

**HOLLAND** (434 X 441).—We quote as follows from *L'Echo de la Timbrologie* (29.2.08/121).

**LES VARIÉTÉS DES TAXES DE RUYTER.**

M. Booleman nous communique quelques renseignements sur les variétés rencontrées dans les timbres-taxe de Ruyter 1<sup>er</sup> et 2<sup>e</sup> tirages, renseignements que nous reproduisons ci-dessous et qui intéresseront certainement nos lecteurs.

On connaît déjà, dit M. Booleman, les deux types bien différents des 1½, 2½, 6½, et 12½ cents, mais on ignore généralement que la feuille du 12½, 1<sup>er</sup> tirage, comporte un timbre du type II., dont la valeur est toute spéciale puisqu'il tient à un 1<sup>er</sup> type. Ce timbre est le troisième de la 7<sup>e</sup> rangée de gauche.

La même particularité se rencontre dans les feuilles des deux tirages du 7½, toutes au types I. Le dixième timbre de la troisième rangée de gauche est en effet au type II.

D'autre part, dans quelques-unes des feuilles du 25 cents, le quatrième timbre de la quatrième rangée de gauche porte deux points placés entre les lettres E et N du mot CENT de la surcharge.

Enfin, dans chaque feuille du ½ cent de Ruyter, surchargé des valeurs suivantes: 7½, 10, 12½, 25, 50 and 1 gulden, le sixième timbre de la troisième rangée port le mot Nederland avec de dernier d traversé par une petite ligne blanche.

**JAIPUR** (391 J 441).—A new shade is reported by *Gibbons Stamp Weekly* (29.2.08/143).



*Adhesive.* Perf. 13½.

1a. bright-red instead of brown-red.

**NICARAGUA** (439 L 441).—A new surcharged set is reported by the *Stamp Collectors' Fortnightly* (8.2.08/213):—



**"COSTA ATLANTICA" C.**

*Adhesives.* Overprinted approximately as above instead of "Costa Atlantica B."

- 1 centavo green.
- 2 centavos red.
- 3 " violet.
- 4 " brown-orange.
- 5 " blue.
- 10 " light brown.
- 15 " olive.
- 20 " claret.
- 50 " orange.
- 1 peso black.
- 2 pesos green.
- 5 " violet.

The surcharge is in black for all values except the 1 peso, which is overprinted in violet.

**NEW ZEALAND** (439 A 441).—Another value with the new perforation is reported by *Gibbons Stamp Weekly*.



*Adhesive.* Comb perforation 14 x 13½.

½d. green.

We also quote as follows from our contemporary (29.2.08/143):—

Mr. H. L. Hayman sends us an envelope franked with an impressed 1d. frank. He informs us that a special machine has been supplied by the Post Office to his warehouses in Wellington. A sovereign is put into a slot in the machine, and then letters may be impressed with franks of ½d., 1d. or 2½d., until franking to the amount of £1 has been done. The machine will not impress any more franks until another sovereign is put into the slot. Such machines should prove of great convenience to business firms, and we should not be surprised to see

them come into general use in a few years. The machine has been patented in all countries, and we believe that negotiations are being entered into with most postal administrations.

In New Zealand only a limited number of machines have been issued to large business firms of known repute.

If the machine came into general use it would certainly cause the lower value stamps of some countries to become appreciably scarcer.

The Colonial Stamp Market has shown us a strip of three of the 6d. pink, large size, overprinted OFFICIAL, perforated 14 horizontally, but with all four vertical sides imperforate.

**ST. KITTS-NEVIS** (420 V 441).—The issue of the following is now reported by the *Bazaar, Exchange & Mart* (26.2.08).



*Adhesive.* Wmk. Crown CA multiple, ordinary paper.

1d. all rose.

**TURKEY** (417 Q 441).—According to *L'Echo de la Timbrologie* (29.2.08/123) the new issue is to appear on 1/14.3.08, which is the first day of the Turkish year 1324. The present issue will, according to custom, be immediately demonetised.

**Our Prize Competitions.**

**No. 1. APPROVAL DEPT. (Current Issues).**

To the competitor who has purchased by the end of next week the most stamps from our approval sheets of current issues (informing us at the time he wishes the number to compete) we will send post free a copy of "Our Own Times" Postage Stamp Album. This album is specially arranged for King's Head stamps and other current colonial issues.

**No. 2. APPROVAL DEPT. (Old Issues).**

To the competitor who has purchased by the end of next week the most stamps from our approval sheets of old issues (informing us at the time he wishes the number to compete) we will present a copy of the "Good Old Times" Postage Stamp Album (no watermarks, perforations, surcharges, minor varieties).

*Result, Week ending 29th February, 1908.*

	Stamps
GC (winner and 6th last week) ...	70
JN (runner-up and last week) ...	69
WB (3rd last week) ...	68
PN (4th last week) ...	63
BW (5th last week) ...	63
JW (10th last week) ...	59
ES (7th last week) ...	58
JS (8th last week) ...	45
GL (9th last week) ...	41
Non-winners' totals are carried forward to next week.	

**SECTION II.—EUROPE AND COLONIES.**

*Result, Week ending 29th February, 1908.*

ES (winner) ...	105
JR (runner-up and 3rd last week) ...	66
HN (2nd last week) ...	64
EHS (4th last week) ...	37
JH (5th last week) ...	36
GP (6th last week) ...	33
SG (10th last week) ...	30
AD (7th last week) ...	28
HW (8th last week) ...	23

**SECTION III.—REST OF THE WORLD.**

Same conditions as No. 2 but only open to winners of Section II. The prize is Part III. of the Album, and stamps purchased from any approval sheets of old issues count.

*Result, Week ending 29th February, 1908.*

Mrs. C (winner and 5th last week) ...	181
CM (runner-up and 3rd last week) ...	153
WF (2nd last week) ...	144
JO (6th last week) ...	108
Mrs. U (4th last week) ...	106
RW (8th last week) ...	100
ES (7th last week) ...	75
GA (8th last week) ...	68
JF (10th last week) ...	47

**SECTION I.—GREAT BRITAIN AND COLONIES.**

Although this album is not likely to be ready for several months, winners of Section III. intending to compete for it can have their purchases credited in the meantime, all the totals being carried forward until the competition commences. This album will complete the very handsome series of three volumes.

Non-winners' totals are carried forward to next week. Winners residing abroad will be required to pay carriage and customs charges if any.

**No. 3. EDITORIAL COMPETITION.**

The competitor who sends us the most interesting item of information for our New Issue

column each week will be credited 2/6, which must be claimed within seven days (allowance to foreign readers) and may be selected from any of our approval sheets. From time to time we shall voluntarily increase the prize.

22nd February, 1908.

HP for note on Malay States (2/6).

29th February, 1908.

EW for note on Barbados (2/6).

7th March, 1908.

Prize increased to 15/- and divided equally between J. McN., A.S., and C.R., for notes on Cayman Is. new provisional.

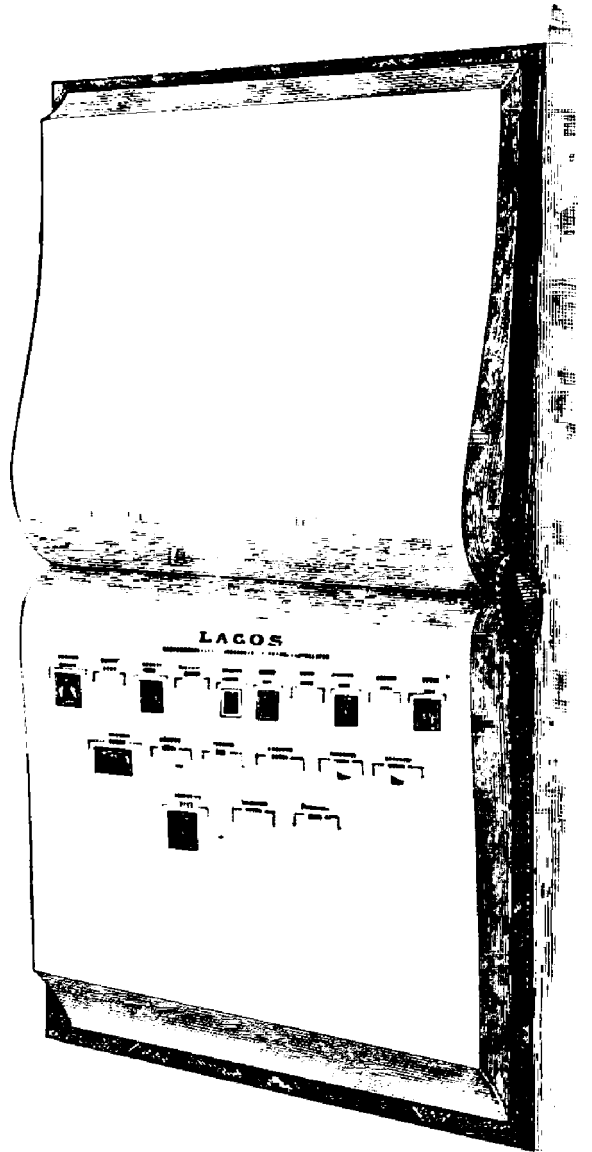
Winners are requested to make early application for their prizes.

**Our Albums.**

We are now able to give two illustrations of our new albums. They are bound alike, as shown in the following illustration.



The album opens as shown in the following illustration, thus enabling two albums to be compared close together.



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- \* Part II. Europe and Colonies.
- \* Part III. Rest of World.

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- † Expected early in 1908.

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Victoria Officials.

VC bs 5/- punctured OS, wmk. Crown A, perf. 11.

New Zealand.

Surcharged Official.

NZ bx 1d., wmk., NZ. perf. 14, unused

St. Lucia.

SL ar† 2½d., King, wmk. Crown CA multiple, new colour, all blue. The distribution of this country is now finished entirely up to date.

Cuba.

CB ac 2c., no wmk.  
 aj\* 5c., re-engraved, no wmk.

Tasmania.

TA ao† 9d., wmk. V and Crown, perf. 11.  
 bk\* 2d., wmk. Crown A, perf. 11, new shade.  
 bl\* 2d., wmk. " " 12½ "

Gibraltar.

GI at† 2/- King, wmk. Crown CA multiple, chalky paper.

Jhind, King Service.

JH aq† ½a.  
 al† 1a.  
 am† 2a.  
 an† 4a.  
 ao† 8a.  
 ap† 1r.  
 ar 2a, new shade (lilac).

Nabha, King, Service.

NA au† ½a., 1a., 2a., 4a., 8a., 1r.

Patiala, King, Service.

PT ar† 2a., new shade.  
 aq† 8a., thick surcharge.

Chamba, King, Service.

CH as 8a., new shade.

Cayman Islands.

CY af† ½d. on 5/-.

British Post Offices, Levant.

BL am† 2p. on 5d., King, chalky paper.  
 an 12p. on 2/6 " " "

We have received a supply of the Grenada 6d. on chalky paper, New South Wales £1 perf. 11, and Queensland 2/6, 10/- and £1, wmk. Crown A, all of which will be sent out with the current week's new issues.

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## The Week's News.

The Editor is always pleased to receive Early Information of New Issues, or of Discoveries interesting to Stamp Collectors, and will acknowledge such contributions either by name in the journal or by the presentation of several interesting newly-issued stamps, as preferred. The index number and serial letter after the title of each paragraph indicate the issue of E.W.S.N. in which the last reference to that country appeared.

**GREAT BRITAIN.** — *Early Date Records* (441 Z 442).—The following new records are reported to us.

2d. no lines York, 5.6.40 E. C. Peacock  
2½d. plate 23 London, 1.7.81 O. V. Spannocchia  
9d. green Baltic Coffee House, 10.10.83

**Line-Engraved Stamps.** — Mr. J. W. Holroyd has shown us ½d. red plate 9 with inverted wmk., so that all plates of this value are now known. The British stamps still unknown with inverted watermark are as follows:—

1d. red, plates 93, 109, 110, 124, 145, 147, 163, 206, 223, 224.

2d. blue, S.C., plate 5, perf. 16.

3d. plates 8, 11, 16, 20 spray, 21 lilac and rose.

4d. plate 18.

6d. plates 9, 11 buff, 18 grey, 18 lilac and rose.

1/- plates 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 2/- brown.

5/- plates 1, 2, 10/- Cross, Anchor.

20/- Cross, Anchor.

1880, 1½d., 2d., 5d.

1884, ½d. blue, 2½d., 4d., 5d., 2/6, 5/-, 10/-, £1 3 Crowns, £1 3 Orbs, £5.

1887, 10d., 1/- green.

1902, King's Head, 1½d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 9d., 10d., 1/-, 2/6, 5/-, 10/-, £1.

Ditto, chalk-paper, 1½d., 2d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 9d., 10d., 1/-.

If any of our readers have any of the above we should be glad of particulars.

**ANTARCTIC EXPEDITION** (439 C 442).—We have seen an envelope which covered a letter sent by a member of the British Antarctic Expedition to a relative in London. The letter was no doubt brought by the "Nimrod." We give an illustration of the stamp which was on the envelope and also of the postmark, which was fortunately very distinct.



Adhesive.

1d. rose of New Zealand overprinted vertically reading up "King Edward VII — Land" in two lines in black.

Earliest postmark seen (of a specimen actually used on a letter), 15.1.08.

The following extract is from the *Daily Telegraph*, 4.3.08:

**PENNY POST FROM THE POLE.**

Stamp collectors will have their appetites whetted by the arrival in this country of the first of the letters transmitted by mail from the shores of King Edward VII.'s Land. They come from the exploring-ship Nimrod, and bear a postmark, "Antarctic Expedition, Jan. 15th, 1908." The stamp employed is the New Zealand penny red, the words "King Edward VII. Land" being printed in black letters across the face. The mail was brought by the steamship Koonya, which left the Nimrod a mile or so from the ice-pack near King Edward's most southerly possession. Lieutenant Shackleton, leader of the present expedition, was formally appointed postmaster of King Edward VII.'s Land some little time back. This is the first time that letters from the South Polar regions have been transmitted all the way to England for a penny.

The following notes are from the *Stamp Collectors' Fortnightly* (7.3.08/4):

"British Antarctica" is an alternative name for "King Edward VII. Land" much favoured by certain of our friends at the Antipodes. The "Weekly Press" of New Zealand heads an article "The Postmaster of

British Antarctica," and says: "Lieutenant Shackleton is the Postmaster of the most southern post office in the world. When visiting the Nimrod on December 22nd, Sir Joseph Ward said:—'On the previous day he (Sir Joseph) had had the unique pleasure of signing the appointment of Lieutenant Shackleton as postmaster at King Edward VII. Land, so that for all time he would rank as an official under the New Zealand Government, and the most southerly postmaster in the world. The work, however, would be so light that the salary would be limited—so limited, indeed, that the position was a purely honorary one, and on this account would probably be appreciated all the more by the distinguished gentleman concerned.'"

From another N. Z. newspaper we gather that demands for King Edward VII. Land stamps are still being received by Lieutenant Shackleton in very large numbers, and already the applications in hand are enough to exhaust the whole issue. A polite refusal has to be tendered in each case, and collectors will have to reconcile themselves to the fact that the stamps will be distributed only on letters sent from the Antarctic.

Lieutenant Shackleton, as postmaster, will (it is added) deal with letters bearing the ordinary New Zealand stamps, but they will be defaced with a special instrument. The defacement will be in the form of the letters, "Brit. Antarctic Expedition" around the edge of the circle, and "King Edward VII. Land" and "New Zealand" and the date in the centre.

On the question of the status of these stamps, Dr. Findlay, the N. Z. Attorney-General, was recently asked by what authority the New Zealand Government had sanctioned the opening of a branch New Zealand post office at King Edward VII. Land, appointed a postmaster (Lieutenant Shackleton), issued special stamps, and whether an infringement of the rights of Great Britain was not involved by the action.

"Ah," said the Attorney-General, warily, "that is a legal question upon which I am not prepared to express an opinion just now. I have not considered the question at all, but it is quite probable that the Premier took the opinion of the Solicitor-General upon the matter. I had no objection to the step being taken. The expedition was worthy of our best assistance, and the opening of a post office down there was rather a compliment to Lieutenant Shackleton and his brave companions. I don't think the question of rights will ever be raised. If it is, I should be prepared to give my opinion then."

The Colonial Stamp Market in December cabled two requests for a supply of these stamps but neither met with success; we do not see any necessity however to cry "sour grapes," although we fear this is the position with our contemporary, the *Australian Philatelist* (1.2.08/69). The Editor of this paper evidently took his refusal to heart and at once sat down and wrote a violent attack on the stamps, which we consider entirely uncalled for. We reproduce the article in extenso:—

**MORE SOUTH SEA BUBBLES.**

**THE MAORILANDERS AGAIN ON THE WARPATH.**

**PHILATELISTS THE VICTIMS.**

The story of "The South Sea Bubble," which burst in 1720 is "Ancient History," but an event of the past few weeks tends to the belief that it is the desire of the New Zealand postal authorities to foster a mild attack of the "fever" which raged at the period referred to.

New Zealand papers to hand, for which we have to thank several correspondents, give particulars of certain proceedings which took place in connection with the departure of the "Nimrod" on a voyage of discovery to the South Pole. In order to put our readers in possession of the facts, we quote the following excerpts:—

From the *New Zealand Times*, 23/12/07:—

"Rather an interesting event took place on Saturday, when the Postmaster-General (Sir Joseph Ward) appointed Lieutenant Shackleton, leader of the Nimrod Antarctic expedition, to be a postmaster for New Zealand in King Edward VII. Land.

"It was stated a few days ago in the *New Zealand Times*, that Sir Joseph had authorized the overprinting of a hundred sheets of penny stamps for use in the Far South, and Lieutenant Shackleton is now appointed as postmaster to have charge of their issue, and of the post office which he will establish there.

"Sir Joseph has had made, for presentation to the leader of the expedition, a small brass canister, about four inches in length and an inch in diameter, which is to contain specimens of all the current issue of New Zealand stamps, and is intended to be deposited by Lieutenant Shackleton at the South Pole. The canister is inscribed:—

"Specimens of New Zealand stamps, presented to Lieutenant Shackleton, leader of the British Antarctic Expedition, 1907, by the Right Hon. Sir J. G. Ward, P.C., K.C.M.G., Prime Minister of New Zealand.

"The new post office in King Edward Land will be the most southerly in the world, and in the highest latitude yet reached by the activity of a postal department."

From the *Christchurch Press*, 2/1/08:—

"His Majesty's mails came aboard early in the day, and as befitted their traditional importance, were snugged down in a place of safe-keeping. In all, Postmaster Shackleton will be called upon to deal with some 1500 letters immediately the King Edward VII. Land office is opened for the transaction of public business. Of these, 1300 will be duly returned to the senders through the Dead Letter Office, after having been postmarked, the remaining 200 being bona fide communications, intended for the perusal of members of the expedition upon their introduction to the realms of eternal snows."

From the *Herald*, Sydney, 2/1/08:—

"The novel fact that Lieutenant Shackleton is to officially open a New Zealand post office in the Polar regions has led numerous seekers of souvenirs to embrace the opportunity. Special stamps have been printed for the new postmaster to take south, and the lieutenant and his staff were quite busy for some days politely declining to sell these stamps. One would-be purchaser, more importunate than his fellows, made a demand instead of a request, urging that as a public official Lieutenant Shackleton was bound to supply such stamps. Postmaster Shackleton good-humouredly invited his correspondent to proffer his demand across the counter of the new post office. Another device that has been adopted is to send letters to fictitious persons in the Antarctic, the senders hoping to get their letters back through the dead-letter office, bearing the stamp of the world's southernmost post office."

From the *Sydney Morning Herald*, 9/1/08:—

Professor David, who is accompanying the expedition, wrote to his wife as follows:—

"As we are to be towed by the New Zealand steamer Koonya to the edge of the ice pack there should be a chance of sending you letters from there, with King Edward VII. Land stamps, which will be very rare, so please keep them carefully."

Sir Joseph Ward is a very fine fellow and a gentleman for whom we have the greatest respect. We cannot say who originated the idea of overprinting the stamps and appointing Lieutenant Shackleton as postmaster of an uninhabited part of the globe, but whoever it was he must have a "kink" in his brain so far as postage stamps are concerned. Lieutenant Shackleton has proved himself such a good stage manager that we should not be surprised to learn he suggested the scheme and applied for the appointment. We wish the expedition every success, but such clap-trap advertising is contemptible, and we are at a loss to know why philatelists are singled out in this manner as "good marks" for spoliation.

As "souvenirs" the stamps may be appreciated, but we doubt the inference of Professor David that they will ever become valuable as rare stamps.

We must express our profound regret that the New Zealand postal authorities have of late "kicked over the traces" so frequently. It is very bad policy which, while bringing the Dominion more prominently under the eyes of the world for the time being, leaves an impression of pettiness and grasping at straws, which is highly undesirable in any country having respect for its dignity.

Philatelists do not seek for such things, speculators may; but such practices as those indulged in by the New Zealand authorities if tolerated and encouraged, will eventually without doubt bring about the downfall of philately.

It cannot be urged that the N. Z. authorities will derive much financial benefit from the scheme, as 100 sheets only represent 12,000 stamps, value £50. Query—what is going to become of these stamps? Will they all be sold by Lieutenant Shackleton at face value—when and to whom? Will anything extra be charged for postmarking the stamps, if so, who will pocket the money? There is nothing genuine about the whole affair, it is make-believe from start to finish, and it is a mockery of philately. Like the "South Sea Bubble" of old, the whole enterprise, so far as the stamps are concerned, is bogus, and when the bubble bursts, as it assuredly will do, the New Zealand authorities, Lieutenant Shackleton and Professor David will be sorry they had anything to do with it.

The idea of sending a small brass canister, about four inches in length and an inch in diameter containing specimens of all the current issues of New Zealand stamps is too farcical to call for further comment. It is on a par with the other proceedings.

If we could use stronger words in condemnation of this latest injustice to philately we would.

It must be patent to any collector of common-sense that the issue is not made for the financial benefit of any one, not even the New Zealand Government.

It is really laughable to call this issue an

# Approval Sheets of All Countries.

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<p><b>GREAT BRITAIN AND COLONIES.</b> (2691 different sorts exist).</p> <p>479 Gt. Britain, 1840-1870 370 " 1870-1887 371 " 1887-1901 373+ " 1840-1884 374+ " 1884-1901</p> <p>105 Antigua and Bahamas 106 Barbados 107 Bechuanaland and Cayman Is. 480 B.C.A. 108+ Bermuda 109+ B. Honduras 462 B. Columbia &amp; Vancouver Is. 110+ B.E.A. 111 B. Guiana 112+ B.S.A. 113 Cape Colony 378+ " " 114 Ceylon, Pence issues and 1st Cents issue 147 Ceylon 481+ Ceylon, Cents issue 115 Cook Islands 116 Cyprus 104+ Canada, 1870-97 117 " 1859-70 118 " 1851-68 119+ " 1897-1904 120 " Jubilee and Map 121+ Dominica 122 Falkland Islands 123 Fiji Islands 124 Gambia 125 Gibraltar 126 Gold Coast 127 Grenada 469 Heligoland and Ionian Islands 128 Hong Kong 129 East India 130 India (Empire) 131 Jamaica 357 " used 132 Labuan, 1st design, Queen's Head 133 " 1879-1897 483 " 1895-03 134 Lagos 135 Leeward Islands 348 Madagascar, British Post. 136 Malta 137 Mauritius, Pence issues 488 " Cents " 138 Montserrat and Nevis 139 Natal 140 New Brunswick, Nova Scotia 141 Newfoundland, 1857-90 482 " 1880-1905 468 New Republic 142 New South Wales, 1850-53 143 " 1862-97 372 " " 144 New Zealand, 1st design 145 " " 146 Niger Coast 148 North Borneo, 1883-1889 486 " Pictorial issues 149+ Northern Nigeria 150 Orange Free State and Colony 498 Prince Edward Is. 151+ Queensland, 1860-1882 152+ " 1882-96</p>	<p>153 Queensland (current issues) 492 " 1891-1907 154 St. Christopher 155 St. Helena 156+ St. Lucia 157+ St. Vincent 158+ Sarawak 159+ Seychelles 349 " 160+ Sierra Leone 161 S. Australia, 1855-1887 162+ " long stamps 163 S. Nigeria 499 Solomon Is. and Somaliland 487 Stellaland and Tobago 164+ Straits Settlements 434 " " 165 Malay States and Maldives 166 Johore 167 Negri Sembilan and Pahang 168 Perak 169 Selangor and Sungei Ujong 170 Tasmania, 1853-1892 452 " 1892-1906 171 Tonga 172 Transvaal, 1869-1885 173 " 1896 and Pietersburg 489 " 1894-07 174 Trinidad 175 Turks Islands and Virgin Islds. 176 Uganda 177 Victoria, 1851-1862 490 " 1863-1885 178 " 1885-1887 491 " 1900-1906 179 Western Australia 180 Zanzibar 181 Zululand</p> <p><b>EUROPE AND COLONIES.</b> (3545 different sorts exist).</p> <p>182 Austria, 1850-90 183 " 1890-96 184 " 1891-1905 185 Austrian F.P.O., 1850-67 186 " 1883-1903 187 Bavaria, 1849-74 188+ " 1867-74 189+ Belgium, 1849-68 190 " 1868-1906 191+ Bosnia, 1879-1901 192 " Pictorial, 1906 195 " 1879-1901 435 " 193 Bulgaria, 1870-1902 375+ " 1902 194 Crete 196+ Denmark 197 Danish West Indies 198 Finland, 1860-75 199 " 1890-1900 200+ France, Head of Liberty 201 " 1849-70 202 " 1876-1900 203+ " 1849-06 204+ " 1900-06 361 " used 205+ French Foreign P.O., 1902 206+ French Colonies, Part I. 207 " " 1859-92</p>	<p>208+ Djibouti 209+ Obock 412 Guadeloupe 413 Indo-China 414 Madagascar and New Caledonia 210+ French Somali Coast 211+ French Congo, Guyana &amp; Guinea 212+ French West Africa 213 Tunis 214+ Germany, 1868-75 215 " 1875-79 216 " 1899-1902 217 German Colonies 415+ German Colonies, used and un. 218 Alsace to Brunswick 219 Hamburg to Oldenburg 220+ Prussia and Saxony 221 Schleswig-Holstein and Thurn and Taxis 477 Greece, 1861-1896 478+ " 1901-1906 470 " cheap used 315 " 1861-96 316 " 1901-06 223 Holland, 1852-72 224 " 1876-91 225 " 1891-99 226+ Dutch Indies, 1870-83 227 " 1892-95 228 Curaçao 229 Suriname 230+ Hungary, 1871-1898 231 " 1900 232 Iceland 233 Italy, 1851-90 234 " 1890-95 420 " 235 Italian Col., F.P.O., and States to Sicily 403 Italian States, Parma to Tuscany 236 Luxemburg 237 Monaco 238 Montenegro (1st type) 239+ " (later issues) 377 " 1898-1902 423 " postally used 240 Norway 241+ " 1872-77 242 Portugal, 1853-88 243 " 1892-1905 244+ Port. Colonies near Europe 493 " " 245 Ditto, beyond Europe, 1870-93 416 " " 1897 design 402 " " 1870-1898 246 Ditto (Vasca da Gama), 1893-97 247 Ditto, 1897 type 248 Mozambique, India and Nyassa 428 Pictorial stamps 249+ Roumania, 1858-71 (imperf. issues) 250 " 1871-90 417 " 1890-1891 418 " Pictorial 251+ Russia 252 Russian Foreign P.O. 253 San Marino 254 Serbia, 1866-05 255+ " 1901-05 256+ Spain, 1850-67 397+ " 1850-1872</p>	<p>257 Spain, 1870-1878 258 " 1879-95 424 " 1873-75 259 Cuba, 1855-77 260 " 1882-98 419 " 1877-1881 421 Elobey and Spanish Guinea 261 Fernando Poo 262 Philippines 389 Philippine Islands 263 Porto Rico 390 " 264+ Sweden, 1855-1872 410 " 1891 265 Switzerland, 1845-82 266 " 1882-1900 267+ Turkey, 1863-76 268 " 1892-06 398 " " 269 Wurtemberg 425+ " "</p> <p><b>REST OF WORLD.</b> (2565 different sorts exist).</p> <p>270 Abyssinia 384 Afghanistan 271 China 273+ Congo Free State 274+ Corea 275 " " 276 Egypt 473 " 277 Japan, 1871-76 278 " 1894-1900 467 " 1876-1904 279 Liberia, 1860-1892 453 " 1892-06 280 Persia, 1868-91 281+ " 1891-1906 463 Shanghai 283 Siam 284 Argentine Republic, 1858-67 285 " " 1882-90 286+ " " 1889-92 287 " " 1892-99 458 Buenos Aires and Corrientes 288 Bolivia, 1866-67 289 " 1878-97 290 " 1897-01 291+ Brazil, 1844-78 292+ " 1878-1900, chiefly used 293 " 1880-1906 294 Chili, 1852-81 295 " 1881-1906 379 " cheap used 296 Colombia, 1859-70 297 " 1876-86 298 " 1890-98 299 " 1902-04 300 Colombia (Cartagena and other issues, 1898-05) 433+ " 1902 issue 301 Costa Rica, 1862-89 454+ " 1892-06 302 Dominican Republic, 1862-1900 466 " 303+ Ecuador, 1865-94 430 " 1899-05 432 " 1895-99 304 Guatemala, 1871-86</p>	<p>305 Guatemala, 1902 426 " 1897-06 306 Hayti, 1871-98 422 " 1898-1906 307 Honduras, 1865-92 431 " 1892-02 308+ Mexico, 1856-74 309 " 1874-82 310 " 1884-85 311+ " 1886-99 429 " 1886-03 312 Nicaragua, 1862-91 313 " 1892-97 455 " 1898-06 314 Panama (unsurcharged) 317 Paraguay, 1870-1892 318+ " 1900-03 319 " 1903-07 460 " (cheap used) 320+ Peru, 1858-74 321+ " 1895-96 456 " 1896-07 322 Salvador, 1867-92 323 " 1892-95 464 " 1895-96 465 " 1897-06 324+ Uruguay, used and unused 325 " 1884-90 326 " 1890-05 327 " 1895 383 " 1887-04 427 " 1895-07 328 Venezuela, 1859-06 (for internal postage) 329+ Venezuela, 1880-96 (Foreign correspondence) 457+ Venezuela, 1903-06 (Foreign correspondence) 330 United States, 1851-1900 331 " 1884, 1900, 1902. 332 " Columbus, Omaha, etc. 404 " cheap used 461+ " (used) 333 Confederate States and Cuba 443 Samoa 334 Hawaii, 1853-1882 459 " 1891 (Pictorial issue)</p> <p><b>INDIAN NATIVE STATES.</b> (301 different sorts exist).</p> <p>335 Alwur, Bamra, Bhor and Bhopal, first issue 476 Bhopal, second issue 337 Bundi 494 Bussahir 338+ Charkhari and Cochin 495 Dhar, Duttin and Faridkot 339 Holkar and Hyderabad 340+ Jaipur, Jhind, and Jhalawar 496 Jummoo and Kashmir 341 Kishengarh 342+ Las Bela, Nepal &amp; Nowanuggur 343 Rajnandgaon, Rajpepla and Sirmoor (Scinde Dawk 497+ Soruth, Travancore &amp; Wadhwan</p> <p><b>NEW ISSUES (USED).</b> Sheets of these, Foreign and Colonial, are now ready.</p>
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"injustice to philately." Stamp collectors are not asked to collect the stamps and are not asked to interfere at all. The matter is one which concerns the New Zealand Government and the expedition and stamp collectors are not invited to the party at all. It seems to us pure conceit on the part of stamp collectors to imagine that the promoters of the issue so much as gave a thought to them. The New Zealand Post Office has from time to time been attacked in the philatelic press, even in reputable journals, but we have very good reason to believe that none of its stamps have ever been of a speculative nature. It is a great misfortune to philately that philatelic journals may bring charges against particular countries and issues of stamps and substitute for the proofs of the truth of their charges columns of abuse and vituperation.

**ANTIGUA** (428 O 442).—The following has now been issued.



*Adhesive.* Wmk. Crown CA multiple, ordinary paper but much thicker than usual.  
2½d. all blue.

Issued 15.1.08 or earlier. A supply of 6,300 were received at Antigua early in 1.08. Neither the ½d. all green nor 1d. all red are yet on sale.

**CANADA** (440 L 442).—In an official list of Canadian stamps and stationery which are kept in stock, we notice the postcards are thus described:—

- 1 cent Post Cards.
- 1 cent Advertising Cards, 16 on sheet.
- 1 cent " " " 8
- 1 cent " " " single.
- 2 cent Post Cards for Postal Union Countries.
- 2 cent Reply Post Cards.

We should imagine the "Advertising Cards" are the 1c. pink cards about which there has been so much talk lately.

The adhesives on sale comprise, besides the King's Heads, the ¼c. and 50c. Queen's Head; the 10c. Special Delivery and 1, 2, 5c. Postage Due. The 2c. Stamp Books are sold at 25c.

The other stationery comprises 1c. "Post Bands," 1, 2 and 3c. "Special Wrappers" and 1 and 2c. "Stamped Envelopes."

**ECUADOR** (441 L 442).—The following additions to the list we published last week are shown us by Mr. J. Rhodes.

1. "FROM" with ornament at either end.
- 2c. light blue and black.
3. Oval band with "Consejo Escolar" and "Quita" in centre, in carmine.
- 1c. vermilion and black.
- 2c. light blue "
- 5c. lake "
- 10c. dark blue "

The colours do not altogether agree with those we gave last week on the authority of a contemporary. The stamps surcharged are all the new issue.

**ITALY** (436 Y 442).—Three new "Segnataste" stamps are chronicled by the *Stamp Collectors' Fortnightly* (7.3.08/3).

- Postage Due Adhesives.* Ordinary design.
- 2c. grey. Numeral in red.
  - 3c. brown. "
  - 6c. green. "

We are shown a used copy of the new 50c. postage stamp (mentioned in *E.W.S.N.* No. 436) so that its actual issue (27.2.08 or earlier) may now be recorded.

**LEEWARD ISLANDS** (408 Z 442).—We find that we have omitted to formally record the issue of the following:—



*Adhesive.* Wmk. Crown CA multiple; ordinary paper.  
2½d. ultramarine on white.

Issued 5.07 or earlier. This stamp was issued first at Antigua and did not make its appearance simultaneously in all the Leeward Islands; in fact it was only issued at St. Kitts on 22.1.08, 101 sheets being sent to the island.

A second printing of this stamp was received at Antigua in 1.08, amounting to 200 sheets or 24,000 stamps. We do not know if it differs in shade or not.

The 1d. all rose, which we recently described from a "specimen" copy, also arrived at Antigua in 1.08, the number printed being 1004 sheets or 120,480 stamps.

The ½d. all green has not yet been issued in Antigua, although it seems to have been in use in one or other of the other islands for some time. We would be glad of further particulars.

**MALAY STATES** (439 H 442).—As will no doubt have been noticed, we have recently altered "plate 1" and "plate 2" in our supplement to "old plate" and "new plates." The old plate was numbered 1 and so far as recent issues were concerned had coarse or worn lines of shading. There were however three new plates, that used for all values of the first multiple issue being numbered "2"; consequently at one time "plate 1" and "plate 2" was correct.

When, however, the 1c. all green and 3c. all brown were printed, they were not printed from the above plate 2, but a new plate was made for each value enabling it to be printed at one operation. Each of these new plates was numbered 1, hence the necessity for altering our description.

By the last mail the Colonial Stamp Market received the 1c. printed from still another new plate, with marginal plate-number 2.

**NEW ZEALAND** (441 B 442).—The Colonial Stamp Market has shown us another addition to the comb perforation set.



*Adhesive.* Comb perforation 14 x 13½.  
4d. yellow-brown and blue.

Issued 17.1.08 or earlier.

**PANAMA, CANAL ZONE** (430 S 442).—We are shown by Mr. J. Rhodes two copies of the current 2c. rose and black overprinted "Canal Zone." On one the surcharge appears to be in blue-black.

**PORTUGAL** (428 L 442).—The following paragraph is from *Reynolds' Newspaper* (1.3.08).

Among the innumerable new duties which have been suddenly thrust upon him by the tragedy at Lisbon, King Manuel of Portugal has been compelled to accord several interviews to photographers, in order that a satisfactory portrait may be obtained for the new coinage and postage stamps, the issue of which will commence as soon as possible.

As the change will extend to the Colonies many hundreds of new issues will become necessary, although under our simplified system of stamp collecting the number will probably be reduced to about 70 or 80.

**ST. KITTS-NEVIS** (441 W 442).—The 1d. all rose which we chronicled last week was issued on 22.1.08, the quantity printed being 1005 sheets (120,600).

The following novelty has appeared.



*Adhesive.* Wmk. Crown CA multiple, ordinary paper  
6d. violet and black (52 sheets or 6240 printed)  
Issued 5.2.08.

**ST. VINCENT** (409 C 442).—The 2d. value in the pictorial design has been ordered from England. The King's Head 2d. will thus only exist in one variety, with single watermark.

**SOUTH AUSTRALIA** (432 N 442).—The following new shade has been received by the Colonial Stamp Market.



*Adhesive.* Wmk. Crown SA, perf. 12.  
8d. dull pale blue, instead of rather bright ultramarine.

Issued 5.2.08 or earlier. Our sheet has marginal number "80000541" in red; unfortunately we kept no record of the sheet numbers of our supply of the 1st printing of the 8d. large "Postage" (issued about March, 1906). The words "EIGHT PENCE" measure about 16mm. as before, but No. 9 on the top pane has the words closer together, so that the length is only 15mm.

Sheet numbers on other values just imported are as follows:—

- 1/- brown, Crown A "1S 11906" in black.
  - 1d. Crown A, p. 12 "1D 131726" "
  - 2½d. Crown SA, p. 12 "2½D 126121" in red.
- These were all issued on 5.2.08.

**STRAITS SETTLEMENTS** (420 E 442).—The Colonial Stamp Market and Mr. Saw Hock Taik have shown us the following novelty.



*Adhesive.* Wmk. Crown CA multiple, ordinary paper.

4c. lilac on white paper (formerly 4c. all rose).

Issued at Penang 11.2.08. The stamp is printed in sheets of 240, plate-number 1 once to each pane; the sheets are however cut in two before issue.

Receipts now require a 4c. stamp instead of a 3c. one, so there will be less demand for the latter value. The 3c. rose has not yet appeared and there is some possibility of mistakes being made by stamp vendors, owing to the 3c. and 4c. stamps being issued both in the same colour.

For a week or two before the issue of the 4c. lilac, the 4c. lilac on red, multiple watermark, ordinary paper (at one time catalogued 10/-!) was reissued and could be had in sheets at the Penang Post Office at the face value. We believe this stamp, by the way, was never issued at the G.P.O. at Singapore at all, although on several occasions it could be had at Penang.

**VICTORIA** (432 P 442).—Our Melbourne correspondent, writing under date of 5.2.08 denies that the 2/- has yet been issued with Crown A watermark. We chronicled it punctured "OS" on the authority of one of our readers, who did not however show us his specimen.

He also says that the 5/- perf. 11, wmk. Crown A, is not and never has been scarce. Somebody told us that only ten sheets had been printed but this is incorrect. The stamp was issued about 10.07 and except for a week or so at the end of 11.07 or beginning of 12.07 has never been unobtainable at the G.P.O., Melbourne and is still the only 5/- stamp on sale there.

### Our Prize Competitions.

No. 1. APPROVAL DEPT. (Current Issues).

To the competitor who has purchased by the end of next week the most stamps from our approval sheets of current issues (informing us at the time he wishes the number to compete) we will send post free a copy of "Our Own Times" Postage Stamp Album. This album is specially arranged for King's Head stamps and other current colonial issues.

*Result, Week ending 7th March, 1908.*

	Stamps
JN (winner and runner-up last week) ...	69
WB (runner-up and 3rd last week) ...	68
BW (5th last week) ...	67
PN (4th last week) ...	63
CB ...	60
JW (6th last week) ...	59
EHS (7th last week) ...	58
EA (16th last week) ...	48
GC ...	46

Non-winners' totals are carried forward to next week.

No. 2. APPROVAL DEPT. (Old Issues).

To the competitor who has purchased by the end of next week the most stamps from our approval sheets of old issues (informing us at the time he wishes the number to compete) we will present a copy of the "Good Old Times" Postage Stamp Album (no watermarks, perforations, surcharges, minor varieties).

SECTION II.—EUROPE AND COLONIES.

*Result, Week ending 7th March, 1908.*

HN (winner and 3rd last week) ...	151
JR (runner-up and last week) ...	66
SG (7th last week) ...	56
EHS (4th last week) ...	37
GP (6th last week) ...	37
JH (5th last week) ...	36
AD (8th last week) ...	28
GM (11th last week) ...	26
HW (9th last week) ...	23

SECTION III.—REST OF THE WORLD.

Same conditions as No. 2 but only open to winners of Section II. The prize is Part III. of the Album, and stamps purchased from any approval sheets of old issues count.

*Result, Week ending 7th March, 1908.*

CM (winner and runner-up last week) ...	168
WF (runner-up and 3rd last week) ...	144
ES (7th last week) ...	129
JO (4th last week) ...	120
RW (6th last week) ...	108
Mrs. U (5th last week) ...	106
GA (8th last week) ...	68
GS (10th last week) ...	67
JF (11th last week) ...	62

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The following totals are carried forward to the first week of the competition.

Mrs. C.	...	...	...	48
FL	...	...	...	42
GP	...	...	...	17
WS	...	...	...	6

### No. 3. EDITORIAL COMPETITION.

The competitor who sends us the most interesting item of information for our New Issue column each week will be credited 2/6, which must be claimed within seven days (allowance to foreign readers) and may be selected from any of our approval sheets. From time to time we shall voluntarily increase the prize.

Result, week ending 14th March, 1908.

SHT for note on Straits Settlements (2/6).

Winners are requested to make early application for their prizes.

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DISTRIBUTION No. 369, 28.2.08.

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Grenada.

GR an\* 6d. King, wmk. Crown CA multiple, chalky paper.

New South Wales.

NSW bn\* £1 Queen, wmk. Crown A., perf. 11.

Queensland.

Sideways watermark.

QU at\* 2/6, wmk. Crown A.

as\* 10/- " " With the exception of the 1/4d., 1d., 2d., 4d. and 6d. of the public issue watermarked Crown A, this country is now up to date. These low values are expected in a few weeks.

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 bl\* 2d., wmk. " " 12 1/2 " }

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Cayman Islands.

CY af† 1/4d. on 5/- King.

We have received a supply of Federated Malay stamps, 20c., 50c., \$1 and \$2 values, on chalky paper, which will be sent out with the current week's New Issues. Also Straits Settlements, 4c. lilac, watermarked Crown CA multiple on ordinary paper. This is the first of the new colours, the forthcoming issue of which was recently announced. We have not enough of these 4c. to go round, but a sufficient further supply should arrive in two or three weeks.

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## The Week's News.

The Editor is always pleased to receive Early Information of New Issues, or of Discoveries interesting to Stamp Collectors, and will acknowledge such contributions either by name in the journal or by the presentation of several interesting newly-issued stamps, as preferred. The index number and serial letter after the title of each paragraph indicate the issue of E.W.S.N. in which the last reference to that country appeared.

**GREAT BRITAIN.**—*Railway Letter Stamps* (441 K 443).—Although the Wirral Railway entered into the usual agreement with the Postmaster-General in 1891 permitting it to carry letters, it was only in January of this year (1908) that it commenced to issue railway letter stamps. These are remarkable in several respects. Firstly, the design is unconventional; in fact, both colour and design are contrary to regulation, the former being red instead of green.

*Wirral Railway.* 1st printing, sheets of 5 in one row with large margins; stamps apparently printed one by one. Design large upright rectangle, with Arms at top, value in centre and inscription below; no inner frame or ornamentation. Perf. 11. Issued 1.08.

The stamps are evidently printed from a single type-set design, as the five impressions in the row are exactly alike and on two of the sheets before us stamp No. 1 is in bright vermilion and the other four in brownish-red. The Editor has a number of duplicates, unused and mint, which he can supply at 3d. or the entire sheet of five, 1/3.

*Great Western Railway* [E.W.S.N. 21.3.08].—We have been pursuing our investigations on this railway and the state of affairs seems to be rather remarkable. Apparently some clerk blundered and instead of ordering a new supply of 50,000 Great Western Railway letter stamps, ordered them with the title "Manchester & Milford" Railway (a line just absorbed) and moreover had them numbered consecutively, a practice which has never been adopted by the G.W.R. for these stamps. The G.W.R., to rectify the mistake, seem to have had them surcharged "Great Western Railway" and in issuing them to stations are ignoring the control numbers. At any rate, the stamps are being issued indiscriminately. First of all we wrote to the station masters at 21 G.W.R. stations enclosing a dummy letter and 2d. and asking them if they would mind having it forwarded by train. The result was not very satisfactory; 5 letters arrived with ordinary G.W. 3rd Issue; 4 station masters returned the money and the remaining 12 station masters kept the money and never sent the letter. We have remarked before that the percentage of theft (whether by the station officials or by the Authorities at headquarters) is far higher on the G.W.R. than on any other company's system. In May 1905 under similar circumstances, 50% of our remittances were "confiscated." However we sent out more applications and got some interesting results.

We found two stations with the new surcharged stamps further surcharged in violet "G.W. & G.C. Jt." the control Nos. being 4703 and 42161 respectively. All the other stations with one exception had either ordinary G.W. 3rd Issue or the new issue with Nos. between 42,000 and 44,000. The exception was Oxford, which sent No. 10022. The "thousands" known so far to have been issued are therefore 4, 6, 10, 42, 43, of which the last two largely preponderate.

We also had a number of letters posted on other railways, and are pleased to say we met with almost uniform courtesy from the station masters. Readers may be glad of the tip; the Editorial recipe is as follows:—

Make a dummy letter, address it to yourself and stamp it 1d. Enclose it together with two 1d. postage stamps and the following circular letter in a larger envelope (to avoid folding the dummy) and address the same to "The Station Master, — Railway, — Station" (adding the postal address, if it is a small station). The Editor keeps a supply of circular letters (printed on a duplicator) running thus:—

"From H. L'Estrange Ewen,  
32, Palace Square, Norwood, S.E.

Would the Station Master kindly oblige by affixing a 2d. railway letter stamp to the enclosed envelope, and forward same by an early train?"

Except on the Barry, G.W.R., and Hull and Barnsley Railways the station masters are an

exceedingly courteous body of men and 95% of our letters always come back promptly with the desired stamp. The Editor has kept a record of every application to a railway company or station since 1898 and puts the corresponding number on the envelope. The total has now reached 19,842! With the exception of the G.W.R. and L. & N.W., we believe that every station in the United Kingdom has at one time or another received an application and many remarkable finds of old issues have been discovered in this way. To give a few instances, Bradbury on the N.E.R. was still using the first issue red stamps in 1898 (seven years after their issue from headquarters ceased); the Editor secured them all and a fresh supply of stamps was sent there, numbered 124,000 odd. Although ten years have elapsed and the current N.E.R. are numbered over 280,000 this old 1898 supply is still in use at Bradbury. Bradford (Market Street), Brockley, Carnaby and Carville on the N.E.R. are still using 1901 issues numbered about 170,000. Cargo Fleet sent No. 125,134.

As a general rule however it is rare to find an issue more than two or three years old. Take for instance the L.B. & S.C. Railway. On 7.3.08 the Editor sent out 32 applications and received 29 replies of which 27 were stamped. The issues comprised:—

Issue.	Date.	Nos. under.	Stations.
25th	9.04?	21,000	Willingdon, Wimbledon.
26th	2.05?	27,000	Tooting, Warnham.
27th	8.05?	33,000	Streatham Common, Sydenham, etc.
28th	2.06?	39,000	(Not found).
29th	8.06?	45,000	Stoats Nest.
30th	1.07?	51,100	Streatham Hill, Uckfield, etc.
31st	7.07?	57,000	Tulse Hill, West Norwood, etc.
32nd	12.07?	63,000	Southwick, Sutton, Gipsy Hill, etc.

The 32nd is the current issue and now nearly exhausted. There is not now much chance of finding the very early issues but from 1898 to 1904 there were a good few, as they had not then been sought out by collectors. An interesting way of collecting railway letter stamps is on the entire envelope and if the above procedure is adopted the cost is only 4d. each plus a slight percentage for losses. The Editor has about 5,000 duplicates on entires (many old issues) for sale at 5d. each.

*Unadhesive Stamps* (436 U 443).—We are indebted to Mr. E. Bentley Wood for first sight of another new die, 4d. die 66, earliest postmark 11.3.08. Mr. Wood draws attention to the fact that this die was mentioned in the synopsis of King Edward VII. stamps, at the end of H.R.H. The Prince of Wales' paper, read before the Royal Philatelic Society as far back as 4.3.04, so that it must have been in stock a very long time. Our list now stands as follows:—



*Envelope Dies.* List of die-numbers known.

- 4d. dark green. Dies 7 to 30; 43 to 55.
- 4d. yellow-green. Dies 45 to 66 exc. 49. 53.
- 1d. Dies 7 to 30; 43 to 74.
- 1½d. yellow, 1½d. violet, 4d., 10d., 1/- Dies 1.
- 2d. Dies 1, 2. 2½d. Die 3. 3d. Dies 1, 2.
- 6d. Dies 1 to 10.
- 3d. Registration, Dies 1 to 15.

**AUSTRIA** (429,430,433 Y 443).—We have to thank Mr. K. Ledermann for early specimens of a new set of newspaper stamps.

*Newspaper adhesives.* Imperforate.

- 2 (h.) dark blue.
- 6 (h.) orange yellow.
- 10 (h.) carmine.
- 20 (h.) brown.

The design bears the usual head of Mercury but no inscription whatsoever, only the figure of value at each corner of the small square design. The *Neues Wiener Abendblatt* (19.2.08) states that there is to be also an impressed 2 heller newspaper stamp printed in green.

**BRITISH POST OFFICES, LEVANT** (439 G 443).—We are informed by Mr. Oswald Marsh that he has received the following and the Colonial Stamp Market has also shown us sheets.



*Adhesives.* Overprinted "LEVANT." Chalk-surface paper, instead of ordinary.  
1½d. lilac and green.  
1/- green and carmine.

Issued 6.3.08 or earlier. Latest importations of the ½d. and 1d. have control letters F6 and E6 respectively.

**FRENCH F.P.O.** (441 V 443).—*Morocco.*—We learn from *L'Echo de la Timbrologie* (15.3.08/163) that the following have been issued.



*Adhesives.* Stamps of France surcharged.  
1 centimo on 1c. grey.  
2 centimos on 2c. claret.  
3 " on 3c. orange-red.  
4 " on 4c. brown.

**JAMAICA** (429 G 443).—We are informed by Capt. Hopkins that the 2½d. bi-coloured with multiple watermark is on ordinary, not chalk-surface paper.

**JAPANESE F.P.O.** (389 C 443).—The following is reported by the *Illustriertes Briefmarken Journal* (14.3.08/139).

*Adhesive.* 6s dark lilac-brown, overprinted China.

**JOHORE** (426 T 443).—The following is chronicled by *Le Moniteur du Collectionneur* (2.08/21).



*Adhesive.* 5/10 green and black.

**LABUAN** (433 A 443).—Mr. R. G. Adamson informs us that the surcharged "Straits Settlements" set was first issued to the public on 20.12.06, that being the date when the small denominations of the unsurcharged Crown set were exhausted.

**MAURITIUS** (438 N 443).—Mr. E. Mais writes:

"You may be interested in the fact that the 18c. 'Foreign Express Delivery' Mauritius does not pay for the Foreign Express. I sent a letter to myself from Port Louis to Natal with full postage and express stamp, and on arrival in Natal it was expressed to me and 6d. to pay for Express. Being only a monthly service between those places, I cannot see where the Express service is used on the Mauritius side; therefore, why charge for *Foreign Express* when it has to be paid for the other end as well?"

It would be interesting to know exactly what service the "Foreign Express" stamp of Mauritius does render.

**ORANGE RIVER COLONY** (428 B 443).—We have to thank Mr. H. W. Buck for particulars of some more punctured official varieties.



*Natal Govt. Railways Official Adhesives.* Punctured N.G.R. through Orange River Colony stamps.

- 4d. green.
- 1d. red.

They are only used at Harrismith, Bethlehem and Lindley. The earliest postmark our correspondent has seen is 25.6.07.

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**PARAGUAY** (427 C 443).—Yet another change of colour is reported by *L'Echo de la Timbrologie* (15.3.08/163).



*Adhesive.* As above, but dated "1904." 30c. lilac (formerly green or blue).

Our contemporary also mentions the 5c. blue Service of 1905 with the word "Official" barred out and surcharged "Habilitado."

*Le Moniteur du Collectionneur* (2.08/21) chronicles the 1 peso in a new colour, olive and black, and reports the issue of the 20c. violet of the official set.

*The Illustriertes Briefmarken Journal* (14.3.08/141) states that the provisional 5c. official stamp was issued on 25.1.08 and that between 5,000 and 10,000 have been printed. The following novelty is reported.

*Adhesive.* Dated "1904." 1c. dark blue-green.

**PERSIA** (398 S 443).—We learn from *Le Moniteur du Collectionneur* (2.08/21) that, "the low values of 1902" (presumably those in the design illustrated below) are appearing on azure paper.



*Adhesives.*  
1 shahi, violet.  
2 " grey.  
3 " green.  
6 " rose.  
9 " orange.  
10 " brown.

The 1 shahi was issued in 1894 in violet but on white paper. The other colours are new and the 6 and 9 sh. new values.

**ROUMANIA** (435 O 443).—The Post Office does not seem to get rid of its remainders, although it is constantly offering them. They number about 10,000,000 with a face value of some £120,000, there being 21 varieties. The authorities want £8,000 whilst the first auction only produced a bid of £2000.

*Le Echo de la Timbrologie* reports that in the course of February two more offers were received and refused, £2,600 from Messrs. Hugo Griebert & Co., of London, and £4,200 from Messrs. Senf Bros., of Leipzig.

A new sale was therefore announced for 9.3.08, when Messrs. Senf made their offer £4,300. The Postmaster General replied however that he would sooner surcharge the remainders than let them go at such a price. Consequently if no one comes forward with £8000 we are likely to be overwhelmed with sets of surcharges.

**SARAWAK** (329 O 443).—We are officially informed that a new value, the 3c., was placed in circulation on 1.2.08. The *Daily Graphic* (12.3.08) adds that it is inscribed "Postage" only, like the rest of the current set and is printed in mauve.



*Adhesive.* 3c. mauve.

**SERVIA** (332 S 443).—*Remainders.*—The Servian Post Office has favoured us with a circular dated 2.08 relative to the disposal of the remainders of the 1901, 1903 and 1904 issues. The dies and plates used for these issues have already been defaced. The remainders have been examined and all complete sets reserved for sale to stamp collectors, the damaged stamps being first removed. These together with the entire stock not required for the sets were to have been burnt on 16.2.08, in presence of delegates from the representatives of foreign powers accredited to Belgrade. The entire stock of stamps used on money orders, telegrams, parcel forms, etc., was also to be burnt. The surviving sets of stamps, of which the sale was to commence on 1.3.08 are as follows:—

*Remainders of Servian Stamps.*



*Seventh Issue, 1901. Head of King Alexander.*

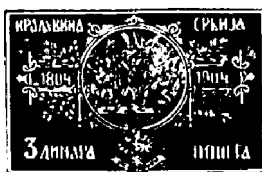
Described in the circular as "Première Emission du Roi Alexandre," but the 1890 issue contains no 3 or 5

dinar; on the other hand the 1901 issue contains no 1 para.

No. of Sets.	Values.	Price asked per 100 sets.	Cat. price of one set.	Our Quot.
300,000	1p. to 50 paras	40 francs	3/4	1/3
100,000	1p. to 1 dinar	70 "	5/10	1/11
5,000	1p. to 5 dinars	500 "	18/4	5/2

*Eighth Issue, 1903. Overprinted with Arms.*

5,000	1p. to 1 dinar	200 francs	6/3	1/6
35,000	1p. to 5 dinars	800 "	18/9	6/6
50,000	3, 5 din. only	600 "	12/6	5/-



*Ninth Issue, 1904. Coronation Issue.*

130,000	5p. to 50 paras	80 francs	2/-	1/4 1/2
73,000	5p. to 5 dinars	900 "	20/6	9/4 1/2

The catalogue prices are taken from Stanley Gibbons' Catalogue and are for unused stamps only; the other prices are our buying Quotations and do not distinguish between used and unused specimens. Our Quotations for the 1903 issue are much the same as those of the Servian Post Office but in the other cases we shall have to make a considerable reduction.

*L'Echo de la Timbrologie* (15.3.08/163) announces that the current set except the 3 dinars, has appeared on horizontally laid paper.

**SOUTH AUSTRALIA** (442 O 443).—The following high value may be added to the official set.



*Adhesive.* Punctured "OS." £1 blue, large "Postage," SA12.

**SPANISH COLONIES** (438 P 443).—The following provisionals are reported by *El Filatélico Español* (2.08/89).

*Adhesives.*

- "2 cents 1908" in violet on 2 pes. orange-yellow of 1905.
- "5 cents" in carmine on 50c. dark green large fiscal stamp, probably in water-colour, as our contemporary says it is very fugitive and disappears at the least washing.
- "10 cents 1907" in carmine on 75c. brown-violet of 1905.
- "15 cents" in carmine on 25c. olive-green of 1907.

The history of the above provisionals is somewhat remarkable and is set out at length in *El Filatélico Español* (2.08/157). Briefly, some members of the *Sociedad Filatélica Catalana*, of Barcelona, claim to have bought up the low values in stock at Rio de Oro and the Society then, through its Rio de Oro agent, caused a large number of New Year's greetings to be handed in at the Post Office. As these were addressed not only to its members in Spain, but also to collectors and dealers in other parts of the world, a supply of provisional 2c. and 5c. had to be made. The 10 and 15 centimos also had to be made, owing to the shortage. It is to be hoped that another year the Barcelona Society will post its New Year greetings at home.

**SUDAN** (428 U 443).—The following provisional postcard is chronicled by the *Deutsche Briefmarken Zeitung* (12.3.08/51).



*Postcard.*

"2 MILLIEMES" in black on 3m. violet on cream.

**SURINAM** (428 P 443).—The following stationery is reported by the *Deutsche Briefmarken Zeitung* (12.3.08/52).

*Postcards.* Small oblong design.  
2 1/2c. green on greenish (single and reply).  
5c. red on rose (single and reply).

**SWITZERLAND** (436 H 443).—We have received the following.



*Wrapper.* "Helvetia" and the centre figure are embossed entirely in white.  
5c. green.

Issued 3.08 or earlier. The embossing distinctly improves the appearance of the stamp.

**TURKEY** (441 R 443).—We take the following description of the new issue from *L'Echo de la Timbrologie* (15.3.08/164).

*Adhesives.* New design.

- 5 paras, bistre.
- 10 " green.
- 20 " rose.
- 1 piastre, blue.
- 2 " grey.
- 2 1/2 " brown.
- 5 " violet.

*Postage Due Adhesives.*

- 1 piastre, black on rose.
- 2 " " "

High values, 10, 25 and 50 piastres will appear in a day or two.

## Our Prize Competitions.

**NO. 1. APPROVAL DEPT. (Current Issues).**

To the competitor who has purchased by the end of next week the most stamps from our approval sheets of current issues (informing us at the time he wishes the number to compete) we will send post free a copy of "Our Own Times" Postage Stamp Album. This album is specially arranged for King's Head stamps and other current colonial issues.

*Result, Week ending 14th March, 1908.*

	Stamps
CB (winner and 5th last week)	85
BW (runner-up and 3rd last week)	77
WB (2nd last week)	68
PN (4th last week)	63
JW (6th last week)	63
EHS (7th last week)	58
EA (8th last week)	58
GC (9th last week)	46
JS (11th last week)	45

Non-winners' totals are carried forward to next week.

**NO. 2. APPROVAL DEPT. (Old Issues).**

To the competitor who has purchased by the end of next week the most stamps from our approval sheets of old issues (informing us at the time he wishes the number to compete) we will present a copy of the "Good Old Times" Postage Stamp Album (no watermarks, perforations, surcharges, minor varieties).

**SECTION II.—EUROPE AND COLONIES.**

*Result, Week ending 14th March, 1908.*

JR (winner and runner-up last week)	66
SG (runner-up and 3rd last week)	56
GP (7th last week)	46
GM (8th last week)	41
EHS (4th last week)	37
JH (6th last week)	36
AD (7th last week)	28
HW (9th last week)	23
FC (10th last week)	21

**SECTION III.—REST OF THE WORLD.**

Same conditions as No. 2 but only open to winners of Section II. The prize is Part III. of the Album, and stamps purchased from any approval sheets of old issues count.

*Result, Week ending 14th March, 1908.*

WF (winner and runner-up last week)	157
ES (runner-up and 3rd last week)	147
JO (4th last week)	135
Mrs. U (6th last week)	114
RW (5th last week)	108
JE (9th last week)	83
Rev. S (14th last week)	73
GA (7th last week)	71
GS (8th last week)	67

Non-winners' totals are carried forward to next week. Winners residing abroad will be required to pay carriage and customs charges if any.

**SECTION I.—GREAT BRITAIN AND COLONIES.**

Although this album is not likely to be ready for several months, winners of Section III. intending to compete for it can have their purchases credited in the meantime, all the totals being carried forward until the competition commences. This album will complete the very handsome series of three volumes.

The following totals are carried forward to the first week of the competition.

Mrs. C.	48
FL	42
GP	24
WS	6

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Result, week ending 21st March, 1908.

OM for note on British P.O., Levant (2/6).

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#### Malay States.

MY ay† 20c., Sideways wmk., Crown CA multiple, chalky paper.  
 ba 50c., Sideways wmk., Crown CA multiple, chalky paper.  
 bb\* \$1, wmk. Crown CA mult., chalky paper.  
 az† \$2, " " " " "

We now finish the distribution of the 20c. and \$2 values which was commenced in December last, also the \$1. We only received a very small supply of the 50c. but are expecting a further consignment shortly.

#### New Zealand.

NZ bh† 3d., wmk. NZ over Star, perf. 14, small design.  
 by 4d. " " comb perf. 14 x 13 1/2.  
 bw† 1/- " " " 14 x 13 1/2, small design.

We have several more of the comb perforated stamps on order and are expecting them to arrive by every mail.

#### New Zealand.

Postage due.

NZ bz 1d., wmk. NZ over Star, pale shade.

#### Straits Settlements.

ST ba 4c., King, wmk. Crown CA multiple, new color (lilac).

We have not received a supply of the 4c. rose yet, but these are on order and should arrive soon. With the exception of the 4c. rose, on ordinary paper, and the 30c. and \$5 values on chalky paper, this country is now brought up to date.

#### S. Australia.

SA bx 8d., wmk. Crown SA, Type ii., perf. 12.

This stamp is a dull ultramarine shade, whilst the first printing sent out in July, 1906, was bright ultramarine.

#### East Africa and Uganda.

EA ba\* 1c., King, wmk. Crown CA multiple.

bb\* 75c., " " " " chalky paper.

We are sorry that the distribution of these stamps should have been delayed so long, but although they were ordered and paid for at the same time as the other values, we only received them by last week's mail. Their distribution brings the cental values of this country up to date and the Postal Authorities must be blamed for the delay.

#### Italian Segnatasse.

Postage due.

ITS aa 50 and 100l. (used).

#### Austrian Newspaper Stamps.

AS ah 2, 6, 10 and 20 hellers.

We have managed to secure a few of the Western Australia rare perf. 11, 1d., 2d. and 5d., which we are able to send out this week at only half S.G. catalogue prices.

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## The Week's News.

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**GREAT BRITAIN.**—Stationery (422 L 444).—We are indebted to Mr. H. G. Watson for first sight of a new postcard.



Postcard.

½d. green, without inscription "The address, etc." Court shape.

Earliest postmark seen, 22.3.08.

**AFGHANISTAN** (422 I 444).—Another value of the recent new set is reported by the *Daily Graphic* of 19.3.08—1 rupee—but no particulars are given.

**ANTIGUA** (442 P 444).—The Colonial Stamp Market has now shown us the new 1/.



Adhesive. Wmk. Crown CA multiple, chalk-surface paper.  
1/- lilac and blue.

Issued 4.2.08 or earlier.

**AUSTRALIAN COMMONWEALTH** (438 O 444).—We are indebted to Mr. C. Davies for the following cutting from the *Melbourne Age* of 14.2.08.

The Federal Government does not intend, apparently, to proceed at once with the centralisation of Commonwealth stamp printing and the issue of a new series of designs. Further correspondence on the subject between the Prime Minister and the Premier of New South Wales was laid before the Senate yesterday. The letters conclude with an epistle, dated 7th February, from Mr. Deakin, in which the Prime Minister states "that the report of the Stamp Printing Committee has not yet been considered by this Government, and that, even should it be decided to adopt the steel engraving process, it will be a considerable time—say two years—before the necessary designs would be approved, dies cut, &c. In the meantime there is no intention of making any fresh departure so far as your State is concerned."

**BARBADOS** (440 D 444).—Our Bridgetown correspondent says it is reported locally that there is to be a change in the design of the stamps owing to the value having to be inserted in numerals instead of words.

**BRITISH GUIANA** (435 B 444).—The following new shade has been issued.



Adhesive. Wmk. Crown CA single.  
48c. light grey (instead of dark grey) and brown.

This must be very old stock, as the watermark is single.

The only new supplies recently imported into the colony are the following:

12 cents	50,760
72 "	24,240

These are presumably same as Nos. 329 and 344 respectively in our list and have already been chronicled, although of course these new printings may turn out to be distinct in shade.

**BRITISH SOLOMON ISLANDS** (427 J 444).—We make the following extract from the *Australian Philatelist* (1.2.08/74).

We have been favoured with a call from Mr. Barnett, Deputy Commissioner of the Solomon Islands, who is also Chief Postmaster and Collector of Customs, at present on a visit to Sydney. He informed us that the postal service of the Islands is rapidly assuming definite shape, additional post offices have been opened at Gizo, the Shortlands and Gavutu, the head office being at Tulagi. The advisability of conforming to the requirements of the Postal Union as indicated by us on a former occasion is receiving the serious consideration of the High Commissioner of the Western Pacific, and it is most likely that the present series of stamps will shortly be superseded by another.

Mr. Barnett gave us a rough outline of the difficulties which had to be overcome in establishing the service, but results have fully justified the action of the Resident Commissioner. Already the trade of the Islands has increased, and the postal facilities are likely to play an important part in their progress.

The mail service to and from the Islands is monthly, and the distance from Sydney is 1500 miles in a north-easterly direction. The average mail is 1000 letters per month.

It has been decided that when new stamps arrive, any remaining stocks of those superseded are to be immediately destroyed.

**EGYPT** (429 S 444).—The following is reported by the *Illustriertes Briefmarken Journal* (14.3.08/139).

Envelope. Embossed circular design with edge of curves.  
3 mill. orange.

**FRENCH COLONIES** (423 V 444).—We extract the following from *Gibbons Stamp Weekly* (29.2.08/142).

**FRENCH SOUDAN.**—We are informed that a new camel post is to be inaugurated on 1st March right across the desert of the Sahara. The present postal service in Algeria extends to El Salah, 700 miles from the coast. El Salah is just in the northern Tourareg district. From here monthly mails will be dispatched through the Great Oasis, south-east to Agades, 850 miles distant; thence another 800 miles due west on camels to Timbuctoo, on the banks of the Niger. The mails will then be taken by boat up the Niger as far as possible, into French Guinea to Konakry, 950 miles from Timbuctoo. Konakry is on the coast, and the whole journey from the Algerian coast is about 3,300 miles, of which three-quarters will have to be done on camel-back. The mails will run in both directions.

We have no information at present as to what stamps will be employed. It is unlikely that the French Soudan will be resuscitated, as they are the old Tablet type. French stamps are used in Algeria, so most probably they will serve for this route, in which case they will be recognizable only by the postmarks.

Algeria has long desired a separate issue of stamps; perhaps this occasion will be made the excuse for one.

**JAPAN** (422 V 444).—The *Daily Graphic* of 19.3.08 reports that two high values have been placed on sale, 5 and 10 yen, but gives no particulars.

**PAPUA** (439 C 444).—Various of our contemporaries are reporting that the remainder of the permanent set have "now been issued." This is incorrect. Only the ½d. and 4d. have yet been issued and the others are not likely to be seen over here before the summer at earliest. Doubtless what started the mistake was the circulation of "specimen" sets.

**SIAM** (436 P 444).—We make the following interesting extract from *Gibbons Stamp Weekly* (29.2.08/144):—

With regard to the recently chronicled 1 att on 24 atts provisional, Mr. Fred J. Melville very kindly sends a most interesting extract from a recent issue of the *Bangkok Times*.

The article starts by referring to the frequent shortage of stamps, and the reason for this shortage, as follows:—

"This trouble has now been going on for a period of ten years. Periodically since 1897 there have been no 1 or 2 atts stamps available. In each case the public has blamed the Post Office, but although many grievances are urged against

this branch of the public service, the blame for the present famine in 1 att stamps must be laid on other shoulders.

"The position is this. Contrary to the system which prevails in every other civilized country, it is the Treasury which orders new stamps from Europe; it is the Treasury that undertakes their safe keeping and distribution. When stamps are required by the post office authorities, a request is sent to the Krom Bat at the Treasury for the values required. Also when sending these stamps, the Krom Bat, monthly, furnishes a statement of the stock, and when this is getting low the Post Office requests the Treasury to order more. It very often happens, however, that not one request but several have to be sent the Krom Bat before the order is dispatched to Europe.

"Over a million 1 att stamps are used every year, and therefore it is imperative that a good stock should always be kept of every value, bearing in mind that at least five weeks must lapse before a fresh supply can be obtained.

"The result of following custom so zealously for a period of ten years has resulted in Siam having about twenty-five different surcharges; and now 200,000 of the 24 att stamps are being surcharged 1 att in order to meet the difficulty caused by one branch of the Government service usurping the duties of another. It is really to be hoped that the present experience will help to check the tendency of other departments to do the work which naturally falls within the regular province of the P. and T. Department.

"For such a thing as a stamp famine to happen once is unfortunate; for it to happen every few years is disgraceful. The difficulty has continued for ten years, and it would seem a happy moment, now that the cycle is completed, to break the 'tamniem' and to proceed on business lines more in accordance with His Majesty's well-known desire for efficiency."

A new postcard is reported by the *Deutsche Briefmarken Zeitung* (12.3.08/51).

Adhesive.

"2" in black on 1½a. red on yellow of 1902.

**SUDAN** (443 V 444). The following is reported by *Appleton's Weekly*.



Adhesive. Wmk. Crescent and Star, multiple.  
5 piastres. brown and green.

**TRINIDAD** (434 S 444).—We quote as follows from the *Daily Graphic* (19.3.08).

It seems hopeless to attempt to discover any coherent system in the present arrangements of papers and watermarks for Colonial stamps. One had begun to look upon the "multiple C.A." watermark as a sine qua non for all values up to 1s., but I have just been shown a new printing of the 4d. Trinidad of the current "Britannia" type on the new chalk-surfaced paper, but retaining the "single C.A." watermark. Whether this is to rank as an "error," or whether there has been yet another change of plan on the part of the Colonial postal administrators, remains to be seen.

There is no change of plan; the whole system is exceedingly simple if only one uses a little intelligence in dealing with it. The Crown Agents have various stocks of papers in hand, some suitable for line-engraved stamps and some suitable for surface-printed stamps. The latter alone will take the chalk-surface. There were also the two qualities of Crown CC paper. The surface-printing Crown CA paper is of different

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## The Colonial Office Journal.

The next number of this Journal is due on April 1st and collectors who want to get their news of coming new issues early should order immediately they read these lines, if they have not already done so.

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colours, white, blue, red, buff, etc. The white and red single Crown CA papers (and also all the other white single Crown CC and CA papers) are exhausted, but there is still a stock of the single Crown CA buff paper, on which the 4d. Trinidad is printed. The blue paper was only comparatively recently replaced with the multiple variety.

We accordingly chronicle:



Adhesive. Wmk. Crown CA single, chalk-surface paper.  
4d. green and blue.

The Postmaster-General says there are no 1/- lilac on yellow on sale at Port of Spain G.P.O.

Mr. Tarrant writes:—"I do not remember seeing that you have chronicled the £1 Trinidad single CA on chalky paper. I had one sent to me early in June last year. My correspondent says that they were received about November, 1906, but not recognized at the time as the single CA, being on chalky paper.

"When I was at the Junior Philatelic Society's Exhibition the week before last I asked several dealers about them. One of them told me that he had been surprised to find some amongst his stock a short time ago but the others had not heard of it. One dealer said he thought it was similar paper to the first issue Labuan but the paper had been chalk-surfaced. If you can give me any explanation I should be obliged."

As we have had the 5/- chalky on single CA paper, it is quite likely the £1 may also exist. Stock is issued in Trinidad in such an unbusiness like way that one never knows what is in use there. The Postmaster General appears to take pleasure in preventing dealers from getting supplies of new issues, and no information can ever be had. The Colonial Stamp Market has tried many times but has never been able to get the 1/- lilac on yellow; a year ago the 1/- black chalky was on sale; now there is nothing but 1/- single wmk. at the G.P.O. again. We believe the 1/- lilac has never been on sale there, yet it is known in good condition. The 4d. plate 1 also was issued after the 4d. plate 2. Perhaps the £1 single CA on chalky paper will appear again when the multiple is exhausted. At any rate it seems to exist and we chronicle it on the strength of Mr. Tarrant's letter.

Adhesive. Wmk. single CA over Crown. Chalk-surface paper.  
£1 green and carmine.

Issued 11.06? It is worthy of remark that the £1 was not chronicled on chalky paper by any philatelic journal till 5.07 and the Colonial Stamp Market's first supply received on 24.6.07 had multiple Crown CA watermark. The 5/- with single watermark on chalk-surface paper had however been received early in 1906. Unfortunately no £1 Trinidad stamps had been imported during this interesting period, those received during the months of 12.05 and 3.06 being sufficient to last until the summer of 1907 when, as stated, the multiple Crown CA came. Supplies of the £1 received 10.07 and 2.08 were also on the multiple Crown CA paper.

SEYCHELLES (438 E 444).—The following provisional is reported by *Le Journal des Philatélistes* (29.2.08/222).



Adhesive. Wmk. Crown CA single.  
45c. on 2r. 25c. violet and green.

SWITZERLAND (443 I 444).—Another value of the new set is reported by *Le Journal des Philatélistes* (29.2.07/222).



Adhesive. 12c. orange.

**Our Prize Competitions.**

**No. 1. APPROVAL DEPT. (Current Issues).**

To the competitor who has purchased by the end of next week the most stamps from our approval sheets of current issues (informing us at the time he wishes the number to compete) we will send post free a copy of "Our Own Times"

Postage Stamp Album. This album is specially arranged for King's Head stamps and other current colonial issues.

Result, Week ending 21st March, 1908.

	Stamps
BW (winner and runner-up last week)	77
JW (runner-up and 5th last week) ...	74
WB (3rd last week) ...	68
GC (8th last week) ...	64
PN (4th last week) ...	63
EHS (6th last week) ...	58
EA (7th last week) ...	58
JS (9th last week) ...	45
GL (11th last week)...	41

Non-winners' totals are carried forward to next week.

**No. 2. APPROVAL DEPT. (Old Issues).**

To the competitor who has purchased by the end of next week the most stamps from our approval sheets of old issues (informing us at the time he wishes the number to compete) we will present a copy of the "Good Old Times" Postage Stamp Album (no watermarks, perforations, surcharges, minor varieties).

**SECTION II.—EUROPE AND COLONIES.**

Result, Week ending 21st March, 1908.

SG (winner and runner-up last week)	56
GP (runner-up and 3rd last week) ...	50
GM (4th last week) ...	45
EHS (5th last week) ...	41
AS (10th last week)...	39
JH (6th last week) ...	36
AD (7th last week) ...	28
HW (8th last week) ...	23
FC (9th last week) ...	21

**SECTION III.—REST OF THE WORLD.**

Same conditions as No. 2 but only open to winners of Section II. The prize is Part III. of the Album, and stamps purchased from any approval sheets of old issues count.

Result, Week ending 21st March, 1908.

ES (winner and runner-up last week)	164
JO (runner-up and 3rd last week) ...	144
Mrs. U (4th last week) ...	124
RW (5th last week)...	122
JE (6th last week) ...	101
Rev. S (7th last week) ...	93
GA (8th last week) ...	92
JB (11th last week)...	79
GS (9th last week) ...	67

Non-winners' totals are carried forward to next week. Winners residing abroad will be required to pay carriage and customs charges if any.

**SECTION I.—GREAT BRITAIN AND COLONIES.**

Although this album is not likely to be ready for several months, winners of Section III. intending to compete for it can have their purchases credited in the meantime, all the totals being carried forward until the competition commences. This album will complete the very handsome series of three volumes.

The following totals are carried forward to the first week of the competition.

Mrs. C. ... 48	RG ... .. 13
FL ... .. 42	JF ... .. 11
GP ... .. 36	WS .. .. 6

J. B. writes (5.12.07):—"I beg you to accept my best thanks for Album received this week. It is a gem and one that anybody who is fortunate enough to obtain it, may be proud of."

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The awards are made and albums posted every Monday.

Since our main object in giving these albums away is to get them known, winners can repay us by showing them to stamp-collecting friends as well as by purchasing stamps.

**No. 3. EDITORIAL COMPETITION.**

The competitor who sends us the most interesting item of information for our New Issue column each week will be credited 2/6, which must be claimed within seven days (allowance to foreign readers) and may be selected from any of our approval sheets. From time to time we shall voluntarily increase the prize.

14th March, 1908.

Prize increased to 15/- and divided equally between J. McN., A.S., and C.R., for notes on Cayman Is. new provisional.

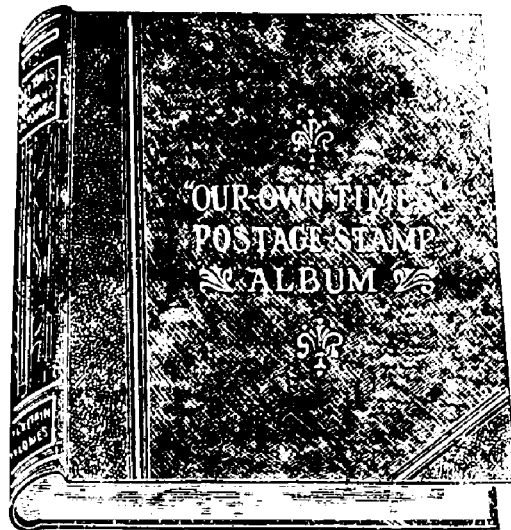
Winners are requested to make early application for their prizes.

**PRICE-CATALOGUES.**

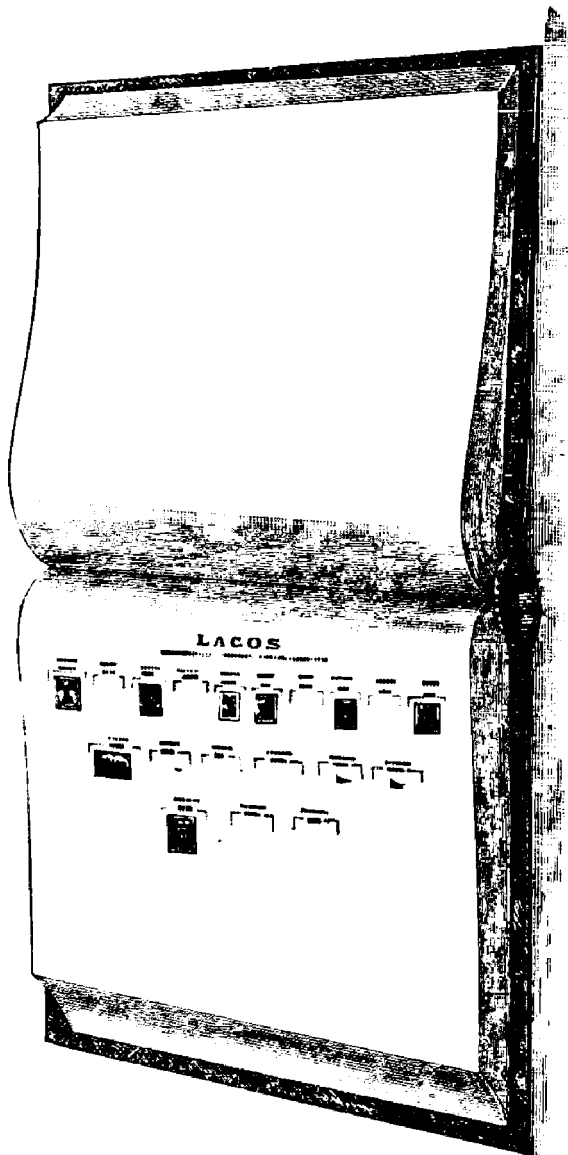
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Wmk. Crown A, rare perf. 11.

WA bs\* 1d. S.G. No. 151 cat 6d.—0/3.

bt\* 2d. " 152 " 3/.—1/6.

bu\* 5d. " 155 " 2/6.—1/3.

The distribution of the above brings this country up to date in respect of the stamps watermarked Crown A.

British P.O. Levant.

BL am† 2pi. on 5d., King, chalky paper.

an† 12pi. " 2/6 " "

Surcharged Levant.

av\* 1½d. King, chalky paper.

ap 1/- " "

With the exception of the 1/- surcharged "Levant" on chalky paper, and the Beyrout Provisional 1 pi. on 2d., this country is now brought up to date. The remainder of the former we hope to send out with this week's New Issues.

Nabha, King, Service.

NA au† ½a., ¾a., 1a., 2as., 4as., 8as. and 1r. (set).

Mauritius.

MU aw\* 50c. wmk. Crown CA multiple, chalky paper.

This country is now brought up to date.

C.E.F. on India.

INC aa† 1a. rose, Queen (unused).

New South Wales.

NSW bn† £1, wmk. Crown A, perf. 11.

Natal.

NT bc† £5 King, single wmk. Crown CC.

be† £10 and £20. Specimen stamps. The colours of these high value stamps will be changed shortly.

We have received a further supply of the Papua ½d. and 4d. stamps, normal and inverted watermarks, and perf. 11 and 12½; also Chamba State on India Postage and Revenue, also Chamba Service stamps ½a. and 1a. values, and a few Australian Commonwealth Postage Dues which we shall be sending out with the current week's New Issues.

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## The Week's News.

The Editor is always pleased to receive Early Information of New Issues, or of Discoveries interesting to Stamp Collectors, and will acknowledge such contributions either by name in the journal or by the presentation of several interesting newly-issued stamps, as preferred.

The index number and serial letter after the title of each paragraph indicate the issue of E.W.S.N. in which the last reference to that country appeared.

**GREAT BRITAIN.**—*Railway Letter Stamps* (443 L 445).—The following new printings have been received by the Editor lately.

*Caledonian Railway* [E.W.S.N., 4.4.08].—13th Issue, new printing XII., new transfer XII., dull yellow-green; perf. 11. Issued before 22.3.08. The stamp can be supplied at 3d., complete sheet of 12, 3/-.

*Glasgow, Barrhead & Kilmarnock Railway* [E.W.S.N. 4.4.08].—7th Issue, new printing VII., new transfer VII., light green, imperf. margins to sheet; perf. 12. Issued 11.07. The stamp can be supplied at 3d., complete sheet of 12, 3/- and the issue just superseded can be supplied at double face value.

*Highland Railway* [E.W.S.N. 4.4.08].—The list of issues published in E.W.S.N. since 1905 was numbered on the basis of our last catalogue which only took note of printings; as it would be more accurate to take note of all the supplies we give here a revised list as well as particulars of the new printings just to hand.

Supply.	D'te.	Quantity.	Printing.	Description.
10th	10.00	1008	X.	green.
11th	5.01	?	—	remainders of VI., VII., VII., and IX.?
12th	9.01	1008	XI.	bright yel.-grn., p. 11.
13th	3.02	1008	—	remainders of XI.?
14th	8.02	1008	—	"
15th	1.03	1008	XII.?	dark green, p. 11.
16th	7.03	1008?	—	remainders of XII.?
17th	1.04	1008?	XIII.	greyish-olive, p. 11.
18th	6.04	1008?	—	remainders of XIII.?
19th	10.04	1008?	—	"
20th	4.05	1104	XIV.?	light yellow-green, p. 12.
21st	8.05	1008?	—	remainders of XIV.?
22nd	2.06	1008?	XV.?	dull olive-green, p. 11.
23rd	8.06	1008?	—	remainders of XV.?
24th	1.07	1008	XVI.?	yellow-green, p. 11.
25th	7.07	1008	XVII.	greyish-green, p. 11.
26th	1.08	2712	XVIII.	grey-green, p. 12.

Owing to these stamps not being numbered it is extremely difficult to keep track of them and it may even be possible that one or two printings have existed without our knowledge. The printers never seem to have printed off 1008 stamps (84 sheets of 12) but probably ran off a supply once a year or so when their stock was getting short. The supplies sent to the Company, if taken from this stock, may have consisted of either new or old printings. It is to be hoped the Company will see their way in future to print two or three years' supply at a time; the English companies have greatly reformed in this respect.

*Cavan & Leitrim Railway* [E.W.S.N. 4.4.08].—There has been a second printing in red.

2nd printing, 2d. red, redrawn design. Sheets of 24 as before. Perf. 11. The sheets are numbered on margin in black, probably 101? to 300?, that before us having No. 149. The Secretary informs us they were printed in 11.03, but we should think they were first issued at a much later date.

These stamps are remarkable from the fact that they are made from the same die as the forgeries that were put on the market in June 1898, only the title being redrawn. This fact, if any were needed, would be sufficient to show that the Company's printers made both the genuine and forged stamps; the explanation as regards the latter being that "they were made by mistake to the order of another Company." There are, however, good grounds for believing that they were made for a Dublin collector, along with forgeries of the Kanturk & Newmarket Company, the printers no doubt acting innocently enough. Anyway the curious fact remains that the die made for these forgeries has now been employed for a bona-fide printing.

*Cork & Macroom Direct Railway* [E.W.S.N. 4.4.08].—4th Issue, slightly darker green than before. Sheets of 8, new transfer.

*Great Northern of Ireland Railway* [E.W.S.N. 4.4.08].—After three emerald printings (the 9th, 10th and 11th), all difficult to distinguish, we at length have a decided change of colour. The 12th printing, still of the same design and in sheets of 48, is dull green, rather pale and fortunately with less ample margins. Our earliest specimen is postmarked 12.3.08.

*Great Southern & Western Railway* [E.W.S.N. 4.4.08].—The 13th printing has made its appearance, transfer XI., almost same shade as the 12th printing but slightly lighter; perf. 11.

*Record Dates of Use* (442 A 445).—The following new records are shown us:

By Dr. R. N. Arnold Wallinger.

4d. plate 3 London E.C., 21.1.62.

6d. plate 5 London W.C., 26.4.65.

By Mr. O. Spannocchia.

1/- plate 2 Newcastle-on-Tyne, 13.8.63.

A fortnight ago we gave a specimen letter which the Editor has been in the habit of sending to station masters. As the dummy letters which accompany it are left open this specimen letter is frequently returned, usually with the remark "done as requested," "herewith," etc., but sometimes one gets a curious variation. For instance, a recent batch we have been going through—all from Scotland—furnished the following samples.

1. Possil (Cal. Rly.) says:—"Our curiosity has been aroused by receiving your letter. We do not see how you are benefiting by your outlay. Would you be kind enough to let us know."

2. Pollokshaws East writes:—"We are all in the best of health."

3. Another Station-master writes:—"Anything to oblige." In fact it is surprising how few station masters object to be bothered in this way.

4. A clerk in attaching a stamp with a large margin to the envelope tore the margin off (and incidentally the top of the stamp as well) and writing "with pleasure" on it stuck it in a prominent position on the envelope!

*Cheque Dies* (433 N 445).—The following new dies have been seen by Mr. L. W. Jenner:—EU, 17.7.07; GF, 16.4.07; GG, 17.5.07; GH, 17.5.07; GI, 12.9.07; GJ, 3.12.07. We have also GL, 26.11.07. Those unknown are:—Rose, DK, DN, DT to DW, EI, FK to FN, FS, GE, GM and following; Thistle, M, N, O, Q, etc.; Shamrock, H, K, etc.

**ANTIGUA** (444 Q 445).—*Correction.*—The date given last week for the 1/- on chalk-surface paper should have been 27.2.08, not 4.2.08.

**CHAMBA STATE** (435 U 445).—The Colonial Stamp Market has shown us sheets of the following, all issued 2.3.08 or earlier.



*Adhesives.* "Postage & Revenue."

½ anna, green (72,480 printed).

1 anna, carmine (36,480 " ).

*Varieties.*—The 1st stamp in each row of the upper pane, especially of the 3rd and 4th rows, has "Chamba State" raised. Of course, the variety is only noticeable when in a pair with its neighbour.

No. 131. The first T in "State" is italic.

*Official Adhesives.*

½ anna, green (48,400 printed).

1 anna, carmine (24,480 " ).

*Varieties.*—Sheets of both values show following defects.

No. 12. Error "ICHAMBA" very clear.

No. 110. "Chamba State" is slanting.

No. 115. Very defective A in "State."

No. 128. The B of "Chamba" is broken, so as to look like an inverted R.

No. 131. The first T in "State" is italic.

No. 216. The "VI" of "Service" are close together.

The overprints appear to be from new settings. On one sheet of the 1a. Ordinary the E of "State" is faint on every stamp of the 8th vertical row of the lower pane and also on the top three stamps of the 2nd vertical row, but not on the other pane, nor is the effect seen on our other sheets.

**GIBRALTAR** (440 B 445).—We are informed by Lieut. Dale that the following novelty was issued about 15.3.08. *La Revue Philatèlique Française* (dated 29.2.08/7 but only just received) also chronicles it.



*Adhesive.* Wmk. Crown CA multiple, chalk-surface paper.

£1 lilac on red.

**GREECE** (343 R 445).—*Le Journal des Philatélistes* (29.2.08/219) reports that the 1 to 25 lepta of the 1906 Olympian Games issue are exhausted. We presume the 1901 issue will again come into use (if indeed it had ever been suspended).

**HOLKAR, INDORE** (391 M 445).—The following advertisement appears in the *Pioneer* of 9.3.08.

NOTICE.

WANTED to sell in one lot, for philatelic purposes only, the unused stock of Holkar postage stamps marked "Service" of the face value of over 1½ lacs of rupees. Applications of offer will be received by the undersigned until 15th of April, 1908.

SYED ALI HASAN, Revenue Member,  
(3066) Council of Regency, Indore.

An explanation of the above is found in the first paragraph of the following notice from the *Philatelic Journal of India* (2.08) but the second paragraph is evidently in error.

"The Indore Council of Regency having asked for postal unification, the proposal has been sanctioned by the Government of India, and on the 1st of March next the Deputy Postmaster-General, Rajputana, will take over Holkar's postal system."

"We understand that the State's 'Service' stamps will continue in use for official correspondence within Indore itself. We would be pleased to see many other States also absorbed into the Indian postal system."

**ICELAND** (426 D 445).—The following novelty has been shown us by Mr. W. T. Wilson.



*Adhesive.*

1 eyr. yellow-green and red.

Issued before 18.3.08. Our correspondent describes this as "the new value 1 aur," so we suppose the Icelanders have taken to spelling reform.

Since writing the above we find the explanation in Rask's Icelandic Grammar (1843 edition, p. 64); *eyrir* (money, pence) changes its vowel in the plural, becoming *aurar* in the nominative plural. We had also supposed that *aur* was a complete word like *öre* and it is so treated in all the catalogues we have at hand, but if the stamps be examined carefully it will be found there is a full stop after both "eyr." and "aur." Written in full, the values are 1 eyrir, 3 aurar, 4 aurar, etc.

In our chronicle of the new stationery in E.W.S.N. No. 413 we inadvertently described the values as *cents* instead of *aurar*.

From the same grammar we learn that the diphthongs *ey* and *au* have not the same sound as in German or English. *Au* is nearly like *öj* would be in German and *ey* is something like German *aj* or English *ey* in *they*.

**ITALIAN FOREIGN P.O.** (426 L 445).—The following new values are reported by *Le Journal des Philatélistes* (29.2.08/218).

*Adhesives.* (i) Italian stamps overprinted.

"20 para 20" on 10c. rose of 1906.

"80 para 80" on 50c. violet of 1901.

(ii) Additionally surcharged "Albania."

"20 para 20" on 10c. rose of 1906.

"80 para 80" on 50c. violet of 1901.

# Approval Sheets of All Countries.

ONLY OBSOLETE ISSUES (9,000 Varieties)

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<p><b>GREAT BRITAIN AND COLONIES.</b> (2691 different sorts exist).</p> <p>479 Gt. Britain, 1840-1870 370 " " 1870-1887 371 " " 1887-1901 373+ " " 1840-1884 374 " " 1884-1901</p> <p>105 Antigua and Bahamas 106 Barbados 107 Bechuanaland and Cayman Is. 480 B.C.A. 108 Bermuda 109 B. Honduras 462 B. Columbia &amp; Vancouver Is. 110 R.E.A. 111 B. Guiana 112+ B.S.A. 113 Cape Colony 378 " " 382+ " " 114 Ceylon, Pence issues and 1st Cents issue 481 Ceylon, Cents issue 115 Cook Islands 116 Cyprus 104 Canada, 1870-97 117 " " 1859-70 118 " " 1851-68 119 " " 1897-1904 120+ " " Jubilee and Map 121 Dominica 380 East Africa and Uganda 122 Falkland Islands 123 Fiji Islands 124 Gambia 125+ Gibraltar 126 Gold Coast 127 Grenada 469 Heligoland and Ionian Islands 128 Hong Kong 129 East India 130+ India (Empire) 131 Jamaica 357 " " used 132 Labuan, 1st design, Queen's 133 " " 1879-1897 Head 483 " " 1895-03 134 Lagos 135 Leeward Islands 348 Madagascar, British Post. 136 Malta 137 Mauritius, Pence issues 488 " " Cents " 138 Montserrat and Nevis 139 Natal 140 New Brunswick, Nova Scotia 141+ Newfoundland, 1857-90 482+ " " 1880-1905 468 New Republic 143 New South Wales, 1862-97 372 " " 144 New Zealand, 1st design 145 " " 146 Niger Coast 148 North Borneo, 1883-1889 486 " " Pictorial issues 149 Northern Nigeria 150 Orange Free State and Colony 351+ Orange River Colony 498 Prince Edward Is. 151 Queensland, 1860-1882</p>	<p>152 Queensland, 1882-96 492 " " 1891-1907 154+ St. Christopher 155 St. Helena 156 St. Lucia 157 St. Vincent 158 Sarawak 159 Seychelles 349 " " 160 Sierra Leone 161 S. Australia, 1855-1887 162 " " long stamps 163 S. Nigeria 499 Solomon Is. and Somaliland 487 Stella and Tobago 164 Straits Settlements 434 " " 165 Malay States and Maldives 166 Johore 167+ Negri Sembilan and Pahang 168+ Perak 169 Selangor and Sungei Ujong 452+ Tasmania, 1892-1906 171 Tonga 172 Transvaal, 1869-1885 173 " " 1856 and Pietersburg 489 " " 1894-07 174 Trinidad 175 Turks Islands and Virgin Islds. 176 Uganda 177 Victoria, 1851-1862 490 " " 1863-1885 178 " " 1885-1887 491 " " 1900-1906 179+ Western Australia 180 Zanzibar 181 Zululand</p>	<p>208 Djibouti 209 Obock 412+ Guadeloupe 413+ Indo-China 414+ Madagascar 210 French Somali Coast 211 French Congo, Guyana &amp; Guinea 212 French West Africa 213 Tunis 214+ Germany, 1868-75 215 " " 1875-79 216 " " 1879-1902 217 German Colonies 415 German Colonies, used and un. 218 Alsace to Brunswick 219 Hamburg to Oldenburg 220 Prussia and Saxony 221 Schleswig-Holstein and Thurn and Taxis 477 Greece, 1861-1896 478 " " 1901-1906 470 " " cheap used 315+ " " 1861-96 316 " " 1901-06 223+ Holland, 1852-72 224+ " " 1872-99 225 " " 1891-99 226 Dutch Indies, 1870-83 227 " " 1892-95 228 Curaçao 229+ Suriname 230 Hungary, 1871-1898 231+ " " 1900 232 Iceland 233 Italy, 1851-90 234 " " 1890-95 420 " " 235 Italian Col., F.P.O., and States to Sicily 403 Italian States, Parma to Tuscany</p>	<p>257 Spain, 1870-1878 258 " " 1879-95 424 " " 1873-75 259 Cuba, 1855-77 260 " " 1882-98 419 " " 1877-1881 421 Elobey and Spanish Guinea 261 Fernando Poo 262+ Philippines 389 Philippine Islands 263 Porto Rico 390 " " 264 Sweden, 1855-1872 410 " " 1891 265 Switzerland, 1815-82 266+ " " 1882-1900 267 Turkey, 1863-76 268 " " 1892-06 398 " " 269 Wurtemberg 425 " "</p>	<p>305 Guatemala, 1902 426 " " 1897-06 306 Hayti, 1871-98 422 " " 1893-1906 307 Honduras, 1865-92 431 " " 1892-02 308 Mexico, 1856-74 309 " " 1874-82 310 " " 1884-85 311 " " 1886-99 429 " " 1886-03 312+ Nicaragua, 1862-91 313+ " " 1892-97 455+ " " 1898-06 314 Panama (unsurcharged) 317 Paraguay, 1870-1892 318 " " 1900-03 319 " " 1903-07 460 " " (cheap used) 320 Peru, 1858-74 321 " " 1895-96 456+ " " 1896-07 322 Salvador, 1867-92 323 " " 1892-95 464 " " 1895-96 465 " " 1897-06 324 Uruguay, used and unused 325 " " 1884-90 326 " " 1890-05 327+ " " 1895 383 " " 1887-04 427 " " 1895-07 328 Venezuela, 1859-06 (for internal postage) 329 Venezuela, 1880-96 (Foreign correspondence) 457 Venezuela, 1893-06 (Foreign correspondence) 330 United States, 1851-1900 331 " " 1884, 1900, 1902. 332 " " Columbus, Omaha, etc. (used) 404 " " cheap used 461 " " (used) 333 Confederate States and Cuba 443+ Samoa 334 Hawaii, 1853-1882 459 " " 1891 (Pictorial issue)</p>
<p><b>EUROPE AND COLONIES.</b> (3545 different sorts exist).</p> <p>182 Austria, 1850-90 183 " " 1890-96 184+ " " 1891-1905 185 Austrian F.P.O., 1850-67 186 " " 1883-1903 187+ Bavaria, 1849-74 188 " " 1867-74 189 Belgium, 1849-68 190 " " 1868-1906 191 Bosnia, 1879-1901 192 " " Pictorial, 1906 195 " " 1879-1901 193 Bulgaria, 1870-1902 375+ " " 1902 194 Crete 196 Denmark 197+ Danish West Indies 198 Finland, 1860-75 199 " " 1890-1900 200+ France, Head of Liberty 201 " " 1849-70 202 " " 1876-1900 203 " " 1849-06 204 " " 1900-06 361 " " used 205 French Foreign P.O., 1902 206 French Colonies, Part I. 207 " " 1859-92</p>				
<p><b>REST OF WORLD.</b> (2565 different sorts exist).</p> <p>270+ Abyssinia 384 Afghanistan 271 China 273 Congo Free State 274 Corea 275 " " 276+ Egypt 473 " " 277 Japan, 1871-76 278 " " 1894-1900 467 " " 1876-1904 279 Liberia, 1860-1892 453 " " 1892-06 280 Persia, 1868-91 281 " " 1891-1906 463+ Shanghai 283 Siam 284 Argentine Republic, 1858-67 285 " " 1882-90 286 " " 1889-92 287 " " 1892-99 458 Buenos Aires and Corrientes 288 Bolivia, 1866-67 289 " " 1878-97 290 " " 1897-01 291 Brazil, 1844-78 292 " " 1878-1900, chiefly used 293 " " 1880-1906 294 Chili, 1852-81 295+ " " 1861-1906 379+ " " cheap used 296+ Colombia, 1859-70 297 " " 1876-86 298 " " 1890-98 299 " " 1902-04 300+ Colombia (Cartagena and other issues, 1898-05) 433 " " 1902 issue 301 Costa Rica, 1862-89 454 " " 1892-06 302+ Dominican Republic, 1862-1900 466 " " 303+ Ecuador, 1865-94 430 " " 1899-05 432 " " 1895-99 304 Guatemala, 1871-86</p>				

† These Sheets are newly mounted this week.

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<p>500 Aitutaki on N.Z. 501 Antigua 501 Australian Commonwealth Postage Dues 502 Bahamas, King, &amp;c. 503 Barbados 504 Bechuanaland, King 505 Bermuda, Dockyard 506 Br. Central Africa, King 507 British Guiana 508 Br. Honduras, King 508 British New Guinea 509 Br. New Guinea and Papua 510 Br. South Africa (unused) 380 Brunei, 1st issue, used and 512 Brunei, surch. and pictorial 511 Canada, King, &amp;c. 513 Cape, King 514 Cayman Is., King 515 Ceylon, King 516 Chamba on India, King</p>	<p>360 Cook Islands, Queen's Head 517 Cook Is. 518 Cyprus, King 519 Dominica, pictorial 520 E. Africa, King 521 Falkland, King 522 Fiji, King 523 Gambia, King 524 Gibraltar, King 525 Gold Coast, King 526 Grenada, King 527 Gwalior on India, King 528 Hong Kong, King 529 India, King 530 C.E.F. on India, King 531 Jamaica, Arms 532 Jhind on India 533 Johor, 1904 534 Labuan, Crown 580 Labuan, pictorial</p>	<p>411 Labuan, sur. 'Straits' 381 " " used and un. 535 Lagos, King 536 Leeward, King 537 Levant on Gt. Britain 538 Malay States 539 Maldives on Ceylon 540 Malta, King, &amp;c. 541 Mauritius, Arms 542 Montserrat, Arms 584 Morocco Ag. on Gibraltar—varieties 543 Morocco on Gibraltar 544 Morocco on Gt. Britain 545 Nabh. on India, King 546 Natal, King [Family 547 Newfoundland, Cabot and Royal 548 New South Wales 583 New Zealand Pictorials and Officials 549 New Zealand, pictorial</p>	<p>550 Niue on N.Z. 551 North Borneo 552 N. Nigeria, King 553 Orange River Colony, King 554 Patiala on India, King 555 Penrhyn on N.Z. 556 Queensland 557 St. Helena, King, &amp;c. 558 St. Kitts-Nevis, pictorial 559 St. Lucia, King 560 St. Vincent, King 561 Sarawak, Rajah's Head 562 Seychelles, King 563 Sierra Leone, King 564 Solomon Islands 346 Somaliland, 1st issue 565 Somaliland, King and Queen. 579 " " Prot. King 347 Somaliland</p>	<p>377 Somaliland Officials, 1st issue varieties 378 Somaliland Service 566 South Australia 567 S. Nigeria, King 568 Straits, King 376 Sudan, varieties 569 Sudan, Camel 570 Tasmania, pictorial 571 Tonga, pictorial and portrait 350 Transvaal C.S.A.R. 572 Transvaal, King 573 Trinidad 574 Turks Islands 575 Victoria 576 Virgin Islands 577 Western Australia 349 Zanzibar, 1904, and varieties 578 Zanzibar, Arms</p>
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6d. lilac, 6d. 5/- lilac, 4/6.  
10d. red, 1/- 10/- lilac, 8/-.  
Set of eight values, 17/-.



**ITALY** (442 Z 445).—Besides the three new Segnatasse stamps recently chronicled there is a 30c. bright lilac with red numerals and we are informed by Mr. S. Sella that all four are issued *exclusively* for revenue purposes.

**JAMAICA** (443 H 445).—We recently chronicled the 2½d. with multiple watermark on chalk-surfaced paper. A fortnight ago a correspondent wrote to say we were wrong and that it is on ordinary paper. Now another correspondent writes to say that we were right. To complicate matters, the Postmaster-General of Jamaica declares that he does not know the stamp at all and that those on sale at Kingston have single watermark. The Colonial Stamp Market recently ordered a large supply with multiple watermark, but when they arrived they all had single watermark. Mr. A. Maxwell has since shown us a copy on chalk-surface paper.

**MAURITIUS** (443 O 445).—The Colonial Stamp Market has shown us sheets of the new 3c.



*Adhesive.* Wmk. Crown CA multiple, chalk-surfaced paper. 3c. green and carmine.

Issued 15.2.08 or earlier. The sheet consists of two panes, each with the usual 60 stamps. At each corner of the sheet—twice to each pane—is the plate-number 2 on the margin.

We are indebted to Dr. Kalckhoff of Berlin for the following reply to Mr. Mais' enquiry concerning the use of Express Delivery stamps:—"Re Mauritius Express stamps (No. 443 of E.W.S.N.), Natal has not joined the international convention regarding express letters. Therefore the express fee cannot be prepaid to that country and the Mauritius stamp was valueless and ignored by the Natal post office. Mr. Mais should have addressed his letter to one of the express-letter convention countries."

This matter is fully dealt with on pages 71 and 72 of the April "Post Office Guide"; on the latter page Natal is expressly mentioned as one of 19 colonies which do not accept express letters from the United Kingdom (and presumably from elsewhere also).

**NEW ZEALAND** (441 B 445).—Another addition to the set with new perforation is reported by *Gibbons Stamp Weekly* (28.3.08/208).



*Adhesive.* Small design, comb perf. 14 x 13½. 3d. brown.

Latest sheet-numbers received by the Colonial Stamp Market are 1d. perf. 14, 2362594, and 3d. 2163982, both perf. 14.

**SERVIA** (443 T 445).—The new set is thus described by *Gibbons Stamp Weekly* (14.3.08/176).

*Adhesives.* Thick horizontally laid paper (instead of white); perf. 12 x 11½ (instead of 11½).

1p.	black and pale grey.
5p.	pale green.
10p.	rose-red.
15p.	lilac.
20p.	yellow.
25p.	blue.
30p.	grey-green.
50p.	deep brown.
1 din.	buff.
5 din.	violet.

The 3 din. is not yet issued.

### Our Prize Competitions.

#### No. 1. APPROVAL DEPT. (Current Issues).

To the competitor who has purchased by the end of next week the most stamps from our approval sheets of current issues (informing us at the time he wishes the number to compete) we will send post free a copy of "Our Own Times" Postage Stamp Album. This album is specially arranged for King's Head stamps and other current colonial issues.

*Result, Week ending 28th March, 1908.*

	Stamps
EA (winner and 7th last week) ...	92
GC (runner-up and 4th last week) ...	88
JW (2nd last week) ...	80
WB (3rd last week) ...	68
PN (5th last week) ...	63
EHS (6th last week) ...	58
JS (8th last week) ...	45
GL (9th last week) ...	41
EF (11th last week) ...	38

Non-winners' totals are carried forward to next week.

#### No. 2. APPROVAL DEPT. (Old Issues).

To the competitor who has purchased by the end of next week the most stamps from our approval sheets of old issues (informing us at the time he wishes the number to compete) we will present a copy of the "Good Old Times" Postage Stamp Album (no watermarks, perforations, surcharges, minor varieties).

#### SECTION II.—EUROPE AND COLONIES.

*Result, Week ending 28th March, 1908.*

GP (winner and runner-up last week)	50
EHS (runner-up and 4th last week) ...	41
AS (5th last week) ...	39
JH (6th last week) ...	36
WB (15th last week) ...	33
AD (7th last week) ...	28
HW (8th last week) ...	23
FC (9th last week) ...	21
DB (10th last week) ...	14

#### SECTION III.—REST OF THE WORLD.

Same conditions as No. 2 but only open to winners of Section II. The prize is Part III. of the Album, and stamps purchased from any approval sheets of old issues count.

*Result, Week ending 28th March, 1908.*

Rev. S (winner and 6th last week) ...	177
JO (runner-up and last week) ...	166
RW (4th last week) ...	152
Mrs. U (3rd last week) ...	129
JE (5th last week) ...	119
GA (7th last week) ...	110
JB (8th last week) ...	107
GS (9th last week) ...	67
ESW (11th last week) ...	56

Non-winners' totals are carried forward to next week. Winners residing abroad will be required to pay carriage and customs charges if any.

#### SECTION I.—GREAT BRITAIN AND COLONIES.

Although this album is not likely to be ready for several months, winners of Section III. intending to compete for it can have their purchases credited in the meantime, all the totals being carried forward until the competition commences. This album will complete the very handsome series of three volumes.

The following totals are carried forward to the first week of the competition.

GP ...	54	ES ...	14
Mrs. C. ...	48	RG ...	13
FL ...	42	WS ..	6
JF ...	15		

G.L. writes (12.2.08):—"Many thanks for Album which arrived quite safely; it is just in keeping with all your other goods, quite the best. I mean to have a try now for your other Album."

Perhaps the best recommendation of our Albums is the avidity with which a winner of one of them immediately sets about trying for the others. A glance at the figures in Section III., which is only open to winners of Section II., will confirm this.

J.E. writes (12.2.08):—"Please accept my sincere thanks for the beautiful Album you have kindly sent me. I am sure it will afford me great pleasure to transfer my collection to it and still give me space enough for my few varieties."

It would have given us greater pleasure to hear that J.E. was making a bonfire of his "few varieties!" We are sure that he cannot yet have filled every printed space in the Album and until then it would be wiser not to bother about varieties; if already obtained join an Exchange Club and exchange them for standard varieties. Our 9300 standard is quite enough for nine out of ten collectors.

J.I. writes (23.1.08):—"Please to accept my very best thanks for the 'Good Old Times' (European Section) Album to hand."

"I have arranged a good many of my European countries in it and the effect is very pleasing. Indeed, I am already beginning to feel more respect for my Foreign Countries, which, owing to the fashion among collectors of only collecting Colonials, I fear I have somewhat neglected of late."

"The inclusion of year of issue above each stamp makes the Album a valuable work of reference, and the system of numbering the different issues or sets is, in my opinion, a great advance on giving the date only. Your simplified system is, I am convinced, the only practical one for general collecting. Again thanking you."

J. B. writes (5.12.07):—"I beg you to accept my best thanks for Album received this week. It is a gem and one that anybody who is fortunate enough to obtain it, may be proud of."

A Newcastle-on-Tyne winner writes (30.11.07):—"I received the 'Good Old Times' Album safely on Tuesday. It is quite beyond my expectations, being really a beautiful volume and so concise."

The awards are made and albums posted every Monday.

Since our main object in giving these albums away is to get them known, winners can repay us by showing them to stamp-collecting friends as well as by purchasing stamps.

#### No. 3. EDITORIAL COMPETITION.

The competitor who sends us the most interesting item of information for our New Issue column each week will be credited 2/6, which must be claimed within seven days (allowance to foreign readers) and may be selected from any of our approval sheets. From time to time we shall voluntarily increase the prize.

21st March, 1908.

OM for note on British Levant (2/6).

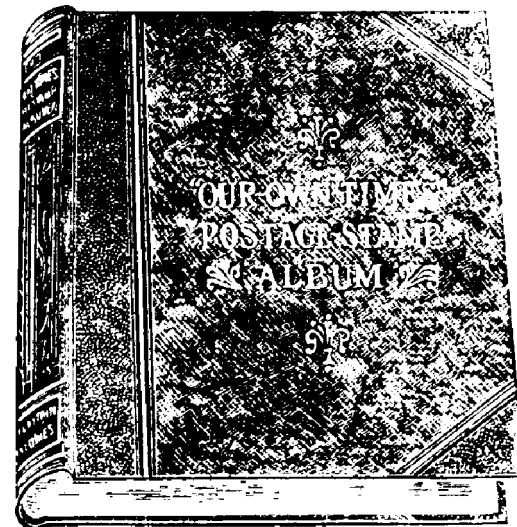
28th March, 1908.

JL for drawing attention to chronicle of Seychelles in a contemporary (2/6).

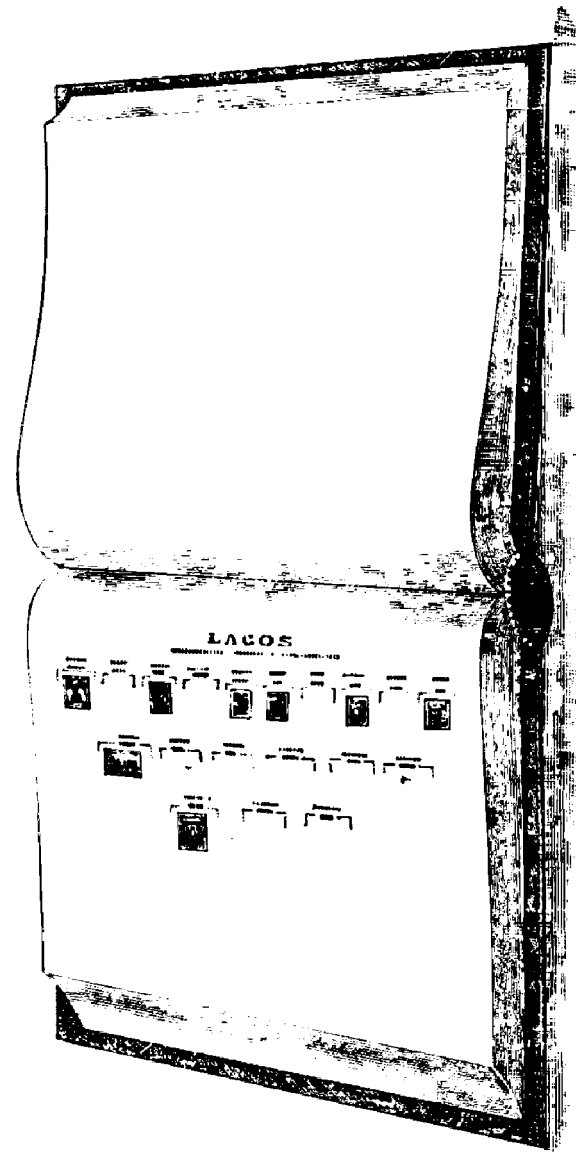
Winners are requested to make early application for their prizes.

### Our Albums.

We are now able to give two illustrations of our new albums. They are bound alike, as shown in the following illustration.



The album opens as shown in the following illustration, thus enabling two albums to be compared close together.



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Simplified System.

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- \* Part II. Europe and Colonies.
- \* Part III. Rest of World.

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† Expected early in 1908.

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Australian Commonwealth.  
Postage Due.

AU aq\* 1/- wmk. NSW, perf. 11½ x 11.

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Postage and Revenue.

CH at\* Ordinary, King, ½a., 1a.; Official, King, ½a., 1a.

au\* King, ½a. and 1a.

Variety, *Italic "T" in State.*

av King, ½a. and 1a.

aw Official, King, ½a. and 1a.

Variety, "I CHAMBA."

ax Official, King, ½a.

ay " " 1a.

Variety, *Slanting Chamba.*

az Official, King, ½a. and 1a. The distribution of these stamps brings this country up to date.

Papua.

BN at† 4d., wmk. Crown A (normal), perf. 11.

at 4d. " " (inverted), perf. 11.

as 4d. " " (inverted), perf. 12½.

With the exception of the 4d., perf. 11 (not quite completed yet), this country is now up to date.

Gwalior on India.

Variety long "R" in Gwalior.

GW az ½a., 1a., 2as., 3a., King.

Antigua.

AN af 1/-, wmk. Crown CA multiple, chalky paper.

British P.O., Levant.

BL an† 12pi. on 2/6, King, chalky paper.

*Surcharged Levant.*

ap† 1/- King, chalky paper. The distribution of these stamps is now completed, and the country brought up to date.

Dominica.

Wmk. Crown CA multiple, chalky paper.

DO an\* ½d., 2½d., 3d., 6d.

ap\* 2½d., 3d., 6d.

aq\* 3d. and 6d.

ar\* 6d.

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## The Week's News.

The Editor is always pleased to receive Early Information of New Issues, or of Discoveries interesting to Stamp Collectors, and will acknowledge such contributions either by name in the journal or by the presentation of several interesting newly-issued stamps, as preferred. The index number and serial letter after the title of each paragraph indicate the issue of E.W.S.N. in which the last reference to that country appeared.

**GREAT BRITAIN.**—*Railway Letter Stamps* (445 M 446).—Mr. E. L. Booty writes us:—"With reference to note in E.W.S.N. No. 443, I have G.W.R. surcharged on Manchester and Milford No. 5335 cancelled at Portland 10.3.08; also No. 42481 cancelled at Weymouth 13.3.08. This latter stamp has on the margin in pencil '6 stamps Dec. 6th 1907.' Is this a reference to the manner in which they are distributed to stations?"

It is quite likely that the G.W.R. send out only six stamps to some stations at a time. This is the usual number on the Great Central, Metropolitan, Lancashire & Yorkshire and other Companies. The idea is to keep the number of stamps outstanding as low as possible, but some companies are not so economical. The North-Eastern has always sent out its stamps in sheets of 30 and the London Brighton & South Coast sends at least 3 sheets of 12 at a time to most stations. A big company like the London and South Western actually only obtained a supply of 3000 stamps in February 1891 when the railway letter post was inaugurated and out of that quantity it had to provide a supply for every station on the line. As a result most of them only got six specimens apiece, which accounts for the rarity of the early issues unused; they were much more quickly used up. Of course stations where there is a proved demand get large supplies. Several Metropolitan stations receive 120 stamps at a time.

*Inverted Watermarks* (403 I 446).—The list recently published was unfortunately inaccurate, having been reprinted from an old number of E.W.S.N. by inadvertence. Taking into consideration some inverted watermarks advised us by Mr. V. Gregory, the list of unknown varieties should be as follows:—

### Unknown with Inverted Watermark.

1d. pl. 93, 109, 124, 145, 163, 206, 223, 224—  
2d. s.c. 5.16—3d. pl. 11, 16, 20 (spray).—  
4d. pl. 18—6d. pl. 9, 18 grey, 18 lilac—  
1/- pl. 10, 11—10/- Anchor—£1 Anchor.  
1880 1½d., 2d., 5d.—1884, ½d. blue, 4d., 5d.,  
5/-, 10/-, £1 Crowns, £1 Orbs, £5—1902,  
King, 1½d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d.,  
9d., 10d., 1/-, 5/-, 10/-, £1. Ditto, chalk-  
paper, 1½d., 2d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 9d.,  
10d., 1/-.

If any of our readers have any of the above, we shall be glad to have particulars.

**CANADA** (442 M 446).—*Der Deutsche Philatelist* (3.08/37) is informed by Mr. Meier, of Montreal, that in connection with the visit of the Prince of Wales in July, Jubilee stamps and stationery will be issued and will remain in use for one month only. The set is to be composed as follows:—

Adhesives. ½, 1, 2, 3, 5, 7, 8, 10, 13, 20, 50c., \$1, 2, 3.  
Postage Dues. 1, 2, 5, 10c.  
Postcards. 1, 1+1, 2, 2+2c.  
Envelopes. 1, 2, 5c.  
Newsbands. 1c.  
Letter-cards. 2, 5c.

We must confess to being rather sceptical about the reliability of this information. The list of adhesives seems very precise, but it includes six values not at present in use, namely, 3, 8, 13c., \$1, \$2, \$3. Granted the right of a colony to issue a commemorative set of stamps—and we consider it is perfectly entitled to do so if it likes—there are no just grounds for adding new values nor for changing the subsidiary sets, such as postage due and express delivery stamps. If the values 3, 8, 13 cents, \$1, 2, 3 are going to be added to the every-day business set, then there is no harm in including them in the commemorative set also. It is rather remarkable that Canada has never had a regular postage stamp of higher value than 2/- although there is a

precedent for high values in regard to a commemorative set, of which by the way the dollar values seem to be common enough used at considerably less than face value, thus implying a good legitimate demand for them. The new stamps are to be adorned with pictures representing the history of Canada.

**CAYMAN ISLANDS** (441 B 446).—After all, there is some doubt whether the Cayman Islands are to blame for the recent provisionals. What at first seemed a clear case against them has crumbled away in remarkable fashion. It appears that when the bi-coloured 4d., 6d. and 1/- stamps were issued, an order was given by the Administration of Jamaica to withdraw the single-coloured stamps from circulation. An interesting point here arises. Did the Administration specify that only the 6d. and 1/- were meant? Otherwise, if all were withdrawn, there would be no ½d., 1d. and 2½d. in stock and provisionals would become necessary, the fault or mistake lying with the Jamaican authorities rather than those at the Cayman Islands. At any rate it is a fact that the ½d., 1d., 2½d., 6d. and 1/- single-coloured stamps with "Postage" were all withdrawn and that no new 2½d. having yet been sent out to the Colony, the Cayman Islands cannot possibly be blamed for this latest provisional. The 2½d. value is largely used for postage to the United States, with which the Cayman Islands are in more frequent direct postal communication than with England.

We clip as follows from *Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News* (8.2.08/51).

### MORE ABOUT CAYMAN ILS. STAMPS.

BY EDWARD HOWARD.

With reference to the third paragraph of C. B. Bostwick's interesting letter published in your issue of Jan. 11, in which he states he read in a German publication "that only 1440 of these stamps were issued" (viz., the sixpence and 1 shilling) I think it probable that he may have confused this issue, King, single color, multiple CA, with the previous one, King, single CA, as regards the quantity printed.

The following two extracts are taken from the *Stamp Collectors' Fortnightly*:—

Feb. 9, '07, No. 311, Page 221 (by J. W. H. H.). Sixpence and one shilling, King, single CA. "Of these two stamps only 1440 were issued of each value," etc.

Mar. 9, '07, No. 313, Page 7. By a Member of the Royal Phil. Soc. "In his article J. W. H. H. states that only 1440 stamps of the face value of sixpence and one shilling C. IIs., K. H., single watermark, were issued. I do not know his authority for this statement but as a matter of fact I have learned from a reliable source that 5500 of the six pence stamps and 4400 of the one shilling stamps with single watermark were issued."

The statement as to the quantity being only 1440 was probably due to confusion with the first printing with multiple wmk., of which it was reported 1440 of each value were done. There were two if not more printings subsequently.

**CHAMBA STATE** (435 U 446).—The State Postmaster of Chamba informs us that he has only been supplied with the following quantities of Chamba State postage stamps, figures which disagree with those of the quantities printed as given by the Postmaster General of India.

"Postage & Revenue"	Chamba State has received.	Said to have been printed.
½ anna Ordinary	24,000	72,480.
1 " "	12,000	36,480.
½ " Service	24,000	48,480.
1 " "	12,000	24,480.

We are also informed that there is still a stock on hand of the following Queen's Head stamps.

Ordinary ½, 1, 2, 3, 4, 6 annas.  
Service ½, 1, 2, 4, 8 annas.

**CURACAO** (369 R 446).—The following additions to the current set are listed by *L'Echo de la Timbrologie* (31.3.08/195).



Adhesives.  
7½c. grey.  
22½c. brown and olive.

**DUTCH INDIES** (406 Z 445).—The following are chronicled by *Der Philatelist* (15.3.08/100):—



Adhesive. Figure design.  
7½c. lilac-grey, perf. 12½.  
Postage Due adhesive.  
2½c. red and black, perf. 12½.  
Envelope. 12½c. dark blue.  
Postcard. 5c. carmine (single and reply).

The following new value is reported by *L'Echo de la Timbrologie* (31.3.08/195).



Adhesive.  
22½c. brown and olive.

**FRANCE** (436 E 446).—The current stamps are now printed on thicker paper, states *L'Echo de la Timbrologie* (31.3.08/195). The 1c. and 10c. values have so far been seen. The former has millésime 7. There are reported to be a large number of imperforate sheets of the 5c. in circulation, one Paris dealer having been offered no fewer than 36 sheets.

**INDIA** (396 J 446).—The following announcement is taken from the *Englishmen* (7.2.08) by *Gibbons Stamp Weekly*.

### "A TELEGRAPH REFORM.

"POSTAGE STAMPS TO BE USED

"ALLAHABAD, Feb. 6.

"It is understood that sanction has been given for the abolition of the double-headed telegraph stamps. Ordinarily postage stamps are to be employed for prepaid telegrams, and receipts will be given for messages."

Mr. W. Corfield, commenting on the above, says:—

"The 'double-headed' telegraph stamps passed away about 1890, and it is the existing label with figure of value in upper half whose abolition is evidently referred to.

"It looks, therefore, as though we may expect a complete new set of Indian postage stamps from ½ anna to 50 rupees, as only the present 2, 3, and 5 rupee values comply with the Postal Union's requirements as regards Arabic figures."

**MEXICO** (428 T 446).—*L'Echo de la Timbrologie* reports the receipt of a set of postage due stamps, which it describes as "magnificent."

Postage Due Adhesives. Line-engraved; figure of value in centre; inscribed *Timbre Complementario* (a new title for postage due stamps) and *Correos Mexico*.

2c. blue.  
4c. blue.  
5c. blue.  
10c. blue.

All are perf. 14. The design is an upright rectangle, and not oblong.

**NEW ZEALAND** (445 C 446).—The Colonial Stamp Market has shown us entire sheets of all the comb perforation varieties yet issued. The sheets now have the plate-number boldly engraved in the upper left-hand corner on the margin, whilst in the upper right-hand corner, as before, is the sheet number in black. The sheets just received bear the following numbers:—

	Plate.	Sheets.
½d. perf. 14 × 13½	2	2421935, 2425140
1d. perf. 14	?	2406200, 2362594
3d. perf. 14 × 13½	7	2366904
4d. "	nil*	nil*
1/- "	8	2369596, 2370465

\* All are in sheets of 240 except the 4d. which are in sheets of 80, 8 rows of 10, and do not show either plate or sheet No.

We have also received a used specimen of the 1d. with clean cut perforation 14 at top and bottom and 14½ rather than 14 at left side; at the right side there seem to be two different gauges, possibly due to double perforation. We hardly think this is the same as the old perfora-

# Approval Sheets of All Countries.

ONLY OBSOLETE ISSUES (9,000 Varieties)

No varieties of perforation or watermark are examined or described; no notice is taken of surcharges. All are standard varieties that have first claim to be represented in a general collector's album. Should any of the stamps have rare perforations, or be in scarce shades, nothing extra is charged on that account.

<p><b>GREAT BRITAIN AND COLONIES.</b> (2691 different sorts exist).</p> <p>479 Gt. Britain, 1840-1870 3701 " 1870-1887 371 " 1887-1901 373 " 1840-1884 374 " 1884-1901 105† Antigua and Bahamas 106 Barbados 107 Bechuanaland and Cayman Is. 480 B.C.A. 108 Bermuda 109 B. Honduras 462 B. Columbia &amp; Vancouver Is. 110 B.E.A. 111 B. Guiana 112 B.S.A. 113 Cape Colony 378 " " 382 " " 114 Ceylon, Pence issues and 1st Cents issue 481 Ceylon, Cents issue 115 Cook Islands 116 Cyprus 104 Canada, 1870-97 117 " 1859-70 118 " 1851-68 119† " 1897-1904 120 " Jubilee and Map 121 Dominica 380 East Africa and Uganda 122 Falkland Islands 123 Fiji Islands 124 Gambia 125 Gibraltar 126 Gold Coast 127 Grenada 469 Heligoland and Ionian Islands 128 Hong Kong 129 East India 130 India (Empire) 131 Jamaica 357 " used 132 Labuan, 1st design, Queen's Head 133 " 1879-1897 483 " 1895-03 134 Lagos 135 Leeward Islands 348 Madagascar, British Post. 136 Malta 137 Mauritius, Pence issues 488 " Cents 138 Montserrat and Nevis 139 Natal 140 New Brunswick, Nova Scotia 141 Newfoundland, 1857-80 482 " 1880-1905 468 New Republic 143 New South Wales, 1862-97 372 " 144† New Zealand, 1st design 145 " 146 Niger Coast 148† North Borneo, 1883-1889 486 " Pictorial issues 149 Northern Nigeria 150 Orange Free State and Colony 351 Orange River Colony 498 Prince Edward Is. 151 Queensland, 1860-1882</p>	<p>152† Queensland, 1882-96 492† " 1891-1907 154 St. Christopher 155† St. Helena 156 St. Lucia 157 St. Vincent 158 Sarawak 159 Seychelles 349 " 160 Sierra Leone 161† S. 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Colonies near Europe 493† " 245 Ditto, beyond Europe, 1870-93 416 " " 1897 design 402 " " 1870-1898 246 Ditto (Vasca da Gama), 1893-97 247 Ditto, 1897 type 248 Mozambique, India and Nyassa 428† Pictorial stamps 249 Roumania, 1858-71 (imperf. issues) 250 " 1871-90 417† " 1890-1891 418 " Pictorial 251 Russia 252 Russian Foreign P.O. 253 San Marino 254 Serbia, 1866-05 255 " 1901-05 256 Spain, 1850-67 397 " 1850-1872</p>	<p>257 Spain, 1870-1878 258 " 1879-95 424 " 1873-75 259 Cuba, 1855-77 260 " 1882-98 419 " 1877-1881 421† Elobey and Spanish Guinea 261 Fernando Poo 262 Philippines 389 Philippine Islands 263 Porto Rico 390 " 264 Sweden, 1855-1872 410 " 1891 265 Switzerland, 1845-82 266 " 1882-1900 267 Turkey, 1863-76 268 " 1892-06 398 " 269 Wurtemberg 425 "</p> <p><b>REST OF WORLD.</b> (2565 different sorts exist).</p> <p>270 Abyssinia 384 Afghanistan 271 China 273 Congo Free State 274 Corea 275 " 276 Egypt 473 " 277 Japan, 1871-76 278† " 1894-1900 467 " 1876-1904 279 Liberia, 1860-1892 453 " 1892-06 280 Persia, 1868-91 281 " 1891-1906 463 Shanghai 283 Siam 284 Argentine Republic, 1858-67 285 " " 1882-90 286 " " 1889-92 287 " " 1892-99 458 Buenos Aires and Corrientes 288 Bolivia, 1866-67 289 " 1878-97 290 " 1897-01 291 Brazil, 1844-78 292 " 1878-1900, chiefly used 293† " 1880-1906 294 Chili, 1852-81 295 " 1881-1906 379 " cheap used 296 Colombia, 1859-70 297† " 1876-86 298† " 1890-98 299† " 1902-04 300 Colombia (Cartagena and other issues, 1898-05) 433 " 1902 issue 301 Costa Rica, 1862-89 454 " 1892-06 302 Dominican Republic, 1862-1900 466 " 303 Ecuador, 1865-94 430 " 1899-05 432 " 1895-99 304 Guatemala, 1871-86</p>	<p>305 Guatemala, 1902 426† " 1897-06 306 Hayti, 1871-98 422† " 1898-1906 307 Honduras, 1865-92 431 " 1892-02 308 Mexico, 1856-74 309 " 1874-82 310 " 1884-85 311† " 1886-99 429 " 1886-03 312 Nicaragua, 1862-91 313 " 1892-97 455 " 1898-06 314 Panama (unsurcharged) 317 Paraguay, 1870-1892 318 " 1900-03 319† " 1903-07 460 " (cheap used) 320 Peru, 1858-74 321 " 1895-96 456 " 1896-07 322 Salvador, 1867-92 323† " 1892-95 464 " 1895-96 465 " 1897-06 324 Uruguay, used and unused 325 " 1884-90 326 " 1890-05 327 " 1895 383 " 1887-04 427 " 1895-07 328 Venezuela, 1859-06 (for internal postage) 329† Venezuela, 1880-96 (Foreign correspondence) 457† Venezuela, 1893-06 (Foreign correspondence) 330 United States, 1851-1900 331 " 1884, 1900, 1902. 332 " Columbus, Omaha, etc. 404 " cheap used 461 " (used) 333 Confederate States and Cuba 443 Samoa 334† Hawaii, 1853-1882 459 " 1894 (Pictorial issue)</p> <p><b>INDIAN NATIVE STATES.</b> (301 different sorts exist).</p> <p>335 Alwur, Bamra, Bhor and Bhopal, first issue 476† Bhopal, second issue 337 Bundi 494 Bussahir 338 Charkhari and Cochin 495 Dhar, Duttia and Faridkot 339 Holkar and Hyderabad 340 Jaipur, Jhind, and Jhalawar 496 Jummoo and Kashmir 341 Kishengarh 342† Nepal and Nowanuggar 343 Rajnandgaon, Rajpeepa and Sirmoor [Scinde Dawk 344 Sirmoor [Scinde Dawk 497 Soruth, Travancore &amp; Wadhwan</p> <p><b>NEW ISSUES (USED).</b> Sheets of these, Foreign and Colonial, are now ready.</p>
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† These Sheets are newly mounted this week.

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# Approval Sheets of New Issues.

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Stamps purchased from these Approval Sheets count in the Competition for "Our Own Times" Album, whereas those purchased from the above Sheets (obsolete issues) count in the "Good Old Times" Competition.

<p>500 Aitutaki on N.Z. 501 Antigua 581 Australian Commonwealth Postage Dues 502 Bahamas, King, &amp;c. 503 Barbados 504 Bechuanaland, King 505 Bermuda, Dockyard 506 Br. Central Africa, King 507 British Guiana 508 Br. Honduras, King 585 British New Guinea 509 Br. New Guinea and Papua 510 Br. South Africa [unused 380 Brunei, 1st issue, used and 512 Brunei, surch. and pictorial 511 Canada, King, &amp;c. 513 Cape, King 514 Cayman Is., King 515 Ceylon, King 516 Chamba on India, King</p>	<p>360 Cook Islands, Queen's Head 517 Cook Is. 518 Cyprus, King 519 Dominica, pictorial 520 E. Africa, King 521 Falkland, King 522 Fiji, King 523 Gambia, King 524 Gibraltar, King 525 Gold Coast, King 526 Grenada, King 527 Gwalior on India, King 528 Hong Kong, King 529 India, King 530 C.E.F. on India, King 531 Jamaica, Arms 532 Jhind on India 533 Johor, 1904 534 Labuan, Crown 580 Labuan, pictorial</p>	<p>411 Labuan, sur. 'Straits' 381 " used and un. 535 Lagos, King 536 Leeward, King 537 Levant on Gt. Britain 538 Malay States 539 Maldives on Ceylon 540 Malta, King, &amp;c. 541 Mauritius, Arms 542 Montserrat, Arms 584 Morocco Ag. on Gibraltar—varieties 543† Morocco on Gibraltar 544 Morocco on Gt. Britain 545 Nabha on India, King 546 Natal, King [Family 547 Newfoundland, Cabot and Royal 548 New South Wales 583 New Zealand Pictorials and Officials 549 New Zealand, pictorial</p>	<p>550 Niue on N.Z. 551 North Borneo 552 N. Nigeria, King 553 Orange River Colony, King 554 Patiala on India, King 555 Penrhyn on N.Z. 556 Queensland 557 St. Helena, King, &amp;c. 558 St. Kitts-Nevis, pictorial 559 St. Lucia, King 560 St. Vincent, King 561 Sarawak, Rajah's Head 562 Seychelles, King 563 Sierra Leone, King 564 Solomon Islands 565 Somaliland, 1st issue 566 Somaliland, King and Queen, surch. 579 " Prot. King 347 Somaliland</p>	<p>377 Somaliland Officials, 1st issue varieties 378 Somaliland Service 596 South Australia 567 S. Nigeria, King 568† Straits, King 569 Sudan, Camel 570 Tasmania, pictorial 571 Tonga, pictorial and portrait 350 Transvaal C.S.A.R. 572 Transvaal, King 573 Trinidad 574 Turks Islands 575 Victoria 576 Virgin Islands 577 Western Australia 349 Zanzibar, 1904, and varieties 578 Zanzibar, Arms</p>
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## USED STAMPS.

Please order on separate sheet, as this stock is kept at 30, Palace Square.

### BRITISH HONDURAS.

Very fine used copies of the 2c. on red King's Head, 1½d. each; 1/3 per dozen.  
Also fine used copies of the 5c. on blue King's Head, price 4d. each.

### UGANDA.

1898 Queen's Head, used, 1 rupee blue, 5d.; 5 rupee brown, 1/4, overprinted "Inland Revenue," but look as well in a general collection as postally used copies.

### TASMANIA PICTORIALS.

Complete used set ½d. green, 1d. red, 2d. lilac, 2½d. blue, 3d. brown, 4d. yellow, 5d. blue and 6d. rose, only 1/6.

### TASMANIA.

Queen's Head of 1870. Very fine used copies of the ½d. yellow in singles, pairs and strips of four, price per stamp, 1½d.

1892, Queen's Head, exceedingly fine used copies, 2½d. lilac, 1½d. 1/- red and green, 7d. 5d. blue, 4d. 2/6 brown, 2/3. 6d. lilac, 6d. 5/- lilac, 4/6. 10d. red, 1/- 10/- lilac, 8/-.  
Set of eight values, 17/-.



tion 14, but on the other hand it does not tally with the comb perforation, unless the latter is irregular. The specimen is postmarked "Wellington, 21.2.08."

**ROUMANIA** (443 P 446).—The new issue is now announced for 14.4.08, states *L'Echo de la Timbrologie*. The 15 baui, mauve, of the new set, is much larger than the other values of the set.

**SOUTH AUSTRALIA** (443 P 446).—The following novelty has been shown us by the Colonial Stamp Market.



Adhesive. Wmk. Crown A, perf. 12 x 11 1/2. 5d. lilac.

Issued 20.2.08 or earlier. A sheet before us is numbered "5d. 018" in pink and "005016" in black.

**STRAITS SETTLEMENTS** (442 F 446).—The *Singapore Free Press* (17.12.07) is quoted by *Gibbons Stamp Weekly* as follows:—

The present one cent stamp with its background of palms is emblematical of Singapore and incidentally of the *Free Press* on which it pays the postage. The three cent stamp with the background of pinang trees of course represents Penang, while the four cents adorned with *nipah* palm stands for Malacca. In its new shade of crimson this is perhaps the most artistic of the set. On the eight cent is shown the *Kris*, which may stand for Malaya as a whole. The four stamps so familiar to all were designed by Sir Walter Egerton, and though perhaps he cannot find time to complete the series, surely there are other artists who might carry on the work.

**SUDAN** (444 W 446).—The new 2 on 3 mill. postcard has been shown us by Mr. S. M. Low, writing from Assouan under date of 22.3.08 (see reference in *E.W.S.N.* No. 443).



Postcard.

"2 MILLIEMES" in black in sans-serif capitals on 3 mill., violet.

(a) Variety. Second E like F.

The following new stationery is also shown us by Mr. Low.

**Registration Envelopes.** Similar to the old British envelopes, with blue inscriptions and large blue R in top left-hand corner; imprint of Thos. De La Rue & Co.

1 piastre, blue.

1 1/2 piastre, deep orange.

There is no inscription at the back and on the front, it is wholly in English, whereas on the postcards the inscription is bilingual. The stamps have however a small rectangular frame above them with inscription "Registration and Postage Fee" in English and Arabic.

**Newsrapper.** Inscription Arabic only. 1 mill., dark brown.

The 1 mill. adhesives are now printed from plate 2, the No. being printed on the margins of the sheet in brown.

**SURINAM** (443 Q 446).—The following novelties are reported by *L'Echo de la Timbrologie* (31.3.08/195).

Adhesives.

7 1/2c. grey.

22 1/2c. brown and olive.

**TURKEY** (443 S 446).—The expected high values have now been added to the set, the colours being reported by *L'Echo de la Timbrologie* (31.3.08/195) as follows:—

Adhesives.

10 piastres, red.

25 " grey-green.

50 " brown.

Four values of the set have been surcharged for use on foreign correspondence.

Adhesives.

10 paras, green. Overprint, red.

20 " rose. " blue.

1 piastre, blue. " red.

2 " grey. " red.

The overprint is the Turkish "b" as on the preceding issue. There are also:—

**Newspaper Adhesives.** With overprint as before.

5 paras, bistre.

10 " green.

20 " rose.

2 piastres, grey-blue.

5 " violet.

All are perf. 13 1/2 x 12.

### Our Prize Competitions.

#### No. 1. APPROVAL DEPT. (Current Issues).

To the competitor who has purchased by the end of next week the most stamps from our approval sheets of current issues (informing us at the time he wishes the number to compete) we will send post free a copy of "Our Own Times" Postage Stamp Album. This album is specially arranged for King's Head stamps and other current colonial issues.

Result, Week ending 4th April, 1908.

	Stamps
WB (winner and 4th last week) ...	119
GC (runner-up and last week) ...	88
PN (5th last week) ...	85
JW (3rd last week) ...	80
EHS (6th last week) ...	58
EF (9th last week) ...	54
JS (7th last week) ...	45
GL (8th last week) ...	41
RB (11th last week) ...	33

Non-winners' totals are carried forward to next week.

#### No. 2. APPROVAL DEPT. (Old Issues).

To the competitor who has purchased by the end of next week the most stamps from our approval sheets of old issues (informing us at the time he wishes the number to compete) we will present a copy of the "Good Old Times" Postage Stamp Album (no watermarks, perforations, surcharges, minor varieties).

#### SECTION II.—EUROPE AND COLONIES.

Result, Week ending 4th April, 1908.

AS (winner and 3rd last week) ...	76
WB (runner-up and 5th last week) ...	49
RT ...	49
EHS (2nd last week) ...	41
JH (4th last week) ...	36
AD (6th last week) ...	28
HW (7th last week) ...	23
FC (8th last week) ...	21
AE (10th last week) ...	18

#### SECTION III.—REST OF THE WORLD.

Same conditions as No. 2 but only open to winners of Section II. The prize is Part III. of the Album, and stamps purchased from any approval sheets of old issues count.

Result, Week ending 4th April, 1908.

JO (winner and runner-up last week) ...	166
RW (runner-up and 3rd last week) ...	152
Mrs. U (4th last week) ...	142
JE (5th last week) ...	131
GA (6th last week) ...	128
JB (7th last week) ...	117
FS (10th last week) ...	87
GS (8th last week) ...	67
ESW (9th last week) ...	67
JR (11th last week) ...	51
JF (12th last week) ...	47
PB (13th last week) ...	39
ES (14th last week) ...	27

Non-winners' totals are carried forward to next week. Winners residing abroad will be required to pay carriage and customs charges if any.

#### SECTION I.—GREAT BRITAIN AND COLONIES.

Although this album is not likely to be ready for several months, winners of Section III. intending to compete for it can have their purchases credited in the meantime, all the totals being carried forward until the competition commences. This album will complete the very handsome series of three volumes.

The following totals are carried forward to the first week of the competition.

GP ...	61	ES ...	14
Mrs. C. ...	48	RG ...	13
FL ...	42	WS ..	6
JF ...	15		

G.L. writes (12.2.08):—"Many thanks for Album which arrived quite safely; it is just in keeping with all your other goods, quite the best. I mean to have a try now for your other Album."

Perhaps the best recommendation of our Albums is the avidity with which a winner of one of them immediately sets about trying for the others. A glance at the figures in Section III., which is only open to winners of Section II., will confirm this.

J.I. writes (23.1.08):—"Please to accept my very best thanks for the 'Good Old Times' (European Section) Album to hand.

"I have arranged a good many of my European countries in it and the effect is very pleasing. Indeed, I am already beginning to feel more respect for my Foreign Countries, which, owing to the fashion among collectors of only collecting Colonials, I fear I have somewhat neglected of late.

"The inclusion of year of issue above each stamp makes the Album a valuable work of reference, and the system of numbering the different issues or sets is, in my opinion, a great advance on giving the date only. Your simplified system is, I am convinced, the only practical one for general collecting. Again thanking you."

The awards are made and albums posted every Monday.

Since our main object in giving these albums away is to get them known, winners can repay us by showing them to stamp-collecting friends as well as by purchasing stamps.

#### No. 3. EDITORIAL COMPETITION.

The competitor who sends us the most interesting item of information for our New Issue column each week will be credited 2/6, which must be claimed within seven days (allowance for foreign readers) and may be selected from any of our approval sheets. From time to time we shall voluntarily increase the prize.

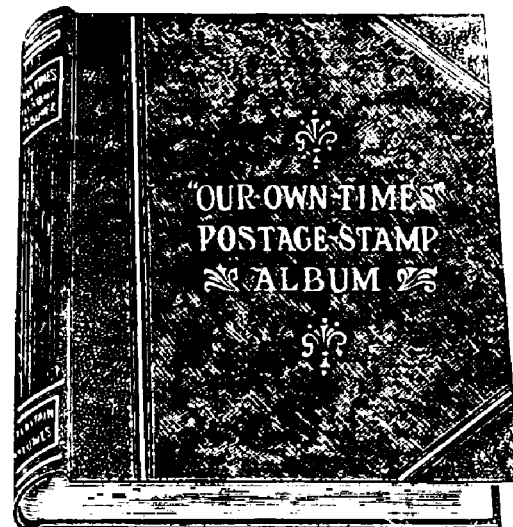
4th April, 1908.

RD for note on Gibraltar (2/6).

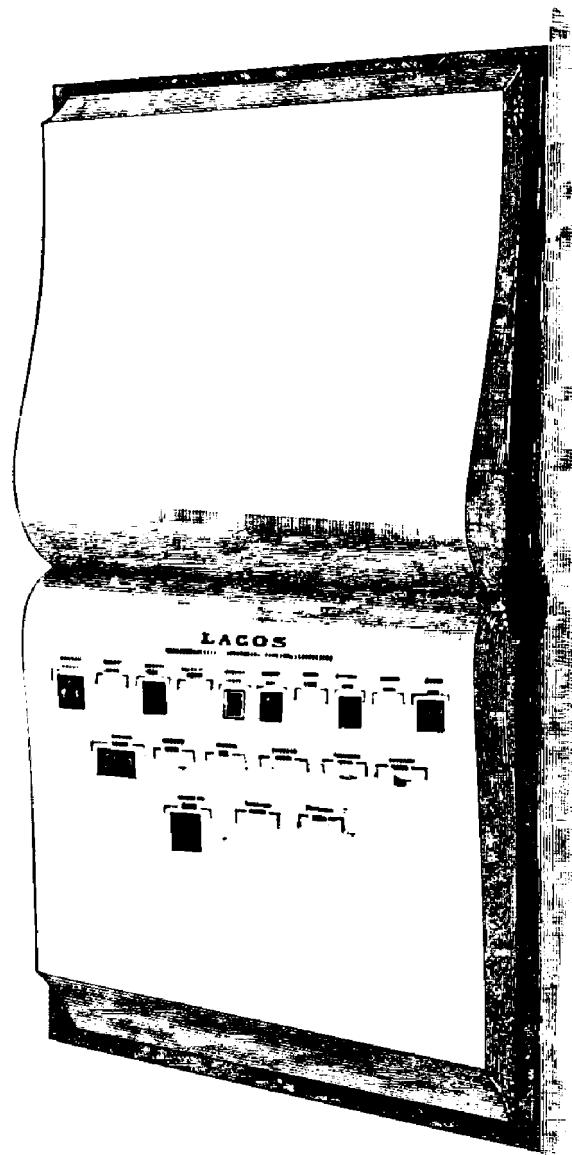
Winners are requested to make early application for their prizes.

### Our Albums.

We are now able to give two illustrations of our new albums. They are bound alike, as shown in the following illustration.



The album opens as shown in the following illustration, thus enabling two albums to be compared close together.



There is plenty of blank space for additional varieties and a blank quadrillé-ruled page after each colony, so that the album provides space for New Issues for many years to come. The complete set will be as follows:—

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† Expected early in 1908.

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French F.P.O., Morocco.

FFP aa\* 1, 2, 3, 4c. Set of 4.

Straits Settlements.

ST bb\* \$5, wmk. Crown CA multiple, chalky paper.

Mauritius.

MU ax\* 3c. on yellow, wmk. Crown CA multiple, chalky paper.

This distribution brings the country up to date.

New South Wales.

NSW bo 1/2d., wmk. NSW, perf. 12x11.

bp 1d., " Crown A, "

bq 2d., " " "

br 6d., " " "

bs 2/6, " " "

New Zealand.

NZ bl† 3d. Official, used.

bw† 1/-, wmk. NZ, comb perf. 14x13 1/2.

by† 4d. " " "

ca\* 1/2d. " " "

cb\* 3d. " " " With the exception of the 1d. rose this distribution brings the country up to date in respect of the comb perforated stamps.

British Somaliland on India.

SM aot† 3r., inverted surcharge.

Victoria.

VC bl† £1, wmk. Crown A, perf. 11.

bn† £2 " " " We have received a supply of the South Australia 5d. stamps watermarked Crown A, which we shall be sending out with the current week's New Issues. Also the \$5 Malay, multiple watermark on chalky paper, and Tasmania 1/- perf. 11.

### More Philosophy.

IS THIS SO?

From the Metropolitan Philatelist.

On another page will be found the views of Mr. H. L'Estrange Ewen on dealers' stocks, as at present conducted. Although we concede that his remarks are quite true, there is still another side to the case. Undoubtedly the collector wants to get what he orders but at the same time it gives him great pleasure to know that he secured the last one in the dealer's stock especially if he has already tried half a dozen other dealers without success. In other words the pleasure of collecting consists in the hunting for rare stamps. All hunting and no game is very discouraging work, but if it were as easy to buy every desired stamp as it is to purchase a pound of sugar there would be very little pleasure in collecting, and of those who still continued in the game the richest man would have the best collection. In early days before the annual catalogues were veritable encyclopedias of stamp lore, Philatelic Societies flourished, the amateur had made a discovery, he had a distinct stamp showing many points of difference from the catalogue variety. He took it to the next meeting and the stamp was discussed. That day has passed. If he gets a new variety he at once concludes that it is different from the accepted stamp it must be a counterfeit, or if quite different, a new issue. The catalogues have taken away all incentives to study or talk of new acquisitions. If the catalogues would cut down to lists of designs leaving out all varieties there would be many more collectors. And so with dealers' stocks, the amateur likes to be able to buy any stamp he wants, but he is better satisfied if he frequently has to keep his cash and wait for his stamps.

[This opinion coincides with ours that it is the excellence of modern catalogues which has killed interest to a large extent in old issues of stamps; it is only in the case of new issues that the average collector has a chance to get anything that he can show his friends with the certainty of their being interested. "New Issues" have arisen to save the hobby.]

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## New Colour Scheme for Colonial Postage Stamps.

1/- STAMPS ON GREEN PAPER.

THE April number of the *Colonial Office Journal* makes an announcement of great importance to collectors. Briefly, the present bi-coloured system of colouring is to be abandoned and in future values under 3d. will be uni-coloured, whilst those of 3d. and over will be printed on coloured papers—red, yellow, blue or green. There is a small remaining stock of the green paper still on hand with single Crown CA watermark, so that the first printings under the new scheme on this paper may become rare.

We quote as follows from the *Colonial Office Journal* (4.08/339).

"COLONIAL STAMPS.

"In our last issue we stated that we hoped to be in a position to discuss definite schemes for rendering impossible the manipulation of the values of stamps.

"One method would be for all the Colonies which employ the Universal key-plate system to purchase a new set of duty plates for use with a new Universal key-plate, which has been made and which shows only the head of His Majesty the King in an oval frame, somewhat similar to the Transvaal key-plate. The cost of this change, however, would have been very great. The following alternative plan which is on the point of being submitted to the various Colonial Governments would involve no expenditure except in very few cases. We may be able to announce the decisions arrived at in our next issue. The scheme, which will allow of the existing plates being retained, is the adoption of single singly-fugitive colours for all stamps of less value than 3d., stamps of the value of 3d. and upwards being each printed partly in doubly fugitive ink on the following coloured papers, i.e., red, yellow, blue or green. It would occupy too much space to detail the varieties thus obtainable, but it would be essential for all Colonies to agree upon the same colour for the same, or approximately the same, values. The colours chosen will be seen as the issue of stamps of the different values is announced from time to time.

"Of the four coloured papers mentioned above, red, yellow and blue have been fairly frequently used in the past, but it so happens that green paper has only been used for the 25 cents. stamp of Mauritius.

"We may mention that a fifth kind of paper of a buff colour has hitherto been used in the case of the five and eight cents stamps of Mauritius, and the 4d. stamp of Trinidad, but in all probability no more of this paper will be made.

"The only Colonies whose stamps so far have been, or are being, printed in accordance with this new colour scheme are Grenada, Cayman Islands, St. Helena, and the Nyasaland Protectorate, the issues of each of them being of a description to a greater or less degree new. The details of these issues will be found below, and it will be noticed that green paper is used in the case of the 1s. and 10s. values.

"Now, as green paper has been so little used, no fresh supply has been required since the introduction of the new multiple watermark, so that the paper given out for the 1s. and 10s. stamps of the above four Colonies, was of the old single watermark kind, except in the case of the 10s. stamp of the Nyasaland Protectorate, which is of a large size. It was the necessity for paper with the new watermark for this stamp which called the attention of the authorities to the fact that the other stamps were all on the old paper, which will not be used again for the printing of stamps.

"Thus, the watermark of the paper will show the first 'Editions' of the various stamps. The number issued of each kind of stamp will be duly announced."

We regret to have to report the death of our Melbourne correspondent, Mr. Norman C. Horwood.

## The Week's News.

The Editor is always pleased to receive Early Information of New Issues, or of Discoveries interesting to Stamp Collectors, and will acknowledge such contributions either by name in the journal or by the presentation of several interesting newly-issued stamps, as preferred.

The index number and serial letter after the title of each paragraph indicate the issue of E.W.S.N. in which the last reference to that country appeared.

**ANTIGUA** (444 Q 447).—Collectors will have noticed the extra thickness of the paper used for the 2½d. all blue recently issued. The explanation is to be found in the following paragraph which we take from the *Colonial Office Journal* (4.08/343).

It may have been observed that some stamps are printed on thicker paper than others. This is only supposed to apply to stamps printed by the steel or copper-plate process, as it has been found that the wetting necessary in printing by this process tries the thinner paper too much. The paper referred to is about 25 per cent. thicker than the ordinary paper, and it has been inadvertently used for printing the last two issues of the large Antigua stamps.

It will be interesting to see if other stamps besides the 2½d. turn up on the thick paper. We were informed that only 6,300 of the 2½d. on thick paper were received in Antigua, so that presumably this printing will be scarce, as the next will be on thin paper.

**AUSTRIA** (443 Z 447).—We are indebted to Mr. Jenny for first sight of a handsome new set of postage due stamps.

*Postage Due Adhesives.* Square design with Arms above and large figure of value in white on solid coloured ground below. Perf. 12½.

1	heller, crimson.
2	" "
4	" "
6	" "
10	" "
20	" "
30	" "
50	" "
100	" "

Issued 8.4.08 or earlier.

**HAYTI** (439 F 447).—Another provisional is reported by *Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News* (28.3.08/114).

*Adhesive.*

"1 Centime" in hexagonal frame in brown on 10c. orange-brown.

**JAMAICA** (445 I 447).—After being sent the 2½d. on single watermark paper by mistake, the Colonial Stamp Market has now received its supply with multiple watermark and finds that it is on chalk-surface paper.

Our original chronicle was therefore correct. We cannot say if there is a "ser.et" error on the sheets, as our New Issue Department tore the sheets up before we had time to examine them; if there is, then some of our New Issue clients have got the variety at the price of the ordinary stamp.

This stamp should be worth holding, as no doubt the next printing will be all blue.

**NYASALAND PROTECTORATE** (A 447).—We quote as follows from the *Colonial Office Journal* (4.08/343).

"BRITISH CENTRAL AFRICA PROTECTORATE.—The name of this Protectorate having been changed to Nyasaland Protectorate, it has been necessary to make a corresponding alteration in the stamps of the Protectorate. They will in future be printed from the two new Universal key-plates and will be the first stamps to be so printed. The stamps will not be despatched until April, and their colours will follow the Universal colour scheme. There will be one new value, i.e., ½d.; the other values ordered being 1d., 3d., 4d., 6d., 1s., 2s. 6d., 4s., 10s., £1 and £10. The new colour scheme will be followed throughout, and the 1s. stamps, of which 60,000 are being supplied, are on single watermark green paper. The last four values are of the large size, and have, in our opinion, a very fine appearance."

*Adhesives.* Wmk. Crown CA multiple, except the 1/- which has single wmk.

½d.	all green	Small design.
1d.	all rose	"
3d.	red (?) on yellow paper	"
4d.	colour ?	"
6d.	" ?	"

1/-	blk. ? on grn. (single wmk.)	Small design.
2/6	colour ?	"
4/-	" ?	Large design.
10/-	on green paper (mult. wmk.)	"
£1	colour ?	"
£10	" ?	"

As these are being sent out to the Protectorate this month, there is presumably no possibility of the old B.C.A. stamps being overprinted "Nyasaland Protectorate."

It is to be hoped that with this issue the Nyasaland Protectorate will introduce a systematic method of numbering its sheets of stamps. With the nigger design issue each printing had a new consecutive letter, the series running from A to I. The King's Head issue commenced A, B and then for some unfathomable reason went back to A. Perhaps there was a new postmaster who had learnt the alphabet backwards!

It is the policy of the present Postmaster General of the Protectorate to check by every means in his power the revenue from stamp collectors and in pursuance of this policy it may be taken as practically certain that the remainders of the British Central Africa stamps will be either used up (without a surcharge) or burnt, the latter course being the most likely one. The 6d. on chalk-surface paper, in mint condition, will thus become a scarce stamp. We sent a reply paid telegram to the Postmaster General some two or three months ago asking as to the policy to be pursued, but were not even favoured with an acknowledgment by post; we think, however, it is quite likely the Nyasaland stamps may be seen over here in July, if not earlier.

**PERSIA** (443 T 447).—Two values in a new design are reported by the *Bazaar, Exchange & Mart* (8.4.08/1000).



*Adhesives.* Large design, very similar to that of the 1882 issue, but with head of new Shah. Printed on stout unwatermarked paper, perf. 11½.

13 chahi, deep blue. 26 chahi, pale red-brown.

**ST. VINCENT** (422 D 447).—The new 2d. stamp is now being printed, states the *Colonial Office Journal* (4.08/343).



*Adhesive.* Multiple Crown CA. wmk. ordinary paper. 2d. yellow.

**TASMANIA** (425 L 447).—The following new variety has been shown us by the Colonial Stamp Market.



*Adhesive.* Wmk. Crown A., perf. 11.  
1/- rose and green.

**TURK'S AND CAICOS ISLANDS** (400 K 447).—The following paragraph is from the *Colonial Office Journal* (4.08/343).

Turk's Islands have ordered 3d. stamps for the first time. They will be of the existing design and printed in brown on yellow paper. This is the first occasion on which coloured paper has been used for copper-plate stamps.

The Colonial Stamp Market has shown us specimens of the above, which are in sheets of 60 as usual and were issued on 20.3.08.



*Adhesive.* Wmk. multiple Crown CA, ordinary paper.\* 3d. brown on yellow paper.

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<p><b>GREAT BRITAIN AND COLONIES.</b> (2691 different sorts exist).</p> <p>479 Gt. Britain, 1840-1870 370 " 1870-1887 371 " 1887-1901 373 " 1840-1884 374 " 1884-1901 105 Antigua and Bahamas 106 Barbados 107 Bechuanaland and Cayman Is. 480 B.C.A. 108 Bermuda 109 B. Honduras 462 B. Columbia &amp; Vancouver Is. 110 B.E.A. 111 B. 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Colonies near Europe 493 " " 245 Ditto, beyond Europe, 1870-93 416 " " 1897 design 402 " " 1870-1898 246 Ditto (Vasca da Gama), 1893-97 247 Ditto, 1897 type 248 Mozambique, India and Nyassa 428 Pictorial stamps 249 Roumania, 1858-71 (imperf. issues) 250 " 1871-90 417 " 1890-1891 418 " Pictorial 251 Russia 252 Russian Foreign P.O. 253 San Marino 254 Servia, 1866-05 255 " 1901-05 256 Spain, 1850-67 397 " 1850-1872</p>	<p>257 Spain, 1870-1878 258 " 1879-95 424 " 1873-75 259 Cuba, 1855-77 260 " 1882-98 419 " 1877-1881 421 Elobey and Spanish Guinea 261 Fernando Poo 262 Philippines 389 Philippine Islands 263 Porto Rico 264 Sweden, 1855-1872 410 " 1891 265 Switzerland, 1845-82 266 " 1882-1900 267 Turkey, 1863-76 268 " 1892-06 398 " " 269 Wurtemberg</p> <p><b>REST OF WORLD.</b> (2565 different sorts exist).</p> <p>270 Abyssinia 384 Afghanistan 271 China 273 Congo Free State 274 Corea 275 " " 276 Egypt 473 " " 277 Japan, 1871-76 278 " 1894-1900 467 " 1876-1904 279 Liberia, 1860-1892 453 " 1892-06 280 Persia, 1868-91 281 " 1891-1906 463 Shanghai 283 Siam 284 Argentine Republic, 1853-67 285 " " 1882-90 286 " " 1889-92 287 " " 1892-99 458 Buenos Aires and Corrientes 288 Bolivia, 1866-67 289 " 1878-97 290 " 1878-01 291 Brazil, 1844-78 292 " 1878-1900, chiefly used 293 " 1880-1906 294 Chili, 1852-81 295 " 1861-1906 379 " cheap used 296 Colombia, 1859-70 297 " 1876-86 298 " 1890-98 299 " 1902-04 300 Colombia (Cartagena and other issues, 1898-05) 433 " 1902 issue 301 Costa Rica, 1862-89 454 " 1892-06 302 Dominican Republic, 1862-1900 466 " " 303 Ecuador, 1865-94 430 " 1899-05 432 " 1895-99 304 Guatemala, 1871-86</p>	<p>305 Guatemala, 1902 426 " 1897-06 306 Hayti, 1871-98 422 " 1898-1906 307 Honduras, 1865-92 431 " 1892-02 308 Mexico, 1856-74 309 " 1874-82 310 " 1884-85 311 " 1886-99 429 " 1886-03 312 Nicaragua, 1862-91 313 " 1892-97 455 " 1898-06 314 Panama (unsurcharged) 317 Paraguay, 1870-1892 318 " 1900-03 319 " 1903-07 460 " (cheap used) 320 Peru, 1858-74 321 " 1895-96 456 " 1896-07 322 Salvador, 1867-92 323 " 1892-95 464 " 1895-96 465 " 1897-06 324 Uruguay, used and unused 325 " 1884-90 326 " 1890-05 327 " 1895 383 " 1887-04 427 " 1895-07 328 Venezuela, 1859-06 (for internal postage) 329 Venezuela, 1880-96 (Foreign correspondence) 457 Venezuela, 1893-06 (Foreign correspondence) 330 United States, 1851-1882 331 " 1884, 1900, 1902 332 " Columbia, etc. 404 " cheap used 461 " (used) 333 Confederate States and Cuba 443 Samoa 334 Hawaii, 1853-1882 459 " 1891 (Pictorial issue)</p> <p><b>INDIAN NATIVE STATES.</b> (301 different sorts exist).</p> <p>335 Alwar, Bamra, Bhor and Bhopal, first issue 476 Bhopal, second issue 337 Bundi 494 Bussahir 338 Charkhari and Cochin 495 Dhar, Duttia and Faridkot 339 Holkar and Hyderabad 340 Jaipur, Jhind, and Jhalawar 496 Jummoo and Kashmir 341 Kishengarh 342 Nepal and Nowanuggur 343 Rajnandgaon, Rajpepla and Sirmoor (Scinde Dawk) 497 Soruth, Travancore &amp; Wadhwan</p> <p><b>NEW ISSUES (USED).</b> Sheets of these, Foreign and Colonial, are now ready.</p>
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## USED STAMPS.

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### GRENADA.

6d. rose, wmk. Star, superb used side pair lightly cancelled "A 15" once, 6/6.

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1898 Queen's Head, used, 1 rupee blue, 5d.; 5 rupee brown, 1/4, overprinted "Inland Revenue," but look as well in a general collection as postally used copies.

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Complete used set 1/4d. green, 1d. red, 2d. lilac, 2 1/2d. blue, 3d. brown, 4d. yellow, 5d. blue and 6d. rose, only 1/6.

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1892, Queen's Head, exceedingly fine used copies.  
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6d. lilac, 6d. 5/- lilac, 4/6.  
10d. red, 1/- 10/- lilac, 8/-.  
Set of eight values, 17/-.



TRINIDAD (444 T 447).—We are informed by Mr. E. W. Floyd that the 2½d. all blue occurs in both plates 1 and 2.

ZANZIBAR (343 W 447).—Under date of 12.2.08 the Postmaster, Zanzibar, writes us that a new issue of stamps was expected to be put into circulation about 3.08. The values were to be 3, 6, 12, 15, 25, 50 cents, 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 rupees. The reality would however seem to be much more magnificent, the face value of the complete set being well over £30. It is in the *Madrid Filatélico* (31.3.08/41) that we first find the full description.

- Adhesives. Four different designs. Wmk. Quatre-foils multiple.
- 3 cents, green.
  - 6 " carmine.
  - 12 " violet.
  - 15 " light blue.
  - 25 " dark brown.
  - 50 " dark green.
  - 1 rupee, yellow-green.
  - 2 rupees, violet.
  - 3 " yellow-brown.
  - 4 " carmine.
  - 5 " blue.
  - 10 " brown and green.
  - 20 " green and black.
  - 30 " dark brown and black.
  - 40 " vermilion and black.
  - 50 " lilac and black.
  - 100 " blue and black.
  - 200 " grey and brown.

The face value of the highest value is about £13 10s.

The cental issue was of course only to be expected and is a consequence of the similar change of currency in the East Africa Protectorate, but it is difficult to understand why a new set of rupee values was required. From the fact the Postmaster mentioned nothing higher than 5 rupees to us, it may turn out that the values above 5 rupees are only fiscals. The fact remains however that "specimen" copies have been circulated by the Postal Union as postage stamps.

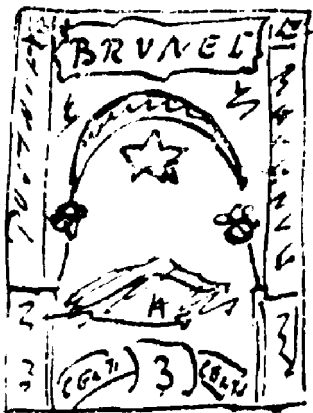
It is noticeable that the values 1 and 75 cents which were at first omitted from the East Africa set are also omitted from the Zanzibar set. We should not be surprised to find them added before long.

Zanzibar having now followed the example of East Africa and altered its currency from annas to cents, it would not surprise us very much if Somaliland, which is also on the East Coast, followed suit.

### Sketch of Brunei Bogus Issue of 1895.

MADE BY THE POSTMASTER-GENERAL (THE RT. HON. SYDNEY BUXTON).

We were somewhat alarmed to read in several philatelic journals that in the course of the Postmaster General's speech he referred to having received a set of Brunei stamps which were issued by a State "which had no post office or postmaster." As several collectors seem to have inferred in consequence that the recent issues of Brunei were bogus (whereas they are amongst the fairest issues ever made) we wrote to the Postmaster General, who very kindly explained that he was referring to the issue which is known to collectors as a bogus issue made by an adventurer in 1895. There was no intention to cast reflections on the character of the recent bonafide issues. To make the matter quite clear, the Postmaster General executed us a small sketch of the set he referred to, which is easily recognisable as the bogus issue of thirteen years ago. It will no doubt be of interest to our readers to see this sketch, so we reproduce it. The Postmaster General must surely be an active stamp-collector or he would not have kept the set all these years.



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10 25 50 1.000

## Our Prize Competitions.

### No. 1. APPROVAL DEPT. (Current Issues).

To the competitor who has purchased by the end of next week the most stamps from our approval sheets of current issues (informing us at the time he wishes the number to compete) we will send post free a copy of "Our Own Times" Postage Stamp Album. This album is specially arranged for King's Head stamps and other current colonial issues.

Result, Week ending 11th April, 1908.

	Stamps
GC (winner and runner-up last week)...	116
PN (runner-up and 3rd last week) ...	87
JW (4th last week) ...	84
EHS (5th last week) ...	68
EF (6th last week) ...	63
JS (7th last week) ...	45
JW ...	43
GL (8th last week) ...	41
RB (9th last week) ...	33

Non-winners' totals are carried forward to next week.

### No. 2. APPROVAL DEPT. (Old Issues).

To the competitor who has purchased by the end of next week the most stamps from our approval sheets of old issues (informing us at the time he wishes the number to compete) we will present a copy of the "Good Old Times" Postage Stamp Album (no watermarks, perforations, surcharges, minor varieties).

#### SECTION II.—EUROPE AND COLONIES.

Result, Week ending 11th April, 1908.

RT (winner and 3rd last week) ...	101
WB (runner-up and last week) ...	97
EHS (4th last week) ...	47
GP (13th last week)...	42
WC (11th last week) ...	40
JH (5th last week) ...	36
AD (6th last week) ...	28
HW (7th last week) ...	23
FC (8th last week) ...	21

#### SECTION III.—REST OF THE WORLD.

Same conditions as No. 2 but only open to winners of Section II. The prize is Part III. of the Album, and stamps purchased from any approval sheets of old issues count.

Result, Week ending 11th April, 1908.

RW (winner and runner-up last week) ...	156
Mrs. U (runner-up and 3rd last week) ...	152
JE (4th last week) ...	147
GA (5th last week) ...	138
JB (6th last week) ...	138
FS (7th last week) ...	110
HN ...	75
ESW (8th last week) ...	74
JR (9th last week) ...	73
GS (8th last week) ...	67
JF (11th last week) ...	47
PB (12th last week)...	47
ES (13th last week)...	27

Non-winners' totals are carried forward to next week. Winners residing abroad will be required to pay carriage and customs charges if any.

#### SECTION I.—GREAT BRITAIN AND COLONIES.

Although this album is not likely to be ready for several months, winners of Section III. intending to compete for it can have their purchases credited in the meantime, all the totals being carried forward until the competition commences. This album will complete the very handsome series of three volumes.

The following totals are carried forward to the first week of the competition.

FL ...	98	JF ...	29
GP ...	73	ES ...	19
Mrs. C ...	64	RG ...	13
Rev. S ...	38	WS ...	6
JO ...	36		

G.L. writes (12.2.08):—"Many thanks for Album which arrived quite safely; it is just in keeping with all your other goods, quite the best. I mean to have a try now for your other Album."

Perhaps the best recommendation of our Albums is the avidity with which a winner of one or them immediately sets about trying for the others. A glance at the figures in Section III., which is only open to winners of Section II., will confirm this.

J.I. writes (23.1.08):—"Please to accept my very best thanks for the 'Good Old Times' (European Section) Album to hand.

"I have arranged a good many of my European countries in it and the effect is very pleasing. Indeed, I am already beginning to feel more respect for my Foreign Countries, which, owing to the fashion among collectors of only collecting Colonials, I fear I have somewhat neglected of late.

"The inclusion of year of issue above each stamp makes the Album a valuable work of reference, and the system of numbering the different issues or sets is, in my opinion, a great advance on giving the date only. Your simplified system is, I am convinced, the only practical one for general collecting. Again thanking you."

The awards are made and albums posted every Monday.

Since our main object in giving these albums away is to get them known, winners can repay us by showing them to stamp-collecting friends as well as by purchasing stamps.

### No. 3. EDITORIAL COMPETITION.

The competitor who sends us the most interesting item of information for our New Issue column each week will be credited 2/6, which must be claimed within seven days (allowance to foreign readers) and may be selected from any of our approval sheets. From time to time we shall voluntarily increase the prize.

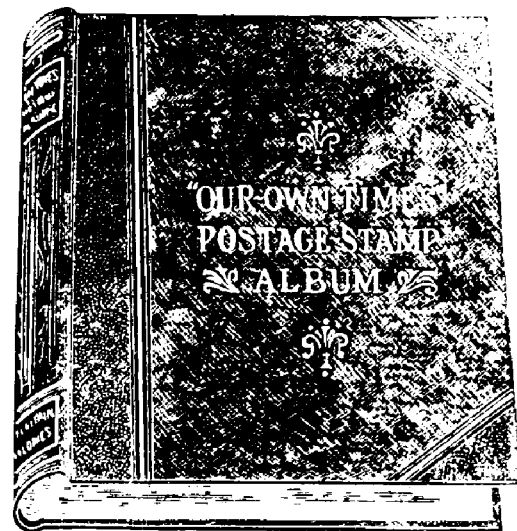
11th April, 1908.

SL for note on Sudan (2/6).

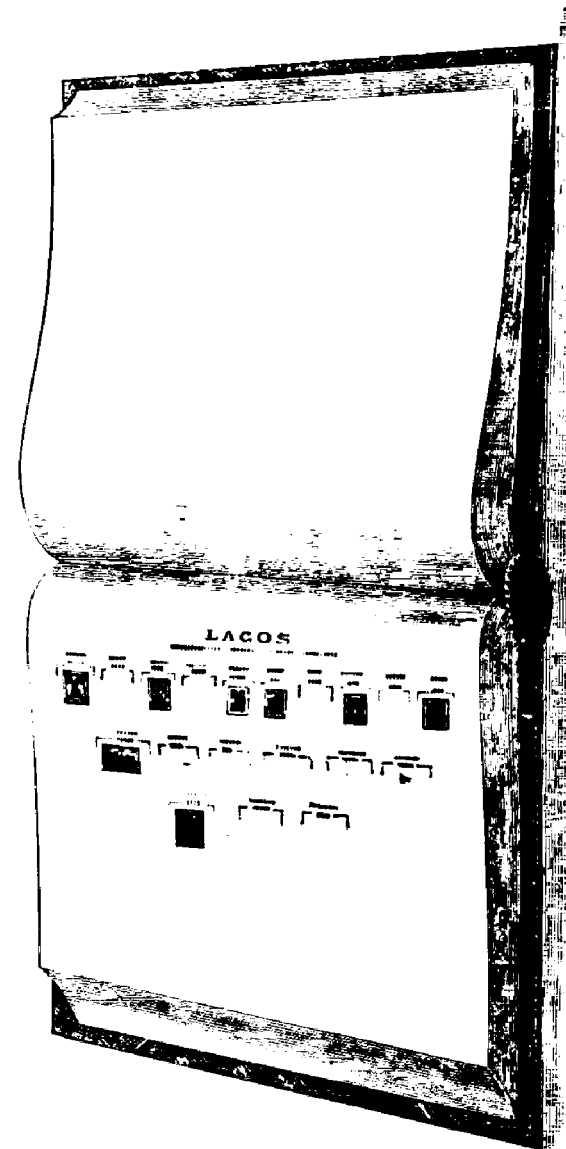
Winners are requested to make early application for their prizes.

## Our Albums.

We are now able to give two illustrations of our new albums. They are bound alike, as shown in the following illustration.



The album opens as shown in the following illustration, thus enabling two albums to be compared close together.



There is plenty of blank space for additional varieties and a blank quadrillé-ruled page after each colony, so that the album provides space for New Issues for many years to come. The complete set will be as follows:—

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- † Part I. Great Britain and Colonies.
- \* Part II. Europe and Colonies.
- \* Part III. Rest of World.

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Quantities required. x1, x2, x4, etc.	
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Marginal copies, with plate-number. An extra commission of 5% is charged for these.	

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In describing the New Issue Service we make use of the following signs:—

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- ‡ " " " and now completed.
- \* " " completed, whilst no sign signifies that distribution has commenced. The letters AA ab, ac, etc., are those we employ to expedite invoicing.

DISTRIBUTION No. 374, 9.4.08.

#### Malay States.

MY bc\* \$5 Crown CA multiple wmk., chalk-surface paper. This stamp is a novelty both in respect of the watermark and the chalk-surface.

#### Straits Settlements.

ST ay\* 3c. multiple ordinary in the new "deep plum" shade, very shortly to be superseded by the 3c. rose.

#### South Australia.

SA by\* 5d. Crown A, perf. 12x11½. Only the 2½d. is now wanted to complete the small set on Crown A paper.

#### North Borneo.

NB aj† \$5 unsurcharged, new shade, deeper violet. These stamps were unfortunately invoiced in error at 18/9 instead of 13/9, but a credit note for the difference was sent out either at the same time or immediately after.

#### New South Wales.

On Melbourne paper, wmk. Crown double-lined A.

NSIV bt\* 2d. perf. 12x11½.  
 bu Variety, watermarked a letter of the words "Commonwealth of Australia."  
 bv Variety, no wmk. We had only very few of the variety with wmk. a letter and still fewer with no wmk., so that only collectors placed early on our £1 limit list could be supplied.

#### Tasmania.

TA bo 1/- Crown A, perf. 11. This is a variety that we had not heard of before. The 1/- perf. 12x11 has however been chronicled (and is quoted by a contemporary at 20/-). The perf. 11 should be equally as rare.

#### Jamaica.

JM ao\* 2½d. bi-coloured, multiple wmk., chalk-surface paper. We are somewhat late in sending this stamp, as the first time our supply came by mistake with single watermark.

#### Turks and Caicos Islands.

TK ac 3d. multiple wmk., ordinary paper. Besides being a new value for the Turks Islands this stamp is specially interesting as being the forerunner of a new colour scheme just introduced for Colonial stamps by the Crown Agents. It is printed in brown on yellow paper. We only received a very few by the last mail, the bulk of our supply being due in June.

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New Issues just now are an exceptionally good investment, as many of the new varieties will probably have only a short life, in consequence of the new colour scheme now being introduced by the Crown Agents as a check to stamp cleaning. Stamp cleaners and fakers apparently have nothing to fear from prosecution, judging by the farcical ending of the Dunkuff case. Consequently it behoves the colonies to hurry up and issue stamps which cannot be faked and cleaned.

#### MIDDLE CONGO.

1c. brown ½d., 2c. lilac and green ¼d., 4c. blue and brown 1d., 5c. green and blue 1d., 10c. rose and blue 1½d., 20c. brown and blue 3d., 25c. blue and green 4d., 30c. red and green 5d., 35c. brown and blue 5d., 40c. green and brown 6d., 45c. lilac and rose 7d., 50c. green and rose 8d., 75c. brown and blue 1/-, 1f. green and lilac 1/3, 2f. lilac and green 2/3, and 5f. blue and rose 5/6; or the complete unused set of sixteen values 13/-.

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1907, Pictorial long oblong design, mint set of three, 5 s. green, 10 s. rose, and 25 s. blue. Price 5d. per set.

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## The Week's News.

The Editor is always pleased to receive Early Information of New Issues, or of Discoveries interesting to Stamp Collectors, and will acknowledge such contributions either by name in the journal or by the presentation of several interesting newly-issued stamps, as preferred.

The index number and serial letter after the title of each paragraph indicate the issue of E.W.S.N. in which the last reference to that country appeared.

**BERMUDA** (432 W 448).—The following two new stamps have just been ordered by Bermuda, states the *Colonial Office Journal* (4.08/343).



Adhesives. Wmk. multiple Crown CA, ordinary paper.

½d. all green.  
1d. all rose.

When more 2½d. are required, they are to be printed entirely in blue, instead of brown and blue as at present.

**BRUNEI** (402, 430, 431 P 448).—We quote as follows from the *Colonial Office Journal* (4.08/342).

BRUNEI.—It has been decided to adopt the Postal Union colours for 1 cent, 3 cents and 8 cents. This will involve the following alterations:—

1 cent	..	All green.
2 cents	..	Border chocolate, centre black.
3 "	..	All red.
5 "	..	Border yellow, centre black.
8 "	..	All blue.

Of these, only the 1, 3 and 5 cents values are at present on order.

The following may therefore be added to our list.



Adhesives. Wmk. multiple Crown CA, ordinary paper.

1c. all green.  
3c. all red.  
5c. yellow and black.

The 5c. blue and black will thus become a scarce stamp. Hitherto the postal union colours were given to the 1, 2 and 5 cents stamps. Collectors who bought their April *Colonial Office Journal* early doubtless made a good thing out of it by buying up Brunei low values at old prices.

**CAYMAN ISLANDS** (446 C 448).—The *Colonial Office Journal* (4.08/447) states that stamps of the "Postage and Revenue" design referred to in its last issue, of the values of 2½d., 3d., 4d., 1s., 5s., and 10s., have been despatched. They are printed in accordance with the new colour scheme and (with the exception of the 2½d. value) on surfaced paper. The numbers of 1s. and 10s. stamps are 6,000 and 3,000 respectively. We accordingly chronicle:—



Adhesives. New Design, with "Postage and Revenue." Wmk. Crown CA multiple, ordinary paper.

2½d. blue.  
Same, chalk-surface paper.  
3d. brown on yellow. (Issued 30.3.08 or earlier).  
4d. colour (?)  
5/- red and green on yellow.  
Chalk-surfaced, single Crown CA wmk.  
1/- black on Nile-green.  
10/- orange? and black? on blue? (should not this be on green like the 1/-?)

"Specimen" copies of the 3d., 4d., 1/-, 5/- and 10/- have already been seen on the Continent. No doubt the arrival of these in the colony

will result in the withdrawal of the remaining stock of the "Postage—Postage" design. If so, the new colour 4d., 6d., 1/- and 5/- will have had a very short life.

The 6d. brown and 1/- orange with single watermark were issued about 12.01 and were almost immediately bought up, as under date of 8.5.02 we were officially informed there were none in stock. The second printing with single watermark was probably made about 6.02 as the Colonial Stamp Market received 600 6d. and 500 1/- with single watermark on 23.7.02. On 9.4.05 the following quantities were in stock at the G.P.O.:—

	Single wmk.	Mult. wmk.
6d. brown	384	1154
1/- orange	426	995

In 5.05 all the single watermark had gone and probably by 6.05 all the multiple as well. The 6d. and 1/- remained out of issue until about 18.10.05 when 1,440 of each are reported to have been received in the island. It is evident that considerably larger quantities must have been printed later, as the remainders amounted to no fewer than 4881 6d. and 5473 1/- (although it is not quite clear if these were all the single colour issue).

In 3.07 "specimen" copies of the 6d. and 1/- in new colours (along with new values 4d. and 5/-) were distributed by the Postal Union and the Colonial Stamp Market wrote out to the Cayman Islands enquiring the extent of the remainders of the single colour 6d. and 1/- stamps with a view to their purchase. It is an interesting fact that this letter was intercepted by the Jamaican Post Office and the remittance enclosed withheld for about two months. When finally the letter reached the Cayman Islands there were no 6d. brown or 1/- orange left! The final chapter in this history is reached by the issue of the following circular by the Crown Agents for the Colonies.

30th March, 1908.

Sir.—We have been instructed by the Government of Jamaica to invite offers of not less than face value for the Cayman Islands stamps on the enclosed list which have been superseded by stamps bearing the words "Postage and Revenue." Those bearing the late Queen's head were of course superseded by those bearing the King's Head.

2. The stamps remain available for prepayment of postal charges and will not in any case be sold below face value.

3. I have to request that you will inform us whether you are prepared to make an offer for any or all of the stamps, specimens of which may be seen at this office during the usual hours.

I am, etc.  
(Signed) P. EZECHIEL,  
For Crown Agents.

Cayman Islands Stamps.		
(1) Queen's Head. Single Watermark.	Duty Sheets of 120	Odd Stamps
1d.	279	118
(2) King's Head. Multiple Watermark.		
½d.	81	—
1d.	16	88
2½d.	87	99
6d.	40	81
1/-	45	73

There is nothing in this list to indicate whether the 6d. and 1/- are the uni-colored or bi-colored stamps but we assume the former, possibly wrongly. In order to make way for the postage and revenue set which has just been printed, the Cayman Islands Post Office had to get rid of its stock of "Postage—Postage" ½d., 1d., 2½d., 4d., 6d., 1/- and 5/- and we now see the cause of the recent provisionals. The ½d., 1d., 2½d., 6d. and 1/- were withdrawn as above and to supply the deficiency of ½d., 1d. and 2½d. stamps and at the same time use up the stock of 4d. and 5/-, the latter were surcharged with the values of the former. If this was done by order of the Government of Jamaica, as seems probable, the Cayman Islanders have been needlessly blamed. In buying up the provisionals they were only acting as any collector reading these lines would have done had he been lucky enough to get the chance.

The face value of the remainders offered by the Crown Agents amounted to £674.1/3½, and we understand that they were at once sold, a satisfactory price being obtained for them.

At the present time we do not know what is

happening in the Cayman Islands, the last letter addressed to officials in the island to which we have had a reply having been despatched from Norwood on 16.10.07! Since Christmas there has been silence and not so much as an acknowledgment of considerable sums of money. By all accounts our experience is not unique in this respect.

Later—Since writing the above we have had a letter from the Cayman Islands (but still no replies from officials). It is franked with two ½d. Postage and Revenue and one of the new 3d., the postmark being 30.3.08. Next week we shall publish some interesting information respecting errors of surcharge in the recent provisionals.

**CEYLON** (436 G 448).—We quote from the *Colonial Office Journal* (4.08/342).

CEYLON.—5 cents Postage and Revenue Stamps, and 6 cents Postage Stamps have been supplied with the values shown in Arabic numerals, as was stated in our issue for October, 1907. The former stamp is now printed in singly fugitive instead of doubly fugitive purple, and is on unsurfaced paper.

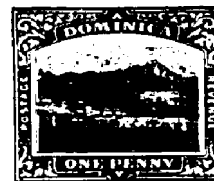
The only value now remaining with words instead of figures is the two cents.

Adhesives. New designs with figure of value at each lower corner.

5c. lilac.  
6c. rose.

"Specimen" copies have been distributed by the Postal Union.

**DOMINICA** (434 J 448).—The *Colonial Office Journal* (4.08/342) states that Dominica ½d., 1d., and 2½d. stamps will, in future, be printed entirely in the Postal Union colours. We accordingly list as prospective new issues:—



Adhesives. Wmk. multiple Crown CA, ordinary paper.

½d. all green. (To be printed).  
1d. all rose. ( " " )  
2½d. all blue. ( " " )

In E.W.S.N. No. 419 we announced on the authority of *Gibbons Stamp Weekly* (28.9.07/205) that the 1/- had been issued on multiple Crown CA paper and we see that our contemporary stated definitely that it had received it. On the other hand we are officially informed that it has not yet been printed, although a supply is on order from England at the present time. Postal Authorities are not always accurate on philatelic matters, so we do not cancel our chronicle in the meantime.

We are informed that the 2/- and 2/6 with Crown CC watermark are exhausted in the colony; the new supply just ordered will no doubt have multiple Crown CA watermark.

**EAST AFRICA & UGANDA** (438 E 448).—The remaining values of the multiple watermark set have now been sent out to the Protectorate, states the *Colonial Office Journal* (4.08/342).



Adhesives. Wmk. Crown CA multiple. chalk-surface paper.

10 rupees, blue and black.  
50 " brown and black.

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† These Sheets are newly mounted this week.

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## USED STAMPS.

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### GRENADA.

6d. rose, wmk. Star, superb used side pair lightly cancelled "A 15" once, 6/6.

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2 1/2d. lilac, 1 1/4d. 1/- red and green, 7d.  
5d. blue, 4d. 2/6 brown, 2/3.  
6d. lilac, 6d. 5/- lilac, 4/6.  
10d. red, 1/- 10/- lilac, 8/-.

Set of eight values, 17/-.



**GRENADA** (433 A 448).—The *Colonial Office Journal* (4.08/342) states that the Grenada stamps of the new "Badge" design, referred to in its October issue, have been shipped, the numbers of the 1s. and 10s. duties being respectively 25,000 and 10,000.

**Adhesives.** Badge design but surface printed instead of copper-plated like the low values. Wmk. multiple Crown CA, ordinary paper (except the 1/- and 10/- which would probably have single wmk. if on green paper).

- 3d. brown on yellow.
- 6d. colour ?
- 1/- black on Nile-green.
- 2/- colour ?
- 5/- red and green on yellow.
- 10/- orange ? on blue ?

"Specimen" copies of the 3d., 1/-, 5/-, and 10/- have been distributed by the Postal Union, but our informant was not certain that he remembered the colours correctly.

**MALTA** (395 S 448).—It is stated in the *Colonial Office Journal* (4.08/342) that 2½d. stamps will in future be printed entirely in blue.

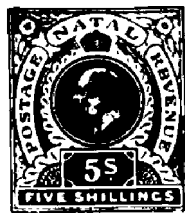
**MONTSERRAT** (426 Q 448).—The *Colonial Office Journal* (4.08/342) states that 3d., 6d., 1/-, 2/- and 2/6 stamps have been supplied on surface multiple watermark paper. We accordingly chronicle:—



**Adhesives.** Wmk. multiple Crown CA, chalk-surface paper.

- 3d. orange and lilac.
- 6d. lilac and olive-brown.
- 1/- green and lilac.
- 2/- " orange.
- 2/6 " black.

**NATAL** (434 O 448).—The *Colonial Office Journal* states that 2d., 4d., 5d. and 2/6 stamps have been supplied on ordinary multiple watermark paper, and £1 10s. stamps on surfaced paper of the same kind. The colour of the last named stamp is as described in its January issue. The 4d. and 2/6 have been printed previously and are now current on multiple watermark paper, but the following are new.



**Adhesives.** Wmk. multiple Crown CA, ordinary paper.

- 2d. red and olive-green.
- 5d. black and orange.

Same, chalk-surface paper.

- 30/- purple (doubly fugitive) and brown (instead of violet and green as heretofore).

The 30/- stamp in the old colours and mint is likely to be a scarce stamp, as the great majority of New Issue collectors take nothing over £1 face value. Postally used the market has been spoilt by the quantities of Customs House specimens and cleaned copies with very good imitations of the genuine postmark.

**SOUTHERN NIGERIA** (439 S 448).—Mr. C. A. Cole writes under date of 4.4.08:—"The colony of Southern Nigeria which has issued stamps for seven years has at last fallen a victim to the surcharge disease, although it is perfectly true in only a very mild form, inasmuch as the surcharge is confined to stationery only and does not extend to adhesives.

"The surcharge is that of the 1d. postcard (King's Head) with the value in figures at the top and in words at the bottom heavily blacked out, and ½d. in prominent figures overprinted on the King's Head in the very centre of the stamp. The surcharge presumably was issued on the 9th March, as several bearing that date and posted to me by the Postmaster of Lagos, reached England on the 30th March. I think the 9th March may be taken as fairly accurate."

**ST. HELENA** (340 M 448).—The *Colonial Office Journal* (4.08/343) makes the following interesting announcement.

ST. HELENA will shortly issue 2½d., 4d., 6d. and 10s. Postage and Revenue Stamps printed from the old Universal key-plate. The 10s. stamps, of which 3,000 are being supplied, are on single watermark green paper, and all four stamps follow the new colour scheme.

**Adhesives.** Wmk. multiple Crown CA, ordinary paper.

2½d. all blue.

4d., 6d. on coloured paper (red, blue ?).

Wmk. Crown CA single, ordinary paper.

10/- on green paper.

As there are no stamps of these values at present in use, their issue will no doubt take place directly the stamps arrive in the colony. No more of the 10/- will be issued with single watermark, as the green paper with multiple watermark is about to come into use.

## Our Prize Competitions.

### No. 1. APPROVAL DEPT. (Current Issues).

To the competitor who has purchased by the end of next week the most stamps from our approval sheets of current issues (informing us at the time he wishes the number to compete) we will send post free a copy of "Our Own Times" Postage Stamp Album. This album is specially arranged for King's Head stamps and other current colonial issues.

Result, Week ending 18th April, 1908.

	Stamps
EF (winner and 5th last week)	131
PN (runner-up and last week)	87
JW (3rd last week)	84
EHS (4th last week)	68
JS (6th last week)	45
JW (7th last week)	43
SA	43
GL (8th last week)	41
RB (9th last week)	33

Non-winners' totals are carried forward to next week.

### No. 2. APPROVAL DEPT. (Old Issues).

To the competitor who has purchased by the end of next week the most stamps from our approval sheets of old issues (informing us at the time he wishes the number to compete) we will present a copy of the "Good Old Times" Postage Stamp Album (no watermarks, perforations, surcharges, minor varieties).

#### SECTION II.—EUROPE AND COLONIES.

Result, Week ending 18th April, 1908.

WB (winner and runner-up last week)	118
WC (runner-up and 5th last week)	62
EHS (3rd last week)	47
GP (4th last week)	42
JH (6th last week)	36
AD (7th last week)	28
HW	24
HW (8th last week)	23
FC (9th last week)	21

#### SECTION III.—REST OF THE WORLD.

Same conditions as No. 2 but only open to winners of Section II. The prize is Part III. of the Album, and stamps purchased from any approval sheets of old issues count.

Result, Week ending 18th April, 1908.

JE (winner and 3rd last week)	162
JB (runner-up and 5th last week)	161
Mrs. U (2nd last week)	157
FS (6th last week)	140
GA (4th last week)	138
ESW (8th last week)	92
JR (9th last week)	84
HN (7th last week)	75
GS (10th last week)	67
PB (12th last week)	48
JF (11th last week)	47
CB	40
ES (13th last week)	27

Non-winners' totals are carried forward to next week. Winners residing abroad will be required to pay carriage and customs charges if any.

#### SECTION I.—GREAT BRITAIN AND COLONIES.

Although this album is not likely to be ready for several months, winners of Section III. intending to compete for it can have their purchases credited in the meantime, all the totals being carried forward until the competition commences. This album will complete the very handsome series of three volumes.

The following totals are carried forward to the first week of the competition.

Mrs. C	117	JF	29
FL	98	ES	19
GP	73	RG	13
JO	66	WS	6
Rev. S	58		

G.L. writes (12.2.08):—"Many thanks for Album which arrived quite safely; it is just in keeping with all your other goods, quite the best. I mean to have a try now for your other Album."

Perhaps the best recommendation of our Albums is the avidity with which a winner of one of them immediately sets about trying for the others. A glance at the figures in Section III., which is only open to winners of Section II., will confirm this.

J.I. writes (23.1.08):—"Please to accept my very best thanks for the 'Good Old Times' (European Section) Album to hand.

"I have arranged a good many of my European countries in it and the effect is very pleasing. Indeed, I am already beginning to feel more respect for my Foreign Countries, which, owing to the fashion among collectors of only collecting Colonials, I fear I have somewhat neglected of late.

"The inclusion of year of issue above each stamp makes the Album a valuable work of reference, and the system of numbering the different issues or sets is, in my opinion, a great advance on giving the date only. Your simplified system is, I am convinced, the only practical one for general collecting. Again thanking you."

The awards are made and albums posted every Monday.

Since our main object in giving these albums away is to get them known, winners can repay us by showing them to stamp-collecting friends as well as by purchasing stamps.

### No. 3. EDITORIAL COMPETITION.

The competitor who sends us the most interesting item of information for our New Issue column each week will be credited 2/6, which must be claimed within seven days (allowance for foreign readers) and may be selected from any of our approval sheets. From time to time we shall voluntarily increase the prize.

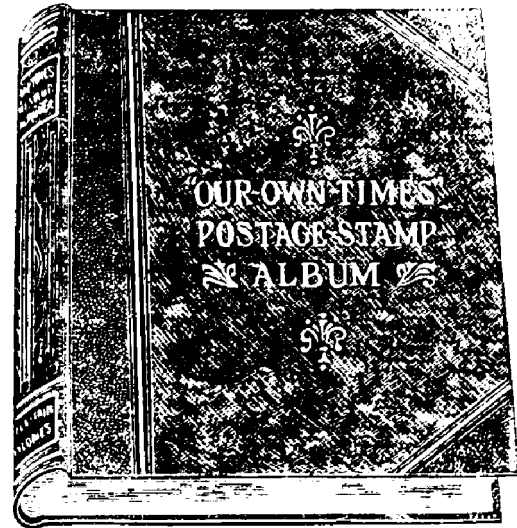
18th April, 1908.

AJ for note on Austria (2/6).

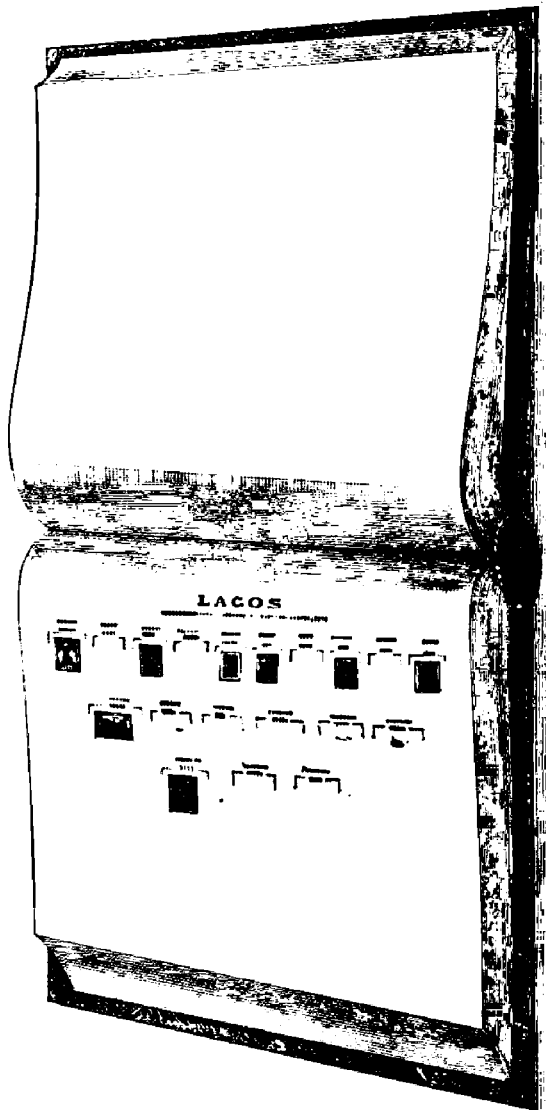
Winners are requested to make early application for their prizes.

## Our Albums.

We are now able to give two illustrations of our new albums. They are bound alike, as shown in the following illustration.



The album opens as shown in the following illustration, thus enabling two albums to be compared close together.



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Natal.

*NT bf* 1d. rose, mult. wmk., pair, one normal and one overprinted "Not for use" (as chronicled in *E.W.S.N.* No. 410, 3rd August 1907). A philatelic curiosity.

Austria.

Postage Due.

*AS ai* 1 to 100h. Complete set of 9 stamps.

Penrhyn on New Zealand.

*PE aa* 1/- orange shade, wmk. NZ, perf. 11.

Siam Provisional.

*SM ah†* 20 Ticals, round stop after ticals.

Norway.

*NW ud* 15 öre on 4sk. There are very distinct dark and pale shades of this stamp and as we think our clients may like to have both, we are distributing this stamp in twos. A further supply is expected in a few days, when we shall finish the distribution.

New South Wales.

<i>NSW bo†</i>	1/4d., wmk. NSW,	perf. 12x11.
<i>bp†</i>	1d., " Crown A,	"
<i>bq†</i>	2d., " "	"
<i>br†</i>	6d., " "	"
<i>bs†</i>	2/6, " "	"

Cayman Islands, Provisionals.

<i>CY af†</i>	1/4d. on 5/-.
<i>ai</i>	1/4d. on 5/-, double surcharge.
<i>aj</i>	1/4d. on 5/-, inverted surcharge.
<i>ag†</i>	1d. on 5/-.
<i>ak</i>	1d. on 5/-, double surcharge.

We are glad at last to be able to finish the distribution of the 1/4d. and 1d. on 5/- provisionals and judging by the enquiries that have been made after them, our New Issue clients will welcome their appearance also. These stamps are twice as rare as the Gambia 1/4d. on 2/6, and have lately been sold at auction at very high prices. The 1d. on 5/- arrived too late to send out to all our clients with this week's New Issues; we shall however finish the distribution next week. As early as Thursday before Easter (the day we are writing these lines) we had a telegram asking for more and from a dealer too, so that the prices may be taken as really very cheap.

Somaliland Official.

Error, dropped "E" in Service (mentioned in Stanley Gibbons' Catalogue) and sent out at Special rates to N.I. clients.

*SM at\** 1/2a. only 5/-.  
*au* 1a. " 7/6.  
*av* 2a. " 7/6. The ordinary price is 50/- for the set of 3. Of the 1/2a. 150 only exist, and of the latter two values 80 of each. In the case of these two latter values the error was in one case apparently corrected before printing was finished and in the other the type only commenced to slip from its position after printing had commenced. Quite a number of the 2 anna sheets show the "E" only slightly below the level of the other letters, but we have only considered as errors those in which the top of the E is level with or below the level of the foot of the other letters of "Service."

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## The Week's News.

The Editor is always pleased to receive Early Information of New Issues, or of Discoveries interesting to Stamp Collectors, and will acknowledge such contributions either by name in the journal or by the presentation of several interesting newly-issued stamps, as preferred. The index number and serial letter after the title of each paragraph indicate the issue of E.W.S.N. in which the last reference to that country appeared.

**GREAT BRITAIN.**—Record Dates of Use (445 B 449).—The following new records have been shown us by Dr. R. N. Arnold Wallinger.

1/- plate 2	London S.W.,	25.4.63.
1/- plate 4, spray	Chatham,	7.8.67.
1/- plate 9	—?	7.5.74.
6d. plate 18, grey	London E.C.,	4.4.82.

Mr. S. Hodson also sends two new records.  
2d. blue, plate 8 Leeds 22.9.59.  
Machine cancellation London 10.11.57.

**Stationery** (444 M 449).—We have already noted the registration envelopes with contract letters AA, BA, CA, DA, EA and GA and now have IA, KA and JA. The stamp is still die No. 15.

Mr. E. Bentley Wood writes, under date of 13.4.08:—

"The new postcard—(without inscription 'THE ADDRESS,' &c.), as this, is on sale here in:—Court single, Court reply, Commercial single. I find that the difference in these and the similar ones 'printed to order' remains the same, the latter being distinguished by the old type of 'small Arms.'"

**Railway Letter Stamps** (446 N 449).—The following new issue has been made.

**Metropolitan & Great Central Joint**, 4th printing, Nos. 3601 to 4800? Colour, design, etc., as before.

**Inverted Watermarks** (446 J 449).—Mr. J. Buchanan has shown us 1d. red plate 163 with inverted watermark, so that the list of unknown varieties now stands as follows.

**Unknown with inverted watermark.**

1d. pl. 93, 109, 124, 145, 206, 223, 224—
2d. s.c. 5.16—3d. pl. 11, 16, 20 (spray).—
4d. pl. 18—6d. pl. 9, 18 grey, 18 lilac—
1/- pl. 10, 11—10/- Anchor—£1 Anchor.
1880 1½d., 2d., 5d.—1884, ½d. blue, 4d., 5d.,
5/-, 10/-, £1 Crowns, £1 Orbs, £5—1902,
King, 1½d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d.,
9d., 10d., 1/-, 5/-, 10/-, £1. Ditto, chalk-
paper, 1½d., 2d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 9d.,
10d., 1/-.

If any of our readers have any of the above, we shall be glad to have particulars.

**ARGENTINE REPUBLIC** (408, 425 I 449).—We take the following description of a new stamp from the *Bazaar, Exchange & Mart* (22.4.08/1143).

"A new stamp has appeared here which is possibly the forerunner of a new and inferior series. For many years past the Argentine stamps have been produced from steel plates and are of a high degree of excellence. The present stamp appears to be rather poorly lithographed, and the design, which is bad, includes a reputed portrait of General San Martino, which might be him or anyone else. It is printed on thinnish paper, watermarked with small sun and rays. 5 centavos, claret, watermark sun, and perf. 13½."

**Adhesive.** New design, "Republica Argentina" straight along top; figure of value in each lower corner.  
5c. claret.

We find a second value reported in *Der Philatelist* (15.4.08/139).

**Adhesive.** Same design as above 5c., with portrait of San Martin.  
2c. dark brown.

The full set is to run from ½c. to 2p.

**AUSTRIAN F.P.O.** (421 G 449).—The following cutting is from the *Globe* of 16.4.08.

**STAMP COLLECTORS' BUREAU.**

The Postal Administration of Austria has just taken a somewhat unusual step, which will doubtless be much appreciated by philatelists. It has opened at Vienna a special bureau for the benefit of stamp collectors, where amateurs or professional dealers may obtain specimens of every type of stamp, postcard, &c.

in use in Austria, the Levant, and the Isle of Crete, either new or obliterated as desired, and at the ruling price of the day. On the principle that "every little helps," the project might be recommended to our own Postmaster-General as an additional source of revenue.

**BRITISH SOLOMON ISLANDS** (444 K 449).—The quantities printed of the Solomon Is. stamps were as follows:—



½d. blue	60,000	5d. emerald	30,000
1d. rose	60,000	6d. brown	30,000
2d. blue	60,000	1/- violet	30,000
2½d. yellow	60,000		

It had previously been stated that there were 60,000 5d. but this turns out to have been a mistake.

The essays and proofs of the issue along with specimen stamps, have been sent to the Colonial Office and a new issue is to be printed in England. This will probably be of the same design but engraved. Even if it is not despatched for a year or so, there is very little likelihood of any of the Sydney printed stamps being changed in colour. The rumour that the 2½d. and 5d. stamps had been issued in new colours is unfounded.

We are officially informed that the only value which shows any sign of running out of stock is the ½d. blue, of which 60,000 were printed.

From February, 1907, when the issue was first made, down to February, 1908, some 24,000 had been issued, but this includes a big demand from stamp dealers which is hardly likely to continue at the same rate. Should however the remaining stock of 36,000 show signs of becoming exhausted before a new supply can arrive from England, a fresh order will be given to Sydney and the Postal Union colour of green will be adopted.

Perhaps surcharging may be resorted to, in order to bring the stamps into line with Postal Union requirements. The 1d. are of course already red, but the green 5d. might be surcharged to ½d. and the blue 2d. to 2½d. Then of course the 2½d. yellow would have to be turned into twopennies, whilst some of the 6d. and 1/- could be borrowed for fivepennies. There is little likelihood of any such proceeding taking place, however, as Australian and Australasian Colonies have never taken kindly to surcharging.

**CAYMAN ISLANDS** (448 D 449).—Last week we were fortunate enough to secure several sheets each of the ½d. on 5/- and 1d. on 5/-, although they cost us between £300 and £400. It was a pleasant surprise to find that they contained several errors, the existence of which in this issue had not been suspected. The following is a complete list of the varieties (some of them perhaps too minor for catalogue rank).

**Adhesives.**

½d. on 5/- salmon and green.

(a) Surcharge varies from horizontal to diagonal and is generally so placed that the "2" falls on the "5s" of the stamp but we found several in which the figure "1" nearly touched the top of the stamp and in one case its neighbour had the overprint very low down.

(b) In the majority of stamps only the upper tip of the figure "1" prints but we found one specimen in which the figure printed so clearly that the serif at the foot could be seen. There is no bar between the "1" and the "2."

(c) A number of impressions had either the "1" or the "D" indistinct (but not both on the same stamp). In one case we found a specimen without any trace of the "1" and in another there was hardly a sign of the D.

(d) Overprint ½p inverted. There were two of these on one sheet, one on each pane.

(e) About ten specimens dotted about the sheets had double surcharge, owing probably to the first impression not being considered quite clear enough. On one stamp there was a double surcharge which was exceedingly clear, the two being some distance apart.

(f) On one pane of 60 there were only 59 surcharges, so that we were able to detach a strip of three of which the centre stamp was entirely free of overprint whilst its two neighbours were normal.

1d. on 5/- salmon and green.

(a) Surcharge "1D" on the old value "5s."  
(b) Surcharge on the King's Head. One sheet was almost entirely overprinted thus, only the lower rows being the usual (a).  
(c) Overprint double-printed.

The ½d. d, e, f and 1d. c are the most important varieties, whilst ½d. f is perhaps the most interesting.

**DOMINICA** (448 K 449).—We are indebted to Mr. Frank Phillips for sight of the 1/- on chalk-surfaced paper with multiple Crown CA watermark, so that our supposition that *Gibbons Stamp Weekly* was correct and the authorities wrong proves to have been the right one. Mr. E. Heginbottom has also shown us a copy, the postmark of which—25.7.07—shows the stamp to have been in use a considerable time.

The Colonial Stamp Market has also received a supply of the stamp since last week's note was written and New Issue clients should find it in this week's packet, along with the following novelties.



**Adhesives.** Wmk. multiple Crown CA, chalk-surface paper.

1/- pale green and magenta.	Wmk. sideways.
2/- purple and black.	"
2/6 orange and green.	"
5/- brown and black.	Wmk. upright.

All are printed in sheets of 60 as usual.

We find that a supply of the 2½d. value was sent to Dominica on 13.12.06 and would presumably be the variety on chalk-surface multiple Crown CA paper, the earliest recorded date of use of which is 3.9.07.

**FRENCH WEST AFRICA** (431 L 449).—*Le Journal des Philatélistes* reports that the remaining values of the postage due set for Guinea have been issued. Only the 20c. had hitherto been in use.

**French Guinea.** Postage Dues. 5, 10, 15, 20, 30, 50, 60c. 1f. Colours same as for other Colonies.

**HAYTI** (447 G 449).—We quote as follows from the *Daily Graphic* (18.4.08).

Quite a Gilbertian state of affairs exists in the Republic of Hayti. The Chief Postmaster, it appears, is reluctantly compelled to make provisional issues of surcharged stamps from time to time because he is not in a position to pay the printer's bill for the new series ordered from the United States! "An entirely new set of stamps" (writes a Haytian correspondent of Messrs. Whitfield King & Co., Ipswich, who have kindly forwarded the letter to me) was ordered about ten months ago, and an advice has been received in Hayti that these are ready for delivery against cash payment, but as the Minister of Finance is not yet prepared to hand over the necessary sum to pay for them the Chief Postmaster is obliged from time to time to issue provisional stamps to supply the lack of one and two centimes stamps, the ordinary varieties of which were exhausted some time ago."

There is hope, according to the same correspondent, that the necessary amount will be "forthcoming shortly," and that the new issue may be expected in about two or three months. "In the meantime," he adds, ominously, "further provisional issues will certainly be necessary."

**HOLKAR, INDORE** (445 N 449).—We clip as follows from the *Philatelic Journal of India* (4.08/115).

Holkar's State (Indore) advertise for tenders for their demonetized remainders of "Service" stamps, (the postal department of the State having been taken over by the Indian postal department the official stamps are of no further use). The face value of the remainders approximates to about £10,000, which must mean about a quarter of a million sets more or less. Presumably if a sale is effected, for "philatelic purposes" as the advertisement puts it, no further printings will be

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**EUROPE AND COLONIES.**  
(3545 different sorts exist).

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507 British Guiana	523 Gambia, King	540 Malta, King, &c.	557 St. Helena, King, &c.	571 Tonga, pictorial and portrait
508 Br. Honduras, King	524 Gibraltar, King	541 Mauritius, Arms	558 St. Kitts-Nevis, pictorial	350 Transvaal C.S.A.R.
585 Br. British New Guinea	525 Gold Coast, King	542 Montserrat, Arms	559 St. Lucia, King	572 Transvaal, King
509 Br. New Guinea and Papua	526 Grenada, King	584 Morocco Ag. on Gibraltar— varieties	560 St. Vincent, King	573 Trinidad
510 Br. South Africa [unused]	527 Gwalior on India, King	543 Morocco on Gibraltar	561 Sarawak, Rajah's Head	574 Turks Islands
380 Brunei, 1st issue, used and	528 Hong Kong, King	544 Morocco on Gt. Britain	562 Sierra Leone, King	575 Victoria
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**USED STAMPS.**

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**GRENADA.**

6d. rose, wmk. Star, superb used side pair lightly cancelled "A 15" once, 6/6.

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Set of eight values, 17/-.



made. We now learn that the ordinary stamps of Holkar's State will continue in use for internal correspondence, but the stock has been taken over by the Indian postal department and is to be only issued for actual use as required, and as none are to be sold in large quantities unused they are likely to become uncommon in the future.

**INDIA** (446 K 449).—From the *Philatelic Journal of India* (4.08/115).

The *Telegraph Gazette* announces that from 1st April, 1908, ordinary postage stamps will be used—in place of the double telegraph stamps—in payment of telegrams at all telegraph offices. But as the stock of postage stamps of the higher denominations, of one rupee and upwards, will not be sufficient to meet the demands of both the Telegraph and Postal departments at present, and as there is no postage stamp of a higher denomination than Rs. 5, telegraph stamps to the value of one rupee and upwards will continue to be used till such time as a further supply of the higher denominations of postage stamps is received, and two new postage stamps of Rs. 10 and Rs. 15, respectively, are manufactured. Service postage stamps, i.e., postage stamps overprinted with the letters "On H.M.S." may be used in payment of State telegrams. When a telegram is paid for partly in postage and partly in telegraph stamps, the latter should be affixed whole but lengthways to the telegraph form. The stamps must be affixed by the sender himself to the telegram form. The counter clerk (i.e. the booking clerk) will merely calculate the charges and sell the stamps to the sender to be affixed to the telegram form in the proper place. When the stamps have been affixed, the counter clerk will obliterate each one with the name and date stamp of the office in the presence of the sender. The receipt to be granted to the sender will bear no stamp or portion of a stamp.

**JHIND STATE** (435 K 449).—The following variety has been issued. A sheet of 240 shown us by the Colonial Stamp Market is so well printed that we could not find any varieties, an unusual occurrence for an Indian State.

*Adhesive.* "Postage & Revenue."  
½a. green. (Issued 4.08 or earlier).

Although the ra. is stated to have been printed none have yet been sent to Jhind.

**NEWFOUNDLAND** (402 P 449).—The following cutting from the *Toronto Mail and Empire* (3.4.08) is kindly sent us by Mrs. A. R. Clarke.

**CHEST OF STAMPS WORTH \$100,000 WASHED ASHORE FROM WRECK.**

ON WAY TO NEWFOUNDLAND.

New Bedford, Mass., April 2.—Postage stamps valued at upwards of \$100,000, forming a consignment in process of shipment from New York to Newfoundland, have been washed ashore at the Island of Cuttyhunk from the wreck of the steamer *Silvia*. The stamps are of the current Newfoundland issue, and were being shipped by the American Bank Note Co., of New York, to the Newfoundland Government.

They came ashore several days ago in a single box, which was cast aside by the male wreckers, but was quickly seized by the women. Many sheets of the stamps have been given away and some are said to have been sold. They are in two and five-cent denominations. One woman is said to have possession of all the five-cent stamps, valued at \$80,000.

The stamps are not listed on the ship's manifest, the insurance adjusters here state, but were shipped as cash in charge of the purser of the steamer.

**NEW ZEALAND** (446 D 449).—With reference to the clean-cut perf. 14 id. mentioned last week Mr. A. H. Stamford writes us:—"With regard to your reference to the issue of the 1d. with clean-cut perforation, I may mention that I have a block of six from a new perforating machine (14×14½ very clean cut) which were issued in October, 1906, I got these shortly after that date. The number of the sheet from which they were taken was 1,813,300. This may be of interest to you in the article which I understand you are shortly to produce in the *Weekly*, and to which I am looking forward."

We do not know what gave rise to the latter expectation, but we have no intention of writing or publishing any article on the stamps of New Zealand, beyond chronicling any new issues which may appear.

Mr. J. A. Leon also writes us on the same subject:—

"With reference to your note on New Zealand comb perforation in *E.W.S.N.* of 11th inst., I beg to refer you to the *Postage Stamp* of Feb. 22nd (No. 21), p. 270, wherein a comb-machine 14×14½ is mentioned as having been in use for about a month during October 1906 [? 1907—]A.L.] for the ½d. and 1d. values. I have a block of the ½d. with this perforation in my collection, which is at your service if you care to see it. I have gauged the perforations very carefully, and am certain that it is the work of a comb-machine.

"Unfortunately I do not possess the 1d. value. "They do not appear to be altogether happy with the new comb-machine either; I had a large block of each value from your firm last week, and noticed a decided tendency of the comb to slip from row to row; this is probably due to unsteadiness of the operator in pushing the sheets through the machine. But the irregularity is so pronounced that many blocks of four would be taken as having been perforated by a single-line cutter."

**NORWAY** (417 R 449).—The Colonial Stamp Market has shown us the following new provisional, which is probably made for the purpose of working off part of the large stock of remainders.



15  
ORE

*Adhesive.* Surcharged approximately as above, the "O" having a bar through it.  
15 ore in black on 4 sk. violet of 1872 (two distinct shades, pale and medium violet).

Issued 8.4.08. We are indebted to Mr. Henrik Dethloff for first sight of these provisionals.

**PARAGUAY** (443 D 449).—The Colonial Stamp Market has shown us the following novelty.

*Adhesive.* Pictorial Design; lithographed.  
1 peso fuerte, grey and black.

Earliest postmark seen, 5.2.08.

*Der Philatelist* (15.4.08/142) gives the explanation of the recent changes of colour in the "1904" dated issue. Each value was printed in six different colours and as soon as the supply of a value in one colour is used up, the stock in a new colour is drawn upon! Several values have now reached the third colour, not counting the official stamps in the same design, which are also being made use of as postage stamps by being overprinted "Habilitado."

**ST. LUCIA** (434 B 449).—It is so difficult as a rule to get information of the printings of De La Rue stamps that we take the opportunity of placing on record the fact that the following supplies of St. Lucia King's Head stamps were sent out to the Colony in 1905.

12. 1.05	½d., 1d.	(and possibly others).
5. 7.05	½d., 1d.	( " " " ).
27. 12.05	½d., 1d.	( " " " ).

The printings of at least the ½d. and 1d. being so frequent, it is surprising that no varieties of shade have been noticed.

**SWITZERLAND** (444 J 449).—Shortly before the issue of the new stamps, *La Revue Philatèlique Française* (31.3.08/6) states, the General Post Office announced that it would impress on envelopes or cards, on special request, the values 2, 5, 10, 12 and 15c. of the old design. Advantage was taken of this offer to the following extent.



<i>Envelopes.</i>	
2c. olive	83,800.
5c. green	87,052.
10c. rose	80,562.
12c. yellow	12,393.
15c. lilac	11,083.

Our contemporary does not give the number of cards or are they to be taken as included in the above figures?

**TRANSVAAL** (429 G 449).—A new printing of the 5d. postage due, in which the error is corrected, is reported by the *Bazaar, Exchange and Mart* (22.4.08).

We are indebted to Mr. A. J. Cohen for the following cutting from the *Johannesburg Star* (4.4.08).

COUNTERFEIT STAMPS.

This week's *Gazette* states that the Government has decided to discontinue, after December 31st, 1908, the use of postage and revenue stamped postal material of the late South African Republic, overprinted "V.R.I." and "E.R.I." These stamps will be withdrawn from circulation. Holders of such stamps can apply to the Postmaster-General, Johannesburg, for an exchange of stamps of current issue. In this connection also it is notified that a considerable quantity of counterfeit stamps and stamped material purporting to be genuine issues of the late South African Republic, and to be genuinely overprinted "V.R.I." and "E.R.I.," is in circulation. A special examination will be conducted with a view to detecting such overprinted stamps. The penalty imposed upon persons guilty of illegal manufacture is seven years' imprisonment with hard labour.

It is a pity the same punishment cannot be meted out in this country!

### Our Prize Competitions.

No. 1. APPROVAL DEPT. (Current Issues).

To the competitor who has purchased by the end of next week the most stamps from our approval sheets of current issues (informing us at the time he wishes the number to compete) we will send post free a copy of "Our Own Times" Postage Stamp Album. This album is specially arranged for King's Head stamps and other current colonial issues.

Result, Week ending 25th April, 1908.

	Stamps
PN (winner and runner-up last week)...	98
JW (runner-up and 3rd last week) ...	84
EHS (4th last week) ...	68
JW (6th last week) ...	60
JS (5th last week) ...	45
EC (10th last week)...	44
SA (7th last week) ...	43
GL (8th last week) ...	41
JL (11th last week) ...	37

Non-winners' totals are carried forward to next week.

No. 2. APPROVAL DEPT. (Old Issues).

To the competitor who has purchased by the end of next week the most stamps from our approval sheets of old issues (informing us at the time he wishes the number to compete) we will present a copy of the "Good Old Times" Postage Stamp Album (no watermarks, perforations, surcharges, minor varieties).

SECTION II.—EUROPE AND COLONIES.

Result, Week ending 25th April, 1908.

WC (winner and runner-up last week)	111
HW (runner-up and 7th last week) ...	48
EHS (3rd last week) ...	47
GP (4th last week) ...	42
JH (5th last week) ...	36
AD (6th last week) ...	34
HW (8th last week)...	23
FC (9th last week) ...	21
AE (10th last week)...	18

SECTION III.—REST OF THE WORLD.

Same conditions as No. 2 but only open to winners of Section II. The prize is Part III. of the Album, and stamps purchased from any approval sheets of old issues count.

Result, Week ending 25th April, 1908.

JB (winner and runner-up last week)...	184
FS (runner-up and 4th last week) ...	158
Mrs. U (3rd last week) ...	157
GA (5th last week) ...	152
ESW (6th last week) ...	101
JR (7th last week) ...	99
CB (12th last week) ...	78
AS (16th last week)...	77
HN (8th last week) ...	75
GS (9th last week) ...	67
WB (17th last week) ...	58
PB (10th last week) ...	48
JF (11th last week) ...	47

Non-winners' totals are carried forward to next week. Winners residing abroad will be required to pay carriage and customs charges if any.

SECTION I.—GREAT BRITAIN AND COLONIES.

Although this album is not likely to be ready for several months, winners of Section III. intending to compete for it can have their purchases credited in the meantime, all the totals being carried forward until the competition commences. This album will complete the very handsome series of three volumes.

The following totals are carried forward to the first week of the competition.

Mrs. C ...	117	JF ...	31
FL ...	98	ES ...	19
JO ...	90	RW ...	17
GP ...	78	RG ...	13
Rev. S ...	67	WS ...	6

J.I. writes (23.1.08):—"Please to accept my very best thanks for the 'Good Old Times' (European Section) Album to hand.

"I have arranged a good many of my European countries in it and the effect is very pleasing. Indeed, I am already beginning to feel more respect for my Foreign Countries, which, owing to the fashion among collectors of only collecting Colonials, I fear I have somewhat neglected of late.

"The inclusion of year of issue above each stamp makes the Album a valuable work of reference, and the system of numbering the different issues or sets is, in my opinion, a great advance on giving the date only. Your simplified system is, I am convinced, the only practical one for general collecting. Again thanking you."

The awards are made and albums posted every Monday.

Since our main object in giving these albums away is to get them known, winners can repay us by showing them to stamp-collecting friends as well as by purchasing stamps.

No. 3. EDITORIAL COMPETITION.

The competitor who sends us the most interesting item of information for our New Issue column each week will be credited 2/6, which must be claimed within seven days (allowance to foreign readers) and may be selected from any of our approval sheets. From time to time we shall voluntarily increase the prize.

25th April, 1908.

CC for note on Southern Nigeria (2/6).

Winners are requested to make early application for their prizes.

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 † " " " and now completed.  
 † " " " completed, whilst no sign signifies that distribution has commenced. The letters AA ab, ac, etc., are those we employ to expedite invoicing.

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Cayman Islands.

CY ag† 1d. on 5/-.  
 ak† 1d. on 5/-, double surcharge.

Sudan.

SD bs\* 5pi. wmk. multiple Crescent and Star. The distribution of this stamp brings the country up to date in respect of the public issue.

Panama.

PA ab 1/2c., 1c., 2c., 2 1/2c., and 5c.  
 ac 1/2c., 1c., 2c., and 2 1/2c. The 8c. and 10c. are still to come to complete the set, and we hope to be able to send these out shortly.

British Guiana.

BG bb\* 48c. Single wmk. pale instead of dark grey and brown.

Trinidad.

TD aw 1/- Lilac on yellow, multiple wmk., chalky paper. We have tried many times to get this stamp without success, but succeeded at length in getting a few by the last mail, and expect a large consignment by next mail, when we hope to be able to finish the distribution.

av† 1d. to 1/- set of 8 postage dues, multiple wmk. (used).

These are unobtainable unused.

Chamba on India.

CH am† 1/2a. Official, King, deep shade.

Nabha on India. Service.

NA av† 1/2a. to 1r. set of 7 stamps.  
 av† 1/2a. to 1r. " 6 "

Jhind on India.

JH as\* 1/2a. Postage & Revenue.  
 ar† Official, King, 2a., pale shade.  
 um† " " 2a.  
 an† " " 4a.

India, O.H.M.S.

IN al† 1/2a. to 1r. set of 7 stamps (scarce unused).  
 am 1/2a. to 1r. " 6 " ( " " )

Somaliland Official.

Error, dropped "E" in Service.

SM av† 1a. only 7/6.

av† 2a. " 7/6.

We have received a supply of the Dominica 1/-, 2/-, 2/6, and 5/- values, watermarked Crown CA multiple, on chalk-surfaced paper which we shall be sending out with the current week's New Issues; also some more of the Norway 15 ore on 4 skilling, in both shades.

Just as we go to press we are inundated with arrivals for our New Issue Service. Firstly we have made a purchase of surcharged Papua which runs well into three figures. We obtained of course a number of the "inverted d" and "dropped pua" varieties but the distribution of these must be postponed till next week. Our principal success has been in securing the 2 1/2d., 1/- and 2/6 with the wide rosettes watermark and small surcharge, varieties that we fancy will turn out to be exceedingly scarce. The 2 1/2d. were both shades, ultramarine and blue. We have already distributed with the New Issue Service the following:—

Large surcharge,

Wmk. wide rosettes, 4d., 6d., 1/-, 2/6 (Nos. 305/8).

" narrow " 1/2d., 1d., 2d., 2 1/2d. (Nos. 309/12).

Small sur., wmk. narrow rosettes, all values (Nos. 331/8).

" wmk. wide rosettes. A few clients got the 2 1/2d. blue (No. 320a).

It may possibly happen that some clients received No. 320 instead of No. 334 and if so we will exchange or send No. 334 if requested. The watermarks are best seen by laying stamps face down on a black surface; the thick paper is sometimes opaque but the thin rarely gives any trouble. This week we are making the following distribution which completes the list of known varieties.

Small surcharge, wmk. wide rosettes.

BNG au 2 1/2d. ultramarine (No. 320).

ap 2 1/2d. blue (No. 320a).

av 1/- orange (No. 323).

aw 2/6 brown (No. 324).

Another success we have to record this week is in getting Australian Commonwealth Nos. 353 and 354. We had been advertising for them in vain for some seven months past. No. 352 still eludes all enquiries.

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## The Week's News.

The Editor is always pleased to receive Early Information of New Issues, or of Discoveries interesting to Stamp Collectors, and will acknowledge such contributions either by name in the journal or by the presentation of several interesting newly-issued stamps, as preferred. The index number and serial letter after the title of each paragraph indicate the issue of E.W.S.N. in which the last reference to that country appeared.

**GREAT BRITAIN.**—Record Dates of Use (449 C 450).—The following new records are shown us by Mr. W. Denison Roebuck:—

6d. plate 3	Canterbury, 10. 1.63.
9d. " 2	Winchester, 20. 3.62.
1/- " 2	Canterbury, 29.12.62.

**AUSTRIA** (447 A 450).—Is the inscription on the new Austrian stamps correct? Should it be *Kaiserliche Koenigliche Oesterreichische Post* or *Kaiserlich-Koenigliche Oesterreichische Post*? The initials "k.k." have been made use of for so many years that the authorities are apparently not quite sure what they stand for. As the stamps can also be cleaned there is a likelihood of their being withdrawn from use.

**BRITISH GUIANA** (444 C 450).—The following is chronicled by *Le Timbre-poste* (25.4.08/211).



Adhesive. Wmk. Crown CA multiple. Paper — ? 7c. violet and blue (instead of lilac and brown.)

**CAYMAN ISLANDS** (449 E 450).—The colours of the new issue are given in the *Nordisk Filatelistisk Tidsskrift* (22.4.08/69), so we revise our chronicle as follows:—



Adhesives. Wmk. single Crown CA, chalk-surfaced.  
1/- black on green.  
10/- green and carmine on green.  
Wmk. Crown CA multiple, ordinary paper.  
2½d. ultramarine.  
Wmk. Crown CA multiple, chalk-surfaced.  
3d. brown on yellow.  
4d. black and carmine on yellow.  
5/- grey-green and carmine on yellow.

Under date of 7.4.08 we have replies to some of our letters, including supplies of all the above except the 5/-. In accordance with precedent, our orders for the old stamps were "unfortunately mislaid" sufficiently long enough to prevent their execution with other than the new stamps.

**DANISH WEST INDIES** (377 B 450).—*Nordisk Filatelistisk Tidsskrift* (22.4.08/69) states that a new set of stamps is expected to replace the old one with portrait of King Christian IX.

**GRENADA** (448 B 450).—The colours of the new set are given by *Nordisk Filatelistisk Tidsskrift* (22.4.08/69).

**MALDIVE ISLANDS** (440 K 450).—These islands are now again using unsurcharged Ceylon stamps, as we have a letter franked with two 3c. stamps postmarked 22.3.08. It is difficult to understand why further supplies of the surcharged stamps were not sent to the Maldives, as these islands have thereby lost an addition of at least £500 to their revenue. But it is an ill wind that blows no one any good and whilst the bulk of collectors have to regret an empty space in their albums, subscribers to a new issue service are fortunate in possessing a set considerably enhanced in value by the shortage.

The Maldivian Government has ordered a supply of stamps of the values of 2, 3, 5 and 10 cents, so will soon be independent of the Ceylon Government and its caprices.

**NYASALAND** (447 B 450).—We read as follows in the *Postage Stamp* (25.08/49):—

I am indebted to the Rev. D. J. Stather Hunt for the following extract from *Life and Work*, the organ of the Blantyre Mission, concerning the spelling and meaning of "Nyasaland," the new name of the British Central Africa Protectorate:—

This is the new name of the B.C.A. Protectorate, or rather the old one restored, for by the name of Nyasaland the country was known twenty years ago. It was thus christened by the late Mr. Horace Waller in a lecture delivered in Edinburgh, in the year 1887, and afterwards published under the title of "Our Title Deeds to Nyasaland."

When Sir Harry Johnston took up the reins of administration he dropped the poetical name of Nyasaland, and for it substituted the clumsy and cumbersome designation "British Central Africa." Doubtless he was led to do so by the names of the neighbouring territories under the rule of the two Chartered Companies, "British East Africa Company" and the "British South Africa Company." Our British Central Africa Protectorate seemed to occupy a central position between them. Hence the name we have borne these seventeen years. But for the country lying along the shore of Lake Nyasa, the earliest known and most explored of all the Central Africa Lakes, what better title could be devised than that of "Nyasaland?"

"Nyasa"—spelled with one s—is the Yao word for "lake." When Livingstone first put the question, "What is the name of the great *nyanja* that lies to the north?" the reply doubtless was "It's the Nyasa," that is "It's the Lake." For it is the Lake par excellence, and it had no distinctive name of its own. To the dweller on its banks it was "the Lake." Thus it comes to pass that we have now returned to the name that in England would be called "Lake Land." But then there are many "Lake Lands," but only one "Nyasaland."

As we happen to possess in the editorial library "A Handbook of the Yao Language" by the Rev. Alexander Hetherwick, M.A., F.R.G.S., we turned up the glossary at the end to see how far it confirmed the above. The entry we found (page 265) was:—

NYASA, a large river; a lake. The Shire is called *Nyasa ja mpango*, the Belt river.

We also extract the fact that the word consists of two syllables only "nya-sa," the ny being similar in sound to the French "gn" or Spanish "ñ." Most collectors erroneously pronounce the name "Ni-as-sa" instead of "Nyar-zer" or "Nyar-ser" (we cannot discover whether the "s" should sound like s or z or whether both are permissible as is the case with some Yao words). If the latter is the case English orthography would require two s's in the name Nyasaland.

**PAPUA** (444 D 450).—We have made the discovery that there are two different watermarks on the British New Guinea stamps. The first has oblong rosettes about 12½mm. apart in the horizontal row and 9mm. apart vertically, whilst the second has narrow rosettes 9 and 12½mm. apart respectively. The variation cannot be produced by turning the sheets sideways as the change extends also to the paper, the wide rosettes being found on thick paper and the narrow rosettes on thin.

All the ½d., 1d., 2d.—the values most in use—with the first watermark had apparently been used up before the stock went to be surcharged. So far as we know, the stock surcharged was as follows:—

Wmk. wide rosettes	2½d., 4d., 6d., 1/-, 2/6.
Wmk. narrow rosettes	½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 4d., 6d., 1/-, 2/6.

The small surcharge was mainly made on the latter set and the large surcharge on the former supplemented by the ½d., 1d., 2d. and 2½d. of the latter. We have however just succeeded in finding the 2½d., 1/- and 2/6 of the former set with small surcharge, varieties which we believe will prove very scarce.

The fact that the 2/6 value occurs on both thick and thin paper indicates that the change did not take place before 1905, when this value was first issued.

Specialists who have postmarked copies with dates might render valuable aid in this matter.

At whatever date the thin paper came into use, it is likely to be the rarer of the two unsurcharged. The issue of King's Head stamps since 1903 has killed the sale for many other kinds of stamps almost as dead as a doornail and con-

sequently of later printings few were imported or preserved. How extraordinary the truth really is we were not ourselves aware until going through our ledger account with British New Guinea.

Ewen's Ltd., in a/c with British New Guinea. (Stamps first issued 1901? and first received by Colonial Stamp Market, April 1902.)

	Purchases April to Dec. 1902.	Total purchases 1903, 1904, 1905, 1906.
½d.	34,801	120
1d.	13,201	90
2d.	4,440	60
2½d.	3,901	60
4d.	2,453	90
6d.	2,303	90
1/-	2,078	98
2/6	—	360

The bulk of the stamps purchased in 1902 were sold at once, only 60 sets remaining on hand at the June 1903 stock-taking, so there is no excuse for the smallness of the subsequent demand, except that everyone was after King's Heads with single watermark. These figures tend to show how enormously many varieties of unpopular countries must advance when they in turn become popular and how surpassing wise is the regular subscriber to a New Issue Service who takes everything as it comes and allows himself no fads. In this case we were caught napping, as although we noticed the difference of thick and thin paper, we thought collectors would probably say the difference was too trivial to collect (as they have a way of doing in the case of unpopular countries), and consequently we did not import it. As events turn out however, most collectors would probably now appreciate the possession of the two sets had we sent them. The moral is of course to collect every variety, however minute, and then one is safe. But the pursuit of such a policy tends to increase the cost of a New Issue Service.

The surcharged Papua we had previously seen were watermark as follows:—

Type I. Wmk. wide rosettes,	4d., 6d., 1/-, 2/6.
Wmk. narrow "	½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d.
Type II. " "	½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d.,
	4d., 6d., 1/-, 2/6.

There may also have been the 2½d. type ii. wmk. wide rosettes. Any way we can now add to the above the following:—



Adhesives. Wmk. wide rosettes.  
2½d. ultramarine and black.  
2½d. blue and black.  
1/- orange and black.  
2/6 brown and black.

It is possible that the 4d. and 6d. may also exist in this set and if so we should be glad to have specimens submitted by any collector who is fortunate enough to meet with them.

Taken altogether British New Guinea (or Papua) is about the most interesting country a collector could take up to specialize. Even entire sheets are possible, as they only contain 30 stamps.

The original plates had plate-numbers (1 and 2) at the lower left-hand corner, but in clipping the margins of the sheets these were almost invariably cut off. The only plate-number of which we noted the existence in E.W.S.N. was, we believe, 2/6 plate 2.

There is a curious variety on the sheets of 2½d. blue. On Stamp No. 27, there is no shading on the leaves in the lower left-hand corner of the stamp. This variety, of course, occurs on the stamp and not in the surcharge and it would be interesting to know whether it is due to an original defect of the plate. Our New Issue department inform us that they did not notice it, so that many of our readers must have received it at the price of the ordinary variety.

Since writing the above we have received quite a budget of correspondence on the subject of these stamps, showing the widespread interest taken in our discovery and we shall hope to go further into the subject next week.

# Approval Sheets of All Countries:

ONLY OBSOLETE ISSUES (9,000 Varieties)

No varieties of perforation or watermark are examined or described; no notice is taken of surcharges. All are standard varieties that have first claim to be represented in a general collector's album. Should any of the stamps have rare perforations, or be in scarce shades, nothing extra is charged on that account.

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Colonies near Europe 493 " " 245 Ditto, beyond Europe, 1870-93 416 " " 1897 design 402 " " 1870-1898 246 Ditto (Vasca da Gama), 1893-97 247 Ditto, 1897 type 248 Mozambique, India and Nyassa 428 Pictorial stamps 249 Roumania, 1858-71</p> <p>250 " 1871-90 417 " 1890-1891 418 " Pictorial 251 Russia 252 Russian Foreign P.O. 253 San Marino 254 Serbia, 1866-05 255 " 1901-05 256 Spain, 1850-67 397 " 1850-1872</p>	<p>257 Spain, 1870-1878 258 " 1879-95 424 " 1873-75 259 Cuba, 1855-77 260 " 1882-98 419 " 1877-1881 421 Elobey and Spanish Guinea 261 Fernando Poo 262 Philippines 389 Philippine Islands 263 Porto Rico 264 Sweden, 1855-1872 410 " 1891 265 Switzerland, 1845-82 266 " 1882-1900 267 Turkey, 1863-76 268 " 1892-06 398 " " 269 Wurtemberg</p> <p><b>REST OF WORLD.</b> (2565 different sorts exist).</p> <p>270 Abyssinia 384 Afghanistan 271 China 273 Congo Free State 274 Corea 275 " " 276 Egypt 473 " " 277 Japan, 1871-76 278 " 1894-1900 467 " 1876-1904 279 Liberia, 1860-1892 453 " 1892-06 280 Persia, 1868-91 281 " 1891-1906 463 Shanghai 283 Siam 284 Argentine Republic, 1858-67 285 " 1882-90 286 " 1889-92 287 " 1892-99 458 Buenos Aires and Corrientes 288 Bolivia, 1866-67 289 " 1878-97 290 " 1897-01 291 Brazil, 1844-78 292 " 1878-1900, chiefly used 293 " 1880-1906 294 Chili, 1852-81 295 " 1881-1906 379 " cheap used 296 Colombia, 1859-70 297 " 1876-86 298 " 1890-98 299 " 1902-04 300 " (Cartagena and other issues, 1898-03) 433 " 1902 issue 301 Costa Rica, 1862-89 454 " 1892-06 302 Dominican Republic, 1862-1900 466 " " 303 Ecuador, 1865-94 430 " 1899-05 432 " 1895-99 304 Guatemala, 1871-86 305 " 1902 426 " 1897-06</p>	<p>306 Hayti, 1871-98 422 " 1898-1906 307 Honduras, 1865-92 431 " 1892-02 308 Mexico, 1856-74 309 " 1874-82 310 " 1884-85 311 " 1886-99 429 " 1886-03 312 Nicaragua, 1862-91 313 " 1892-97 455 " 1898-06 314 Panama (unsurcharged) 317 Paraguay, 1870-1892 318 " 1900-03 319 " 1903-07 460 " (cheap used) 320 Peru, 1858-74 321 " 1895-96 456 " 1896-07 322 Salvador, 1867-92 323 " 1892-95 464 " 1895-96 465 " 1897-06 324 Uruguay, used and unused 325 " 1884-90 326 " 1890-05 327 " 1895 383 " 1887-04 427 " 1895-07 328 Venezuela, 1859-06 (for internal postage) 329 Venezuela, 1880-96 (Foreign correspondence) 457 Venezuela, 1893-06 (Foreign correspondence) 330 United States, 1851-1882 331 " 1884, 1900, 1902 332 " Columbus, Omaha, etc. 404 " cheap used (used) 461 " " 333 Confederate States and Cuba 381 Philippine Islands (U.S.A.) 443 Samoa 334 Hawaii, 1853-1882 459 " 1891 (Pictorial issue)</p> <p><b>INDIAN NATIVE STATES.</b> (301 different sorts exist).</p> <p>335 Alwar, Bamra, Bhor and Bhopal, first issue 476 Bhopal, second issue 337 Bundi 494 Bussahir 338 Charkhari and Cochin 495 Dhar, Duttia and Faridkot 339 Holkar and Hyderabad 340 Jaipur, Jhind, and Jhalawar 496 Jummo and Kashmir 341 Kishengarh 342 Nepal and Nowanugger 343 Rajnandgaon, Rajpeela and Sirmoor [Scinde Dawk 497 Soruth, Travancore &amp; Wadhwan</p> <p><b>NEW ISSUES (USED).</b> Sheets of these, Foreign and Colonial, are now ready.</p>
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<p>500 Aitutaki on N.Z. 501 Antigua 581 Australian Commonwealth Postage Dues 502 Bahamas, King, &amp;c. 503 Barbados 504 Bechuanaland, King 505 Bermuda, Dockyard 506 Br. Central Africa, King 507 British Guiana 508 Br. Honduras, King 585 British New Guinea 509 Br. New Guinea and Papua 510 Br. South Africa [unused 380 Brunei, 1st issue, used and 512 Brunei, surch. and pictorial 511 Canada, King, &amp;c. 513 Cape, King 514 Cayman Is., King 515 Ceylon, King</p>	<p>516 Chamba on India, King 360 Cook Islands, Queen's Head 517 Cook Is. 518 Cyprus, King 519 Dominica, pictorial 520 E. Africa, King 521 Falkland, King 522 Fiji, King 523 Gambia, King 524 Gibraltar, King 525 Gold Coast, King 526 Grenada, King 527 Gwalior on India, King 528 Hong Kong, King 529 India, King 530 C.E.F. on India, King 531 Jamaica, Arms 532 Jhind on India 533 Johor, 1904 534 Labuan, Crown</p>	<p>580 Labuan, pictorial 411 Labuan, sur. " Straits " 381 " " used and un. 535 Lagos, King 536 Leeward, King 537 Levant on Gt. Britain 538 Malay States 539 Maldives on Ceylon 540 Malta, King, &amp;c. 541 Mauritius, Arms 542 Montserrat, Arms 584 Morocco Ag. on Gibraltar— varieties 543 Morocco on Gibraltar 544 Morocco on Gt. Britain 545 Nabha on India, King 546 Natal, King [Family 547 Newfoundland, Cabot and Royal 548 New South Wales 583 New Zealand Pictorials and Officials</p>	<p>549 New Zealand, pictorial 550 Niue on N.Z. 551 North Borneo 552 N. Nigeria, King 553 Orange River Colony, King 554 Patiala on India, King 555 Penrhyn on N.Z. 556 Queensland 557 St. Helena, King, &amp;c. 558 St. Kitts-Nevis, pictorial 559 St. Lucia, King 560 St. Vincent, King 561 Sarawak, Rajah's Head 562 Seychelles, King 563 Sierra Leone, King 564 Solomon Islands 546 Somaliland, 1st issue 565 Somaliland, King and Queen, surch. 579 " Prot. King</p>	<p>347 Somaliland 377 Somaliland Officials, 1st issue varieties 378 Somaliland Service 566 South Australia 567 S. Nigeria, King 568 Straits, King 569 Sudan, Camel 570 Tasmania, pictorial 571 Tonga, pictorial and portrait 350 Transvaal C.S.A.R. 572 Transvaal, King 573 Trinidad 574 Turks Islands 575 Victoria 576 Virgin Islands 577 Western Australia 349 Zanzibar, 1904, and varieties 578 Zanzibar, Arms</p>
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## USED STAMPS.

Please order on separate sheet, as this stock is kept at 30, Palace Square.

### GRENADA.

6d. rose, wmk. Star, superb used side pair lightly cancelled "A 15" once, 6/6.

### HONG KONG.

King's Heads, very fine used set, containing the 1c. lilac and brown, 2c. green, 4c. on red, 4c. rose, 5c. brown and green, 8c. lilac and black, 10c. on blue, 10c. blue, 12c. on yellow, 20c. brown and black, 30c. black and green, and 50c. lilac and green, only 1/9 a set.

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Superb block of four, used, of the 4d. lilac and orange, Queen's Head, 1890, price 2/-.

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1902 issue, Crown in centre; bi-coloured. Very fine lightly cancelled copies of the 1c. lilac and black, 1d.; 2c. green and black, 1d.; 3c. brown and black, 1d.; 4c. rose and black, 1d.; 8c. orange and black, 2d.; 10c. grey and brown, 2d.; 12c. yellow and black, 2d.; 16c. brown and green, 2d.; 18c. brown and black, 3d.; 25c. blue, 4d.; 50c. lilac, 10d.; \$1 orange and brown, 1/6; or the complete set for 3/6.



**PERSIA** (447 U 450).—In addition to the 13 and 26 chahis we find the following values of the new set reported in the *Nordisk Filatelistisk Tidsskrift* (22.4.08/71).



**Adhesives.** Design very similar to above but with head of new Shah.  
6 chahi, carmine on blue paper.  
9 " yellow "  
10 " brown "  
1 kran, red.

**PHILIPPINES** (430 R 450).—The following new stationery is reported by the *Nordisk Filatelistisk Tidsskrift* (22.4.08/71).



**Postcards.**  
2c. black, yellow card.  
4c. " "

**PORTUGAL** (442 M 450).—*La Revue Postale* (4.08/936) states that the following values of the new set with portrait of King Manuel II. have appeared—2½, 5, 10, 20, 25, 50, 75, 80, 100, 200 and 300 reis.

**VICTORIA** (442 Q 450).—Under date of 26.3.08 we are informed by the Acting Deputy Postmaster General that the only 5/- stamp then on sale is watermarked V and Crown. What has become of that mysterious and much discussed 5/- Crown A, perf. 11?

We are also informed that the following has been issued.



**Adhesive.** Wmk. Crown A, perf. — ?  
2½d. blue.

**ZANZIBAR** (447 X 450).—The following stationery forms the complement of the new set. We take the description from the *Nordisk Filatelistisk Tidsskrift* (22.4.08/72).

**Envelope.**  
6c. rose.  
**Registration Envelope.**  
12c. dark lilac.  
**Postcards.**  
3c. and 3+3c. green.  
6c. and 6+6c. carmine.  
**Wrappers.**  
3c. green.  
6c. carmine.

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**Our Prize Competitions.**

**No. 1. APPROVAL DEPT. (Current Issues).**

To the competitor who has purchased by the end of next week the most stamps from our approval sheets of current issues (informing us at the time he wishes the number to compete) we will send post free a copy of "Our Own Times" Postage Stamp Album. This album is specially arranged for King's Head stamps and other current colonial issues.

*Result, Week ending 2nd May, 1908.*

	Stamps
JW (winner and runner-up last week)...	84
EHS (runner-up and 3rd last week) ...	78
JW (4th last week) ...	67
JS (5th last week) ...	45
EC (6th last week) ...	44
SA (7th last week) ...	43
GL (8th last week) ...	41
TL (9th last week) ...	37
RB (11th last week)...	33

Non-winners' totals are carried forward to next week.

**No. 2. APPROVAL DEPT. (Old Issues).**

To the competitor who has purchased by the end of next week the most stamps from our approval sheets of old issues (informing us at the time he wishes the number to compete) we will present a copy of the "Good Old Times" Postage Stamp Album (no watermarks, perforations, surcharges, minor varieties).

**SECTION II.—EUROPE AND COLONIES.**

*Result, Week ending 2nd May, 1908.*

HW (winner and runner-up last week)	119
CG (runner-up and 15th last week) ...	88
EHS (3rd last week) ...	47
GP (4th last week) ...	42
JH (5th last week) ...	36
AD (6th last week) ...	34
HW (7th last week)...	23
FC (8th last week) ...	21
AE (9th last week) ...	18

**SECTION III.—REST OF THE WORLD.**

Same conditions as No. 2 but only open to winners of Section II. The prize is Part III. of the Album, and stamps purchased from any approval sheets of old issues count.

*Result, Week ending 2nd May, 1908.*

CB (winner and 7th last week) ...	183
FS (runner-up and last week) ...	171
GA (4th last week) ...	169
Mrs. U (3rd last week) ...	157
ESW (5th last week) ...	126
JR (6th last week) ...	107
AS (8th last week) ...	101
WB (11th last week) ...	100
HN (9th last week) ...	75
GS (10th last week)...	67
PB (12th last week) ...	48
JF (13th last week) ...	47
SR (14th last week)...	46

Non-winners' totals are carried forward to next week. Winners residing abroad will be required to pay carriage and customs charges if any.

**SECTION I.—GREAT BRITAIN AND COLONIES.**

Although this album is not likely to be ready for several months, winners of Section III. intending to compete for it can have their purchases credited in the meantime, all the totals being carried forward until the competition commences. This album will complete the very handsome series of three volumes.

The following totals are carried forward to the first week of the competition.

FL ...	173	RG ...	36
JO ...	140	ES ...	19
Mrs. C ...	131	RW ...	17
Rev. S ...	84	JE ...	17
GP ...	78	WS ...	6
JF ...	36		

W.R. writes (11.4.08):—"I have to return you warm thanks for the handsome copy of your "Our Own Times" Album sent to me last week, as the prize in your competition. I have already two copies of this book, but am nevertheless pleased to possess the copy just sent. I shall be pleased to enter the competition for the other two volumes in due course. I only fear that the simplified system on which I observe your "Old Times" Album is based, will hardly commend itself to collectors hardened in the "pernicious" old school of collectors of varieties of watermarks, perforations, papers, &c. However, I shall be interested in watching the progress of the new movement. Certainly the formidableness of the task of grappling with the present overgrown field must act as a deterrent to beginners in this fascinating hobby."

E.F. writes (23.4.08):—"I beg to acknowledge with many thanks the receipt of the "Our Own Times" Album. To say I am pleased with it does not express myself sufficiently. I have been looking forward to receiving an excellent album, but this one is magnificent and quite exceeds my expectations. I will do all I can to further your interests; two or three of my friends have decided to enter your weekly competition for albums."

J.I. writes (23.1.08):—"Please to accept my very best thanks for the 'Good Old Times' (European Section) Album to hand.

"I have arranged a good many of my European countries in it and the effect is very pleasing. Indeed, I am already beginning to feel more respect for my Foreign Countries, which, owing to the fashion among collectors of only collecting Colonials, I fear I have somewhat neglected of late.

"The inclusion of year of issue above each stamp makes the Album a valuable work of reference, and the system of numbering the different issues or sets is, in my opinion, a great advance on giving the date only. Your simplified system is, I am convinced, the only practical one for general collecting. Again thanking you."

G.L. writes (12.2.08):—"Many thanks for Album which arrived quite safely; it is just in keeping with all your other goods, quite the best. I mean to have a try now for your other Album."

Perhaps the best recommendation of our Albums is the avidity with which a winner of one of them immediately sets about trying for the others. A glance at the figures in Section III., which is only open to winners of Section II., will confirm this.

The awards are made and albums posted every Monday.

Since our main object in giving these albums away is to get them known, winners can repay

us by showing them to stamp-collecting friends as well as by purchasing stamps.

**No. 3. EDITORIAL COMPETITION.**

The competitor who sends us the most interesting item of information for our New Issue column each week will be credited 2/6, which must be claimed within seven days (allowance to foreign readers) and may be selected from any of our approval sheets. From time to time we shall voluntarily increase the prize.

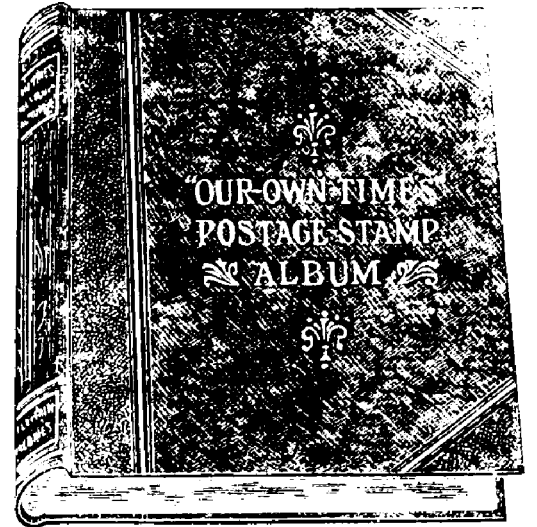
2nd May, 1908.

AC for cutting on Transvaal (2/6).

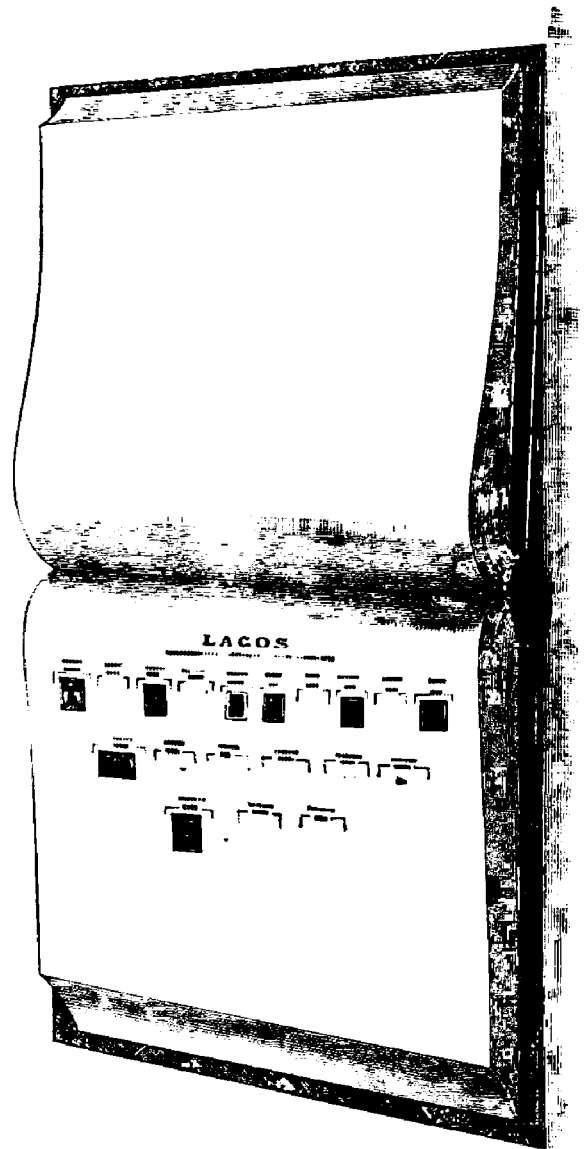
Winners are requested to make early application for their prizes.

**Our Albums.**

We are now able to give two illustrations of our new albums. They are bound alike, as shown in the following illustration.



The album opens as shown in the following illustration, thus enabling two albums to be compared close together.



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- † Expected early in 1908.

The price of the albums is 20/- each.

**PARAGUAY.**

1904 Pictorial design. Very fine used copies of the 1 peso brown and black, 9d. each; also the new 1 peso fuerte, grey and black, lithographed, 9d. each.

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St. Kitts-Nevis.

SK ah\* 1d. rose, and 6d. bi-col., wmk. Crown CA multiple. The distribution of these stamps brings the country up to date.

Dominica.

DO al† 1/- wmk. Crown CA multiple, on chalk-surfaced paper.  
 at\* 2/- do. do. do.  
 au\* 2/6 do. do. do.  
 av\* 5/- do. do. do.

This country is now brought entirely up to date.

Queensland.

QU av\* 1/4d., 1d., 2d. and 4d., wmk. Crown A.  
 aw\* 2 1/2d., 3d., 5d. and 1/-, wmk. Crown Q; set of new shades.  
 ax\* 5/- wmk. Crown A, perf. 12 1/2. In respect of the public issue this country is now brought up to date, with the exception of the 6d. green and 5/- rose.

Norway.

NW ad† 15 öre on 4 skilling. These stamps appear in two distinct shades, and one of each were sent out with New Issues.

Italy.

IT af 25c. new value.  
 ag 40c. " We have a large number of the above stamps on order, also the 50c., which we should receive shortly, and be able to finish the distribution.

Austria.

Postage Due.

AS ai† 1 to 100 heller. Set of 9.

Tasmania.

TA bc† 1d. wmk. Crown A, perf. 11 x 12 1/2.  
 2d. " " perf. 12 1/2 x 11.  
 bp 2d. " " perf. 11 x 12 1/2.  
 bq 1d. " " perf. 12 1/2 on the left side and 11 on the other three sides.  
 br 1d. wmk. Crown A, perf. 11 on top and 12 1/2 on the other three sides.

Papua on B.N.G. Type ii.

New varieties just discovered, wmk. wide instead of narrow rosettes as chronicled in our E.W.S.N. of last week.

BN ap† 2 1/2d., dull blue shade.  
 au\* 2 1/2d., ultramarine. Possibly some of our clients received the 2 1/2d. value previously sent out with New Issues, with the wide rosette wmk. (No. 320) instead of the narrow (No. 334), in which case we shall be pleased either to exchange the stamp or forward No. 334 if required. We shall be sending with the current week's New Issues some of the inverted "d" and "dropped pua" varieties.

Commonwealth of Australia.

Postage Due.

AU ar\* 1d. Melbourne paper, wmk. Crown double-lined A  
 as\* 2d. do. do. do.  
 Wmk. a letter of the words "Commonwealth of Australia" in double-lined capitals.  
 at 1d.  
 au 2d.  
 am† 4d.  
 an† 6d.  
 ao† 6d. no watermark.

We have had considerable difficulty in obtaining the 1d. and 2d. values.

### Auction Prices.

At Glendining's sale on 31.3.08 a Brunei 1c. with black overprint realized £6 and a block of four 50c. grey British Honduras, one stamp showing the error Bevenue, brought no less than £23.

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## The Week's News.

The Editor is always pleased to receive Early Information of New Issues, or of Discoveries interesting to Stamp Collectors, and will acknowledge such contributions either by name in the journal or by the presentation of several interesting newly-issued stamps, as preferred. The index number and serial letter after the title of each paragraph indicate the issue of E.W.S.N. in which the last reference to that country appeared.

**GREAT BRITAIN.**—Record Dates of Use (450 D 451).—The following new records are shown us by Mr. W. Denison Roebuck.

6d. plate 3 Canterbury 2.1.63.  
1d. plate 97 Cambridge 20.5.65.

**Cheque Dies** (445 O 451).—Mr. A. H. Thompson has shown us the following:—FN, 4.9.07; FS, 20.12.06.

**Unadhesive Stamps** (443 V 451).—Two early dates of use are reported by Mr. A. H. Thompson.  
½d. Queen, die 8, vermilion, 10.3.93.  
" die 43, " 9.1.01.

**FINLAND** (316, 324 J 451).—We read as follows in *Gibbons' Stamp Weekly* (9.5.08/302).

Since 1906 a new perforating machine, driven by electricity, has been introduced. The stamps are now perforated 14 in both directions.

Until 1908 all the postage stamps were printed from clichés made by H. Berthold of Berlin. From 1908 the 10 pf. and 20 pf. are being printed from new clichés made by Lilius von Hertzberg in Helsingfors.

**HUNGARY** (426 A 451).—The following perforation varieties are shown us by Mr. W. T. Wilson, under date of 30.4.08.

**Postage Due Adhesives.** New wmk.  
2 filler, perf. 15.  
5 " perf. 11.  
[6, 10, 20 filler, perf. 15 previously noted].  
12 filler, perf. 15.  
50 " perf. 11.

**LEEWARD ISLANDS** (442 A 451).—The following novelty is shown us by Mr. J. Rhodes.



**Adhesive.** Wmk. multiple Crown CA, chalk-surface paper.  
3d. lilac and black.

Earliest postmark seen, 18.4.08.

**NATAL** (448 P 451).—The issue of the new 30/- is reported by *Gibbons' Stamp Weekly* (9.5.08/303). The colours are orange and lilac not brown and purple as formerly stated.

**NEW ZEALAND** (449 E 451).—The Colonial Stamp Market has shown us the following novelty.



**Adhesive.** Comb perf. 14 x 13½.  
6d. rose.

Issued 30.3.08 or earlier.

**PAPUA** (450 E 451).—F.L. writes us as follows:

" PAPUA ON B.N.G., Type II.

"I have been much interested in the announcement in E.W.S.N. of this week regarding the newly discovered variation in watermarks. But on examining the stamps, BN, au, ap, av, aw, sent me with the New Issues and on comparing them with those already received, it would appear that the watermark is itself identical on all the stamps, the only difference being that in those described by you as having "narrow rosettes" the rosettes are printed with their longer axes vertical with the illustration on the stamp, and in those described as having "wide rosettes" the longer axes are horizontal, viz.:—

Long axis of rosette, 11.5 mm.;  
Short " " 10.75 mm.  
Space between rosettes on line of long axis 11.75 mm.

Space between rosettes on line of short axis, 9 mm.

"I note that my contention i.e., that the wmk. is the same, but printed in different directions is suggested in your note in Quotations No. 133. But surely there is a very great difference between watermarks which are printed in different directions and those which vary in design or dimensions?"

"I would suggest that it is not quite correct to list them in the way shown in Quotations 133, which seems to indicate a really different watermark (supposing always that my contention is correct)."

We don't consider the narrow rosettes watermark comes within the category of a sideways watermark, because the texture of the paper is different. The one variety could not have been caused by turning round a sheet of the other. The paper was specially manufactured and if entire sheets of the two kinds could be procured they would in all probability be found to differ.

It is just possible that a painstaking specialist blessed with good eyesight and a large stock of entire sheets might settle the question, because on some sheets there is a slight variation in the measurements (up to ¼mm. so far as we have noticed).

W. L. writes:—"Re Watermark British New Guinea Stamps.

"Have you not mixed up the varieties of wmk. In my specimens, some obtained from you, the wide rosettes are 12mm. apart horizontally, and the narrow or upright rosettes are 9mm. apart. To me, one seems to be the other, only sideways, as suggested by you.

"I have both varieties in Papua, large surcharge, 4d. and 6d.—your Nos. 305, 306, 313, 314. These last two you mark as unknown."

In our first notice we unfortunately reversed the measurements; the wide rosettes are of course wider apart than the narrow ones.

R. H. writes:—"I have No. 314 (large surcharge) 6d. green with narrow rosettes (9mm. apart) on thick paper, which is quoted as unknown."

This is quite a new variety, if the paper is thick and properly classifiable as with "wmk. wide rosettes sideways, although for the sake of simplicity we list it along with those on thin paper, narrow rosettes wmk.

N. S. shows us a copy of the 6d. green, large surcharge, wmk. narrow rosettes. The paper is of medium texture with watermark distinct as in the thin paper issue. The thick paper is, on the other hand, opaque.

R. P. writes:—"I have the following varieties of Papua reported 'unknown' in *Ewen's Stamp Weekly*.

4d. type I. (313) wmk. narrow rosettes.  
6d. " I. (314) " " "  
½d. " II. (317) " wide rosettes."

A. A. writes:—"I have looked through my specialized collection of Papua and New Guinea and find that I have of first type 4d. narrow rosettes block 5, strip 3, and several singles, used and unused; 6d. narrow rosettes, one sheet and block 4; small surcharge ½d. wide rosettes, block of six.

"This is interesting from a shade point of view, being quite different from any other I have ever seen and should say quite an early printing from the clearness of detail in the black as well as green, and very rich colour."

H. C. writes:—"I appear to have Nos. 313, 314 and 317 listed by you."

C. R. also reports having Nos. 313, 314.

From the fact that all our critics hit upon the same three stamps omitted from our list of known varieties, we venture to think that no more additions will be discovered. We chronicle:—



**Adhesives.** Wmk. narrow rosettes.  
4d. brown and black, type i.  
6d. green " " "  
" " " " "  
Wmk. wide rosettes.  
½d. green and black, type ii.

Almost simultaneously with our first notice, *Gibbons' Stamp Weekly* (9.5.08/295), has a most interesting article on the subject of British New Guinea stamps, going even deeper into it than ourselves. We cannot resist the temptation to "lift" it entire!

## SOME NOTES ON THE STAMPS OF BRITISH NEW GUINEA.

BY R. ANTHROBUS.

The following notes on the stamps of British New Guinea may be of interest to collectors of Australasian stamps. No claim is made as to their being exhaustive, and in certain cases the conclusions drawn are purely conjectural.

Post Offices were established in the territory as early as 1891, and the current Queensland stamps were used. The following values are known: ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 4d., 6d., 1s., 2s., 2s. 6d., 5s., 10s.; and used copies are easily distinguishable by the very distinctive postmark—a barred oval, in the centre of which are the letters B.N.G. The stamps are also to be found with the Port Moresby postmark. In the writer's opinion it seems a little questionable whether the high values were ever despatched officially to New Guinea, although there may possibly have been a demand for them for fiscal purposes.

In 1901 the territory was deemed worthy of a special series, and accordingly values were issued of a distinctive design, the central portion of which is a representation of the "lakatoi," a species of double canoe used by the natives for trading purposes. Seven values were issued, the denominations being ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 4d., 6d., 1s., and these were supplemented by the issue of a 2s. 6d. stamp in 1905.

There are several interesting points relating to these stamps which, up to the present, have not been recognized; and it is noteworthy that in the large collection which was shown at the recent Exhibition of the Junior Philatelic Society, no distinction was made as to the very notable differences in the printings, which will be found detailed below.

The difference in the thickness of paper upon which modern colonial stamps, from the office of Messrs. De la Rue & Co., have been printed, has been frequently remarked upon of late in the philatelic press.

The thicker paper is used almost entirely for the manufacture of stamps printed by the steel or copper process, this process being that by which the British New Guinea stamps were prepared. The reason has been officially stated that the wetting necessary in printing by this process tries the thinner paper too much.

That the thick paper was used originally for printing by this process can be instanced by such stamps as the Commemorative 2½d. Grenada, and 2d. Trinidad. Then trials seem to have been made with the ordinary thinner paper, on which, for example, the Barbados Nelson Commemorative issue was printed. Finally, recourse was had again to the thicker paper, as in the multiple issue of the Barbados Nelsons and the recent permanent series for Brunei.

The New Guinea stamps were originally issued on the thick paper, and the first printing is easily distinguishable by this fact. Further, the gum is also thick, and has the appearance of being spread in layers. The Rosette watermark is found (according to the writer's experience) invariably sideways in this printing; that is to say, the greatest breadth lies horizontally.

The ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 4d., 6d., 1s. values on this paper are by far the commonest varieties, but the 2s. 6d. value is scarcer than the 2s. 6d. on thinner paper described below. Dealers' supplies of the lower values consist almost exclusively of this printing, as the stamps were naturally imported at the time of their issue. On the other hand, the two printings of the 2s. 6d. were probably despatched at the same time, or, at any rate, very closely together, as both varieties were obtainable from dealers' supplies.

It is on the whole improbable that there were more than two printings of the 4d., 1s. and 2s. 6d. values, but of the other values there is good reason to suppose that intermediate supplies were received from Messrs. De la Rue.

The intermediate printings may be termed second printings, and are found on thick paper, which, however, is not so thick as that of the first printing; the gum is usually toned, no doubt owing to climatic influences, and the watermark is upright.

The ½d., 1d. and 2½d. values are distinguishable by shades, the colour of the 2½d. being especially marked, a dull milky blue as against a bright blue in the first printings. The 2d. value probably occurs in this printing, but the writer has not seen a copy, while the 6d. value can only be attested by a block of four, surcharged "Papua," Type I.

The third printing is absolutely unmistakable, being on very thin paper through which the watermark, which is upright, shows transparently. All values occur, although the writer has only seen the 1d. and 2½d. values in the surcharged state. The shades of

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## USED STAMPS.

Please order on separate sheet, as this stock is kept at 30, Palace Square.

### BOLIVIA.

1897, long stamps with portraits, mint, 1c. green 1d., 2c. red 1d., 5c. green 1d., 10c. brown 1d., 20c. red 3d., 50c. yellow 7d., 2b. blue 1/6, complete set 2/6.

## VIRGIN ISLANDS.

1899, name and value straight, very fine used singles and blocks of the 4d. green 1d., 1d. red 2d., 24d. blue 4d., 6d. lilac 10d., 7d. green 10d., 1/- yellow 1/4, 5/- blue 7/-, or the complete set of seven values for 10/6.

## DENMARK.

1904, King's Head to right, very fine used copies of the 10ö. rose 4d., 20ö. blue 4d., 50ö. lilac 5d.  
King's Head full face, 5ö. green 4d., 10ö. rose 4d., 20ö. blue 4d., 25ö. brown 14d., 50ö. lilac 3d., 100ö. yellow 5d.

## LEEWARD ISLANDS.

Superb block of four, used, of the 4d. lilac and orange, Queen's Head, 1890, price 2/-.



the values 2½d. to 2s. 6d. are also distinctive. It may be remarked that stamps of this printing are exceedingly rare uncharged, as they can only have been in use a very short time in this condition. Moreover, as far as is known, only one European dealer received a supply.

The 2½d. value of this printing surcharged "Papua," which is mentioned above, shows the watermark sideways. This may, perhaps, be counted as the exception to prove the rule, but conceivably there may have been a further printing of this value. Mention has been made in philatelic journals of a 2½d. dull blue, and if this is not the stamp already described under the intermediate printings, it may belong properly to the third printing.

#### Summary.

First printings (thick paper, thick gum, wmk. sideways). ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 4d., 6d., 1s., 2s. 6d.

Second printings (thick paper, thinner than last, wmk. upright, gum often toned). ½d., 1d., 2d., (?) 2½d., 6d.

Third printings (thin paper, wmk. upright). ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., (?) 4d., 6d., 1s., 2s. 6d.: wmk. sideways, 2½d.

These stamps are printed in sheets of 30 (5x6), and although the margin is usually clipped too close for the plate number to be seen, it is known that the ½d., 1d. and 2d. exist with plate numbers 1 and 2. It is probable that the first printings of all values are from Die I., and the third printings from Die II., although the dies are probably indistinguishable.

The colony was later incorporated in the Commonwealth of Australia, and the title was changed to the Territory of Papua. The stamps were accordingly overprinted "Papua" at the end of 1906 or early in 1907, and, as is universally known, were surcharged in two parcels with two types.

#### Papua.

##### Summary.

##### Surcharged "Papua," Type I.

½d., 1d., 2d.	.. .. .	3rd printing
2½d., 6d.	.. .. .	2nd "
4d., 6d., 1s., 2s. 6d.	.. .. .	1st "

#### Papua.

##### Surcharged "Papua," Type II.

½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 4d., 6d., 1s., 2s. 6d.	.. .. .	3rd printing
2½d.	.. .. .	2nd "

Other combinations may of course occur, but the writer has only come across those enumerated above.

There is a very minor variety which occurs in the setting of the second type of surcharge, the so called inverted "d" on Nos. 10, 16, and 21 of the setting. On Nos. 16 and 21 this is certainly occasioned by a defective "p," that is, a "p" with one of the serifs shortened.

No. 10 is far more distinctive, but the variety is such a small one that even a specialist would hardly allow for it catalogue rank. In copies of the 4d. and 6d. of this variety, which are in the writer's possession, the stop after "Papua" is so faint as to have almost disappeared. In other values, however, notably the 1d., 2d., and 2½d., the stop is much larger than on the other stamps of the sheet. As the number of these three values surcharged with the first overprint were considerable, it is reasonable to suppose that they were only surcharged with Type II. after the 4d. and 6d. values. Consequently, it is possible that the defective stop was changed, and that a new stop was requisitioned in the setting of the surcharge.

Other distinguishable varieties found in this setting are on No. 17, raised "Pa," and on No. 19, dropped "P" and raised "a."

In June, 1907, two values (½d. and 4d.) of a permanent type, inscribed PAPUA, appeared upon the exhaustion of the surcharged stock of these denominations. These stamps were printed in Melbourne, and both of the Melbourne perforating machines, gauging 12½ and 11 respectively, were utilized.

The designs of each value show marked differences. That of the ½d. value is badly executed, flaws occurring in the framework of several stamps on the sheet, and the centre portion of the design is heavy and indistinct. The 4d. value, on the other hand, is probably from a corrected plate, and as regards appearance is a far superior stamp. The chief point of difference lies in the size of the word PAPUA, which, in the 4d. value, stands out more prominently, although the lettering is shorter. The ½d. design will, no doubt, be found to be a provisional one, and the next supplies should be expected in the redrawn type.

In conclusion, attention is called to the interest of collecting postmarked copies of these stamps. The postmarks are most distinctive, and certainly no collection could be called complete without a representative lot of stamps in used condition.

Perhaps one of our many readers specializing in the stamps of Papua will draw us up a list of the surcharged stamps in accordance with Mr. Anthrobus' classification.

**ROUMANIA** (446 Q 451).—The first value of the new set—25 bani blue—is to hand on a letter postmarked 3.5.08. It is line-engraved, perf. 13.

## Errors of Spelling.

Quite a number of people write to us asking "Why do you not publish indices now?" Of course, they mean "indexes"; this is one of those cases where a little knowledge is a dangerous thing. We no longer publish indexes to *Ewen's Weekly Stamp News* because we find our system of indices effective and very much cheaper.

Readers who ask us to distinguish between "imperforated" and "perforated" stamps in

our Quotations probably mean to say "imperforate" and "perforated." There is not and never has been a verb in the English language "to imperforate" and therefore there cannot be a past participle. The verb "unperforate" has a participle "unperforated," but the latter is gradually dropping out of use in philatelic circles. "Imperf." and "perf." are contractions of "imperforate" (without a 'd') and "perforated" (with a 'd').

## An Object Lesson in Catalogue Prices.

A remarkable instance of the wide variation between the prices in different catalogues of one and the same stamp is that of Russia 10 kopeks, brown and blue, with value straight. In used condition this stamp is quoted as follows:—

Stanley Gibbons (1908)	...	1/6
Scott, U.S.A (1908)	...	1/0½
Bright's A.B.C. (1908)...	...	1/-
Whitfield King (1908) ...	...	1/-
Yvert and Tellier (1908)	...	7½d.
Catalogue Officiel (1908)	...	7½d.
Senf, Germany (1908) ...	...	2½d.
Kohl, Germany (1908)...	...	2½d.
Ewen, buying quotation	...	3d.

and finally we notice a wholesale dealer advertising the stamp at 1/6 per 100! Is it a coincidence that the catalogues of each country have the same quotation or is there an agreement between them that one shall follow the lead of the other? If the latter is the case would it not be advisable that the agreement should be made international?

In the *Catálogo Gálvez* of Spain, 1906 (the latest edition we have), the above stamp is catalogued 20 centimos or a fraction under 2d. In the Russian catalogue of 1902 the price is 3 kopeks or ¾d.

## "Prepared for Use, but not Issued."

MESSRS. STANLEY GIBBONS give notice of the following addition to their catalogue.

"Roman States. No. 42 should be omitted.

After No. 49 add "Prepared for use, but not issued."

#### Unsurfaced Paper.

10c. vermilion	Unused 0.1
20c. solferino	" 0.4
20c. magenta	" 0.2

This announcement is remarkable in several ways.

Firstly, stamps "prepared for use but not issued" are now to be included in the catalogue; some notable instances of such stamps are the Somaliland Official overprinted "Service," 1r. Queen; British East Africa, 2, 3, 5 rupees, small overprint (see note after No. 109); Hayti 1898, 1, 3, 7, and 20c.

Secondly, a distinction is now drawn for the first time in the case of the Roman States between "glazed paper" and "unsurfaced paper"; this looks as if chalk-surfaced paper will be recognized in the next catalogue, unless the publishers are to forfeit all claim to consistency.

Thirdly, the 20c. magenta was listed as No. 42, an issued variety, at 1d. The above notice states that No. 42 is to be deleted and the stamp classified as an unissued variety at 2d. Why should the altered status of the stamp increase its value by 100%? We should have thought the reverse would have been the case.

## Our Prize Competitions.

### No. 1. APPROVAL DEPT. (Current Issues).

To the competitor who has purchased by the end of next week the most stamps from our approval sheets of current issues (informing us at the time he wishes the number to compete) we will send post free a copy of "Our Own Times" Postage Stamp Album. This album is specially arranged for King's Head stamps and other current colonial issues.

Result, Week ending 9th May, 1908.

	Stamps
JW (winner and 3rd last week)	... 84
EHS (runner-up and last week)	... 78
SA (6th last week) ...	... 51
EC (5th last week) ...	... 50
JS (4th last week) ...	... 45
GL (7th last week) ...	... 41
TL (8th last week) ...	... 37
CF	... 35
RB (9th last week) ...	... 33

Non-winners' totals are carried forward to next week.

By a curious coincidence JW won last week with a total of 84, and this week another JW wins with the same figure.

### No. 2. APPROVAL DEPT. (Old Issues).

To the competitor who has purchased by the end of next week the most stamps from our approval sheets of old issues (informing us at the time he wishes the number to compete) we will present a copy of the "Good Old Times" Postage Stamp Album (no watermarks, perforations, surcharges, minor varieties).

## SECTION II.—EUROPE AND COLONIES.

Result, Week ending 9th May, 1908.

CG (winner and runner-up last week)	149
EHS (runner-up and 3rd last week) ...	47
GP (4th last week) ...	42
JH (5th last week) ...	36
AD (6th last week) ...	34
HB (12th last week) ...	26
HW (7th last week)...	23
JB (11th last week) ...	22
FC (8th last week) ...	21

## SECTION III.—REST OF THE WORLD.

Same conditions as No. 2 but only open to winners of Section II. The prize is Part III. of the Album, and stamps purchased from any approval sheets of old issues count.

Result, Week ending 9th May, 1908.

FS (winner and runner-up last week)...	199
GA (runner-up and 3rd last week) ...	193
Mrs. U (4th last week) ...	157
JR (6th last week) ...	150
AS (7th last week) ...	145
ESW (5th last week) ...	126
WB (8th last week) ...	100
HN (9th last week) ...	75
GS (10th last week)...	67
JI (14th last week) ...	61
WC (17th last week) ...	49
SG (18th last week)...	49
PB (11th last week) ...	48

Non-winners' totals are carried forward to next week. Winners residing abroad will be required to pay carriage and customs charges if any.

## SECTION I.—GREAT BRITAIN AND COLONIES.

Although this album is not likely to be ready for several months, winners of Section III. intending to compete for it can have their purchases credited in the meantime, all the totals being carried forward until the competition commences. This album will complete the very handsome series of three volumes.

The following totals are carried forward to the first week of the competition.

FL ...	256	JF ...	52
JO ...	158	JE ...	52
Mrs. C ...	131	EB ...	39
GP ...	86	ES ...	19
Rev. S ...	84	RW ...	17
RG ...	57	WS ...	6

### No. 3. EDITORIAL COMPETITION.

The competitor who sends us the most interesting item of information for our New Issue column each week will be credited 2/6, which must be claimed within seven days (allowance to foreign readers) and may be selected from any of our approval sheets. From time to time we shall voluntarily increase the prize.

9th May, 1908.

AA for note on Papua (2/6).

Winners are requested to make early application for their prizes.

## "Moral Courage" Required!

J. I. writes:—"Noticing that you would like to know how many stamps the winners of your albums have succeeded in obtaining out of the total number required, I take the opportunity to inform you that my total for Europe and Colonies is 1527.

"Before I arranged this portion of my collection in the album you kindly sent, I had about 2,000, but this included Unpaid, Officials, etc. I am acting on your advice for the disposal of these and am sending them round an exchange club.

"I may mention it requires a deal of moral courage to collect on your system, when one has philatelic friends, and I believe I am looked upon by most as a fit and proper candidate for a lunatic asylum. But while others are buying second rate copies of 'varieties,' I content myself with one *fine* copy, and should I at any time have to sell, I think I know which is the most saleable article.

"Just a word of comment. As you include the 'wavy' and 'dotted' backgrounds of Denmark first issue, I cannot understand why the 1870 (engraved) issue of France is omitted—both large and small figures. And, I fail to see the reason for omitting the thunderbolt issue of Russia. I should have thought both of these more important than the Denmark varieties."

[J. I. has our admiration; he will live yet to confound his old-fashioned friends! The greatest enemy of our new system of stamp collecting is the lack of moral courage which most collectors exhibit. They are slaves of the catalogue, fettered hand and foot. But our little band of pioneers is growing and will win in the end, just as surely as right methods always vanquish wrong. It is attempting the impossible that causes so many beginners, full of valuable potentialities for the stamp dealer, to give up in disgust and despair at the hopelessness of ever filling his thirty or forty-thousand space album.—ED.]

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Cayman Islands.

- CY ad† ½d. on 1d. King.  
*Postage and Revenue.*  
 al ½d. and 1d. King, wmk. Crown CA, multiple.  
 am 2½d., 3d., 4d. King, wmk. Crown CA, multiple. The 2½d. value is on ordinary paper, and the 3d. and 4d. on chalky paper.  
 an 1/- King, single wmk. Crown CA, chalk-surface paper.  
 ao 10/- King, single wmk. Crown CA, chalk-surface paper.

We regret the delay in completing the distribution of the above, but it is entirely due to the irregularities in the Cayman Islands Post Office.

Nabha, King, Service.

- NA au† ½a. to IR. Set of 7 stamps.  
 av† ½a. to IR. " 6 "

Jamaica. "Ser. et" variety.

- JM ab† ½d. Single wmk. Crown CA.  
 ad† 2½d. " " "  
 ag† ½d. Multiple wmk., chalk-surface paper.

We have received more of these errors, and shall be sending them out with this week's New Issues.

Jhind, King, Service.

- JH ag† ½a.  
 ak† ½a.  
 al† 1a.  
 am† 2a.  
 ar† 2a. pale shade.  
 an† 4a.  
 ao† 8a.  
 ap† 1r.  
 at† 3a. King.

Papua on B.N.G. Type II.

Wide Wmk. Variety inverted "d."

- PP aa 2½d. dull blue shade.  
 ab 2½d. ultramarine.  
 ac 1/-  
*Wide Wmk. Variety dropped "pua."*  
 ad 2½d. ultramarine.  
 ae 2½d. dull blue shade.  
 af 1/-.  
 ag 2/6.  
*Narrow Wmk. Variety inverted "d."*  
 ah 1d.  
 ai 2d.  
 aj 2½d.  
*Narrow wmk. variety, dropped "pua."*  
 ak ½d.  
 al 1d.  
 am 2d.  
 an 2½d.  
 ao 6d.  
 ap 1/-.

Mauritius, Express Delivery.

- MU ag† 15c. on blue "Inland" after Express Delivery.

Tasmania.

- TA br 1d. wmk. Crown A, perf. 11 at the top and 12½ on the other 3 sides.  
 bs 2d. wmk. Crown A, perf. 11 at right side and 12½ on the other 3 sides.

New South Wales.

- NSW aw† 6d. Melbourne paper, wmk. Crown double-lined A.  
 bh† 4d. Melbourne paper, wmk. a letter of the words "Commonwealth of Australia" in double-lined capitals.  
 bt† 6d. Melbourne paper, wmk. a letter of the words "Commonwealth of Australia" in double-lined capitals.

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We have received a supply of the Sarawak 3c. lilac, which will be sent out with the current week's New Issues. Also Trinidad 1/- lilac on yellow and 4d. single watermark on chalky paper.

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## The Week's News.

The Editor is always pleased to receive Early Information of New Issues, or of Discoveries interesting to Stamp Collectors, and will acknowledge such contributions either by name in the journal or by the presentation of several interesting newly-issued stamps, as preferred.

The index number and serial letter after the title of each paragraph indicate the issue of E.W.S.N. in which the last reference to that country appeared.

**BELGIUM F.P.O.** (441 A 452).—We find further particulars of the new stamps in the *Postzegelnieuws* (5.08/83).



**Adhesives.** Overprinted "Chine" and new value in Chinese currency and not as previously reported with "Chine" only.

2c. in black on 5c. green.  
4c. " 10c. red.  
10c. " 25c. blue.  
20c. " 50c. grey.

**BRITISH NEW GUINEA** (427 X 452).—We are informed by Mr. J. G. McNaughtan that he has a completed set of uncharged British New Guinea postmarked Port Moresby, January 1906. The 2½d. has wmk. wide rosettes; all the other values, wmk. narrow rosettes.

**BRITISH SOUTH AFRICA** (393, 400 D 452).—The Colonial Stamp Market has shown us the following new stamps, issued 19.5.08. These values complete the current set.



**Adhesives.**  
3d. light pink.  
3/- deep violet.  
10/- bluish-green.  
£2 red-brown.

The small design values are printed in sheets of 240, 4 panes of 60, each 6 rows of 10 (with imprint at foot "Waterlow & Sons Limited London Wall EC" on sheets of 3/- value only).

**CAYMAN ISLANDS** (450 F 452).—The 5/- Postage and Revenue was issued on 22.4.08 or earlier and now only the 6d. value is required to complete the set.

There are no "Postage—Postage" stamps of any kind left in stock at the Post Office and no more provisionals are to be made, not even a sixpenny to supply the present gap in the set.

It has been stated that there were only 240 2½d. on 4d. made. Although this was the extent of the first printing, we should think it very likely more were done. We know that it was the intention of the authorities to print a supply for each American mail, as required.

**FRENCH F.P.O.** (443 D 452).—Correction.—The new 1, 2, 3, 4c. stamps were chronicled in error as being surcharged on stamps of France. This should of course have been "stamps of French P.O. Morocco" which are of the same design but inscribed "Maroc" instead of "Postes."

**Levant.**—In addition to the uncharged 25 and 50c. the 1 franc has also been issued without overprint in Abyssinia, states *Gibbons Stamp Weekly* (16.5.08/319).

**Adhesive.**  
1fr. lake and yellow-green, "Levant," uncharged.

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**INDORE** (449 O 452).—We have received the following letter concerning the remainders of Holkar Service stamps.

Durbar Revenue Department,  
D. O. No. 320. Inam and Sayar Branch,  
Indore,  
29th April, 1908.

Dear Sir,

In reply to your letter E 41617, dated London the 3rd April current to the address of Moulvi Syed Ali Hussan, Revenue Member (Inam & Sayar), I am desired to reply that stock to be sold consists of the following denominations:—

	Rs.	As.	P.
Quarter anna ..	2633	12	3
Half anna ..	65773	5	0
One anna ..	43620	8	0
Two annas ..	34532	10	0
Three annas ..	8114	10	0
Four annas ..	10459	0	0
Total	Rs.165133	13	3

The period of submitting tenders for the purchase of stamps has been extended up to 1st of August, 1908, and advertisements to that effect will appear in the Mail weekly numbers of the *Pioneer and Times of India*.

Yours faithfully,

L. S. LOMAN,  
Asst. Secretary.

To Ewen's Colonial Stamp Market, Ltd.,  
32, Palace Square, Norwood, S.E.,  
London.

The face value of this little lot is some £11,000.

**JOHORE** (443 U 452).—This country, it seems, is responsible for a postage stamp of which probably not a single copy has ever passed the post and of which no collector—not even the great Ferrary—possesses an unused copy! Here is a chance for someone to obtain an absolutely unique stamp, rarer than the Post Office Mauritius, but to be quite sure no one else gets any the applicant should buy the entire stock and burn them all but one! Seriously, although no copy of this stamp has ever entered the Johore Post Office we think it must rank as a postage stamp because it is clearly available for prepayment of postage. No one supposes that a copy of the £25 Northern Nigeria has ever been used on a letter, yet it has to be catalogued.

The stamp we refer to is that mentioned in the following letter.

General Post Office,  
Johore,  
22nd April, 1908.

Sir,

With reference to your letter of yesterday's date, I have the honour to inform you that the \$10 stamp has been issued some time ago together with the other stamps of the current issues.

Although it has been issued both for Postage and Revenue purposes yet it has never up till then been used by this Office, and the stock is only kept at the Treasury.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,  
Your obedient servant,  
Sd.—HMD. SAID,  
Ag Postmaster General,  
Johore.

**LABRADOR COMPANY** (A 452).—We reproduce the following from *Gibbons Stamp Weekly* (16.5.08/317).

THE LABRADOR COMPANY.

The following letter has been received by *L'Echo de la Timbrologie*:—

"I have the honour to enclose you a set of three unused stamps that have just been issued by 'The Labrador Company,' of American origin; they are intended to frank letters and parcels both to and from Labrador.

"The said Company have received a Charter from the Governments of the United States and Newfoundland to develop the country, on the condition that a postal service to various parts of Labrador is kept in operation during the navigable season.

"Therefore the Company has issued postage stamps of 3 cents, 25 cents and 1 dollar; the latter value is intended for use only on parcels and registered matter, and will only be made use of by the postal officials of the Company."

Our contemporary goes on to state the stamps are absolutely hideous, and are badly printed in very unsuitable colours: the 5c. portrays a seal; the 25c. an Esquimaux; and the \$1 bears a faint resemblance to a map.

Later on we hope to be able to give further particulars about this "Company," but its chief object appears to be exploitation of collectors. We hope that none of our readers will be tempted to buy this bogus rubbish.

In a parcel of common used Canadian stamps offered to the Colonial Stamp Market recently, there were some of these stamps on pieces of envelope and cancelled with (apparently) a piece of cork on which three or four straight bars had been cut. We can testify to the hideousness of the labels and vulgarity of the colouring and there was some evidence that the labels had been attached to the pieces of envelope after the latter had been through the post. One was evidently a U.S.A. official envelope marked "On postal business only—Free."

**MONTSERRAT** (448 R 452).—The Colonial Stamp Market has shown us the following stamps, which now are reported as actually issued (7.5.08 or earlier).



**Adhesives.** Wmk. multiple Crown CA, chalk-surface paper.  
3d. orange and lilac.  
6d. lilac and olive-brown.  
1/- green and lilac.  
2/- " orange.  
2/6 " black.

**PAPUA** (451 F 452).—Mr. T. O'Shaughnessy writes:—

"We all appear to be on the outlook for something new in 'Papuan.' Would you consider the 2½d. type 1, narrow rosettes, below described, a variety or rather a series of varieties all in one, viz.: bottom loop of S of postage on N.-East corner missing; No. 2, the crossbar of T so faint as to appear non-existent, except with magnifier; No. 3, no crossbar in A of Postage; No. 4, the bottom of G which distinguishes it from C is missing, and it is a C with the bottom curve VERY faint; No. 5, the final E is an F, all in the word postage in the N.-East corner, as above described. This much you would say ought to be enough on one stamp, but I have not done yet, there are four large leaves over the value and three of these are a white mass, only defined by the outline, on the lower right hand corner, you chronicle it this week on the left hand corner (or something similar).

"I have also ½d. type 2, with similar leaves to the 2½d. above described and in same position."

**PARAGUAY** (449 E 452).—Some new provisionals are reported by the *Madrid Filatelico* (4.08/56).

Habilitado  
en  
5  
CENTAVOS

**Adhesives.** Overprinted approximately as above.  
5c. on 10c. yellow-brown Official.  
5c. on 30c. blue Official.  
5c. on 60c. dark brown Official.

Habilitado

Overprinted approximately as above.  
5c. deep blue Official.  
5c. grey-blue "  
5c. greenish-blue "

In these latter stamps the bar is intended to cross out the word *Official* but from specimens of all three shades kindly shown to us by Mr. A. H. Thompson we can testify to the fact that it rarely succeeds in getting even near it.

Mr. Thompson has also shown us copies of the 5c. on 2c. red and 5c. on 2c. green (chronicled in *E.W.S.N.* Nos. 413 and 427) without the figure "5" in the surcharge (which is otherwise similar to that illustrated above). Its omission is obviously an error as "*Habilitado en Centavos*" is meaningless.

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Stamps 185 Austrian F.P.O., 1850-67 186 " 1883-1903 187 Bavaria, 1849-74 188† " 1867-74 189 Belgium, 1849-66 190 " 1868-1906 191 Bosnia, 1879-1901 192 " Pictorial, 1906 195 " 1879-1901 193 Bulgaria, 1870-1902 375 " 1902 194† Crete 196† Denmark 197 Danish West Indies 198 Finland, 1860-75 199 " 1890-1900 200† France, Head of Liberty 201† " 1849-70 202 " 1876-1900 203 " 1849-06 204† " 1900-06 361† " used 205 French Foreign P.O., 1902 206† French Colonies 207 " 1859-92</p>	<p>208† Djibouti 209† Obock 412 Guadeloupe 413 Indo-China 414† Madagascar 210 French Somali Coast &amp; Reunion 211 French Congo, Guyana &amp; Guinea 435 Middle Congo 212 French West Africa 213 Tunisia 214 Germany, 1868-75 215 " 1875-79 216 " 1839-1902 217 German Colonies 415 German Colonies, used and un. 218 Alsace to Brunswick 219 Hamburg to Oldenburg 220 Prussia and Saxony 221 Schleswig-Holstein and Thurn and Taxis</p> <p>477 Greece, 1861-1896 478 " 1901-1906 470 " cheap used 315 " 1861-96 318 " 1901-06 223 Holland, 1852-72 224 " 1872-99 225 " 1891-99 226 Dutch Indies, 1870-83 227 " 1870-1905 228† Curaçao 229 Suriname 230 Hungary, 1871-1898 231 " 1900 232 Iceland 233 Italy, 1851-90 234 " 1890-95 420 " 235 Italian Col., F.P.O., and States to Sicily 403 Italian States, Parma to Tuscany</p> <p>236† Luxemburg 237 Monaco 238 Montenegro (1st type) 239 " (later issues) 377 " 1898-1902 423† " postally used 240† Norway 241 " 1872-77 242 Portugal, 1853-1892 243 " 1892-1905 244 Port. 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## USED STAMPS.

Please order on separate sheet, as this stock is kept at 30, Palace Square.

### TURKS ISLAND.

1900, Ship, "Turks and Caicos Is."—Very fine, lightly cancelled, ½d. green 1d., 2d. brown 4d., 2½d. blue 4d., 3d. on yellow 5d., 4d. yellow 6d., 6d. lilac 9d., 1/- brown 1/6., 2/- lilac 2/9, 3/- red 4/6; or the set of nine values for 11/-.

### VIRGIN ISLANDS.

1899, name and value straight, very fine used singles and blocks of the ½d. green 1d., 1d. red 2d., 2½d. blue 4d., 6d. lilac 10d., 7d. green 10d., 1/- yellow 1/4, 5/- blue 7/-, or the complete set of seven values for 10/6.

### DENMARK.

1904, King's Head to right, very fine used copies of the 10ö. rose ½d., 20ö. blue ½d., 50ö lilac 5d.

### DENMARK—continued.

King's Head full face, 5ö. green ½d., 10ö. rose ½d., 20ö. blue ½d., 25ö. brown 1½d., 50ö. lilac 3d., 100ö. yellow 5d.

### BOLIVIA.

1897, long stamps with portraits, mint, 1c. green 1d., 2c. red 1d., 5c. green 1d., 10c. brown 1d., 20c. red 3d., 50c. yellow 7d., 2b. blue 1/6, complete set 2/6.



**PERSIA** (450 V 452).—Some more values of the new set are reported by the *Madrid Filatelico* (30.4.08/56).



**Adhesives.** Design very similar to above but with head of new Shah.

- [6, 9, 10, 13, 26ch., 1kr. already chronicled].
- 2 kran, dark green.
- 3 " blue.
- 4 " yellow.
- 5 " dark brown.
- 10 " rose.
- 20 " black.
- 30 " violet.

Surcharged *Colis-Postaux* in one line vertically in black. 26 chahis, red-brown.

Our contemporary writes 12 kran but we think this may be a misprint for the usual 10, as we notice two similar errors in its chronicle of the new Turkey.

**QUEENSLAND** (438 L 452).—We quote as follows from *Gibbons Stamp Weekly* (16.5.08/319).

It appears that Queensland are having a new design of the Crown and single-lined A watermark; the Crown is altogether rounder, and is quite separate from the "A." This new watermark must not be confused with the Crown and single-lined A of the Australian Commonwealth and New South Wales. Unfortunately, in the Catalogue, as Type 29, we illustrate the latter watermark, instead of the former, the new one. To remove all doubt we would make it quite clear that in every Queensland stamp described as being watermarked Crown and single-lined A, the new watermark illustrated below is intended; this remark applies equally to the four high values—2s. 6d., 5s., 10s., and £1, chronicled in the catalogue as Nos. 229, 230, and 231, and also in our issue of 14 March; all these four stamps have the new watermark, Crown and single-lined A, twice sideways.

The perforating of the new issue is also worthy of comment; it is done by a comb-machine, gauging exactly 13, which is apparently always started on the left-hand side of the sheet; it is worked across the sheet vertically from left to right, so that the left-hand margin is unperforated, while the right-hand margin shows horizontal lines of perforation. The top and bottom margins are perforated to within a quarter of an inch of the edge in each case.

Referring again to the four high values, three of which are catalogued under the numbers above, we are now able to state that the perforating was the work of a single-line machine, gauging from 12½ to 13.

The sheets of the new issue are still composed of 120 stamps, twelve horizontal rows of ten, and they bear a serial number, in black, in the bottom right-hand corner. By the way, the margins of the sheet are unwatermarked; a single line of the watermark shows right round the sheet, and ought to correspond with the outside lines of perforation.

**ROUMANIA** (451 R 452).—A very full description of the new stamps is given in the *Deutsche Briefmarken Zeitung* (7.5.08/80). We extract the following catalogue particulars.

Adhesive.	New designs.	No wmk.
5 bani, green,	Perf. 11½ or 11½ × 13½.	
10 " carmine	" 11½ or 11½ × 13½.	
15 " violet	" 11½.	
25 " dark blue	" 13½.	
50 " orange	" 11½.	

The 15 bani has a larger head than the other values.

**TRINIDAD** (447 U 452).—We are informed that the last supply of the £1 stamps received in the colony came to hand in September 1907. As this stamp was chronicled in 5.07 on multiple watermark chalk-surfaced paper, the previous supply as well as that of 9.07 must have consisted of this variety. We should think Trinidad does not require £1 stamps printed more than once a year, so that this would carry us back to the end of 1906. As late as 3.06 the Colonial Stamp Market was receiving this value on ordinary single Crown CA paper, so that presumably the same variety chalk-surfaced was sent out at the end of 1905 or the beginning of 1906 and was in use during the summer of 1906.

The Postmaster-General still adheres to his statement that he has no 1/- lilac on yellow stamps in stock, but as he franks his letter with one and sends us a large supply inside, it is evident that he has a different opinion to us as to what colour lilac is. On a yellow ground lilac looks brown and we believe all the stamps recently chronicled as brown on yellow would be more properly described as lilac on yellow.

We have an official letter from Trinidad which is franked with a rubber stamp in violet. The spelling of the inscription is decidedly original:—"Government—Official—Paid—Trinidad." The ordering of this stamp must have been left to a very junior clerk!

**TURKEY** (446 T 452).—The following addition to our chronicle of the New Issue is reported by the *Deutsche Briefmarken Zeitung* (7.5.08/82).

**Newspaper Adhesives.** Surcharged as before. 1 piastre, ultramarine.

The Turkish 'b' surcharge on the foreign cor-

respondence set is larger than before. Our contemporary also notes the following.

- Envelopes.**
- 20 paras, rose on white.
- 1 piastre, ultramarine on white.
- Postcards.**
- 10 and 10 + 10 paras blue-green on light rose.
- 20 and 20 + 20 " light carmine on light rose.

### What is this Stamp Worth?

HERE is another remarkable instance of varying catalogue prices.



Porto Rico, Baby-head, 1890, 40c. orange.

	Cat. price used.
Senf, Germany (1908)	... 20/-
Kohl " (1908)	... 20/-
Yvert & Tellier (1908)	... 12/-
Catalogue Officiel (1908)	... 12/-
Scott, U.S.A. (1908)	... 8/-
Galvez, Spain (1906)	... 7/-
Stanley Gibbons (1908)	... 4/-
Whitfield King (1908)	... 3/-
Bright & Son (1908)	... 2/6

The collector who buys at "half-catalogue" in Germany will thus be paying 2½ times the English catalogue price. It is again noticeable how the catalogues of each country follow one another in the matter of pricing.

The Colonial Stamp Market's buying rate for this stamp is 2/- but, perhaps, it is needless to state no transactions have taken place. The collector or dealer who has any naturally sends them on to the Continent, where he will do much better, even if he gets only a third or a quarter of the quotations ruling there. On the other hand, if an English dealer attempts to compete with the Continent by offering say 3/- or 4/- apiece for the stamp, how is he to make a profit? If he attempts to sell it in this country he will be told it is too dear by his clients, whose complete ignorance of its international market value does not prevent them from expressing a very decided opinion. Their only argument is that it catalogued so much by so-and-so, and they seem to think that is the beginning and end of the discussion.

It will be seen from the above example that a collector may often make a better bargain by paying full catalogue price than by buying at half. In the case of the above stamp the English collector buying at "full catalogue" is better off than the German collector paying half, yet the latter is probably pleased with his "bargain" whilst the former is grumbling at the dearness of his acquisition!

It is very often a fact that a collector who only buys at half-catalogue makes a worse investment than one who pays full price. It stands to reason that a dealer who sells at a big reduction must stock in a large proportion those stamps which are falling in value or stamps which are quoted above their international market value; stamps which he knows to be rising in value he keeps in his safe, whilst those which are quoted higher in foreign catalogues he sells abroad. The collector who buys at a big discount off catalogue is thus filling up his collection with stamps which are falling in value, if only he knew it. The collector who only asks a moderate discount from catalogue gets a much wider choice of stamps, if he is wide-awake. But as few collectors are competent enough to know what is going up, they can only be sure of not missing the good ones by insisting on completeness.

To checkmate this some genius invented the collection of perforations, watermarks, shades, surcharges, etc., whereby the catalogue would be swollen to such an extent that completeness would be rendered impossible.

It is to checkmate this genius in his turn that we have invented our simplified system of stamp collecting. An almost complete collection is brought within the bounds of possibility to everyone who can afford to spend 10/- a week on stamps and even schoolboys can get three-quarters of the known varieties. Roughly, a third of the stamps in this list are worth more than catalogue price and another third are not worth half. Collectors who want to know which are which, would do well to study the list appearing in *E.W.S.N.*, as it is being thoroughly revised on an international basis.

Our great difficulty in connection with our Quotations is that there are either no stamps to be bought or else collectors mix them up with a quantity of duplicates distinguished by perforations, watermarks, etc., and refuse to separate them. Our difficulty will be appreciated by anyone who has looked through an average Exchange Club packet. Nearly everything is labelled "rare shade," "scarce unused," "the rare perf.," "single watermark," etc., and a generous addition to the price of the stamp

made. When a real stamp is at last found it is generally slightly defective, off-centre or heavily cancelled. If it is a fine copy it is probably a postage due, fiscal-postal, official stamp or non-adhesive or something else we don't list! Collectors who try to obtain the good different and real stamps listed in our Quotations will be surprised at the difficulty of getting complete, in fine condition, notwithstanding the fact that the bulk of the stamps are quoted under a shilling. But if this difficulty is overcome the owner will find he has a first-class investment.

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To the competitor who has purchased by the end of next week the most stamps from our approval sheets of current issues (informing us at the time he wishes the number to compete) we will send post free a copy of "Our Own Times" Postage Stamp Album. This album is specially arranged for King's Head stamps and other current colonial issues.

Result, Week ending 16th May, 1908.

	Stamps
EHS (winner and runner-up last week)	78
SA (runner-up and 3rd last week)	51
EC (4th last week)	50
JS (5th last week)	45
GL (6th last week)	41
TL (7th last week)	37
CF (8th last week)	35
RB (9th last week)	33
NC (11th last week)	28

Non-winners' totals are carried forward to next week.

#### No. 2. APPROVAL DEPT. (Old Issues).

To the competitor who has purchased by the end of next week the most stamps from our approval sheets of old issues (informing us at the time he wishes the number to compete) we will present a copy of the "Good Old Times" Postage Stamp Album (no watermarks, perforations, surcharges, minor varieties).

#### SECTION II.—EUROPE AND COLONIES.

Result, Week ending 16th May, 1908.

EHS (winner and runner-up last week)	47
GP (runner-up and 3rd last week)	42
JH (4th last week)	36
AD (5th last week)	34
JP (11th last week)	33
HB (6th last week)	26
HW (7th last week)	23
JB (8th last week)	22
FC (9th last week)	21

#### SECTION III.—REST OF THE WORLD.

Same conditions as No. 2 but only open to winners of Section II. The prize is Part III. of the Album, and stamps purchased from any approval sheets of old issues count.

Result, Week ending 16th May, 1908.

GA (winner and runner-up last week)	205
AS (runner-up and 5th last week)	192
JR (4th last week)	169
Mrs. U (3rd last week)	157
ESW (6th last week)	143
HN (8th last week)	133
SG (12th last week)	114
WB (7th last week)	112
J1 (10th last week)	93
GS (9th last week)	67
JB (18th last week)	63
PB (13th last week)	56
WC (11th last week)	56

Non-winners' totals are carried forward to next week. Winners residing abroad will be required to pay carriage and customs charges if any.

#### SECTION I.—GREAT BRITAIN AND COLONIES.

Although this album is not likely to be ready for several months, winners of Section III. intending to compete for it can have their purchases credited in the meantime, all the totals being carried forward until the competition commences. This album will complete the very handsome series of three volumes.

The following totals are carried forward to the first week of the competition.

FL	316	GP	86
JO	158	JF	63
Mrs. C	133	JE	60
RG	99	ES	19
EB	96	RW	17
Rev. S	91	WS	6

#### No. 3. EDITORIAL COMPETITION.

The competitor who sends us the most interesting item of information for our New Issue column each week will be credited 2/6, which must be claimed within seven days (allowance to foreign readers) and may be selected from any of our approval sheets. From time to time we shall voluntarily increase the prize.

16th May, 1908.

JR for note on Leeward Is. (2/6).

Winners are requested to make early application for their prizes.

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Cayman Islands.  
 Postage and Revenue.

- CY al †d. and 1d. King, wmk. Crown CA. multiple.  
 am ‡d., 3d., 4d. King, wmk. Crown CA. multiple. The 2½d. value is on ordinary paper, and the 3d. and 4d. on chalky paper.  
 an †/- King, single wmk. Crown CA. chalk-surface paper.

Trinidad.

- TD aw †/- lilac on yellow, wmk. Crown CA multiple, chalk-surfaced paper.  
 ax\* 4d. wmk. Crown CA single, chalk-surfaced paper.

Sarawak.

- SR ab\* 3c. lilac, new value. The distribution of this stamp brings the country up to date.

New Zealand.

- NZ cd 6d. wmk. NZ, comb perf. 14 × 13½.

Tasmania.

- TA bp† 2d. wmk. Crown A, perf. 11 × 12½,  
 bq† 1d. " " perf. 12½ at the left side, and 11' on the other three sides.  
 br† 1d. wmk. Crown A, perf. 11 at the top and 12½ on the other 3 sides.  
 bs† 2d. wmk. Crown A, perf. 11 at right side and 12½ on the other 3 sides.

Papua on B.N. Guinea. Type ii.

- BN av† 1/- wmk. wide rosettes.  
 aw† 2/6 " "

Jamaica.

"Ser. et" variety.

- JM ad† 2½d. Single wmk. Crown CA.  
 ag† ½d. Multiple wmk., chalk-surface paper.

Somaliland Official.

This variety is mentioned in Stanley Gibbons' catalogue, the overprinted "Service" is of a different fount, measuring 11½mm. long. This completes the set of Somaliland errors mentioned by S.G. and were sent out at

Special prices to our N.I. clients.

- SM aw\* ½a., only 2/-, instead of 15/-.  
 ax\* 1a. " 2/-, " 15/-.  
 ay 2a. " 2/6, " 20/-.

The above prices are less than half S.G. catalogue prices for ordinary stamps.

### Stamps of Esthonia.

A NORWEGIAN dealer sends us a fine strip of three of the seven roubles Finland of the 1891 issue (the Russian design with dots and circles) on "piece of original." What struck us as remarkable was the thinness of the paper, which would be quite useless as a wrapping material for a registered packet requiring 44/- postage.

The letter is addressed in Russian "to the Hon. Gustav Petrovitch Millender, Vezenberg," and is marked "Registered." It bears a red registration label "Z. 245—Bielloostrov P.O." of the design used in Russia. It is therefore certain that the letter was originally sent from Bielloostrov to Vezenberg.

How then does it come to be franked with Finnish stamps? Bielloostrov is presumably in Russia and Vezenberg we know to be in Esthonia.

Lastly, the most suspicious circumstance of all, the stamps are cancelled "Vezenberg" (the town of destination instead of despatch) and the date is 3.4.08, only six weeks ago! These stamps were supposed to have become obsolete years ago. The same postmark "Vezenberg 3.4.08" occurs thrice on other parts of the cover and one of these impressions, heavier than the others, effectively obliterates the Bielloostrov postmark, rendering it impossible to read the date. In order to make matters more secure a bit of stamp edging was stuck over the two marks but although we soaked this off, we could only just make out "...ostrov" on the under postmark and nothing of the date.

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## The Week's News.

The Editor is always pleased to receive Early Information of New Issues, or of Discoveries interesting to Stamp Collectors, and will acknowledge such contributions either by name in the journal or by the presentation of several interesting newly-issued stamps, as preferred. The index number and serial letter after the title of each paragraph indicate the issue of E.W.S.N. in which the last reference to that country appeared.

**BRITISH HONDURAS (420 B 453).**—The 25c. Queen's Head was requisitioned for by that colony late in 1897, and at least 500 sheets were despatched on or about 8.2.98. If the sheets contained 120 stamps, there were at least 60,000 of these stamps in stock at one time, yet this stamp is now catalogued ten times face value. On this basis what will the new 1/- Cayman Islands be worth in ten years time; only 6000 were printed?

**GRENADA (450 C 453).**—In our notice three weeks ago we omitted to give the colours of the new issue.

### Adhesives.

- 3d. lilac on yellow.
- 6d. lilac.
- 1s. black on green.
- 2s. violet and blue on blue.
- 5s. red and green on yellow.
- 10s. carmine and green on green.

The 1/- and 10/- have single watermark; the others multiple watermark. The Colonial Stamp Market informs us that the 3d. was issued on 7.5.08.

**MAURITIUS (445 P 453).**—We find that we have omitted to record the issue of the 50c. on chalk-surface paper, although it was described in our issue No. 420. The Colonial Stamp Market's first supply was despatched from Mauritius on 7.2.08 which was probably the date of first issue, as we were receiving the single watermark variety as late as January.

**NEW SOUTH WALES (438 G 453).**—The Colonial Stamp Market has shown us the following new shade.



Adhesive. Wmk. Crown A, perf. 12 x 12½.  
9d. yellow-brown and dark blue.

Earliest postmark seen, 15 2.08.

**NEW ZEALAND (451 F 453).**—An addition to the official set is reported in *Gibbons Stamp Weekly* (23.5.08/336).

Official Adhesive. Overprinted "OFFICIAL" vertically in black.  
£1 rose Stamp Duty, perf. 12½, 13.

Our contemporary states that this value forms the completion of the set listed as Nos. 643 to 649b and will be numbered 649d. Is this to allow of the set being further completed later on by the issue of a 10/- stamp?

Mr. J. A. Leon informs us that he has the 6d. small size, perf. 14 x 13½, postmarked 13.3.08, an earlier date than that given a fortnight ago.

**PHILIPPINE ISLANDS (450 S 453).**—The following are chronicled by *Der Philatelist* (15.5.08/189).

- Envelopes.
  - 2c. dark green (Head of Rizal).
  - 4c. red (Head of McKinley).
- Official Envelope.
  - 4c. red (Head of McKinley).
- Wrapper.
  - 2c. dark green (Head of Rizal).

**PORTUGUESE COLONIES (400 J 453).**—Mr. Frank Phillips writes in *Gibbons Stamp Weekly* (23.5.08/335).

### PORTUGUESE COLONIAL CURRENCY.

The currency of some of the Portuguese colonies is not very clear to the uninitiated. Few people could say off-hand what an *avo*, *tanga*, or *pataca* are worth in standard Portuguese money. I have been shown an official money table published by the Portuguese

Post Office for the use of colonial postmasters. Below I give the equivalents of some of the values in both Portuguese and English currencies.

MACAO.		
100 avos = 1 pataca.		
Macau. Avos.	Portugal. Reis.	England. s. d.
1 ..	6.4 ..	0 0.34
5 ..	32 ..	0 2
10 ..	64 ..	0 3.6
20 ..	128 ..	0 7
40 ..	256 ..	1 2
50 ..	320 ..	1 5
100 ..	640 ..	2 11

TIMOR.		
100 avos = 1 pataca.		
Timor. Avos.	Portugal. Reis.	England. s. d.
1 ..	5.4 ..	0 0.3
5 ..	27 ..	0 1
10 ..	54 ..	0 3
30 ..	162 ..	0 9
50 ..	270 ..	1 2.7
100 ..	540 ..	2 5

PORTUGUESE INDIA.		
192 reis = 16 tangas = 1 rupee.		
Portug. India.	Portugal. Reis.	England. s. d.
2½ reis	.. 5 ..	0 0.3
4½ "	.. 9 ..	0 0.5
9 "	.. 19 ..	0 1
1 tanga	.. 25 ..	0 1.5
5 tangas	.. 125 ..	0 7
12 "	.. 300 ..	1 4
1 rupee	.. 400 ..	1 9.6
2 rupees	.. 800 ..	3 7

**SALVADOR (439 M 453).**—The *Berliner Briefmarken-Zeitung* (1.5.08/179) states that the following quantities of remainders have been sent to Paris for sale.

Escalón Issue.		
1 centavo, dark green	.. ..	29,919
2 " scarlet	.. ..	11,499
3 " yellow	.. ..	124,043
5 " blue	.. ..	230,862
6 " carmine	.. ..	272,000
10 " violet	.. ..	20,000
12 " lilac	.. ..	29,000
13 " black-brown	.. ..	95,000
24 " carmine	.. ..	23,000
25 " brown	.. ..	3,600
50 " yellow	.. ..	2,608
100 " blue	.. ..	5,260
		856,791

**VICTORIA (450 R 453).**—The 2½d. wmk. Crown A recently chronicled is issued perf. 12 x 12½ only.

## How to Collect French Colonies and Consular Offices.

### TWO WAYS.

(BY A WINNER OF ONE OF OUR COMPETITION ALBUMS.)

IN looking through an ordinary general collection, when one comes to French Colonies the owner is apt to apologise for the empty spaces—and pages—there shown, the average specimens being 1 and 2 cents Peace and Commerce type, inscribed with certain of the 27 names with which each of the 21 values can be found. Consular Offices, excepting Levant, are generally left unrepresented. Now, why is this? Let anyone who reads these lines ask himself why the stamps of the French Colonies are so poorly represented in his collection.

Putting surcharges on one side, the stamps themselves can hardly be termed speculative. The Peace and Commerce type was first issued in 1892, and in many of the Colonies is still in use—a record to date of 16 years. The Consular Offices set was issued in 1902, and is still current.

Most collectors, however, attempt these countries on the principles laid down in *Gibbons' catalogue*—a very excellent method if one is specialising in French Colonials. But does the general collector realise what he undertakes when he attempts French Colonials on this plan? I think not.

The total number of stamps issued for the Consular offices to the end of last year according to *Gibbons' catalogue* amounted to 607, and for the Colonies 1861, a total of 2468 stamps, which has already been considerably added to.

Therefore it is but reasonable to suppose that it is the number of stamps very similar in appearance that dishearten the collector. That is the old system.

Now for the system adopted in Ewen's "Good Old Times" album. In this case we come right down to stamps i.e. designs. Put on one side all surcharges, names, etc., and the problem assumes a very different aspect.

For the general issues for the various colonies commence with the 1859 issue—6 stamps. Ignore the imperforate French stamps. Then the second set 1881—14 stamps. Then take one set of the Peace and Commerce (1892) issue as a representative set as used for the 27 colonies. Remember, the only way in which they differ is the coloured inscription at the bottom of the stamp. You can if you wish have each value from a different colony, thus showing the system in practice. This set will consist of 21 stamps, thus giving a total for the general design of 41 stamps only!

Now a start can be made on the special issues.

Taking them alphabetically, they are as follows:—

Diego Suarez	.. 1890 & 1891	5 stamps.
Djibouti	.. .. 1894	17 "
Congo	.. .. 1900	15 "
Guiana	.. .. 1907	17 "
Guinea	.. .. 1904	17 "
Somali Coast	.. 1902 & 1903	30 "
French West Africa	1906	17 "
(including Senegal, Ivory Coast, etc.)		
Gaboon	.. .. 1889	2 "
Guadeloupe	.. .. 1905	17 "
Indo China	.. .. 1904 & 1907	35 "
Madagascar	.. .. 1891 & 1904	21 "
Middle Congo	.. .. 1907	16 "
New Caledonia	.. .. 1858 & 1905	17 "
Obock	.. .. 1893 & 1894	20 "
Reunion	.. .. 1852 & 1907	17 "
Tunis	.. .. 1888 & 1906	38 "
(no sets)		
Consular Offices	.. one 1902 set	15 "

This gives a total of .. 316  
With general designs added .. 41

Total 357

Three hundred and fifty-seven stamps all different in design and thus far more interesting and collectible against 2468!

Let the gentle reader then make a start on this system and get those 357 stamps, and then if he is so smitten with French Colonials as to specialise in them, take the varieties afterwards, but get the 357 first! Collected on this system, French Colonials will be found a very interesting series of stamps, and what is more the possessor will find he has stamps that are rarely found in the collections of his philatelic friends.

The reader may say that such a collection would not be complete. Perhaps not, but it will probably be found to be more complete than most collections of French Colonials in a "Generalists" album.

[We would particularly draw the attention of collectors and dealers to the last paragraph, which contains a world of wisdom. It is better to accomplish a little than attempt much.—Ed., E.W.S.N.]

## Future of Philately.

"Cornelius Winkle" writes on this important subject in the *Postage Stamp*.

Already the permanent printed album is being split up into group albums, and before many years the Catalogue will have to follow suit, so that some day our *Gibbons'*, or some later development, will be issued in sections of several volumes.

### THE BEGINNING OF THE END.

Before that is done there will probably be a final struggle to keep the Catalogue within reasonable limits, so as to be able to continue it as a manageable two volume edition, by weeding out and throwing overboard, unpaids, officials, etc., and restricting the list to the programme of the

# Approval Sheets of All Countries.

ONLY OBSOLETE ISSUES (9,000 Varieties)

No varieties of perforation or watermark are examined or described; no notice is taken of surcharges. All are standard varieties that have first claim to be represented in a general collector's album. Should any of the stamps have rare perforations, or be in scarce shades, nothing extra is charged on that account.

<p><b>GREAT BRITAIN AND COLONIES.</b> (2891 different sorts exist).</p> <p>479 Gt. Britain, 1840-1870 370 " 1870-1887 371 " 1887-1901 373 " 1840-1884 374 " 1884-1901 105 Antigua and Bahamas 106 Barbados 107 Bechuanaland and Cayman Is. 480 B.C.A. 108 Bermuda 109 B. Honduras 462 B. Columbia &amp; Vancouver Is. 110 B.E.A. 111 B. Guiana 388 B.N.G. and Papua 112 B.S.A. 113 Cape Colony 378 " " 382 " " 114 Ceylon, Pence issue and 1st [Cents issue 147 " " 481 " Cents issue 115 Cook Islands 116 Cyprus 104 Canada, 1870-97 117 " 1859-70 118 " 1851-68 119 " 1897-1904 120 " Jubilee and Map 121 Dominica 380 Brunei, East Africa &amp; Uganda 122 Falkland Islands 123 Fiji Islands 124 Gambia 125 Gibraltar 126 Gold Coast 127 Grenada 469 Heligoland and Ionian Islands 128 Hong Kong 405 " King's heads 129 East India 130 India (Empire) 131 Jamaica 357 " used 132 Labuan, 1st design, Queen's 133 " 1879-1897 Head 483 " 1895-03 134 Lagos 135 Leeward Islands 348 Madagascar, British Post. 136 Malta 137 Mauritius, Pence issues 488 " Cents " 138 Montserrat and Nevis 139 Natal 140 New Brunswick, Nova Scotia 141 Newfoundland, 1857-90 482 " 1880-1905 468 New Republic 143 New South Wales, 1862-97 372 " 144 New Zealand, 1st design 145 " 1854-1898 386 " Pictorial 146 Niger Coast 148 North Borneo, 1883-1889 486 " Pictorial issues 149 Northern Nigeria 150 Orange Free State and Colony 351 Orange River Colony</p>	<p>498 Prince Edward Is. 151 Queensland, 1860-1882 152 " 1882-96 492 Queensland, 1891-1907 154 St. Christopher 155 St. Helena 156 St. Lucia 157 St. Vincent 158 Sarawak 159 Seychelles 349 " 160 Sierra Leone 161 S. Australia, 1855-1887 162 " long stamps 163 S. Nigeria 499 Solomon Is. and Somaliland 487 Stella and Tobago 164 Straits Settlements 434 " 165 Malay States and Maldives 166 Johore 167 Negri Sembilan and Pahang 168 Perak 169 Selangor and Sungei Ujong 170 Tasmania, 1853-1892 452 " 1892-1906 171 Tonga 172 Transvaal, 1869-1895 173 " 1896 and Pietersburg 489 " 1894-07 174 Trinidad 175 Turks Islands and Virgin Islds. 176 Uganda 177 Victoria, 1851-1862 490 " 1863-1885 178 " 1885-1887 491 " 1900-1906 179 Western Australia 180 Zanzibar 181 Zululand</p> <p><b>EUROPE AND COLONIES.</b> (3545 different sorts exist).</p> <p>182 Austria, 1850-90 183 " 1890-96 184 " 1891-1905 385 Austrian Diamond Jub. Stamps 185 Austrian F.P.O., 1850-67 186 " 1883-1903 187 Bavaria, 1849-74 188 " 1867-74 189 Belgium, 1849-68 190 " 1868-1906 191 Bosnia, 1879-1901 192 " Pictorial, 1906 193 " 1879-1901 193 Bulgaria, 1870-1902 375 " 1902 194 Crete 196 Denmark 197 Danish West Indies 198 Finland, 1860-75 199 " 1890-1900 200 France, Head of Liberty 201 " 1849-70 202 " 1876-1900 203 " 1849-06 204 " 1900-06 361 " used 205 French Foreign P.O., 1902 206 French Colonies 207 " 1859-92</p>	<p>208 Djibouti 209 Obock 412 Guadeloupe 413 Indo-China 414 Madagascar 210 French Somali Coast &amp; Reunion 211 French Congo, Guyana &amp; Guinea 435 Middle Congo 212 French West Africa 213 Tunis 214 Germany, 1868-75 215 " 1875-79 216 " 1879-1902 217 German Colonies 415 German Colonies, used and un. 218 Alsace to Brunswick 219 Hamburg to Oldenburg 220 Prussia and Saxony 221 Schleswig-Holstein and Thurn and Taxis 477 Greece, 1861-1896 478 " 1901-1906 470 " cheap used 315 " 1861-96 316 " 1901-06 223 Holland, 1852-72 224 " 1872-99 225 " 1891-99 226 Dutch India, 1870-83 227 " 1870-1905 228 Curaçao 229 Suriname 230 Hungary, 1871-1896 231 " 1900 232 Iceland 233 Italy, 1851-90 234 " 1890-95 420 " " 235 Italian Col., F.P.O., and States to Sicily 403 Italian States, Parma to Tuscany 236 Luxemburg 237 Monaco 238 Montenegro (1st type) 239 " (later issues) 377 " 1898-1902 423 " postally used 240 Norway 241 " 1872-77 242 Portugal, 1853-1892 243 " 1892-1905 244 Port. Colonies near Europe 493 " 245 Ditto, beyond Europe, 1870-93 416 " " 1897 design 402 " " 1870-1898 246 Ditto (Vasca da Gama), 1893-97 247 Ditto, 1897 type 248 Mozambique, India and Nyassa 428 Pictorial stamps 249 Roumania, 1858-71 (imperf. issues) 250 " 1871-90 417 " 1890-1891 418 " Pictorial 251 Russia 252 Russian Foreign P.O. 253 San Marino 254 Serbia, 1866-05 255 " 1901-05 256 Spain, 1850-67</p>	<p>397 Spain, 1850-1872 257 " 1870-1878 258 " 1879-95 424 " 1873-75 259 Cuba, 1855-77 260 " 1882-98 419 " 1877-1881 421 Elobey and Spanish Guinea 261 Fernando Poo 262 Philippines 389 Philippine Islands 263 Porto Rico 264 Sweden, 1855-1872 410 " 1891 265 Switzerland, 1845-82 266 " 1882-1900 267 Turkey, 1863-76 268 " 1892-06 398 " 269 Wurtemberg</p> <p><b>REST OF WORLD.</b> (2565 different sorts exist).</p> <p>270 Abyssinia 384 Afghanistan 271 China 273 Congo Free State 274 Corea, 1895-1902 275 " 1903 276 Egypt 473 " 277 Japan, 1871-76 278 " 1894-1900 467 " 1876-1904 279 Liberia, 1860-1892 453 " 1892-06 280 Persia, 1865-91 281 " 1891-1906 463 Shanghai 283 Siam 284 Argentine Republic, 1858-67 285 " 1882-90 286 " 1889-92 287 " 1892-99 458 Buenos Aires and Corrientes 288 Bolivia, 1866-67 289 " 1878-97 290 " 1897-01 291 Brazil, 1844-78 292 " 1878-1900, chiefly used 293 " 1880-1906 294 Chili, 1852-81 295 " 1881-1906 379 " cheap used 296 Colombia, 1859-70 297 " 1876-86 298 " 1890-98 299 " 1902-04 300 " (Cartagena and other issues, 1898-05) 433 " 1902 issue 301 Costa Rica, 1862-89 454 " 1892-06 302 Dominican Republic, 1862-1900 466 " " 303 Ecuador, 1865-94 430 " 1899-05 432 " 1895-99 304 Guatemala, 1871-86 305 " 1902 426 " 1897-06</p>	<p>306 Hayti, 1871-98 422 " 1895-1906 307 Honduras, 1865-92 431 " 1892-02 308 Mexico, 1856-74 309 " 1874-82 310 " 1884-85 311 " 1886-99 429 " 1886-03 312 Nicaragua, 1862-91 313 " 1892-97 455 " 1898-06 314 Panama (unsurcharged) 317 Paraguay, 1870-1892 318 " 1900-03 319 " 1903-07 460 " (cheap used) 320 Peru, 1858-74 321 " 1895-96 456 " 1896-07 322 Salvador, 1867-92 323 " 1892-95 464 " 1895-96 465 " 1897-06 324 Uruguay, used and unused 325 " 1884-90 326 " 1890-05 327 " 1895 383 " 1887-04 427 " 1895-07 328 Venezuela, 1859-06 (for internal postage) 329 Venezuela, 1880-96 (Foreign correspondence) 457 Venezuela, 1893-06 (Foreign correspondence) 330 United States, 1851-1882 331 " 1884, 1900, 1902 332 " Columbus, Omaha, etc. 404 " cheap used (used) 461 " " 333 Confederate States and Cuba 381 Philippine Islands (U.S.A.) 443 Samoa 334 Hawaii, 1853-1882 459 " 1891 (Pictorial issue)</p> <p><b>INDIAN NATIVE STATES.</b> (301 different sorts exist).</p> <p>335 Alwur, Bamra, Bhor and Bhopal, first issue 476 Bhopal, second issue 337 Bundi 494 Bussahir 338 Charkhari and Cochin 495 Dhar, Duttia and Faridkot 339 Holkar and Hyderabad 340 Jaipur, Jhind, and Jhalawar 496 Jummoo and Kashmir 341 Kishengarh 342 Nepal and Nowanugger 343 Rajnandgaon, Rajpepla and Sirmoor (Scinde Dawk 497 Soruth, Travancore &amp; Wadhwan</p> <p><b>NEW ISSUES (USED).</b> Sheets of these, Foreign and Colonial, are now ready</p>
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† These Sheets are newly mounted this week.

The above fine series of Approval Sheets consists solely of stamps arranged according to our "Monthly Quotations" (5d. post free).

# Approval Sheets of New Issues.

BRITISH COLONIES ONLY, CHIEFLY KING SINGLES AND MULTIPLES, USED AND UNUSED.

Stamps purchased from these Approval Sheets count in the Competition for "Our Own Times" Album, whereas those purchased from the above Sheets (obsolete issues) count in the "Good Old Times" Competition.

<p>500 Atutaki on N.Z. 501 Antigua 581 Australian Commonwealth Postage Duces 502 Bahamas, King, &amp;c. 503 Barbados 504 Bechuanaland, King 505 Bermuda, Dockyard 506 Br. Central Africa, King 507 British Guiana 508 Br. Honduras, King 585 British New Guinea 509 Br. New Guinea and Papua 510 Br. South Africa (unused 380 Brunei, 1st issue, used and 512 Brunei, surch. and pictorial 511 Canada, King, &amp;c. 513 Cape, King 514 Cayman Is., King 515 Ceylon, King</p>	<p>516 Chamba on India, King 360 Cook Islands, Queen's Head 517 Cook Is. 518 Cyprus, King 519 Dominica, pictorial 520 E. Africa, King 521 Falkland, King 522 Fiji, King 523 Gambia, King 524 Gibraltar, King 525 Gold Coast, King 526 Grenada, King 527 Gwalior on India, King 528 Hong Kong, King 529 India, King 530 C.E.F. on India, King 531 Jamaica, Arms 532 hind on India 533 Johor, 1904 534 Labuan, Crown</p>	<p>580 Labuan, pictorial 411 Labuan, sur. " Straits " 381 " " used and un. 535 Lagos, King 536 Leeward, King 537 Levant on Gt. Britain 538 Malay States 539 Maldives on Ceylon 540 Malta, King, &amp;c. 541 Mauritius, Arms 542 Montserrat, Arms 584 Morocco Ag. on Gibraltar—varieties 543 Morocco on Gibraltar 544 Morocco on Gt. Britain 545 Naba on India, King 546 Natal, King [Family 547 Newfoundland, Cabot and Royal 548 New South Wales 583 New Zealand Pictorials and Officials</p>	<p>549 New Zealand, pictorial 550 Niue on N.Z. 551 North Borneo 552 N. Nigeria, King 553 Orange River Colony, King 554 Patiala on India, King 555 Penrhyn on N.Z. 556 Queensland 557 St. Helena, King, &amp;c. 558 St. Kitts-Nevis, pictorial 559 St. Lucia, King 560 St. Vincent, King 561 Sarawak, Rajah's Head 562 Seychelles, King 563 Sierra Leone, King 564 Solomon Islands 346 Somaliland, 1st issue 565 Somaliland, King and Queen. 579 " Prot. King</p>	<p>347 Somaliland 377 Somaliland Officials, 1st issue varieties 378 Somaliland Service 566 South Australia 567 S. Nigeria, King 568 Straits, King 569 Sudan, Camel 570 Tasmania, pictorial 571 Tonga, pictorial and portrait 350 Transvaal C.S.A.R. 572 Transvaal, King 573 Trinidad 574 Turks Islands 575 Victoria 576 Virgin Islands 577 Western Australia 349 Zanzibar, 1904, and varieties 578 Zanzibar, Arms</p>
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## USED STAMPS.

Please order on separate sheet, as this stock is kept at 30, Palace Square.

### TURKS ISLAND.

1900, Ship, "Turks and Caicos Is."—Very fine, lightly cancelled, 1/4d. green 1d., 2d. brown 4d., 2 1/4d. blue 4d., 3d. on yellow 5d., 4d. yellow 6d., 6d. lilac 9d., 1/- brown 1/6., 2/- lilac 2/9, 3/- red 4/6; or the set of nine values for 11/-.

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1899, name and value straight, very fine used singles and blocks of the 1/4d. green 1d., 1d. red 2d., 2 1/4d. blue 4d., 6d. lilac 10d., 7d. green 10d., 1/- yellow 1/4. 5/- blue 7/-, or the complete set of seven values for 10/6.

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1902, King's Head, very fine used, 5/- green and 6/6, and 10/- green and lilac 13/-.

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1899, three-quarter face to right, with "Postage" both sides, very fine used 4c. rose 1d., 8c. yellow 2 1/4d., 10c. blue 4d., 12c. lilac 4d., 20c. brown 8d., 25c. brown and blue 9d., 50c. green and rose 1/6, and 3c. lilac 1 1/4d.



Postage Stamp, i.e. to adhesive stamps sold to the public for public use.

This will save the situation for a few years, but the growing popularity of the sectionised or group album will probably force the pace and lead sooner than we think to the sectionised Catalogue.

GENERAL COLLECTING.

On the other hand there is a decided tendency in the direction of general collecting on the simplest lines. Even specialists subscribe to general New Issues services, and so allow a more or less general collection to accumulate. This in time, almost automatically, gathers importance, and tempts the specialist to open out, from its basis, into other groups.

The collector of small means by keeping to the simplest lines finds he can get a nice show together.

A COLLECTION OF USED STAMPS.

So many collectors now go in for unused that a great many overlook what can be done in used stamps.

Unused stamps will probably always remain the choice of high watermark collecting because that is the issue condition, the actual mint state, and it is unquestionably the best for investment.

But used stamps, especially of modern issues, are so cheap that a grand general collection may be made for less money than would suffice for one small colony like Lagos in the unused form.

I am, and have been for many years, before all things, a specialist in unused, but I am sorely tempted to go in also for a general collection of used stamps. When I see whole series of issues offered for a few pence per set, and reckon up what I might do with the aid of a printed album, I feel in a very yielding frame of mind.

[May we suggest to Cornelius that he should enter our competition and secure one of the simplified albums we are offering? A really wonderful collection—representative of the whole world—can be made on our system at an average cost of 1d. per stamp.—Ed., E.W.S.N.]

The Cost of a Collection of Postage Stamps.

(Reprinted from Ewen's Weekly Stamp News of 21.1.05).

A CORRESPONDENT has sent us an interesting calculation of the cost of a collection of postage stamps which includes only those stamps listed in our Quotations,—that is to say, only the different kinds of postage stamps without any variations of watermark, shade, perforation, etc. As his tabulated statement classifies only 8452 stamps as against the correct figure 8474 and gives the total of those price 6d. or under as 6024 instead of 6033, it is not quite accurate, but the difference is so slight that the value and interest attached to the calculations are in no degree diminished. The figures, it should be stated, are based on our No. 6 Quotations, about 300 of the prices tabulated in which were altered in our No. 7 Quotations just published. The table gives, however, an excellent idea of the cost of a collection formed on our new system.

TABLE I.

Number of stamps at each quotation.							
Price.	No.	Price.	No.	Price.	No.	Price.	No.
a	1258	b/d	6740	b/d	7998	b/d	8374
1/4d.	689	1/1	1	7/6	33	55/0	2
1/2d.	777	1/2	41	8/0*	28	60/0	10
	2704	1/3	86	8/6*	13	65/0	2
3/4d.	331	1/4	56	9/0*	12	70/0	3
1d.	670	1/5	8	9/6*	3	75/0	3
	3705	1/6	118	10/0	62	80/0	8
1 1/4d.	146	1/8	30			90/0	1
1 1/2d.	246	1/9	61		8149	100/0	5
1 3/4d.	78	1/10	5	11/0*	11		
2d.	461	1/11	6	12/0*	7		8408
	4636	2/0	154	13/0*	11		
2 1/4d.	67		7306	14/0*	6	£6	6
2 1/2d.	161	2/3*	39	15/0	35	£7*	2
2 3/4d.	27	2/6*	108	16/0	3	£8	4
3d.	321	2/9*	29	17/0*	5	£9	4
	5212	3/0*	84	18/0*	11	£10	6
3 1/2d.	87	3/3	13	19/0	3	£12	1
4d.	290	3/6*	66	20/0	37	£13*	2
4 1/2d.	50	3/9	19		8278	£21	3
5d.	162	4/0	77	22/0*	5	£25	1
5 1/2d.	17	4/3*	6	24/0	4	£30	1
6d.	226	4/6	25	25/0	14	£35	1
	6024	4/9*	4	27/0*	3	£50	1
7d.	102	5/0	103	28/0	2	£60	1
8d.	138		7879	30/0	28	£70*	2
9d.	129	5/6*	19	35/0*	8	£80	1
10d.	123	6/0*	48	40/0*	15	£100	1
11d.	55	6/6*	20		8357	£200	2
1/0	169	7/0*	32	45/0*	8	£1000	1
	6740		7998	50/0	9		8452
					8374		

\*Includes intermediate quotations.

As soon as Quotations No. 30 is published, we will have a similar and up-to-date table prepared. The number of different stamps has increased in the four years from 8452 to 9311.]

EVERY COLLECTOR SHOULD SUBSCRIBE TO "E.W.S.N."

It is no economy to save the small subscription (4/4) and live in ignorance of Philatelic events.

TABLE II.

Cost of Collections taking cheapest varieties.

Collection of	Limit.	Total Price.	Collection of	Limit.	Total Price.
£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
500	a	0 10 5	5500	4d.	24 5 9 1/2
1000	a	1 0 10*	6000	6d.	36 6 10
1500	1/4d.	1 11 3	6500	10d.	53 16 3
2000	1/4d.	2 3 2 1/2	7000	1/6	82 13 5
2500	1/4d.	3 4 0 1/2	7500	3/0	133 6 4
3000	1/4d.	4 11 0 1/2	8000	7/6	247 10 4
3500	1d.	6 11 1 1/2	8300	25/0	444 10 10
4000	1 1/2d.	9 2 8 1/2	8400	£4	668 17 10
4500	2d.	13 0 4 1/2	8430	£10	884 7 10
5000	3d.	18 2 7	8452	none	4547 7 10

\* Were we to admit a lower minimum than a or 1/4d., this figure would of course be much lower.

A complete collection of the world's postage stamps for £4,547 7s. 10d.! Minus the 152 rarest varieties, the price works out at less than one-tenth that sum. But it must be remembered these are the Colonial Stamp Market's buying prices, and are subject to an addition of one-third for sale purposes. Still, even then, a collection containing 7,000 out of a possible 8,452—82 % of completeness—costs but little over £100.

In many other ways the tables are interesting. For instance, if you are intending to invest £10 in your collection, you should limit your purchase to stamps quoted 2d. and under in order to ensure obtaining the largest variety. If the investment is to be increased to £50, the limit may be raised to 10d., and so on.

For most schoolboys the limit of possibility is probably half the total of different kinds, or 4,226, which would cost £10 14s. 8 1/2d., plus a third, or £14 6s. 3d.

Our Prize Competitions.

NO. 1. APPROVAL DEPT. (Current Issues).

To the competitor who has purchased by the end of next week the most stamps from our approval sheets of current issues (informing us at the time he wishes the number to compete) we will send post free a copy of "Our Own Times" Postage Stamp Album. This album is specially arranged for King's Head stamps and other current colonial issues.

Result, Week ending 23rd May, 1908.

Stamps	Stamps
CF (winner and 7th last week) ...	58
SA (runner-up and last week) ...	51
EC (3rd last week) ...	50
JS (4th last week) ...	45
GL (5th last week) ...	41
TL (6th last week) ...	37
RB (8th last week) ...	33
NC (9th last week) ...	28
JE (11th last week) ...	25

Non-winners' totals are carried forward to next week.

NO. 2. APPROVAL DEPT. (Old Issues).

To the competitor who has purchased by the end of next week the most stamps from our approval sheets of old issues (informing us at the time he wishes the number to compete) we will present a copy of the "Good Old Times" Postage Stamp Album (no watermarks, perforations, surcharges, minor varieties).

SECTION II.—EUROPE AND COLONIES.

Result, Week ending 23rd May, 1908.

JP (winner and 5th last week) ...	70
GP (runner-up and last week) ...	42
JH (3rd last week) ...	36
AD (4th last week) ...	34
HB (6th last week) ...	34
HW (7th last week) ...	23
JB (8th last week) ...	22
FC (9th last week) ...	21
NC (10th last week) ...	19

SECTION III.—REST OF THE WORLD.

Same conditions as No. 2 but only open to winners of Section II. The prize is Part III. of the Album, and stamps purchased from any approval sheets of old issues count.

Result, Week ending 23rd May, 1908.

AS (winner and runner-up last week) ...	207
JR (runner-up and 3rd last week) ...	203
Mrs. U (4th last week) ...	157
ESW (3rd last week) ...	153
WC (13th last week) ...	144
HN (6th last week) ...	133
WB (8th last week) ...	119
SG (7th last week) ...	114
JI (9th last week) ...	93
GS (10th last week) ...	81
JB (11th last week) ...	76
ES (14th last week) ...	58
PB (12th last week) ...	56

Non-winners' totals are carried forward to next week. Winners residing abroad will be required to pay carriage and customs charges if any.

SECTION I.—GREAT BRITAIN AND COLONIES.

Although this album is not likely to be ready for several months, winners of Section III. intending to compete for it can have their purchases credited in the meantime, all the totals being carried forward until the competition commences. This album will complete the very handsome series of three volumes.

The following totals are carried forward to the first week of the competition.

FL ...	316	GP ...	86
JO ...	158	JF ...	63
Mrs. C ...	133	JE ...	60
RG ...	99	ES ...	19
EB ...	96	RW ...	17
Rev. S ...	91	WS ...	6

No. 3. EDITORIAL COMPETITION.

The competitor who sends us the most interesting item of information for our New Issue column each week will be credited 2/6, which must be claimed within seven days (allowance to foreign readers) and may be selected from any of our approval sheets. From time to time we shall voluntarily increase the prize.

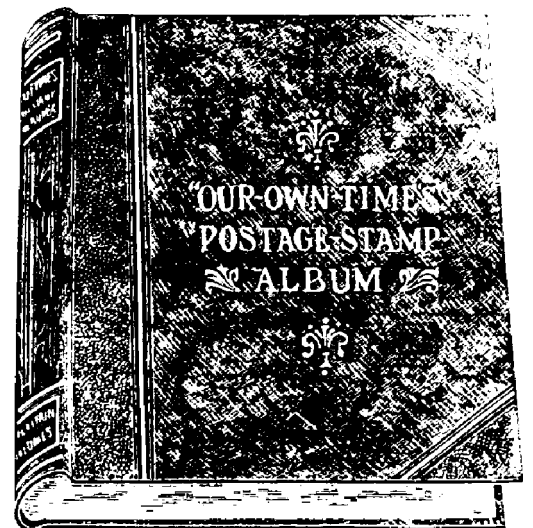
23rd May, 1908.

AT for note on Paraguay (2/6).

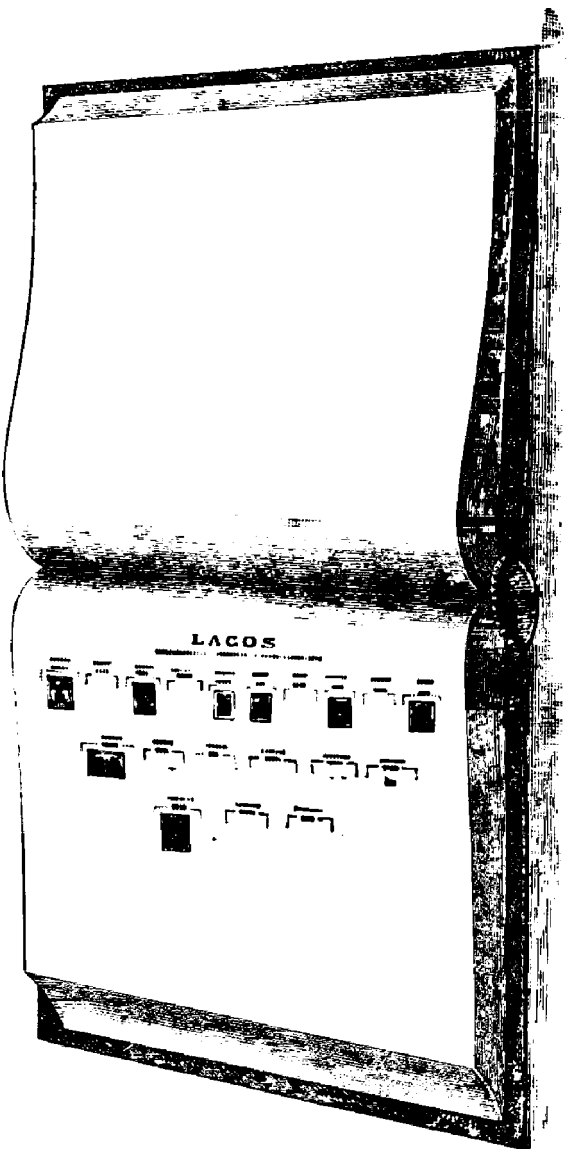
Winners are requested to make early application for their prizes.

Our Albums.

WE are now able to give two illustrations of our new albums. They are bound alike, as shown in the following illustration.



The album opens as shown in the following illustration, thus enabling two albums to be compared close together.



There is plenty of blank space for additional varieties and a blank quadrillé-ruled page after each colony, so that the album provides space for New Issues for many years to come. The complete set will be as follows:—

Simplified System.

- † Part I. Great Britain and Colonies.
- \* Part II. Europe and Colonies.
- \* Part III. Rest of World.

Specialized System.

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Montserrat.

- MO ac\* 3d., 6d., 1/-, wmk. Crown CA multiple, chalk-surfaced paper.
- aj\* 2/-, wmk. Crown CA multiple, chalk-surfaced paper.
- ag\*\* 2/6, wmk. Crown CA multiple, chalk-surfaced paper.

With the exception of the 1d. value this country is now brought up to date.

Turks and Caicos Islands.

- TK ac† 3d., wmk. Crown CA multiple, ordinary paper.

The distribution of this stamp is now completed and brings the Colony up to date.

Antigua.

- AN af† 1/-, wmk. Crown CA multiple, chalk-surfaced paper.

With the exception of the 1/4d., wmk. Crown CC, chalky paper, the distribution of the above stamp brings the country up to date.

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- BS ag\* 3d. lilac-pink.
- ah\* 3/- deep violet.
- ai\* 10/- bluish-green.
- aj\* £2 red-brown. This distribution brings the country up to date.

Victoria, Official.

Punctured OS.

- VB bs† 5/- wmk. Crown A, perf. 11.
- bt† 1/4d. to 1/- set of 11 stamps. The 1/4d. value were sent out in pairs to show watermark. This country is now completed in respect of the Official issue.
- bu 1/4d. new deep shade.

South Australia.

- SA bx† 8d. wmk SA, perf. 12, dull blue shade.

Trinidad.

- TD ax† 4d. wmk. Crown CA single, chalk-surfaced paper.

Sarawak.

- SR ab† 3c. lilac, new value. The distribution of this stamp brings this country up to date.

We have received a further supply of the 1/- Trinidad, lilac on yellow, which will be sent out with the current week's New Issues, also a few Grenada 3d., new ship design, watermarked CA multiple on chalk-surfaced paper. This is the only value of the new set yet out; a large further supply is due shortly.

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**CANADA (446 N 454).**—A correspondent who inquired for particulars of the new set which it had been rumoured was to be issued, on the occasion of the visit of the Prince of Wales in July, has received the following reply from the Post Office:

Post Office Department, Canada.

Office of the Superintendent of the Postage Stamp Branch.

Ottawa, 4th May, 1908.

SIR,—With reference to your letter of the 26th ultimo, requesting certain particulars which seem to be based on information for which the Department is not responsible, as to a new stamp series, I beg to express regret that it is not practicable to give you the particulars you desire. Should there be such a series you may depend upon it the Department will duly notify the public in the ordinary way in regard to it.

I am, sir,

Your obedient servant,

E. P. STANTON,

Superintendent.

**FINLAND (451 K 454).**—With reference to our recent note on "Stamps of Esthonia," Mr. O. Docker-Smith informs us that the 1891 issue of Finland is still on current sale at some post offices and further that these stamps are still available for use both in Russia as well as Finland. This does not explain, however, how they came to be on what purported to be an original cover. We have since seen another cover addressed to "Hofrat Mieländer, Vezenberg" and franked in the ordinary course with Russian stamps at the back, which were cancelled Bieloostrof (St. P. Govt.); this envelope, like that we previously described, seems to have had 7 rouble Finland stamps attached to the front and cancelled at the town of destination, Vezenberg. As the stamps and postmark appear to be genuine, we suppose there is no great harm done, but we don't quite see what is the object of attaching them to letters which have already been through the post.

**GIBRALTAR (445 C 454).**—We are informed by Mr. Thos. O'Shaughnessy that he has the following novelty.



Adhesive. Wmk. Crown CA multiple, chalk-surface paper.

6d. lilac.

Issued 20.4.08 or earlier.

**INDO-CHINA (423 A 454).**—The new set has been surcharged with the names of various Chinese towns and specimens are kindly sent us by Messrs. Th. Champion & Co., under date of 23.5.08. The following is a description.

Adhesives.

Stamp.	Value and head.	Surchage.
1c. brown	black	carmine
2c. light brown	"	"
4c. blue	"	"
5c. dull green	"	"
10c. carmine	"	blue
15c. violet	"	carmine
20c. violet	"	"
25c. blue	"	"
30c. chocolate	"	"
35c. olive-green	"	"
40c. yellow-brown	"	"
45c. orange	"	"
50c. rose	"	blue
75c. orange	"	"
1f. carmine	"	"
2f. green	"	carmine
5f. blue	"	"
10f. violet	"	"

Canton. All except 45c.  
Hoi-hao. All except 45c.

Kouang-Tchéou. All except 45c.  
Mong-tseu. All except 45c.  
Packoi. All except 45c.  
Tchongking. All except 45c., 2f., 10f.  
Yunnanfou. All except 45c.

The 45c. value is to be issued later. The face value of those issued is about £5 8s. As the stamps are only distinct from the ordinary Indo-China stamps through the surcharge, their issue will not disturb collectors according to our simplified system.

Le Timbre-poste (25.5.08/222) states that the following quantities have been printed:

Timbres d'Indo-Chine, émission de 1907, surchargés pour les bureaux Indo-Chinois en Chine.

Valeurs.	Canton.	Hoi-Hao.	Kouang-Tchéou-Wan.	Mongtseu.
0.01.....	541.500	283.500	79.500	286.500
0.02.....	540.000	265.500	49.500	282.000
0.04.....	445.500	253.500	48.000	262.000
0.05.....	334.500	130.500	172.500	255.000
0.10.....	544.500	81.000	318.000	339.000
0.15.....	360.000	22.000	42.000	258.000
0.20.....	306.000	42.000	40.500	70.500
0.25.....	244.500	42.000	48.000	70.500
0.30.....	156.000	39.000	40.500	66.000
0.35.....	232.000	42.000	40.500	84.000
0.40.....	228.000	39.000	39.000	85.000
0.50.....	84.000	42.000	40.000	83.000
0.75.....	57.000	21.750	21.750	22.500
1.00.....	57.750	13.500	24.750	24.750
2.00.....	29.250	7.500	12.000	25.000
5.00.....	33.000	6.000	4.500	4.500
10.00.....	27.570	3.750	2.250	2.500
	4.230.750	1.335.000	1.023.750	2.224.500

Valeurs.	Pakhoi.	Tchong-King.	Yunnanfou.	Totaux.
0.01.....	106.500	283.500	12.900	1.583.900
0.02.....	111.000	283.500	7.500	1.539.000
0.04.....	136.500	282.000	7.500	1.414.500
0.05.....	127.500	253.500	57.000	1.330.500
0.10.....	127.500	331.500	81.000	1.822.500
0.15.....	72.000	249.000	28.000	1.030.500
0.20.....	69.000	309.000	10.500	847.500
0.25.....	67.500	241.500	49.500	763.500
0.30.....	66.000	229.500	6.000	603.000
0.35.....	84.000	54.000	27.000	564.000
0.40.....	84.000	54.000	27.000	558.000
0.50.....	87.000	42.000	12.000	393.000
0.75.....	20.250	31.500	3.000	177.750
1.00.....	24.750	36.000	2.250	183.750
2.00.....	26.250	—	2.500	102.750
5.00.....	13.000	32.250	2.250	96.000
10.00.....	8.250	—	2.250	46.500
	1.230.500	2.684.250	336.900	13.066.650

**PAPUA (452 G 454).**—We are informed by M. Bernard that he has the 6d. small surcharge with double surcharge.

The following has been shown us:—



Wmk. narrow rosettes. Large surcharge. 1/- orange and black.

**SOUTH AUSTRALIA (446 Q 454).**—The following novelty is reported by the Bazaar, Exchange & Mart (27.5.08/1472).



Adhesive. Wmk. Crown A, perf. 12. rod. dull orange, value dull ochre.

**SUDAN (446 X 454).**—We are informed by Mr. Angeloglou that the following has now been issued.



Adhesive. Wmk. Crescent and Star multiple. 2 piastres, black and blue.

Issued 17.5.08 or earlier. Although this stamp

has been catalogued a long time, it has only just been issued. The "O.S.G.S." 2 piastres, however, was issued with this watermark from its first appearance some years ago.

**TASMANIA (447 M 454).**—The Colonial Stamp Market has shown us sheets of the following new variety.



Adhesive. Wmk. Crown A, perf. 11. 6d. rose-red.

Issued 24.4.08 or earlier.

**TRANSVAAL (449 H 454).**—We are indebted to Mr. J. Glasser for a copy of the Government notice relating to the demonetization of V.R.I. stamps.

"GOVERNMENT NOTICE No. 328 OF 1908.

"Department of Posts and Telegraphs.

"Discontinuance of the use of postage and Revenue stamps and stamped postal material of the late South African Republic overprinted V.R.I. and E.R.I.

"It is hereby notified for general information that, under and by virtue of the powers conferred by Law 18 of 1898, the Government have decided that, on the 31st December, 1908, the use of postage and Revenue stamps and stamped postal material of the late South African Republic, overprinted V.R.I. and E.R.I., shall be discontinued, and the said stamps and stamped material withdrawn from circulation. From and after that date all postage and Revenue stamps and stamped material of the late South African Republic, overprinted V.R.I. and E.R.I., will be regarded as valueless for the purposes for which they were intended and under no circumstances will they be accepted by the Postmaster-General or other Government official, unless for purposes of exchange for stamps or stamped material of the current issue, as hereinafter provided.

"2. Holders of such postage stamps, Revenue stamps or stamped material as are in this notice dealt with may apply to the Postmaster-General, Johannesburg, for their holdings to be exchanged for similar stamps or stamped material of the current issue, provided that no such applications will be entertained unless lodged with the Postmaster-General before the 30th day of June, 1909.

"3. Forms for making application may be obtained from any Post Office or Postal Agency throughout the Colony, or direct from the Postmaster-General, General Post Office, Johannesburg. The overprinted stamps or stamped material which it is desired to exchange must in every case accompany the application form, otherwise the application will not be dealt with.

"4. On receipt of the application forms and enclosures the Postmaster-General will issue a provisional receipt to the applicant. The Postmaster-General will thereafter (?) cause the application to be examined, and if he be satisfied that the stamps and the stamped material are genuine and were lawfully acquired by the applicant, he will cause stamps and stamped material of current issue and equivalent face value to be issued to the applicant. For the purpose of satisfying himself that stamps and stamped material offered for exchange in terms hereof were lawfully acquired, the Postmaster-General may require applicants to furnish such evidence as, in the circumstances, may seem to him to be necessary.

"5. Finally, it is notified for general information that the Government have reason to believe that a considerable quantity of counterfeit stamps and stamped material purporting to be genuine issues of the late South African Republic and to be genuinely overprinted V.R.I. and E.R.I. is in circulation. In the course of the investigation that in terms hereof will precede all exchanges of South African Republic overprinted stamps or stamped material of current issue a special examination will be conducted with a view to the detection of overprinted stamps or stamped materials of illegal manufacture.

"In this connection the attention of all con-

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1900, Ship, "Turks and Caicos Is."—Very fine, lightly cancelled, 1/4d. green 1d., 2d. brown 4d., 2 1/4d. blue 4d., 3d. on yellow 5d., 4d. yellow 6d., 6d. lilac 9d., 1/- brown 1/6., 2/- lilac 2/9, 3/- red 4/6; or the set of nine values for 11/-.

### VIRGIN ISLANDS.

1899, name and value straight, very fine used singles and blocks of the 1/4d. green 1d., 1d. red 2d., 2 1/4d. blue 4d., 6d. lilac 9d., 7d. green 10d., 1/- yellow 1/4, 5/- blue 7/-, or the complete set of seven values for 10/6.

### GRENADA.

1902, King's Head, very fine used, 5/- green and 6/6, and 10/- green and lilac 13/-.

### GRENADA—continued.

1905, Small ship design, fine used 1d. rose 2d., 3d. on yellow 5d.

### SARAWAK.

1899, three-quarter face to right, with "Postage" both sides, very fine used 4c. rose 1d., 8c. yellow 2 1/4d., 10c. blue 4d., 12c. lilac 4d., 20c. brown 8d., 25c. brown and blue 9d., 50c. green and rose 1/6, and 3c. lilac 1 1/4d.



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"JAMES R. LEISK,  
" Secretary to the Treasury.

"The Treasury,  
" Pretoria, 31st March, 1908."

ZANZIBAR (450 Y 454). — The Colonial Stamp Market has shown us entire sheets of all values up to 5 rupees inclusive. We can therefore now give a full description.

Adhesives. Design i.—Head of Sultan, value at top, "Zanzibar" at foot.

(a) Wmk. wide rosettes, perf. 14.  
3c. yellow-green.  
6c. rose.  
12c. violet.

15c. ultramarine.  
(b) Wmk. narrow rosettes, perf. 14.  
25c. brown.  
50c. green.

Design ii.—Larger, with figure of value in each corner.

(b) Wmk. narrow rosettes, perf. 14.  
1r. yellow-green.  
2r. violet.  
3r. yellow-brown.  
4r. carmine.  
5r. blue.

Issued 4.5.08 or sooner.

The cents values are printed in sheets of 60, 10 rows of 6, with plain margins and the rupee values in sheets of 60, 5 rows of 12, also with plain margins.

### Our Prize Competitions.

#### No. 1. APPROVAL DEPT. (Current Issues).

To the competitor who has purchased by the end of next week the most stamps from our approval sheets of current issues (informing us at the time he wishes the number to compete) we will send post free a copy of "Our Own Times" Postage Stamp Album. This album is specially arranged for King's Head stamps and other current colonial issues.

Result, Week ending 30th May, 1908.

	Stamps
SA (winner and runner-up last week)...	78
EC (runner-up and 3rd last week) ...	53
JS (4th last week) ...	45
GL (5th last week) ...	41
TL (6th last week) ...	37
RB (7th last week) ...	33
NC (8th last week) ...	28
RG (10th last week)...	27
JE (9th last week) ...	25

Non-winners' totals are carried forward to next week.

#### No. 2. APPROVAL DEPT. (Old Issues).

To the competitor who has purchased by the end of next week the most stamps from our approval sheets of old issues (informing us at the time he wishes the number to compete) we will present a copy of the "Good Old Times"

Postage Stamp Album (no watermarks, perforations, surcharges, minor varieties).

#### SECTION II.—EUROPE AND COLONIES.

Result, Week ending 30th May, 1908.

GP (winner and runner-up last week)...	42
HB (runner-up and 5th last week) ...	42
JH (3rd last week) ...	36
AD (4th last week) ...	34
HW (6th last week) ...	23
JB (7th last week) ...	22
FC (8th last week) ...	21
NC (9th last week) ...	20
AE (10th last week) ...	18

#### SECTION III.—REST OF THE WORLD.

Same conditions as No. 2 but only open to winners of Section II. The prize is Part III. of the Album, and stamps purchased from any approval sheets of old issues count.

Result, Week ending 30th May, 1908.

JR (winner and runner-up last week) ...	207
WC (runner-up and 5th last week) ...	176
ESW (4th last week) ...	160
Mrs. U (3rd last week) ...	157
HN (6th last week) ...	152
SG (8th last week) ...	147
GS (8th last week) ...	134
WB (7th last week) ...	119
JI (9th last week) ...	93
JB (11th last week)...	76
ES (12th last week) ...	61
PB (13th last week) ...	56
JF (14th last week) ...	47

Non-winners' totals are carried forward to next week. Winners residing abroad will be required to pay carriage and customs charges if any.

#### SECTION I.—GREAT BRITAIN AND COLONIES.

Although this album is not likely to be ready for several months, winners of Section III. intending to compete for it can have their purchases credited in the meantime, all the totals being carried forward until the competition commences. This album will complete the very handsome series of three volumes.

The following totals are carried forward to the first week of the competition.

FL ...	371	JE ...	79
JO ...	197	JF ...	74
Mrs. C ...	184	GA ...	46
EB ...	148	ES ...	19
Rev. S ...	131	RW ...	17
RG ...	126	WS ...	6
GP ...	86		

#### No. 3. EDITORIAL COMPETITION.

The competitor who sends us the most interesting item of information for our New Issue column each week will be credited 2/6, which must be claimed within seven days (allowance to foreign readers) and may be selected from any of our approval sheets. From time to time we shall voluntarily increase the prize.

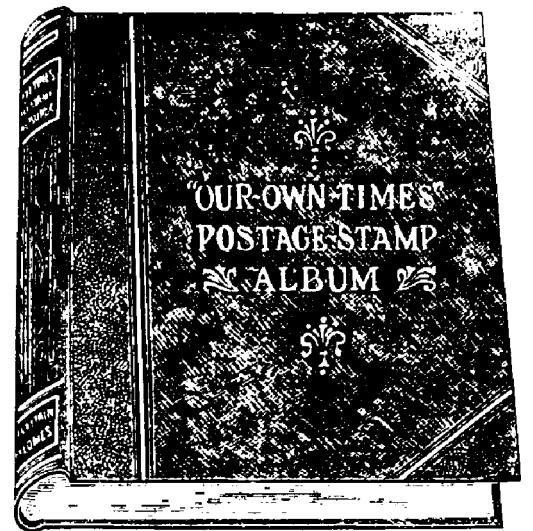
30th May, 1908.

No entry.

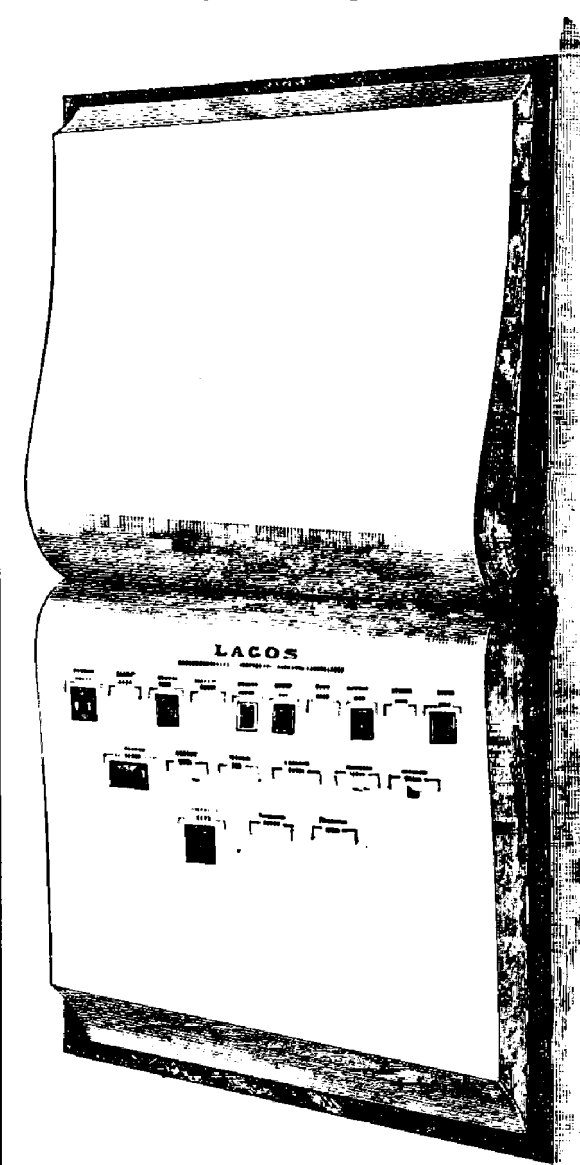
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Japan.

JA ae 5 yen. New values 1908.  
af 10 yen. " " "

Grenada.

Ship design, surface printed.

GR ao 3d. wmk. CA multiple, chalk-surfaced paper.

Trinidad.

TD aw† 1/- lilac on yellow, wmk. CA multiple on chalky paper. The distribution of this stamp is now complete.

Victoria, Official.

Punctured OS.

bt† 1/2d. to 1/- set of 11 stamps. The 1/2d. value were sent out in pairs to show watermark.

Hong Kong.

HK ap\* 6c. King, wmk. CA multiple, chalky paper.

aq\* 12c. King, wmk. CA multiple, chalky paper.

ar\* \$10 King, wmk. CA multiple, chalky paper.

The distribution of the above stamps brings the Colony entirely up to date.

Siam (1908 issue).

SM am 2, 3, 4, 9 and 18 atts.

Mauritius.

Express Delivery.

MU ag† 15c. on blue. The word "Inland" after Express delivery.

Jamaica.

" Ser. et variety.

JM ad† 2 1/2d. wmk. Crown CA single, ordinary paper.

India, O.H.M.S.

IN am† 1/2a. to 1R., set of 6 stamps (scarce unused).

The chief item of this week's distribution is the handsome new set of Zanzibar, of which we have secured a very early and complete supply. These handsome stamps, especially the rupee values, compare very favourably as regards design and colour with the King Edward VII. issues. We believe we were the first firm to secure a large supply of these stamps (which arrived by the way over a week ago but were not too late for inclusion in last week's distribution) and the importance of getting these stamps early is intensified by the fact that they are printed on the same rosettes paper as the British New Guinea stamps. There is consequently a possibility of new printings showing the rosettes in different positions.

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### NATAL.

5/- King, single wmk., with plate number, mint, 5/10.  
10/- " " " " " " 11/8.

### GOLD COAST.

10/- King, single wmk., pale shade, mint, 11/8.

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## The Week's News.

The Editor is always pleased to receive Early Information of New Issues, or of Discoveries interesting to Stamp Collectors, and will acknowledge such contributions either by name in the journal or by the presentation of several interesting newly-issued stamps, as preferred. The index number and serial letter after the title of each paragraph indicate the issue of E.W.S.N. in which the last reference to that country appeared.

**ANTARCTIC EXPEDITION (442 D 455).**—We have seen quite a large number of the King Edward VII. Land stamps and there would seem to be hundreds of them on the market just



now. The specimen we illustrated some time ago was genuinely used on a letter to a resident in England, being postmarked 15.1.08 and we can personally vouch for the fact that the letter was not franked in any other way.

The specimens now circulating are postmarked 3.2.08 and appear to come from letters which were already franked with either a 1d. New Zealand or a 2d. New South Wales stamp. One such shown us by Messrs. Edwin Healey & Co. has a single copy of the King Edward VII. Land stamp in the corner postmarked 3.2.08 and this is supplemented by two 1d. New South Wales stamps postmarked 'George Str. West—31 MR 08 10.—AM—N.S.W.," the latter from their position having apparently been stuck on afterwards. The letter was addressed to a school in Tewkesbury.

If the earlier letter was franked with an Antarctic stamp, why was it considered invalid for the later ones? The explanation seems to be found in the following letter which Capt. R. writes us:—

22.4.08.

"It may be of interest for you to know that to-day I received a letter from Lieut. Shackleton, on the envelope of which was the 1d. New Zealand surcharged 'King Edward VII. Land.'

"As he has failed to reach that land, and has made his winter quarters at Cape Royds, in McMurdo Strait on Ross Island, which is some 700 odd miles from King Edward VII. Land, he is no longer allowing the issue of the stamps given to him, consequently the only ones in circulation are the ones on the letters which were sent back in the ship which towed them down to edge of the ice. I understand that he intends returning the remainder to the New Zealand Government on his return next April. I hope to get from him the actual number he has issued, but as no letter can reach him before the 'Nimrod' sails, next December, it will be some time before I can know. I do not know whether he actually stamped all the letters himself, or whether he issued a certain number to each member of the Expedition. If the former, then no unused copies should be about, tho' I have heard of a block of 4, which was received by a friend. His wife I know has only got two used ones on an envelope sent up by the tow-ship. This ship left them on Jan. 15th."

If the Koonya left on 15.1.08 and the issue of the stamps had then ceased, it will explain why letters posted subsequently came to be franked with ordinary N.Z. and N.S.W. stamps, although we are still in the dark as to how they came to

be stamped with the Antarctic stamps and also as to how the latter came to be dated 3.2.08. Did the Koonya bring back a stock of stamps and one of the postmarkers?

**ARGENTINE REPUBLIC (449 J 455).**—The *Deutsche Briefmarken Zeitung* states that the full list of the new stamps will be as follows.

*Adhesives.* New design, "Republica Argentina" straight at top.

- ¾c. bright violet.
- 1c. ultramarine.
- 2c. purple (recently chronicled as dark brown, which is correct?)
- 3c. orange.
- 4c. red-violet.
- 5c. red (chronicled as claret).
- 6c. yellow-green.
- 10c. dull blue.
- 12c. yellow.
- 15c. apple green.
- 20c. sky blue.
- 24c. brown purple.
- 30c. claret.
- 50c. black.
- 1p. rose and blue.
- 2p. green and sky blue.
- 5p. bright brown and blue-violet.
- 10p. blue-violet and red.
- 20p. sky blue and black.

Only the 2 and 5c. have so far appeared and the others are not to be issued until the stock of the present issue is exhausted.

**CRETE (417 B 455).**—A new postcard is reported by the *Deutsche Briefmarken Zeitung* (4.6.08/98).

*Postcard.* (Single and reply).  
10 lepta, dark carmine on buff.

**GOLD COAST (434 R 455).**—"Specimen" copies of the 1d. in a new design have been seen by the *Deutsche Briefmarken Zeitung* (4.6.08/98).

*Adhesive.* New design, with value in each lower corner on a triangular shield.  
1d. all rose.

This is not we believe the forerunner of a new set but owes its existence to the fact that in future 1d. stamps are to be printed at one operation and as a new plate had to be provided the opportunity was seized to produce something more artistic than the old designs.

**LUXEMBURG (436 P 455).**—*Gibbons Stamp Weekly* (6.6.08/365) translates the following from the *Journal des Philatélistes*.

### THE LUXEMBURG SUCCESSION.

The present Grand Duke of Luxemburg, William of Nassau, succeeded to the throne on 19th November, 1905. He is only fifty-six years old, but is suffering from an incurable disease; in fact, he is so ill that it has just been announced that he has handed over the regency of the Duchy to his wife, the Grand Duchess Marie-Anne.

Unfortunately the Grand Duke has no male issue, although he has six daughters, the eldest of whom, Princess Marie Adélaïde, is only fourteen years old. The Duke was greatly troubled as to his successor, as the prevailing law did not recognize female issue. On 20th June, 1907, he submitted a new Royal Succession Bill to the Diet of Luxemburg, by virtue of which his eldest daughter was to succeed him on his death, the Grand Duchess acting as Regent if necessary. In addition it was provided that should Princess Marie die without heirs male, the succession should devolve upon her younger sisters.

In spite of the opposition of Nicolas (the Heir-Apparent, a nephew of the Grand Duke), the Bill was passed by a large majority. When the Grand Duke William dies we shall probably have stamps of Luxemburg bearing a portrait of the young Grand Duchess. It is highly probable that the present issue will not last long.—*Journal des Philatélistes*.

**MEXICO (446 U 455).**—The Mexican Exhibition at the Crystal Palace includes a frame of die (?) proofs of stamps, bank notes, etc. The stamps comprise the current sets of postage and postage due stamps, each value being represented by four imperforate impressions placed together in the form of a block of four. All are printed in the regular colours.

**NYASALAND (450 C 455).**—We find a full description of the new stamps, presumably taken from a "specimen" set, in the *Deutsche Briefmarken Zeitung* (4.6.08/97).

*Adhesives.* Wmk. Crown CA single, chalk-surface paper.

1/- black on green.

Wmk. Crown CA mult., ordinary paper.

¾d. green.

1d. carmine.

Wmk. Crown CA mult., chalk-surfaced paper.

3d. dark lilac on yellow.

4d. red on yellow.

6d. red-lilac on white.

2/6 carmine, centre black, on blue.

4/- black " rose red, on white.

10/- red " green, on light green.

£1 black " lilac, on red.

£10 ultramarine " " on white.

**PORTUGAL (450 N 455).**—According to the *Postage Stamp*, the new set of stamps with portrait of King Manuel II. will not be issued until January 1st, 1909.

**PORTUGUESE COLONIES (453 K 455).**—Major Lister writes:

"In your issue of 30th May you give the English value of various Portuguese currencies. With regard to that for Portuguese India, I think there must be some mistake. When I was at Goa some years ago, the currency under, I believe, a convention with the Indian Government, was the equivalent of the Indian currency and Goanese coins used to circulate in the surrounding districts of British India and were hardly distinguishable in appearance from British Indian coins. I have not heard of any alteration since then, and therefore the Goanese rupee would be equal to 1s. 4d., and the tanga would equal 1 anna or 1d., the reis being equal to the India pie or ¼d."

There certainly seems to be something curious about the table of Portuguese Colonial currency, but we found it in *Gibbons Stamp Weekly* where it was referred to as an official table. To take only two items, namely:—

	s.	d.
1 rupee = 400 reis port.	1	9.6
2 " = 800 " "	3	7

In the first place, if 1 rupee equals 1s. 9.6d. then 2 rupees should equal 3s. 7.2d. and not 3s. 7d. Secondly, if 400 reis are worth 1s. 9.6d. then 1000 reis would work out to exactly 4/6 whereas the current (6.6.08) exchange value of a Portuguese milreis is only 3/11¼ (vide daily papers). Taking the milreis at this latter figure, 400 reis equal 1/6½d., a considerable reduction from the 1/9½d. given as the value of a Goanese rupee but still much above the Indian 1/4.

In the table in question, the explanation seems to be that the equivalent of the milreis is taken as 4/6, which is as accurate as saying that a franc is worth 10d. or a mark 1/-. If 1000 reis equal 4/6, then 800 reis would equal 3s. 7.2d. and 400 reis 1s. 9.6d., but unfortunately for the table, just as a franc is not worth 10d. nor a mark 1/-, neither is a milreis worth 4/6. If some one would supply a really reliable table giving the current actual values of all foreign currencies they would certainly be filling a long felt want. In the case of fluctuating currencies the minimum and maximum rate of recent years could be given.

**ZANZIBAR (454 Z 455).**—*Correction.*—There was a slight error in our chronicle last week, the values 3, 6, 12c. being a different design to the others, with "Zanzibar" at top instead of bottom.

## International Philatelic Exhibition at Amsterdam.

To commemorate its 25th Jubilee, which occurs in May, 1909, the Dutch Philatelic Society intends to hold an International Philatelic Exhibition next year. The Secretary is Mr. M. Z. Booleman, Warmoesstr. 193, Amsterdam.

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† These Sheets are newly mounted this week.

The above fine series of Approval Sheets consists solely of stamps arranged according to our "Monthly Quotations" (5d. post free).

# Approval Sheets of New Issues.

BRITISH COLONIES ONLY, CHIEFLY KING SINGLES AND MULTIPLES, USED AND UNUSED.

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## Special Offers.

### MONTENEGRO.

1902, King's Head, currency changed, 25h. blue 2d., used or unused (unused in blocks and pairs), and 50h. green 4d., unused only in blocks and pairs.

### CHILI.

1906, various designs, 1c. green 1/2d., 2c. rose 1/2d., 5c. blue 1/2d., all very fine lightly cancelled copies.

### CURACAO.

1889, figure of value or Queen's Head, very fine mint copies of the 1c. grey 1/2d., 2c. lilac 1d., 2 1/2c. green 1d., 3c. brown 1d., or 3d. the set of four and 2/8 dozen sets.  
5c. red 1 1/2d., 10c. blue 2d., 1 1/2c. green 2d., 15c. red 3d., 25c. brown 2d., 30c. grey 5d., the complete set, 1c. to 30c., only 1/6.

### SIAM.

1883, inscription in Siamese only, very fine mint copies of 1/2a. blue 2 1/2d., 2a. red 7d., and 4a. yellow 6d.

### SIAM—continued.

1900, profile to left, very fine used 2a. green 1d., 2a. red and blue 1d., 3a. green 1d., 10a. blue 1 1/2d.  
1905, King's Head and view of grand mosque, lightly cancelled, 2a. grey and lilac 1d., 4a. red and brown 1d., 5a. rose 2d., and 24a. brown 3d. The 24a. brown we can supply in pairs, strips and blocks, or 2/9 per dozen.



**Our Prize Competitions.**

After 1st July, 1908, the minimum number entitling to one of the prize albums will be raised to 100.

**No. 1. APPROVAL DEPT. (Current Issues).**

To the competitor who has purchased by the end of next week the most stamps from our approval sheets of current issues (informing us at the time he wishes the number to compete) we will send post free a copy of "Our Own Times" Postage Stamp Album. This album is specially arranged for King's Head stamps and other current colonial issues.

Result, Week ending 6th June, 1908.

	Stamps
EC (winner and runner-up last week)...	55
JS (runner-up and 3rd last week) ...	45
GL (4th last week) ...	41
TL (5th last week) ...	37
RB (6th last week) ...	33
NC (7th last week) ...	28
RG (8th last week) ...	27
JE (9th last week) ...	25
AD (10th last week) ...	22

Non-winners' totals are carried forward to next week.

**No. 2. APPROVAL DEPT. (Old Issues).**

To the competitor who has purchased by the end of next week the most stamps from our approval sheets of old issues (informing us at the time he wishes the number to compete) we will present a copy of the "Good Old Times"

Postage Stamp Album (no watermarks, perforations, surcharges, minor varieties).

**SECTION II.—EUROPE AND COLONIES.**

Result, Week ending 6th June, 1908.

HB (winner and runner-up last week)...	47
JH (runner-up and 3rd last week) ...	36
AD (4th last week) ...	34
HW (5th last week) ...	23
JB (6th last week) ...	22
FC (7th last week) ...	21
NC (8th last week) ...	20
AE (9th last week) ...	18
DB (10th last week) ...	14

**SECTION III.—REST OF THE WORLD.**

Same conditions as No. 2 but only open to winners of Section II. The prize is Part III. of the Album, and stamps purchased from any approval sheets of old issues count.

Result, Week ending 6th June, 1908.

SG (winner and 6th last week) ...	219
WC (runner-up and last week) ...	191
ESW (3rd last week) ...	172
GS (7th last week) ...	162
Mrs. U (4th last week) ...	157
HN (5th last week) ...	152
WB (8th last week) ...	148
JI (9th last week) ...	109
JB (10th last week) ...	76
ES (11th last week) ...	72
GC (16th last week) ...	67
PB (12th last week) ...	56
JF (13th last week) ...	47

Non-winners' totals are carried forward to next week. Winners residing abroad will be required to pay carriage and customs charges if any.

**SECTION I.—GREAT BRITAIN AND COLONIES.**

Although this album is not likely to be ready for several months, winners of Section III, intending to compete for it can have their purchases credited in the meantime, all the totals being carried forward until the competition commences. This album will complete the very handsome series of three volumes.

The following totals are carried forward to the first week of the competition.

FL ...	457	GP ...	86
JO ...	197	JF ...	74
Mrs. C ...	184	GA ...	46
EB ...	182	AS ...	28
Rev. S ...	136	ES ...	19
RG ...	126	RW ...	17
JE ...	90	WS ...	6

W.R. writes (11.4.08):—"I have to return you warm thanks for the handsome copy of your "Our Own Times" Album sent to me last week, as the prize in your competition. I have already two copies of this book, but am nevertheless pleased to possess the copy just sent. I shall be pleased to enter the competition for the other two volumes in due course. I only fear that the simplified system on which I observe your "Old Times" Album is based, will hardly commend itself to collectors hardened in the "pernicious" old school of collectors of varieties of watermarks, perforations, papers, &c. However, I shall be interested in watching the progress of the new movement. Certainly the formidableness of the task of grappling with the present overgrown field must act as a deterrent to beginners in this fascinating hobby."

E.F. writes (23.4.08):—"I beg to acknowledge with many thanks the receipt of the "Our Own Times" Album. To say I am pleased with it does not express myself sufficiently. I have been looking forward to receiving an excellent album, but this one is magnificent and quite exceeds my expectations. I will do all I can to further your interests; two or three of my friends have decided to enter your weekly competition for albums."

The awards are made and albums posted every Monday.

Since our main object in giving these albums away is to get them known, winners can repay us by showing them to stamp-collecting friends as well as by purchasing stamps.

**No. 3. EDITORIAL COMPETITION.**

The competitor who sends us the most interesting item of information for our New Issue column each week will be credited 2/6, which must be claimed within seven days (allowance to foreign readers) and may be selected from any of our approval sheets. From time to time we shall voluntarily increase the prize.

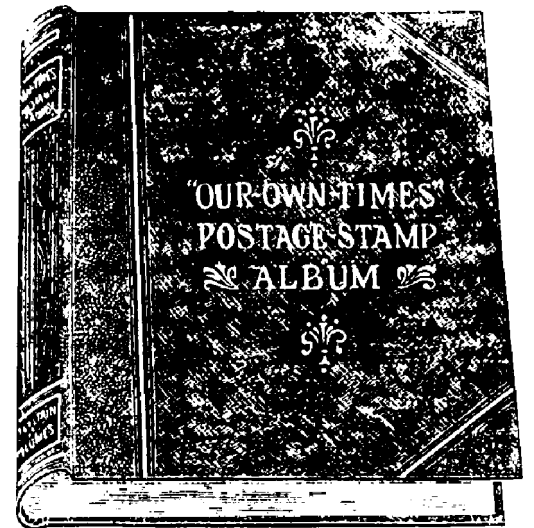
6th June, 1908.

T O'S for note on Gibraltar (2/6).

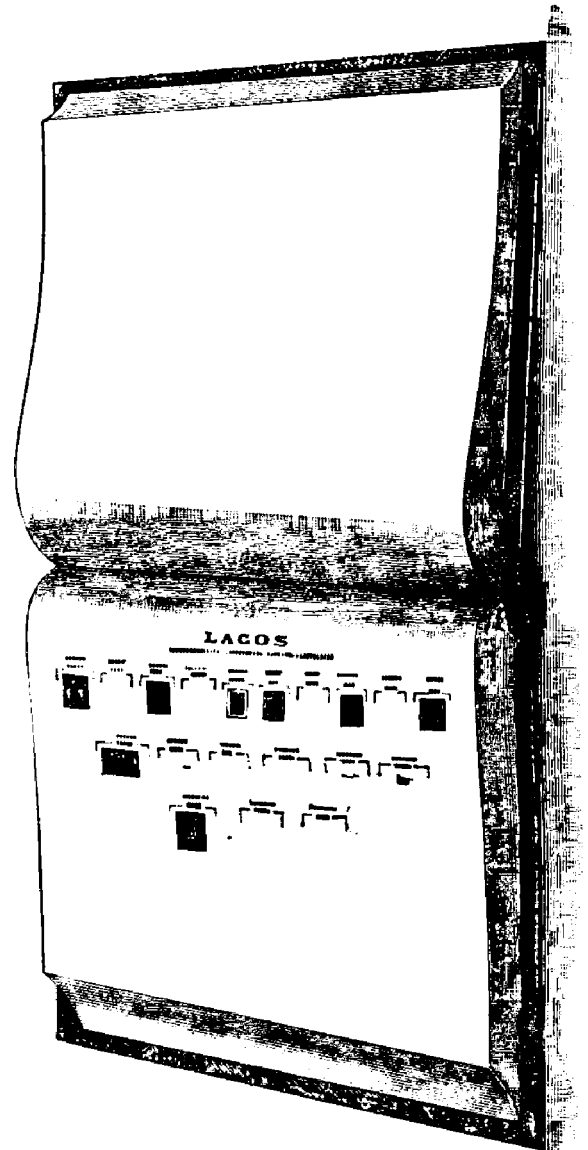
Winners are requested to make early application for their prizes.

**Our Albums.**

Our Albums are bound alike, as shown in the following illustration.



The Album opens as shown, thus enabling two albums to be compared close together.



**A Cheap Way of Forming a General Collection.**




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## Two "Philatelic Sensations" This Week.

### CAYMAN ISLANDS AGAIN.

THE brave and greedy Cayman Islanders care naught for Colonial Office enquiries, exposures in "Truth" or rude remarks in the philatelic journals. They know that Stamp Collectors delight in rare provisionals and are bent on meeting the demand, incidentally taking care that they shall rake in much good gold.

Having surcharged all their old stock or sold it as remainders, they have obtained a brand new stock inscribed "Postage and Revenue" and after selling £1000 worth or so to subscribers to New Issue services, have actually started to surcharge the remainder! In face of the storm that has been brewing in Europe lately and has threatened to overwhelm the Islanders, their daring in starting so early to surcharge the new issue really deserves the V.C. of philately!

Moreover the Cayman Islanders are really clever. They use a few of the stamps on correspondence; they grant a few more to Collectors who send sixpenny postal orders; and (here is the touch of genius) they refuse every application from a dealer. They know the wretched dealer will be worried almost to death by his clients, who see specimens in the collections of the sixpenny-postal-order-brigade and cannot understand why the dealer should be unsuccessful in getting a supply. Having got the dealer in this terrible plight, they tantalize him with offers of the stamps at 5000, 10,000 or even 20,000 per cent. premium over face value. The dealer, poor man, yielding to the pressure of his clients, can do nothing but draw out his cheque book.

The ½d. on 5/- and 1d. on 5/- which were issued to the extent of about £24 face value have yielded the Islanders a profit of about £2000. At present they are changing hands in the islands at 18000% and 9000% premium respectively.

The 2½d. on 4d. changed hands during May at from 5000% to 10,000% premium and are quoted in England as high as 48,000% premium.

No wonder the Cayman Islanders are issuing more provisionals!

Stamp Collectors also have nothing to grumble at, as prices are almost daily advancing and purchasers of only a few weeks ago can already congratulate themselves on having got in at a low level. If the present boom [our printers set this word up 'boon,' a by no means inappropriate variation, at any rate as regards the islanders] continues the ½d. and 1d. on 5/- may go to 30/- and 40/- apiece.

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### THE EDITOR AND THE RAILWAY COMPANIES.

The General Managers of the leading English Railway Companies appear to imagine that stamp-collecting has for its object some such desperate undertaking as the annihilation—or nationalization—of railways. Else why should they seek to suppress a harmless hobby that offers them much net revenue?

The Postmaster General has stated that he has no objection to collectors being supplied with railway letter fee stamps, so that the matter rests with the Companies only. Why therefore such busy men as the General Managers should waste their valuable time when in conference at the Clearing House by trying to stop Mr. Ewen from collecting these stamps we really cannot imagine. Yet this is what they have just done for the third or fourth time in ten years. If they cannot enforce their commandments, they nevertheless appear to take a delight in repeating them. This time, however, it looks as if difficulties really would be put in the way of collectors, as certain companies which have hitherto treated stamp collectors' applications favorably are now refusing them.

Both as stamp collector and as shareholder of many of the Companies we protest against this unreasonable policy.

## The Week's News.

The Editor is always pleased to receive Early Information of New Issues, or of Discoveries interesting to Stamp Collectors, and will acknowledge such contributions either by name in the journal or by the presentation of several interesting newly-issued stamps, as preferred.

The index number and serial letter after the title of each paragraph indicate the issue of E.W.S.N. in which the last reference to that country appeared.

**AUSTRALIAN COMMONWEALTH** (444 P 456).—The following new variety is reported by the *Australian Philatelist* (1.5.08/110).



Postage Duc Adhesive. Wmk. Crown A, perf. 11 x 11½. 2d. pale green.

**CAYMAN ISLANDS** (452 G 456).—Fancy another! We are informed by Mr. James Rhodes that a correspondent advises him of the following new provisional.



Adhesive. "10." on 4d. black and red on yellow of the new "Postage and Revenue" series.

If this is a genuine variety, it must have been issued about the end of 5.08. Our correspondent is informed that "very few of them have been surcharged and they were only on sale for a few hours." Of course!

**ST. HELENA** (448 N 456).—The Colonial Stamp Market has shown us all the new stamps in entire sheets.

The stamps are printed from the old "Postage and Revenue" Universal plate with King's Head in an octagon and the sheets consist of 120 stamps in two panes with marginal plate-number 1.

Adhesives. Wmk. Crown CA multiple, ordinary paper.

2½d. ultramarine. Wmk. Crown CA multiple, chalk-surface paper. 4d. black and red on yellow. 6d. lilac and violet on white.

Wmk. single Crown CA, chalk-surface paper. 10/- black on green.

Issued 20.5.08 or earlier. The next printing of the 10/- will have multiple watermark.

**SUDAN** (454 Y 456).—The following novelty is shown us by Mr. E. L. Angeloglous.



Official adhesive. Overprinted "Army Service." 5 piastres, brown and green, multiple watermark "Crescent and Star."

Issued 27.5.08 or earlier.

The "Army Service" stamps are printed once a year, in December. For instance in December, 1905, the War Office purchased from the Khartoum Post Office the following quantities of stamps and had them surcharged at Cairo.

1 mill.	40,000	1 piast.	10,000
2 "	20,000	2 "	2,000
3 "	13,000	5 "	400
5 "	60,000	10 "	200

The 2, 5 and 10 piastres had single rosettes wmk.

In December 1906 the following quantities were done (see E.W.S.N. No. 375).

1 mill.	35,000	1 piast.	11,500
2 "	20,000	2 "	200
3 "	15,000	5 "	nil
5 "	65,000	10 "	nil

For the current year there were overprinted in December 1907 a further 1,000 2 piastres, 120 5 piastres and 50 10 piastres. Unfortunately our correspondent is silent as to the quantities of the other values. The 5 piastres, this time, had multiple wmk. Crescent and Stars. As the 2 piastres has just been issued with the same watermark it is probable next year's supply will be a new variety.

In a former issue of E.W.S.N. we attempted to distinguish between the several settings of the surcharge.

**ZANZIBAR** (455 A 456).—We have received the following official letter:—

Zanzibar Post Office,  
27th May, 1908.

Sir,—In reply to your letter of 14th last, I have the honour to inform you that this Post Office does not intend at present to issue 1 and 75c. stamps, and that the stamps above five rupees are also for postal use.

I have, &c.,

[Signed] A. T. de Souza Tielo,  
(Acting Postmaster).

The statement which has been made by several of our contemporaries that the high values were only fiscal stamps is thus shown to be incorrect. All values are now on sale at the G.P.O., Zanzibar.

The highest values rank with the handsomest stamps ever issued. They are oblong in design, the view of Zanzibar in the centre being printed in a second colour. The 10 rupees are printed in sheets of 60, 12 rows of 5, with plain margins. We append a complete description of the issue.



Design i.



Design ii.

Adhesives. (1, 10, 75c. not yet issued).

Design i.—Head of new Sultan, "Zanzibar" at top. 3c. yellow-green wmk. wide rosettes

6c. rose "

12c. violet "

Design ii.—Same but "Zanzibar" at foot.

15c. ultramarine wmk. wide rosettes

25c. brown wmk. narrow rosettes

50c. green "



Design iii.—Large rect., Head of new Sultan; figure of value in each corner.

1r. yellow-green wmk. narrow rosette.

2r. violet "

3r. yellow-brown "

4r. carmine "

5r. blue "

Design iv.—Large oblong; view of Zanzibar.

10r. red-brown and dark green wmk. wide rosettes

20r. green and black "

30r. dark brown and black "

40r. vermilion and black wmk. narrow rosettes

50r. violet and black "

100r. Prussian blue and black "

200r. dark slate and red-brown "

This handsome set would be a credit to any country and shows that Messrs. De la Rue & Co. can run Messrs. Waterlow & Sons very close when they like.

The status of the issue is irreproachable, as not only was it necessitated by the change of currency but also by the accession of a new Sultan.

The earliest date of issue at the Post Office of the values ten rupees and above that we know of is 27.5.08, but we think it very likely they were placed on sale with the other values 4.5.08 or earlier.

# Approval Sheets of All Countries.

CHIEFLY USED STAMPS, BOTH OBSOLETE AND CURRENT ISSUES (9,000 Varieties.)

No varieties of perforation or watermark are examined or described; no notice is taken of surcharges. All are standard varieties that have first claim to be represented in a general collector's album. Should any of the stamps have rare perforations, or be in scarce shades, nothing extra is charged on that account.

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## Special Offers.

### MONTENEGRO.

1902, King's Head, currency changed, 25h. blue 2d., used or unused (unused in blocks and pairs), and 50h. green 4d., unused only in blocks and pairs.

### CHILI.

1906, various designs, 1c. green 1/2d., 2c. rose 1/2d., 5c. blue 1/2d., all very fine lightly cancelled copies.

### CURACAO.

1889, figure of value or Queen's Head, very fine mint copies of the 1c. grey 1/2d., 2c. lilac 1d., 2 1/2c. green 1d., 3c. brown 1d., or 3d. the set of four and 2/8 dozen sets.  
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1900, profile to left, very fine used 2a. green 1d., 2a. red and blue 1d., 3a. green 1d., 10a. blue 1 1/2d.

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**Our Prize Competitions.**

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To the competitor who has purchased by the end of next week the most stamps from our approval sheets of current issues (informing us at the time he wishes the number to compete) we will send post free a copy of "Our Own Times" Postage Stamp Album. This album is specially arranged for King's Head stamps and other current colonial issues.

Result, Week ending 13th June, 1908.

	Stamps
TL (winner and 4th last week) ...	47
JS (runner-up and last week) ...	45
GL (3rd last week) ...	41
RG (7th last week) ...	34
RB (5th last week) ...	33
NC (6th last week) ...	28
JE (8th last week) ...	25
RW ...	23
AD (9th last week) ...	22

Non-winners' totals are carried forward to next week.

**No. 2. APPROVAL DEPT. (Old Issues).**

To the competitor who has purchased by the end of next week the most stamps from our approval sheets of old issues (informing us at the time he wishes the number to compete) we will present a copy of the "Good Old Times" Postage Stamp Album (no watermarks, perforations, surcharges, minor varieties).

**SECTION II.—EUROPE AND COLONIES.**

Result, Week ending 13th June, 1908.

WR (winner) ...	79
JH (runner-up and last week) ...	36
AD (3rd last week) ...	34
WS ...	26
HW (4th last week) ...	23
JB (5th last week) ...	22
JC (6th last week) ...	21
NC (7th last week) ...	20
AE (8th last week) ...	18

**SECTION III.—REST OF THE WORLD.**

Same conditions as No. 2 but only open to winners of Section II. The prize is Part III. of the Album, and stamps purchased from any approval sheets of old issues count.

Result, Week ending 13th June, 1908.

WC (winner and runner-up last week) ...	210
ESW (runner-up and 3rd last week) ...	178
GS (4th last week) ...	176
Mrs. U (5th last week) ...	157
WB (7th last week) ...	153
HN (6th last week) ...	152
J1 (8th last week) ...	112
ES (10th last week) ...	78
JB (9th last week) ...	76
CG (11th last week) ...	67
PB (12th last week) ...	63
JF (13th last week) ...	47
SR (14th last week) ...	46

Non-winners' totals are carried forward to next week. Winners residing abroad will be required to pay carriage and customs charges if any.

**SECTION I.—GREAT BRITAIN AND COLONIES.**

Although this album is not likely to be ready for several months, winners of Section III. intending to compete for it can have their purchases credited in the meantime, all the totals being carried forward until the competition commences. This album will complete the very handsome series of three volumes.

The following totals are carried forward to the first week of the competition.

FL ...	457	GP ...	86
JO ...	207	JF ...	76
RG ...	186	GA ...	46
Mrs. C ...	184	ES ...	19
EB ...	182	JR ...	19
Rev. S ...	136	RW ...	17
JE ...	101	WS ...	6

W.R. writes (11.4.08):—"I have to return you warm thanks for the handsome copy of your "Our Own Times" Album sent to me last week. as the prize in your competition. I have already two copies of this book, but am nevertheless pleased to possess the copy just sent. I shall be pleased to enter the competition for the other two volumes in due course. I only fear that the simplified system on which I observe your "Old Times" Album is based, will hardly commend itself to collectors hardened in the "pernicious" old school of collectors of varieties of watermarks, perforations, papers, &c. However, I shall be interested in watching the progress of the new movement. Certainly the formidableness of the task of grappling with the present overgrown field must act as a deterrent to beginners in this fascinating hobby."

E.F. writes (23.4.08):—"I beg to acknowledge with many thanks the receipt of the "Our Own Times" Album. To say I am pleased with it does not express myself sufficiently. I have been looking forward to receiving an excellent album, but this one is magnificent and quite exceeds my expectations. I will do all I can to further your interests; two or three of my friends have decided to enter your weekly competition for albums."

The awards are made and albums posted every Monday.

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**No. 3. EDITORIAL COMPETITION.**

The competitor who sends us the most interesting item of information for our New Issue column each week will be credited 2/6, which must be claimed within seven days (allowance to foreign readers) and may be selected from any of our approval sheets. From time to time we shall voluntarily increase the prize.

13th June, 1908.

Capt. R for note on Antarctic Exhibition (2/6).

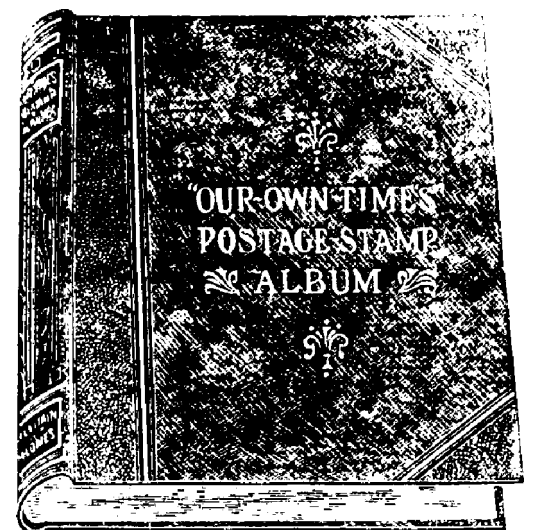
Winners are requested to make early application for their prizes.

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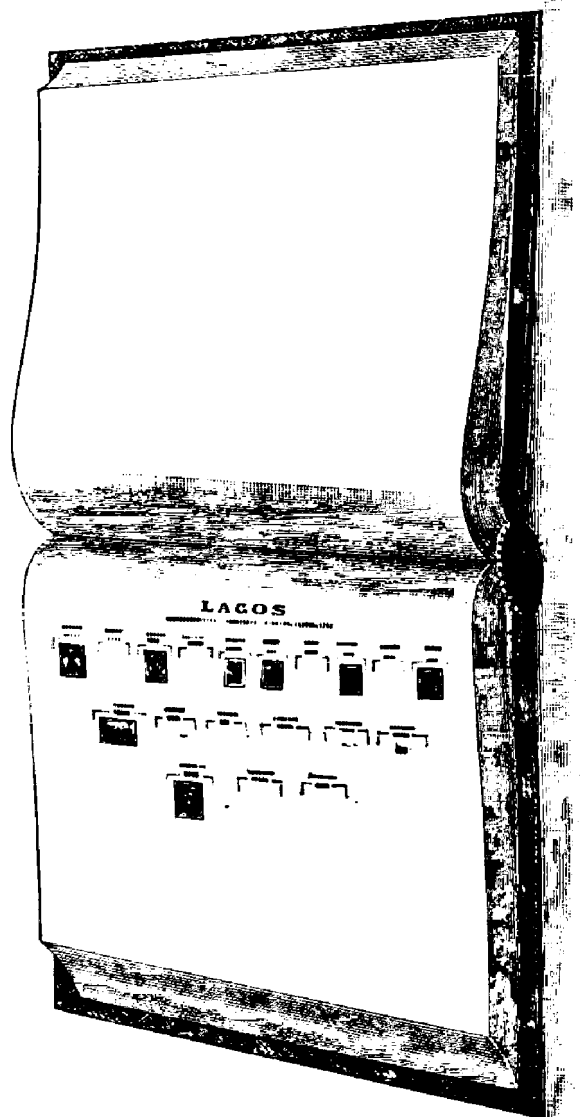
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ab\* 10/- King, single wmk. CA, on chalky paper.

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bt 5pi. wmk. Crescent and Star multiple.

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## "Colonial Office Journal."

For the benefit of those of our readers who want the earliest possible information respecting coming changes in Colonial stamps we may mention that the publishers of the *Colonial Office Journal* the next number of which is due on 1st July, are Messrs. Waterlow & Sons, Ltd. (Publishing Dept.), London Wall, E.C., and that we have made arrangements with them for an early supply. Orders can now be booked at 1/9 post free. We have had quite a number of complaints in the past that newsagents and railway bookstalls are a week or more late in delivering the journal and we believe therefore that our readers will appreciate this opportunity of making sure of prompt delivery.

## The Week's News.

The Editor is always pleased to receive Early Information of New Issues, or of Discoveries interesting to Stamp Collectors, and will acknowledge such contributions either by name in the journal or by the presentation of several interesting newly-issued stamps, as preferred.

The index number and serial letter after the title of each paragraph indicate the issue of E.W.S.N. in which the last reference to that country appeared.

**GREAT BRITAIN.**—Record Dates of Use (451 E 457).—The following new record has been shown us by Mr. R. N. Arnold Wallinger.

2½d. rose, plate 17 Liverpool, 19.1.80.

**ANTIGUA** (444, 445, 447 R 457).—*Der Philatelist* (15.6.08/218) chronicles the remainder of the current set in new colours (the ½d. all green and 2½d. all blue having already been reported), presumably from "specimen" copies.



Adhesive. Wmk. Crown CA multiple (except 1/- and 10/- single).

- 1d. red.
- 2d. yellow.
- 3d. brown on yellow.
- 4d. red and black on yellow.
- 6d. violet and lilac on red.
- 1/- black and grey on green.
- 2/- lilac and blue on blue.
- 5/- red and green on yellow.
- 10/- " " " on green.

Personally we should not be surprised to find that our contemporary has chronicled these by mistake under Antigua instead of Grenada. Any way the new number of the *Colonial Office Journal* due in a day or so will tell.

**ARGENTINE REPUBLIC** (455 K 457).—We are indebted to Mr. A. H. Harris for sight of a specimen of the new 2c. Argentine, the colour of which we should describe as a dark purple-brown, approaching dark chocolate. Mr. Harris has the new 2c. used 27.3.08 and the 5c. used 20.3.08, earlier dates than those previously noted.

The following new stationery is chronicled by the *Nederlandsch Tijdschrift voor Postzegelkunde* (6.08/89).

- Envelope.
- 15c. apple-green.
- Postcard.
- 5c. carmine-red.

**BRITISH NEW GUINEA** (452 Y 457).—We quote as follows from *Gibbons Stamp Weekly* (20.6.08/399).

**PAPUA.**—A correspondent tells us that he has been in communication with the authorities at Port Moresby with regard to certain Queensland stamps used in British New Guinea. The Postmaster writes as follows:

"It is impossible to supply you with the information asked for with regard to the Queensland stamps used in British New Guinea. The post offices were opened

when the possession of British New Guinea was proclaimed in the year 1888, when the laws of the State of Queensland were adopted in regard to the post offices, by ordinance No. 4 of 17th September, 1888."

We ourselves have seen stamps of Queensland marked "B.N.G." in a circle, showing that they were used in British New Guinea.

Touching the old 1901-5 issue of British New Guinea, our correspondent has authoritative information that the numbers issued unsurcharged were as follows:

Value.	Issued.	Officially destroyed.
½d.	118,115	184,025
1d.	126,918	14,902
2d.	116,200	—
2½d.	36,550	—
4d.	20,285	—
6d.	16,715	—
1s.	13,835	—
2s. 6d.	2,234	—

Our correspondent has also shown us a used block of four of the 6d., with double surcharge, "Papua," in the second (smaller) type.



Adhesive. Type 1, with double overprint, as type 4 (small overprint) in black.  
6d. black and myrtle-green.

**CAYMAN ISLANDS** (456 H 457).—Mr. P. Bridge informs us that he has received a letter from the Postmistress informing him that 4 sheets of 120 each of the 4d. were surcharged "2½d." It had been freely asserted that only 240 were done.

**CHILE** (427 T 457).—*Der Philatelist* (15.6.08/219) questions the genuineness of the "Marina-Oficial" stamps issued for a short time in 1907 and affirms that they were never officially authorized.

**ERYTREA** (A 457).—*Le Collectionneur de Timbres-poste* states that a pictorial set of eleven values is to be issued.

**FRANCE** (446 F 457).—*L'Echo de la Timbrologie* (15.6.08/375) says that the 40c. value is to continue in issue, but that the 4c. will be suppressed as soon as the present stock on hand is exhausted.

**FRENCH F.P.O.** (452 E 457).—The 4 centimos on 4c. Morocco recently issued has been withdrawn from use and promises to become scarce, states *L'Echo de la Timbrologie* (15.6.08/375).

**GERMAN COLONIES & F.P.O.** (428 A 457).—We are informed by Mr. James Rhodes that he has the following:

Adhesives. German Morocco, with Lozenges watermark.  
35c. on 30pf.  
50c. on 40pf.

Issued 8.6.08 or earlier. The list of German Colonial stamps known on watermarked paper is now as follows:

On Watermarked Paper.  
East Africa, 2½, 4, 7½, 15, 45, 60 heller.  
S.W. Africa, 3, 5, 10pf., 5mk.  
China, 1c. ½, 1, 2½.  
Kamerun, 5, 10pf.  
Kiautschou, 1c., 2c., 40c., ½, \$1, \$1½, \$2½.  
Levant, ½, 1, 1½, 2, 2½, 4, 5, 10, 25 piastre (complete except 15pi. on 3mk.)  
Morocco, 3, 5, 10, 15, 30, 40c., 1½p., 2½p., 6½p.  
New Guinea, Karolinen, Marianen, Marshall Is., Samoa, Togo—none yet.

**GWALIOR STATE** (437 H 457).—We quote as follows from the *Philatelic Journal of India* (6.08/168).

In continuation of our remarks in the March issue regarding the King's Head 2½as. blue stamps surcharged for Gwalior, the following extract from a letter from Mr. W. Chard, Assistant Director-General of the Post Office in India, explains the absence of this stamp from the list by Mr. Stewart-Wilson published in our December number. This value was evidently surcharged by mistake, as it is one of the "superfluous" stamps which it was decided were not to be over-

printed for the Convention States. As the total issued was only 4,800 and as it is not likely to be again surcharged, it ought to become rare.

"..... it has been ascertained that owing to an oversight in checking an indent for stamps received from the Gwalior State, a request for 20 sheets of 240 stamps each of the 2½as. stamp was passed, and the stamps were eventually surcharged and supplied to that State during 1905-06."

**MOROCCO, BRITISH POST OFFICES** (431 L 457).—We are informed by Mr. Oswald Marsh that he has seen the current 10c. on 1d. Great Britain with control letter G7, (issued 5.6.08 or earlier).

We take the following from the *Daily Mail*.

PENNY POSTAGE TO MOROCCO.

The Postmaster-General announces that the postage on letters for places in Morocco where the British Post Office maintains an agency will be reduced on and from June the 15 to 1d. the ounce.

Concurrently the postage on letters for the United Kingdom and British Colonies and Protectorates and for Egypt posted at these agencies will be reduced to ten centimos per twenty grammes. The British Post Offices maintains agencies at the following places in Morocco: Alcazar, Casablanca, Fez, Larache, Mazagan, Mequinez, Mogador, Rabat, Saffi, Tangier, and Tetuan.

A 30c. stamp is now likely to be issued, as 30c. will be the rate for registered letters.

**PAPUA** (454 H 457).—We are informed by Messrs. Whitfield King & Co. that they have found in their stock several used copies of No. 319 in our list.



Adhesive. Surcharge small "Papua."  
2d. violet and black, wmk. wide rosettes.

The Colonial Stamp Market has shown us sheets of the 6d. value of the new set, issued 4.5.08.



Adhesive. Wmk. Crown A, perf. 11.  
6d. dark green and black.

The surcharged 6d. are now all exhausted and it is expected that the others will very shortly follow.

**QUEENSLAND** (452 M 457).—The following additions to the Crown A set are chronicled by *Der Philatelist* (6.08/223).



Adhesives. Wmk. Crown A.  
2½d. violet on blue.  
1/- lilac.  
2/- blue-green.

**RUSSIAN F.P.O.** (402 F 457).—The two new values have been overprinted for use in China, states *Der Philatelist* (6.08/219).

Adhesives.  
15k. brown and blue "Ketae" in black.  
25k. olive-green and lilac " " in red.

**SEYCHELLES** (444 F 457).—Mr. A. J. Munt has shown us a letter from a friend in the Seychelles, dated 11.5.08, denying the existence of a King's Head 45c. on 2r. 25c. provisional. It seems therefore that the chronicle of this stamp was an unfortunate mistake of *Le Journal des Philatélistes* (29.2.08/222).

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Colonies near Europe 493 " " 245 Ditto, beyond Europe, 1870-93 416 " " 1897 design 402 " " 1870-1898 246 Ditto (Vasca da Gama), 1893-97 247 Ditto, 1897 type 248 Mozambique, India and Nyassa 428 Pictorial stamps 249 Roumania, 1858-71 (imperf. issues) 250 " 1871-90 417 " 1890-1891 418 " Pictorial 251 Russia 252 Russian Foreign P.O. 253 San Marino 254 Serbia, 1866-05 255 " 1901-05 256 Spain, 1850-67</p>	<p>397 Spain, 1850-1872 257 " 1870-1878 258 " 1879-95 424 " 1873-75 259 Cuba, 1853-77 260 " 1882-98 411 " 1877-1881 421 Elobey and Spanish Guinea 261 Fernando Poo 262 Philippines 389 Philippine Islands 263 Porto Rico 264 Sweden, 1855-1872 410 " 1891 265 Switzerland, 1843-82 266 " 1882-1900 267 Turkey, 1863-76 268 " 1892-06 269 Wurttemberg</p>	<p>306 Hayti, 1871-98 422 " 1898-1906 307 Honduras, 1865-92 431 " 1892-02 308 Mexico, 1856-74 309 " 1874-82 310 " 1884-85 311 " 1884-85 429 " 1886-03 312 Nicaragua, 1862-91 313 " 1892-97 455 " 1898-06 314 Panama (unsurcharged) 317 Paraguay, 1870-1892 318 " 1900-03 319 " 1903-07 460 " (cheap used) 320 Peru, 1858-74 321 " 1895-96 456 " 1896-07 322 Salvador, 1867-92 323 " 1892-95 464 " 1895-96 465 " 1897-06 324 Uruguay, used and unused 325 " 1884-90 326 " 1890-05 327 " 1895 383 " 1885-04 427 " 1895-07 328 Venezuela, 1859-06 (for internal postage) 329 Venezuela, 1880-96 (Foreign cor- respondence) 457 Venezuela, 1893-06 (Foreign correspondence) 330 United States, 1851-1882 331 " 1884, 1900, 1902 332 " Columbus, Omaha, etc. 404 " cheap used 461 " (used) 333 Confederate States and Cuba 381 Philippine Islands (U.S.A.) 443 Samoa 334 Hawaii, 1853-1882 459 " 1894 (Pictorial issue)</p>	<p><b>INDIAN NATIVE STATES.</b> (301 different sorts exist).</p> <p>335 Alwur, Bamra, Bhor and Bhopal 337 Bundi and Bhopal 494 Bussahir 338 Charkhari, Cocbin, Dhar, Duttia and Faridkot 339 Holkar and Hyderabad 340 Jaipur, Jhind, and Jhalawar 496 Jummoo and Kashmir 341 Kishengarh 342 Nepal and Nowanugger, Soruth and Travancore 343 Rajnandgaon, Rajpeela and Sirmoor (Scinde Dawk</p>
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† These Sheets are newly mounted this week.

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# Approval Sheets of New Issues.

BRITISH COLONIES ONLY, CHIEFLY KING SINGLES AND MULTIPLES, USED AND UNUSED.

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<p>500 Aitutaki on N.Z. 501 Antigua 581 Australian Commonwealth Postage Dues 502 Bahamas, King, &amp;c. 503 Barbados 504 Bechuanaland, King 505 Bermuda, Dockyard 506 Br. Central Africa, King 507 British Guiana 508 Br. Honduras, King 583 British New Guinea 509 Br. New Guinea and Papua 310 Br. South Africa [unused 380 Brunei, 1st issue, used and 512 Brunei, surch. and pictorial 511 Canada, King, &amp;c. 513 Cape, King 514 Cayman Is., King 515 Ceylon, King</p>	<p>516 Chamba on India, King 360 Cook Islands, Queen's Head 517 Cook Is. 518 Cyprus, King 519 Dominica, pictorial 520 E. Africa, King 521 Falkland, King 522 Fiji, King 523 Gambia, King 524 Gibraltar, King 525 Gold Coast, King 526 Grenada, King 527 Gwalior on India, King 528 Hong Kong, King 529 India, King 530 C.E.F. on India, King 531 Jamaica, Arms 532 Jhind on India 533 Johor, 1904 534 Labuan, Crown</p>	<p>580 Labuan, pictorial 411 Labuan, sur. " Straits " 381 " " used and un. 535 Lagos, King 536 Leeward, King 537 Levant on Gt. Britain 538 Malay States 539 Maldives on Ceylon 540 Malta, King, &amp;c. 541 Mauritius, Arms 542 Montserrat, Arms 584 Morocco Ag. on Gibraltar— varieties 543 Morocco on Gibraltar 544 Morocco on Gt. Britain 545 Nabha on India, King 546 Natal, King [Family 547 Newfoundland, Cabot and Royal 548 New South Wales 583 New Zealand Pictorials and Officials</p>	<p>549 New Zealand, pictorial 550 Niue on N.Z. 551 North Borneo 552 N. Nigeria, King 553 Orange River Colony, King 554 Patiala on India, King 555 Penrhyn on N.Z. 556 Queensland 557 St. Helena, King, &amp;c. 558 St. Kitts-Nevis, pictorial 559 St. Lucia, King 560 St. Vincent, King 561 Sarawak, Rajah's Head 562 Seychelles, King 563 Sierra Leone, King 564 Solomon Islands 565 Somaliland, 1st issue 565 Somaliland, King and Queen, surch. 579 " Prot. King</p>	<p>347 Somaliland 377 Somaliland Officials, 1st issue varieties 378 Somaliland Service 566 South Australia 567 S. Nigeria, King 568 Straits, King 569 Sudan, Camel 570 Taamania, pictorial 571 Tonga, pictorial and portrait 350 Transvaal C.S.A.R. 572 Transvaal, King 573 Trinidad 574 Turks Islands 575 Victoria 576 Virgin Islands 577 Western Australia 349 Zanzibar, 1904, and varieties 578 Zanzibar, Arms</p>
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## Special Offers.

### MONTENEGRO.

1902, King's Head, CURRENCY CHANGED, 25h. blue 2d., used or unused (unused in blocks and pairs), and 50h. green 4d., unused only in blocks and pairs.

### CHILI.

1906, various designs, 1c. green 1/2d., 2c. rose 1/2d., 5c. blue 1/2d., all very fine lightly cancelled copies.

### CURACAO.

1889, figure of value or Queen's Head, very fine mint copies of the 1c. grey 1/2d., 2c. lilac 1d., 2 1/2c. green 1d., 3c. brown 1d., or 3d. the set of four and 2/8 dozen sets.  
5c. red 1 1/2d., 10c. blue 2d., 12 1/2c. green 2d., 15c. red 3d., 25c. brown 2d., 30c. grey 5d., the complete set, 1c. to 30c., only 1/6.

### SIAM.

1883, inscription in Siamese only, very fine mint copies of 1/2a. blue 2 1/2d., 2a. red 7d., and 4a. yellow 6d.

### SIAM—continued.

1900, profile to left, very fine used 2a. green 1d., 2a. red and blue 1d., 3a. green 1d., 10a. blue 1 1/2d.  
1905, King's Head and view of grand mosque, lightly cancelled, 2a. grey and lilac 1d., 4a. red and brown 1d., 5a. rose 2d., and 24a. brown 3d. The 24a. brown we can supply in pairs, strips and blocks, or 2/9 per dozen.



**TRANSVAAL (454 I 457).**—We are informed by Mr. J. A. Limpus that he has received a letter from Pretoria, dated 9.5.08, stating that the £1 Transvaal was issued "some time ago" with multiple watermark.



**Adhesive.** Wmk. multiple Crown CA, ordinary (?) paper.  
£1 lilac and green.  
Issued 4.08 or earlier.

**TURKEY (452 U 457).**—Two more values of the new Postage Due set are reported by the *London Philatelist*.

**Postage Due Adhesives.**  
10 paras, black on rose.  
20 " " "

### Coinage of the World.

It is only a fortnight since in commenting on a table of Portuguese Colonial currencies which had been published by a contemporary we wrote:—"If some one would supply a really reliable table giving the current actual values of all foreign currencies they would certainly be filling a long felt want."

Possibly influenced by this remark the Editor of one of our contemporaries devotes several pages of his current number to an article on the "Coinage of the World," but unfortunately for him the copy of "Pitman's Commercial Dictionary" which he claims as his source must have been a very early and out-of-date edition of that work.

Articles on foreign coinage which appear in philatelic journals are presumably written with a view to giving collectors information respecting the face value of stamps. If read in this sense the table which our contemporary publishes is misleading from start to finish. We cannot deal with all the entries but a reference to a few will suffice to show how unreliable the article in question is.

**France.** The table of values is thus given:—

5 francs	3/11½	50 cennimes	4½d.
2 "	1/5½	20 "	1½d.
1 "	8¾d.		

In other words a 5 franc piece is worth as much as 5 1fr. pieces and 2 20c. pieces! Surely 5 coins of 1fr. are the correct change for 1 5fr. piece? Putting 20fr. as worth 15/10, then 3/11½ is correct for 5fr., but 1fr. should be a fifth of 3/11½ or 9½d., not 8¾d.

**Germany.** Similarly we are told here that 5 marks are worth 4/10½, yet the smaller coins are valued thus:—

2 marks	=	s. d.
2 "	=	1 9
1 mark	=	0 10½
50 pfennig	=	0 5½
		4 9½

so that 5m. 50pf. Kleingeld is worth a penny less than a 5m. piece! If one goes to Germany one will soon find that more than 5 marks change is not to be had for a 5 mark piece or a 5 marks banknote. The value of 20 marks German, whether paper, gold or silver, averages 19/6, the exchange fluctuating as a rule between 19/5 and 19/7. The value of 1 mark is 70th of 19/6 or the merest fraction under 11½d.

**Japan.** "The unit is the yen of 100 sens; 1 yen=4/3½." To begin with, yen and sen do not take 's' in the plural and secondly, if one were to order a 1 yen stamp from the Post Office a Money Order for 2/6 would not only pay for the stamp but the postage and registration fee to England as well. To say that a Japanese yen is worth 4/3½ is equivalent to saying that £100 Consols are worth £100.

**Mexico.** It is misleading to state in a philatelic journal that a silver peso coin of Mexico is worth 4/3½. Collectors are apt to suppose it costs 4/3½ to purchase a peso stamp.

**Russia.** Our contemporary thus states its case for Russia.

The unit is the *Rouble* of 100 Kopecks.

<b>Gold Coins—</b>		
Imperial (10 Roubles)	=	£1 11s. 8½d.
½ Imperial	=	15s. 10½d.
<b>Silver Coins—</b>		
Rouble	=	3s. 2d.
½ Rouble	=	1s. 7d.
¼ Rouble	=	9½d.
20 Kopecks	=	7½d.
15 Kopecks	=	5½d.
10 Kopecks	=	3½d.
5 Kopecks	=	2d.

The principal currency is paper money, but this is worth little more than half its face value.

Having been to St. Petersburg last summer we can write from practical experience of recent date, both as regards the value of the coins in use and of the paper money. The above table is utterly misleading.

The rouble is worth about 2/1, the value being so stable that the Post Office announces that money orders in sterling from England are paid in Russia at the fixed rate of 9 roubles 44 kopeks for £1. The money in use in St. Petersburg is chiefly gold coins of 5 and 10 roubles, notes of 3, 5 and 10 roubles (especially 3 roubles), silver coins of various denominations from 1 rouble downwards and nickel coins of (so far as we remember) 1, 2 and 3 kopeks. These are all valued at the rate of 2/1 per rouble, at which rate the kopek works out at exactly one farthing.

Every day we went down to the Post Office to buy stamps (we say "the Post Office" as during the whole of our stay we never discovered but the one) and the young ladies at the counter seemed quite unconcerned whether we tendered paper money, gold or silver. The only occasion on which we found that a rouble had two values was in hiring a droschki. Experience quickly showed us that if we hired a droschki outside the hotel a rouble would only carry us half as far as if we bargained with the izvoishchik on the rank round the corner! To be seen coming out of a hotel is evidently the signal for a slump in the carrying value of Russian currency! In Russia one does not hire a cab as in England but you say where you want to go and invite the cabman to make a quotation. If you are wise, you pass down the rank and take the third or fourth quotation. But we are digressing somewhat from our subject. The actual value of a rouble is 100 kopecks or farthings, and 100 farthings we know from our own experience to be worth 2/1 and not 3/2.

Most stamp dealers put the silver dollar at the round sum of half-a-crown, apparently oblivious of the fact that for some time past its value has been fixed at 2/4 in the Straits Settlements, Malay States, Labuan and other places, whilst in Hongkong it fluctuates wildly, being at present as low as 1/10 and on the other hand above 2/5 in Shanghai.

In compiling tables of foreign currencies for the lay reader, it is best to keep to the actual value of coins and notes in present use and leave out of the question what such coins and notes should be theoretically, or were once, worth.

The Post Office Guide forms the most reliable guide to the values of foreign currencies we have seen. It gives at pages 838 to 844 the exact rates at which money orders issued in this country are exchanged in foreign currencies. We make the following extracts:—

Rates at which British Money Orders and Postal Orders are paid by Colonial and Foreign Post Offices.

*Argentine Republic	£1 = 25f. 50c. Belgian, 5f. 10c. Belgian equalling 1 peso.
Austria, Hungary	£1 = 23kr. 96h.
Austrian Levant	1kr. = 1.05fr.
Belgium, France, Crete, etc.	£1 = 25f. 20c.
*British Guiana	£1 = 15 rupees.
Bulgaria, Italy, etc.	£1 = 25f. 20c.
Canada and U.S.A.	£1 = \$4.87.
Newfoundland	£1 = \$4.86½.
Liberia	£1 = \$4.80.
India, Ceylon	£1 = 15 rupees.
Holland and Colonies	£1 = 12.08 florins.
Danish W. Indies	£1 = 25f. 20 bit.
Denmark, Sweden, etc.	£1 = 18kr. 14 öre.
Egypt, Soudan	£1 = 975 millièmes.
*Fiji (Money Orders paid in Straits dollars, \$1 = 2/4).	
Germany	£1 = 20 40 mark.
Mauritius, Seychelles	£1 = 15 rupees.
Borneo, Straits Settls., etc.	\$1 = 2/4.
Peru	£1 = 9.70 soles.
Russia	£1 = 9.44 roubles.

\* These rates are of no value to stamp collectors. An Argentine peso stamp costs about 2/.

### Our Prize Competitions.

After 1st July, 1908, the minimum number entitling to one of the prize albums will be raised to 100.

**No. 1. APPROVAL DEPT. (Current Issues).**

To the competitor who has purchased by the end of next week the most stamps from our approval sheets of current issues (informing us at the time he wishes the number to compete) we will send post free a copy of "Our Own Times" Postage Stamp Album. This album is specially arranged for King's Head stamps and other current colonial issues.

**Result, Week ending 20th June, 1908.**

JS (winner and runner-up last week)	...	45
GL (runner-up and 3rd last week)	...	41
RG (4th last week)	...	34
RB (5th last week)	...	33
RW (8th last week)	...	32
NC (6th last week)	...	28
JE (7th last week)	...	25
AD (9th last week)	...	22
WP	...	21

Non-winners' totals are carried forward to next week.

**No. 2. APPROVAL DEPT. (Old Issues).**

To the competitor who has purchased by the end of next week the most stamps from our approval sheets of old issues (informing us at the time he wishes the number to compete) we will present a copy of the "Good Old Times" Postage Stamp Album (no watermarks, perforations, surcharges, minor varieties).

**SECTION II.—EUROPE AND COLONIES.**

**Result, Week ending 20th June, 1908.**

WS (winner and 4th last week)	...	76
HS (runner-up)	...	49
JH (2nd last week)	...	36
AD (3rd last week)	...	34
NC (8th last week)	...	32
HW (5th last week)	...	23
JB (6th last week)	...	22
FC (7th last week)	...	21
AE (9th last week)	...	18

**SECTION III.—REST OF THE WORLD.**

Same conditions as No. 2 but only open to winners of Section II. The prize is Part III. of the Album, and stamps purchased from any approval sheets of old issues count.

**Result, Week ending 20th June, 1908.**

GS (winner and 3rd last week)	...	191
ESW (runner-up and last week)	...	187
WB (5th last week)	...	163
Mrs. U (4th last week)	...	157
HN (6th last week)	...	152
JI (7th last week)	...	112
ES (8th last week)	...	78
JB (9th last week)	...	76
CG (10th last week)	...	76
PB (11th last week)	...	63
JF (12th last week)	...	47
SR (13th last week)	...	46
JD (14th last week)	...	41

Non-winners' totals are carried forward to next week. Winners residing abroad will be required to pay carriage and customs charges if any.

**SECTION I.—GREAT BRITAIN AND COLONIES.**

Although this album is not likely to be ready for several months, winners of Section III. intending to compete for it can have their purchases credited in the meantime, all the totals being carried forward until the competition commences. This album will complete the very handsome series of three volumes.

The following totals are carried forward to the first week of the competition.

FL ...	457	GP ...	86
JO ...	207	JF ...	76
RG ...	186	GA ...	46
Mrs. C ...	184	JR ...	32
EB ...	182	ES ...	19
Rev. S ...	136	RW ...	17
JE ...	101	WS ...	6

W.R. writes (11.4.08):—"I have to return you warm thanks for the handsome copy of your "Our Own Times" Album sent to me last week, as the prize in your competition. I have already two copies of this book, but am nevertheless pleased to possess the copy just sent. I shall be pleased to enter the competition for the other two volumes in due course. I only fear that the simplified system on which I observe your "Old Times" Album is based, will hardly commend itself to collectors hardened in the "pernicious" old school of collectors of varieties of watermarks, perforations, papers, &c. However, I shall be interested in watching the progress of the new movement. Certainly the formidableness of the task of grappling with the present overgrown field must act as a deterrent to beginners in this fascinating hobby."

E.F. writes (23.4.08):—"I beg to acknowledge with many thanks the receipt of the "Our Own Times" Album. To say I am pleased with it does not express myself sufficiently. I have been looking forward to receiving an excellent album, but this one is magnificent and quite exceeds my expectations. I will do all I can to further your interests; two or three of my friends have decided to enter your weekly competition for albums."

The awards are made and albums posted every Monday.

Since our main object in giving these albums away is to get them known, winners can repay us by showing them to stamp-collecting friends as well as by purchasing stamps.

**No. 3. EDITORIAL COMPETITION.**

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13th June, 1908.

J.R. for note on Cayman Islands (10/0, subject to information proving accurate).

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Postage Dues.

NZ ce\* 1d. & 2d., wmk. NZ, perf. 14, pale shade.  
cf† 2d. " " "

Surcharged Official.

NZ bxt† 1d., wmk. NZ, perf. 14, unused.

Zanzibar.

ZN az 10r.  
ba 10, 20, 30, 40, 50, 100, 200R. The 10, 20 and 30Rs. are watermarked with wide rosettes, and the 40, 50, 100 and 200Rs. have narrow rosettes. The distribution of these stamps brings the country up to date. Clients who have not yet received these stamps will please order specially.

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SD bs† 5pi., wmk. multiple Crescent and Star.

Tasmania Officials.

TA ap† 4d., punctured OS, (used).  
ax† 4d., " T, "  
ay† 5d., " T, "  
ar† 6d., " T, "

Jhind.

JH aq† 1/4a. King, Service.  
alt† 1a. " "

Indo-China.

FIC an 1c.—75c. except 45c. Set of the following seven Chinese towns:—

- Canton.
- Hoi-hao.
- Kouang-Tchéou.
- Mong-tseu.
- Packoi.
- Tchongking.
- Yunnanfou.

We shall be sending out with the current week's New Issues, the East Africa 10r. watermarked CA multiple on chalk-surfaced paper, also Sudan 2pi. multiple Crescent and Star.

We have also secured a few of the 2 1/2d. on 4d. Cayman Islands provisionals.

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## The Week's News.

The Editor is always pleased to receive Early Information of New Issues, or of Discoveries interesting to Stamp Collectors, and will acknowledge such contributions either by name in the journal or by the presentation of several interesting newly-issued stamps, as preferred.

The index number and serial letter after the title of each paragraph indicate the issue of E.W.S.N. in which the last reference to that country appeared.

**GREAT BRITAIN.**—*Telegraph stamps* (391 B 458).—Mr. Oswald Marsh has shown us a used copy of the 1/- yellow South Eastern Railway Electric Telegraph Frank of 1860 (S.G. No. 2) with Control No. 132 and perforated 9. This stamp has hitherto only been known perf. 12 and perf. 13, the only values previously known perf. 9 being the 2/3 and 2/9. The stamp in question has such an early control number that it seems to us possible that the first printings of all values may have had this perforation, though so far no copies have been found.

**CANADA** (454 O 458).—Under date of Ottawa, 16.6.08 the Superintendent of the Post Office Department of Canada writes us:—

"As for any new issue, there may possibly be one in connection with the Quebec Tercentenary, but the Department is not yet in a position to give you any details respecting the series. The public will, however, be duly apprised of the essential particulars in the ordinary way by official Circular."

It is much to be hoped that a commemorative issue will be made, as precedent shows that such an issue always leads to a considerable reinforcement of the ranks of stamp collectors. In fact we firmly believe that a commemorative issue does as much good to the hobby as the publication of a dozen books on "How to collect." Sometimes the good is partly undone by those busybodies who directly they see a new recruit to the hobby who has filled his album with pictorial issues presume on their fancied experience to tell him he is collecting rubbish. The average young collector does not take any interest in the dingy old issues that his grandfathers stuck on their letters; they are an acquired taste and to be told that what he does like is rubbish (which is absolutely untrue) is often sufficient to damp his ardour altogether.

We take the following note regarding the new issue from the *Postage Stamp* (27.6.08/151).

It now seems quite certain that a special set of stamps is to be issued in connection with the Tercentenary Celebrations at Quebec next month, though the authorities seem to be exercising the greatest secrecy in the matter. Mr. Lemieux, the Postmaster-General, declines to give information beyond stating that he expects the issue will be on sale by the opening day of the celebrations. A correspondent, writing to *Mekel's Weekly Stamp News*, states that as a result of a conversation with the Chief of the Stamp Branch, he has elicited the information that the stamps will be on sale about July 3rd, and that they will be in issue for a limited period only. Details as to the design, denominations, etc., are all a matter of conjecture at present.

**CHINA** (425 S 458).—*Le Journal des Philatélistes* (31.5.08/263) says that a new issue is to be made, with values in candarins, as follows:—1c. green; 2c. violet (or red), 3c. yellow, 4c. rose, 5c. brown (or green), 6c. orange, 12c. orange, 24c. carmine. We should like a little more information about this, we suppose our contemporary has not been trying to resuscitate the 1894 issue? We have not forgotten the Seychelles 45c. on 2r. 25c. King yet!

**EAST AFRICA AND UGANDA** (448 F 458).—The 10 rupees on multiple Crown CA paper was issued about 30.5.08 and the 50 rupees of the same set about 12.6.08. They were listed and priced in Gibbons' last catalogue which was evidently a mistake.

**HONDURAS** (438 N 458).—The following list of remainders for sale is from *Mekel's Weekly Stamp News* (13.6.08/205).

### HONDURAS REMAINDERS.

We have been favoured with a clipping from the *New Orleans Times-Democrat* by courtesy of H. Leonard.

It is self-explanatory in showing the total number in reserve of Honduras issues from 1892 down to the current set. The postal authorities want bids on the whole or on part of this mass of remainders.

Price.	Colon Pinson. 1892-1893. Quantity.	Cabanas. 1893-1894. Quantity.	Justice. 1894-1895. Quantity.	Total.
\$0.01	..	350	472	
.02	..	206	1,115	
.05	..	254	1,245	
.06	..	..	..	
.10	..	154	313	
.20	8	51	9,204	
.25	..	48	..	
.30	..	46	97	
.40	..	44	..	
.50	..	43	212	
.75	..	45	..	
1.00	..	..	1,643	
	8	1,241	14,301	
Arias. 1895. Quantity.	Locomotive. 1898. Quantity.	Guardiola. 1903. Quantity.		Total.
22,300	8,843	199,467		231,432
31,040	17,956	207,001		257,318
24,500	9,170	208,820		243,989
..	7,968	285,989		293,957
15,378	4,012	159,018		178,875
1,080	3,202	113,093		126,638
..	..	..		48
1,926	..	..		2,069
..	..	..		44
4,176	1,453	39,578		45,462
..	..	..		45
808	2,039	45,957		50,449
101,208	54,643	1,258,923		1,430,326

**JAMAICA** (447 J 458).—We are indebted to Mrs. Few for first sight of the following novelty.



Adhesive. Wmk. Crown CA multiple, ordinary paper.  
4d. red brown, Queen's Head.  
Issued 6.6.08 or earlier.

**NICARAGUA** (441 M 458).—The following new provisionals are shown us by Messrs. Th. Champion & Co.



Official Adhesives. Overprinted "OFICIAL.—VALE 10 C" in two lines reading up.  
10c. in pale yellow on 3c. violet (Amer. B.N. Co.)  
15c. " " " " " "  
20c. " " " " " "  
35c. " " " " " "  
50c. " " " " " "

The surcharge is illegible to the naked eye and we cannot imagine that stamps to see the face value of which it requires a magnifying glass, can serve any practical purpose. From the same source we have a long set of fiscal stamps surcharged.

Adhesives. Long fiscal stamps (Waterlow design), surcharged vertically reading up.  
(i.) Surcharged "Correo—1908" and "Vale 10" (or other value).  
1c. in red on 5c. yellow and black.  
2c. in grey " " "  
4c. in green " " "  
15c. in carmine on 50c. olive and black.  
35c. in pale red " " "  
(ii.) Surcharged "Correo—1908" only without new value. Black surcharge only.  
5c. yellow and black.  
10c. light blue and black.  
1p. yellow-brown and black.  
2p. light grey and black.

We notice a variety with dropped 9 in 1908 which appears to occur along one row of a sheet (of which however we have only small blocks). Our correspondents also state there is an error "Corroe" for "Correo."

The following are chronicled by the *Postage Stamp* (27.6.08/151).

Adhesives. American Bank Note Co., issue overprinted.

Vale 35c. in red on 6c. slate.  
Vale 50c. " "

One wishes for the good old Seebeck days, when there were only two plain sets each year, one for public and one for official use, and neither difficult to obtain or likely to lose their cost value.

**NEW SOUTH WALES** (453 H 458).—We have seen an official list of the postage stamps current at Sydney on 19.5.08 and although there is nothing new, it may be of interest to give the official colour names of the stamps.

½d. Victoria green.	8d. plum lake.
1d. geranium lake.	9d. blue and brown.
2d. azure blue.	10d. mauve.
2½d. steel blue.	1/- purple brown.
3d. light green.	2/6 Victoria green.
4d. chocolate brown.	5/- mauve lake.
5d. dark green.	10/- mauve and carmine.
6d. orange.	20/- light blue.

All except the 3d., 5d., 5/- and 10/- are on Crown A paper. The colour names seem a little strange in one or two cases; we should certainly not have called the 5/- "mauve-lake."

We are also informed that all denominations are punctured "OS—NSW" for State use and "O.S." for Commonwealth use.

The Colonial Stamp Market has shown us corner blocks of the rare perf. 12x11 issue and it may be of interest to some of our readers to quote the sheet-numbers.

	Sheet-number.	Machine-number.
½d. Crown NSW	—	15641
1d. Crown A	—	802980
2d. "	271650	336979
6d. "	52072	335792
2/6 "	140911	—

The 2/6 especially is likely to be a very rare stamp. The Colonial Stamp Market only secured about 100 copies and there do not seem to be any holders of them in New South Wales, whilst hardly a dealer in Europe can produce a single copy.

**NEW ZEALAND** (453 G 458).—*Correction.*—The £1 Official chronicled recently on the authority of a contemporary as perf. 12½, 13 should have been noted as perf. 14.

**QUEENSLAND** (457 N 458).—*Correction.*—Last week we stated on the authority of *Der Philatelist* (6.08/223) that the 2½d., 1/- and 2/- had been issued with Crown A watermark. Our contemporary was evidently wrong as under date of 29.4.08 the Deputy Postmaster General reports that all values were current with watermark Crown A except the 2½d., 5d. and 1/- and that there was no early prospect of the 2½d. being issued as there was a large stock of blue Crown Q paper and but a decreasing sale for the 2½d. value.

We therefore cancel our chronicle of the 2½d. and 1/- and record the following.



Adhesive. Wmk. Crown A, perf. 12½.  
3d. brown.

Issued 29.4.08 or earlier.  
We are indebted to Mr. W. P. Ward for drawing our attention to an interesting new variety of the 2d. blue, the die of which has been again redrawn.

In 1906 there appeared a redrawn design which Gibbons describes thus in the catalogue:—"The head has been redrawn, the top of the crown being made higher, so that it touches the frame, as do also the back of the chignon and the point of the bust. The figures in the corners appear to have been redrawn also." There were two varieties of this die.

(i.) 1906, wmk. Crown Q.  
(ii.) 25.12.07 or earlier, wmk. Crown A; our specimens are very blurred.

Mr. Ward now sends us a strip of three from another new die, wmk. Crown A. They are very clearly printed, the lines of shading being

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5c. red 1 1/2d., 10c. blue 2d., 12 1/2c. green 2d., 15c. red 3d., 25c. brown 2d., 30c. grey 5d., the complete set, 1c. to 30c., only 1/6.

#### SIAM.

1883, inscription in Siamese only, very fine mint copies of 1/2a. blue 2 1/2d., 2a. red 7d., and 4a. yellow 6d.

#### SIAM—continued.

1900, profile to left, very fine used 2a. green 1d., 2a. red and blue 1d., 3a. green 1d., 10a. blue 1 1/2d.

1905, King's Head and view of grand mosque, lightly cancelled, 2a. grey and lilac 1d., 4a. red and brown 1d., 5a. rose 2d., and 24a. brown 3d. The 24a. brown we can supply in pairs, strips and blocks, or 2/9 per dozen.



distinct. The chief difference is that the lines of shading are removed from the forehead (as is the case with the current 1d., 3d and 6d.) and the tail of the figure 2 is just clear of the line below it in each lower corner. The bust is still extended so as to touch the oval frame.

**SEYCHELLES** (457 G 458).—We have received the following letter:—

Post Office,  
Seychelles, 5th June, 1908.

Gentlemen,—I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your telegram of the 10th March last and your letter of even date, asking to be supplied with surcharged stamps of this Colony and to inform you in reply that no such surcharges have been made here.

I have, etc.,  
(Signed) G. W. GEMMELL,  
Postmaster.

Mr. Gemmell does not explain why it took him from 10th March to the 5th June to frame his reply to our telegram. When one pays 2/6 a word for a message, it does not take a Sherlock Holmes to infer that one wants an early reply.

**SOUTH AUSTRALIA** (454 A 458).—Mr. W. P. Ward informs us that he has been told that the stamps punctured "A" are for Commonwealth use, "A" presumably standing for Australia. Our correspondent asks if any of our readers can confirm this.

**SPANISH COLONIES** (443 Q 458).—The *Madrid Filatélico* (31.5.08/67) states that the following quantities of stamps were printed for Spanish colonies from 1899 to 1905.

*Fernando Poo*, 1899.

1, 2, 3, 4, 5, milésimas	10,000 each.
1, 2, 3, 4, 5 centavos	10,000 "
6, 8 "	5,000 "
10 "	10,000 "
15 "	15,000 "
20 "	10,000 "
40, 60, 80 "	1,000 "
1, 2 pesos	500 "

*Issue of 1902.*

	<i>Fernando Poo.</i>	<i>Guinea Española.</i>
5 céntimos	10,000	20,000
10 "	10,000	20,000
25 "	30,000	20,000
50 "	30,000	20,000
75 "	25,000	10,000
1 peseta	20,000	10,000
2 "	5,000	2,500
5 "	2,000	1,500

*Issue of 1905.*

	<i>Fernando Poo.</i>	<i>Guinea Española and Elobey Annobon y Corisco</i>	<i>Rio de Oro.</i>
1c.	30,000	each.	1,750
2c.	30,000	15,000	of each
3c.	30,000	15,000	value
4c.	30,000	15,000	from
5c.	30,000	15,000	1c. to
10c.	25,000	12,500	10 pes.
15c.	20,000	10,000	inclusive.
25c.	20,000	10,000	
50c.	15,000	7,500	
75c.	10,000	5,000	
1p.	6,000	3,000	
2p.	4,000	2,000	
3p.	4,000	2,000	
4p.	4,000	2,000	
5p.	4,000	2,000	
10p.	4,000	2,000	

Our contemporary promises to continue its list in its next issue and considers the smallness of the quantities evidence of the non-speculative character of the stamps. We should have said that the fact that the Rio de Oro supply was limited to 1750 complete sets was evidence that they were only intended to be sold in complete sets and if so, it follows that they were not intended for use.

A friend in Fernando Poo recently informed us that complete sets of the current issue of postage stamps were only obtainable there occasionally, at about 50% over face value. The Spanish Government should at least see that the current sets are kept on sale at the Post Offices in the respective colonies, even if it does sell the majority at home.

A side-light on this matter is thrown by Gibbons' Catalogue where of the *current set* of Fernando Poo the set of five lowest values cannot be quoted any cheaper than 8 times face value and the value corresponding to our 4d. is quoted 5d. used and unused or 10 times face value.

**URUGUAY** (435 J 458).—We take the following note from *Gibbons Stamp Weekly* (27.6.08/416).

In addition to the reissue of two values, mentioned in our issue of 11th January, Mr. A. H. Davis now informs us that No. 272 and 270 in the Catalogue were reissued on 17th May, and that Nos. 281 and 285 will be withdrawn from circulation and demonetized on 20th August, 1908.

The following table gives the catalogue numbers of the stamps that have been (or will be) withdrawn and reissued respectively.

Value.	Withdrawn.	Reissued.
1c. ..	No. 281 (20.8.08)	.. No. 272 (17. 5.08).
2c. ..	" 282 (27.2.08)	.. " 273 (25.11.07).
2c. ..	" 291 ( " )	.. " —
5c. ..	" 283 ( " )	.. " 274 (25.11.07).
5c. ..	" 292 ( " )	.. " —
20c. ..	" 285 (20.8.08)	.. " 270 (17. 5.08).

### Our Prize Competitions.

After 1st July, 1908, the minimum number entitling to one of the prize albums will be raised to 100.

**No. 1. APPROVAL DEPT. (Current Issues).**

To the competitor who has purchased by the end of next week the most stamps from our approval sheets of current issues (informing us at the time he wishes the number to compete) we will send post free a copy of "Our Own Times" Postage Stamp Album. This album is specially arranged for King's Head stamps and other current colonial issues.

*Result, Week ending 27th June, 1908.*

	Stamps
RW (winner and 5th last week)	... 60
GL (runner-up and 2nd last week)	... 41
RG (3rd last week)	... 34
RB (4th last week)	... 33
JE (7th last week)	... 25
TS	... 25
AD (8th last week)	... 22
TG	... 22
WP (9th last week)	... 21
Non-winners' totals are carried forward to next week.	

**No. 2. APPROVAL DEPT. (Old Issues).**

To the competitor who has purchased by the end of next week the most stamps from our approval sheets of old issues (informing us at the time he wishes the number to compete) we will present a copy of the "Good Old Times" Postage Stamp Album (no watermarks, perforations, surcharges, minor varieties).

**SECTION II.—EUROPE AND COLONIES.**

*Result, Week ending 27th June, 1908.*

HS (winner and runner-up last week)	71
JH (runner-up and 3rd last week)	36
AD (4th last week)	34
NC (5th last week)	33
JW	26
HW (6th last week)	23
JB (7th last week)	22
FC (8th last week)	21
AE (9th last week)	18

**SECTION III.—REST OF THE WORLD.**

Same conditions as No. 2 but only open to winners of Section II. The prize is Part III. of the Album, and stamps purchased from any approval sheets of old issues count.

*Result, Week ending 27th June, 1908.*

ESW (winner and runner-up last week)	207
HN (runner-up and 5th last week)	189
WB (3rd last week)	163
Mrs. U (4th last week)	157
JI (6th last week)	143
ES (7th last week)	92
JB (8th last week)	76
CG (9th last week)	76
PB (10th last week)	63
JF (11th last week)	47
SR (12th last week)	46
JD (13th last week)	41
TL	23

Non-winners' totals are carried forward to next week. Winners residing abroad will be required to pay carriage and customs charges if any.

**SECTION I.—GREAT BRITAIN AND COLONIES.**

Although this album is not likely to be ready for several months, winners of Section III. intending to compete for it can have their purchases credited in the meantime, all the totals being carried forward until the competition commences. This album will complete the very handsome series of three volumes.

The following totals are carried forward to the first week of the competition.

FL	457	GP	86
JO	207	JF	80
RG	186	GA	46
Mrs. C	184	JR	43
EB	182	SG	23
Rev. S	136	ES	19
JE	101	RW	17

W.R. writes (11.4.08):—"I have to return you warm thanks for the handsome copy of your "Our Own Times" Album sent to me last week, as the prize in your competition. I have already two copies of this book, but am nevertheless pleased to possess the copy just sent. I shall be pleased to enter the competition for the other two volumes in due course. I only fear that the simplified system on which I observe your "Old Times" Album is based, will hardly commend itself to collectors hardened in the "pernicious" old school of collectors of varieties of watermarks, perforations, papers, &c. However, I shall be interested in watching the progress of the new movement. Certainly the formidableness of the task of grappling with the present overgrown field must act as a deterrent to beginners in this fascinating hobby."

E.F. writes (23.4.08):—"I beg to acknowledge with many thanks the receipt of the "Our Own Times" Album. To say I am pleased with it does not express myself sufficiently. I have been looking forward to receiving an excellent album,

but this one is magnificent and quite exceeds my expectations. I will do all I can to further your interests; two or three of my friends have decided to enter your weekly competition for albums."

The awards are made and albums posted every Monday.

Since our main object in giving these albums away is to get them known, winners can repay us by showing them to stamp-collecting friends as well as by purchasing stamps.

**No. 3. EDITORIAL COMPETITION.**

The competitor who sends us the most interesting item of information for our New Issue column each week will be credited 2/6, which must be claimed within seven days (allowance to foreign readers) and may be selected from any of our approval sheets. From time to time we shall voluntarily increase the prize.

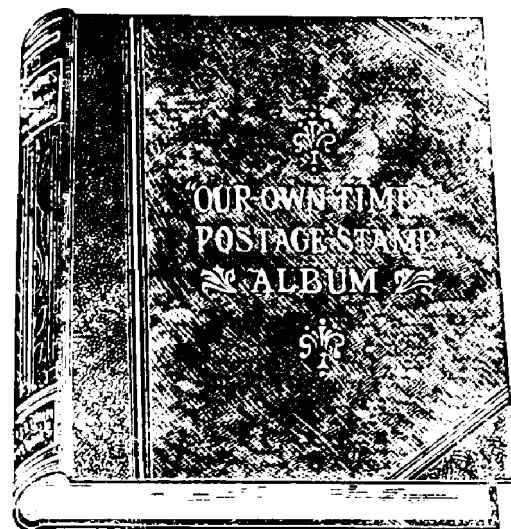
13th June, 1908.

P B for note on Cayman Islands (2/6)

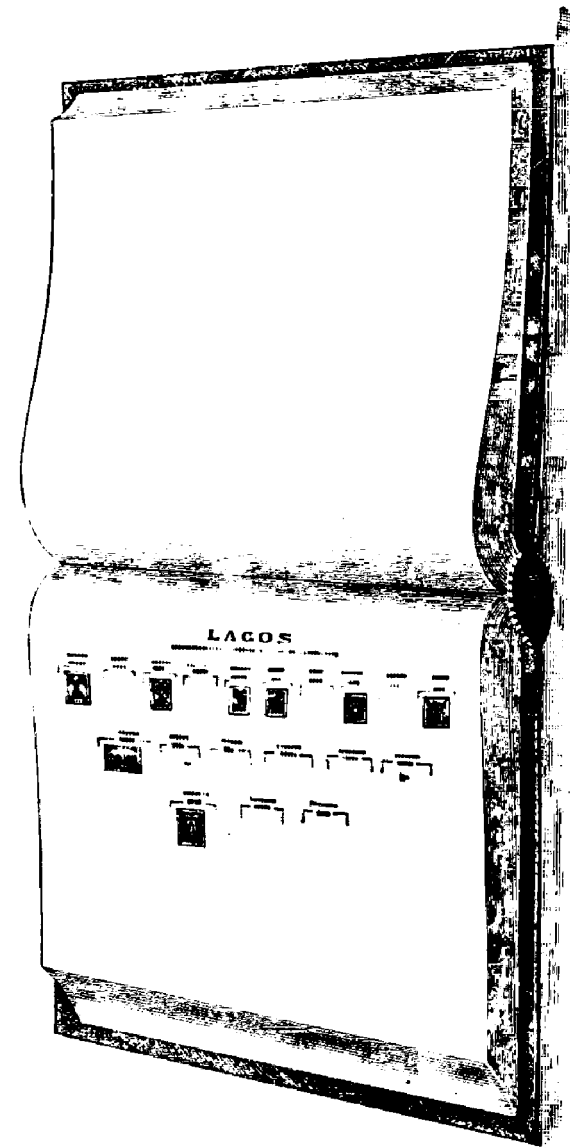
Winners are requested to make early application for their prizes.

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bq† 2d. " " "

br† 6d. " " "

bs† 2/6 " " "

Gwalior Official.

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GW ba ½a. King.

Jamaica.

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Jhnd.

JH aq ½a. King, Service.

Sudan.

SD bu 2pi., wmk. multiple Crescent and Star. The distribution of this stamp brings the country up to date in respect of the public issues. Although it has been catalogued some time this stamp has only recently been issued.

Cayman Islands.

CY ar 2½d. on 4d., King, multiple wmk. We have now secured some of the above stamps, and although they have been fetching as much as £6 each, we are supplying our New Issue clients with them at only £4.

New Zealand.

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## The "Colonial Office Journal,"

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A ½d. CAYMAN ISLANDS.

The chief excitement for stamp collectors amongst a number of interesting announcements in the July "Colonial Office Journal" respecting forthcoming new issues is that concerning the issue of a farthing stamp for the Cayman Islands. As this is a stamp that every collector throughout the world will probably want and can certainly afford, it should have a record circulation.

We refer to some of the new issues in our present issue and hope to draw further on the "Colonial Office Journal's" chronicle next week.

Our contemporary deals thus with the question of the surcharged stamps.

### COLONIAL STAMPS.

In our last number we endeavoured to explain how it happened occasionally that colonial postmasters issued surcharged stamps—the explanation being simply that sometimes a particular stamp finds favour with philatelists and the stock is rapidly exhausted; some other available stock is then surcharged. This explanation has been severely assailed in *Truth*, which contends that no stock of any particular stamp should ever be exhausted, and that the postmaster should in his estimate allow for all contingencies, and should be mulcted himself if his stock runs out. *Truth* adds the almost inevitable remark that the permanent officials, in this case the editors of this journal, show themselves more sympathetic towards official abuse than concerned for the public interest. We must admit that we did not realise that the public interest was particularly affected. We were not passing judgment on any specific case, but simply stating facts which occur in different places from time to time, with the object of showing that surcharging could come about in a natural way, and without any intention of manipulating issues for profit. As to the suggestion that in all cases a supply should be stocked large enough to meet all requirements, we would point out that, when once a particular issue has attracted the attention of collectors, it is impossible to say how far the demand will go; if, on the other hand, the demand is normal, the large stock necessitates continual auditing for a number of years; also the gum in hot climates would deteriorate, and sometimes the colours would be affected. After all, stamps are essentially only a convenient and economical method of collecting postal charges, and it is hardly reasonable to expect colonial Governments to go to any extra expense and trouble, because surcharging creates extra issues which are eagerly bought by some philatelists and objected to by others. So long as the issue has been made simply for postal and revenue purposes, it seems to us that the "public interest" is not affected. It is of course another matter if it has been made deliberately with the object of alluring collectors.

Most collectors can recall instances of stamps where the gum has turned brown or altogether perished. Nine-tenths of the old Malay States stamps were issued without gum either because the stock had stuck together or had stuck to the sheets of paper with which it was interleaved or simply because the gum had "perished." *Truth's* suggestion that supplies of stamps should be stocked large enough to meet every possible requirement is impracticable also in other ways.

1. Not only is the gum liable to perish in hot climates, but

2. Postal rates are constantly being revised, often rendering useless a stamp that was just previously in large demand. A notable example is the 2½d. Malta, Queen's Head. There was practically no alternative but to surcharge the stock 1d.

3. Many other causes are at work necessitating sometimes a sudden change in the stamps, such as change of sovereign, change of currency, change of colour standard, change of title of Colony, etc.

The British Post Office keeps in reserve a stock of ½d. and 1d. stamps sufficient to last for about six months and we should imagine most of our colonies and protectorates maintain an even larger reserve, but every now and then special circumstances are bound to arise, causing an unanticipated demand, and sometimes the reserve may be entirely exhausted before a new stock can be printed and sent out from England.

Any business man who changed his address and surcharged the new one on his old letter heading would be very much surprised if he were told that he was acting unfairly and we

cannot see that anyone has a right to say the same of post offices. Post Offices have never asked anyone to collect their stamps and a post office is quite as much entitled to make use of old stationery by surcharging it, as a business man to use up his old letter paper.

The whole trouble arises from the fact that stamp collectors are divided into two camps, the one specializing old issues and collecting used stamps and the other supporting Colonial stamps in unused condition. Ten years ago the first camp had matters practically all their own way but since Ewen's Colonial Stamp Market was established the second camp has been gaining in popularity, slowly at first but latterly by leaps and bounds and it is to be feared to a certain extent at the expense of the older camp, which tries to recover its lost position by throwing mud, not only at the new collecting but also at the unfortunate postmasters, who are certainly in no wise to blame and have never invited people to collect stamps at all.

Our advice to Colonial postmasters is to be practical. If you can get rid of your old stock by surcharging it, then surcharge it; collectors are not compelled by law to buy it and if they do so, it is a fair assumption that they do so because they like it. In any case, don't take any notice of stamp collectors' criticisms and grumbles.

At the same time if a provisional is made, it should be sold freely, as long as it lasts, to everyone applying, large buyer and small. It is most unfair to discriminate against the large buyer as in a recent much-talked-about case.

## The Week's News.

The Editor is always pleased to receive Early Information of New Issues, or of Discoveries interesting to Stamp Collectors, and will acknowledge such contributions either by name in the journal or by the presentation of several interesting newly-issued stamps, as preferred.

The index number and serial letter after the title of each paragraph indicate the issue of E.W.S.N. in which the last reference to that country appeared.

**BHOPAL** (288 O 459).—A handsome new stamp engraved and printed by Waterlow & Sons, has been issued here. A proof was shown us some weeks ago and *L'Echo de la Timbrologie* (30.6.08/409) now reports the issue.

Adhesive. New design, perf. 13½.  
1a. green.

**BRITISH GUIANA** (450 D 459).—We recently chronicled the 72c. in new colours on the authority of *Le Timbre-Poste* (25.4.08/211) but we are informed by the Postmaster-General, under date of 11.6.08 that he "is not aware of any new issue of a 72c. stamp."

**BRITISH SOLOMON ISLANDS** (449 L 459).—The *Colonial Office Journal* (7.08/54) announces that this dependency of Fiji will issue ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 5d., 6d., and 1/- stamps printed by the steel plate process. The design will be similar to the existing lithographic issue and the colours will follow the new colour scheme with the exception of the 5d. value, which will be sage-green instead of purple and sage-green.

**CAYMAN ISLANDS** (457 I 459).—The *Colonial Office Journal* (7.08/54) makes the interesting announcement that there is to be a ½d. stamp "for internal postage in Grand Cayman." It is to be hoped that the quantity to be printed will not fall far short of a million or there will soon be another epidemic of provisionals. A farthing Cayman will be quite a godsend to the cheap packet dealer all over the world. It will prove a much greater attraction than the low value Cyprus, Mauritius, Hongkong, Bermuda, Malta, Canada, India, etc., as in all these places there is a counter attraction in the shape of certain values which are obtainable used at less than 1/- per 100, whereas even used ½d. and 1d. Cayman Islands are unobtainable at less than face value. In fact the Cayman Islanders possess the boon of absolutely free postage, because any stamp is worth as much, or more after being used.

**CEYLON** (448 H 459).—The new 5c. is reported by *Gibbons Stamp Weekly* (4.7.08/15) as having been issued on 26.5.08.

Adhesive. Wmk. Crown CA multiple, ordinary paper.  
5c. lilac, figures of value in lower corners.

**CHILE** (457 U 459).—*L'Echo de la Timbrologie* (30.6.08/409) reports the issue of the 1 peso of the 1905 set.

**COCHIN** (234 D 459).—The first value of a new set with portrait of the Sultan is reported by *L'Echo de la Timbrologie* (30.6.08/409).

Adhesive.  
1a. carmine.

**GIBRALTAR** (454 D 459).—The following has been issued.



Adhesive. Wmk. Crown CA multiple, chalk-surface paper.  
4/- lilac and green.  
Issued 6.08 or earlier.

**GUATEMALA** (411 A 459).—The following new provisionals are chronicled by the *Deutsche Briefmarken Zeitung* (2.7.08/110).



1908

UN 1 UN  
CENTAVO

Adhesives. Surcharged approximately as above.  
1c. in black on 10c. (300,000)  
2c. in carmine on 12½c. (400,000)  
6c. in black on 20c. (500,000)

These have had to be made, because the stock of 1, 2 and 6c. stamps had become exhausted. The Postmaster-General has been authorised to order from England a further supply of 1,000,000 of the latter at a cost of 3/- per 1000, paper, printing, freight and insurance inclusive.

**ITALIAN FOREIGN P.O.** (445 M 459).—The opening of Italian Post Offices in Turkey has been attended with the issue of a number of varieties which appear hardly necessary; full particulars are given by the *Deutsche Briefmarken-Zeitung* (2.7.08/111).



Adhesives.  
(i) Surcharged in lower-case. Printed in Rome.

" 10 Para 10 "	on 5c. green	1,000
" 20 Para 20 "	on 10c. red	1,000
" 30 Para 30 "	on 15c. grey	500
" 40 Para 40 "	on 25c. blue	500
" 80 Para 80 "	on 50c. violet	500
" 4 Piastra " (?)	on 1 lira. brown and green	100
" 20 Piastra " (?)	on 5 lire	50

NOTE.—Our contemporary reports having only actually seen the 10, 40 and 80 para of this set.

(ii) Surcharged in capitals. Printed in Constantinople.

" 10 PARA "	on 5c. green	19,800
" 20 PARA "	on 10c. red	16,000
" 30 PARA "	on 15c. grey	20,000
" 1 PIASTRA "	on 25c. blue	16,000
" 2 PIASTRE "	on 50c. violet	3,000
" 4 PIASTRE "	on 1 lira. brown and green	400
" 20 PIASTRE "	on 5 lire	200

NOTE.—There are minor varieties in the surcharge, such as "PISTRA" for "PIASTRA." Our contemporary has not seen the 20 piastre.

(iii) Printed at Rome. Surcharged in lower-case.

" 10 Para "	on 5c. green	100,000
" 20 Para "	on 10c. red	100,000
" 40 Para "	on 25c. blue	100,000
" 2 Piastra "	on 50c. violet	3,000

NOTE.—Our contemporary had not yet seen these.

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No varieties of perforation or watermark are examined or described; no notice is taken of surcharges. All are standard varieties that have first claim to be represented in a general collector's album. Should any of the stamps have rare perforations, or be in scarce shades, nothing extra is charged on that account.

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† These Sheets are newly mounted this week.

The above fine series of Approval Sheets consists solely of stamps arranged according to our "Monthly Quotations" (4d. post free).

# Approval Sheets of New Issues.

BRITISH COLONIES ONLY, CHIEFLY KING SINGLES AND MULTIPLES, USED AND UNUSED.

Stamps purchased from these Approval Sheets count in the Competition for "Our Own Times" Album, whereas those purchased from the above Sheets (obsolete issues) count in the "Good Old Times" Competition.

<p>500 Aitutaki on N.Z. 501 Antigua 581 Australian Commonwealth Postage Dues 502 Bahamas, King, &amp;c. 503 Barbados 504 Bechuanaland, King 505 Bermuda, Dockyard 506 Br. Central Africa, King 507 British Guiana 508 Br. Honduras, King 585 British New Guinea 509 Br. New Guinea and Papua 510 Br. South Africa [unused 380 Brunei, 1st issue, used and 512 Brunei, surch. and pictorial 511 Canada, King, &amp;c. 513 Cape, King 514 Cayman Is., King 515 Ceylon, King</p>	<p>516 Chamba on India, King 360 Cook Islands, Queen's Head 517 Cook Is. 518 Cyprus, King 519 Dominica, pictorial 520 E. Africa, King 521 Falkland, King 522 Fiji, King 523 Gambia, King 524 Gibraltar, King 525 Gold Coast, King 526 Grenada, King 527 Gwalior on India, King 528 Hong Kong, King 529 India, King 530 C.E.F. on India, King 531 Jamaica, Arms 532 Jhind on India 533 Johor, 1904 534 Labuan, Crown</p>	<p>580 Labuan, pictorial 411 Labuan, sur. 'Straits' 381 " " used and un. 535 Lagos, King 536 Leeward, King 537 Levant on Gt. Britain 538 Malay States 539 Maldives on Ceylon 540 Malta, King, &amp;c. 541 Mauritius, Arms 542 Montserrat, Arms 584 Morocco Ag. on Gibraltar— varieties 543 Morocco on Gibraltar 544 Morocco on Gt. Britain 545 Nabha on India, King 546 Natal, King [Family 547 Newfoundland, Cabot and Royal 548 New South Wales 583 New Zealand Pictorials and Officials</p>	<p>549 New Zealand, pictorial 550 Niue on N.Z. 551 North Borneo 552 N. Nigeria, King 553 Orange River Colony, King 554 Patiala on India, King 555 Penrhyn on N.Z. 556 Queensland 557 St. Helena, King, &amp;c. 558 St. Kitts-Nevis, pictorial 559 St. Lucia, King 560 St. Vincent, King 561 Sarawak, Rajah's Head 562 Seychelles, King 563 Sierra Leone, King 564 Solomon Islands 346 Somaliland, 1st issue 565 Somaliland, King and Queen, surch. 579 " " Prot. King</p>	<p>347 Somaliland 377 Somaliland Officials, 1st issue varieties 378 Somaliland Service 566 South Australia 567 S. Nigeria, King 568 Straits, King 569 Sudan, Camel 570 Tasmania, pictorial 571 Tonga, pictorial and portrait 350 Transvaal C.S.A.R. 572 Transvaal, King 573 Trinidad 574 Turks Islands 575 Victoria 576 Virgin Islands 577 Western Australia 349 Zanzibar, 1904, and varieties 578 Zanzibar, Arms</p>
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### Special Offers.

#### MONTENEGRO.

1902, King's Head, currency changed, 25h. blue 2d., used or unused (unused in blocks and pairs), and 50h. green 4d., unused only in blocks and pairs.

#### CHILI.

1906, various designs, 1c. green 1/2d., 2c. rose 1/2d., 5c. blue 1/2d., all very fine lightly cancelled copies.

#### COSTA RICA.

1892, Arms, very fine used 1c. green 1/2d., 2c. yellow 1/2d., 5c. lilac 1/2d., 10c. green 1/2d., 20c. red 1/2d., mint 50c. blue 1 1/2d., used 1p. green 3d., 2p. rose 4d., mint 5p. blue 5d., used 10p. brown 7d. The complete set of ten 1/10.

#### SIAM.

1883, inscription in Siamese only, very fine mint copies of 1/2a. blue 2 1/2d., 2a. red 7d., and 4a. yellow 6d.

#### SIAM—continued.

1900, profile to left, very fine used 2a. green 1d., 2a. red and blue 1d., 3a. green 1d., 10a. blue 1 1/2d.

1905, King's Head and view of grand mosque, lightly cancelled, 2a. grey and lilac 1d., 4a. red and brown 1d., 5a. rose 2d., and 24a. brown 3d. The 24a. brown we can supply in pairs, strips and blocks, or 2/9 per dozen.



**LUXEMBURG** (455 Q 459).—This country must now be added to the growing list of those issuing Charity stamps. There are three values, 5c. brown, 10c. blue, 15c. brown, and although the stamps are frequently postmarked when attached to letters they have no postal or philatelic significance.

The current set of stamps has been perforated for official use.



Official Adhesives. Punctured "OFFICIEL."

- 1c. grey.
- 2c. brown.
- 4c. bistre.
- 5c. green.
- 6c. violet.
- 10c. red.
- 12½c. olive-grey.
- 15c. red-brown.
- 20c. orange.
- 25c. ultramarine.
- 30c. olive.
- 37½c. green.
- 50c. brown.
- 87½c. blue.
- 1f. violet.
- 2½f. red.
- 5f. lilac.

**MALTA** (448 T 459).—The *Colonial Office Journal* (7.08/54) states that a 5/- revenue stamp is to be issued here. In order to avoid the expense of a new plate, a supply of the 10/- stamp will be printed in red and surcharged 5/- Revenue.

This is unwelcome news for stamp collectors, because the 5/- rose Queen's Head might have been overprinted "Revenue," thus helping to get rid of the stock of the stamp and make way for the 5/- King's Head, which was printed years ago and never seems likely to make its appearance at all.

The 2d., 2/- and 2/6 stamps are also to appear for the first time on multiple watermark paper.

**MALDIVIVE ISLANDS** (450 L 459).—The *Colonial Office Journal* (7.08/54) confirms the statement that the values of the new set are to be 2, 3, 5 and 10 cents and adds that the principal part of the design will be a representation of a minaret.

**MONTSERRAT** (452 S 459).—We are informed by Mr. H. A. Cresswell that he has the following novelties:—



Adhesives. Wmk. Crown CA multiple, ordinary paper.  
1d. all red.  
2½d. all blue.

Issued 20.6.08 or earlier.

**NATAL** (451 Q 459).—The *Colonial Office Journal* states that "Natal will in future use a separate series of stamps for postage and revenue purposes above the value of 6d." Particulars are to appear in the next issue of the *Colonial Office Journal*.

**PERU** (428 W 459).—The following surcharged stamp has been issued, states the *Philatelic Adviser* (25.6.08/122).

Express Letter Adhesive.

10c. black, overprinted "Expreso" in black.

**PHILIPPINES** (453 T 459).—The *Deutsche Briefmarken-Zeitung* (2.7.08/116) states that the following quantities were printed of the new issue.



Issue of 1906.

2c.	12,000,000	20c.	800,000.
4c.	5,000,000	26c.	14,000.
6c.	80,000	30c.	400,000.
8c.	35,000	1p.	200,000.
10c.	2,000,000	2p.	100,000.
12c.	20,000	4p.	not stated.
16c.	500,000	10p.	"

**SALVADOR** (453 N 459).—The *Philatelic Adviser* (25.6.08/122) states that the current set of envelopes has been surcharged "1908."

**SOMALILAND** (403 I 459).—The *Colonial Office Journal* (7.08/55) states that "1 anna stamps will in future be printed completely in red." This and the ¼d. value will be on unperfaced paper.

### Our Prize Competitions.

After 1st July, 1908, the minimum number entitling to one of the prize albums will be raised to 100.

#### No. 1. APPROVAL DEPT. (Current Issues).

To the competitor who has purchased by the end of next week the most stamps from our approval sheets of current issues (informing us at the time he wishes the number to compete) we will send post free a copy of "Our Own Times" Postage Stamp Album. This album is specially arranged for King's Head stamps and other current colonial issues.

Result, Week ending 4th July, 1908.

	Stamps
TS (runner up and 6th last week) ...	52
RG (3rd last week) ...	51
GL (2nd last week) ...	41
TG (8th last week) ...	40
RB (4th last week) ...	33
NC ...	25
JE (5th last week) ...	25
AD (7th last week) ...	22
FS ...	22

Non-winners' totals are carried forward to next week.

#### No. 2. APPROVAL DEPT. (Old Issues).

To the competitor who has purchased by the end of next week the most stamps from our approval sheets of old issues (informing us at the time he wishes the number to compete) we will present a copy of the "Good Old Times" Postage Stamp Album (no watermarks, perforations, surcharges, minor varieties).

#### SECTION II.—EUROPE AND COLONIES.

Result, Week ending 4th July, 1908.

NC (runner-up) ...	39
JH (2nd last week) ...	36
JW (5th last week) ...	35
AD (3rd last week) ...	34
HW (6th last week) ...	23
JB (7th last week) ...	22
FC (8th last week) ...	21
AE (9th last week) ...	18
DB ...	14

#### SECTION III.—REST OF THE WORLD.

Same conditions as No. 2 but only open to winners of Section II. The prize is Part III. of the Album, and stamps purchased from any approval sheets of old issues count.

Result, Week ending 4th July, 1908.

HN (winner and runner-up last week)	189
WB (runner-up and 3rd last week) ...	163
Mrs. U (4th last week) ...	157
JI (5th last week) ...	143
ES (6th last week) ...	97
WR ...	94
JB (7th last week) ...	76
CG (8th last week) ...	76
PB (9th last week) ...	63
JF (10th last week) ...	47
SR (11th last week) ...	46
JD (12th last week) ...	41
TL (13th last week) ...	23

Non-winners' totals are carried forward to next week. Winners residing abroad will be required to pay carriage and customs charges if any.

#### SECTION I.—GREAT BRITAIN AND COLONIES.

Although this album is not likely to be ready for several months, winners of Section III. intending to compete for it can have their purchases credited in the meantime, all the totals being carried forward until the competition commences. This album will complete the very handsome series of three volumes.

The following totals are carried forward to the first week of the competition.

FL ...	457	GP ...	86
JO ...	207	JF ...	81
RG ...	207	JR ...	47
Mrs. C ...	184	GA ...	46
EB ...	182	SG ...	23
Rev. S ...	136	ES ...	19
JE ...	101	RW ...	17

W.B. writes (11.4.08):—"I have to return you warm thanks for the handsome copy of your "Our Own Times" Album sent to me last week, as the prize in your competition. I have already two copies of this book, but am nevertheless pleased to possess the copy just sent. I shall be pleased to enter the competition for the other two volumes in due course. I only fear that the simplified system on which I observe your "Old Times" Album is based, will hardly commend itself to collectors hardened in the "pernicious" old school of collectors of varieties of watermarks, perforations, papers, &c. However, I shall be interested in watching the progress of the new movement. Certainly the formidableness of the task of grappling with the present overgrown field must act as a deterrent to beginners in this fascinating hobby."

E.F. writes (23.4.08):—"I beg to acknowledge with many thanks the receipt of the "Our Own Times" Album. To say I am pleased with it does not express myself sufficiently. I have been looking forward to receiving an excellent album,

but this one is magnificent and quite exceeds my expectations. I will do all I can to further your interests; two or three of my friends have decided to enter your weekly competition for albums."

The awards are made and albums posted every Monday.

Since our main object in giving these albums away is to get them known, winners can repay us by showing them to stamp-collecting friends as well as by purchasing stamps.

#### No. 3. EDITORIAL COMPETITION.

The competitor who sends us the most interesting item of information for our New Issue column each week will be credited 2/6, which must be claimed within seven days (allowance to foreign readers) and may be selected from any of our approval sheets. From time to time we shall voluntarily increase the prize.

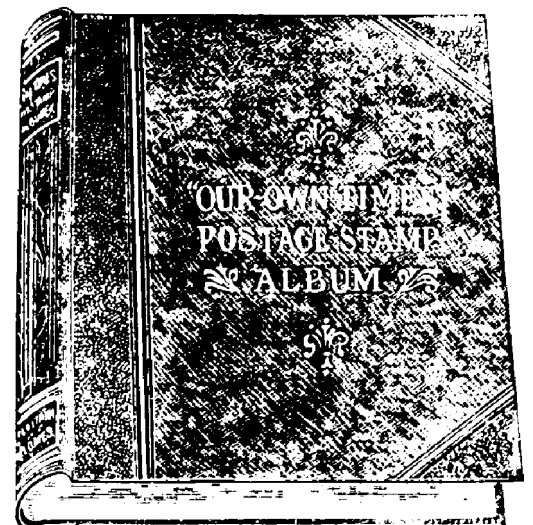
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W W for note on Queensland (2/6)

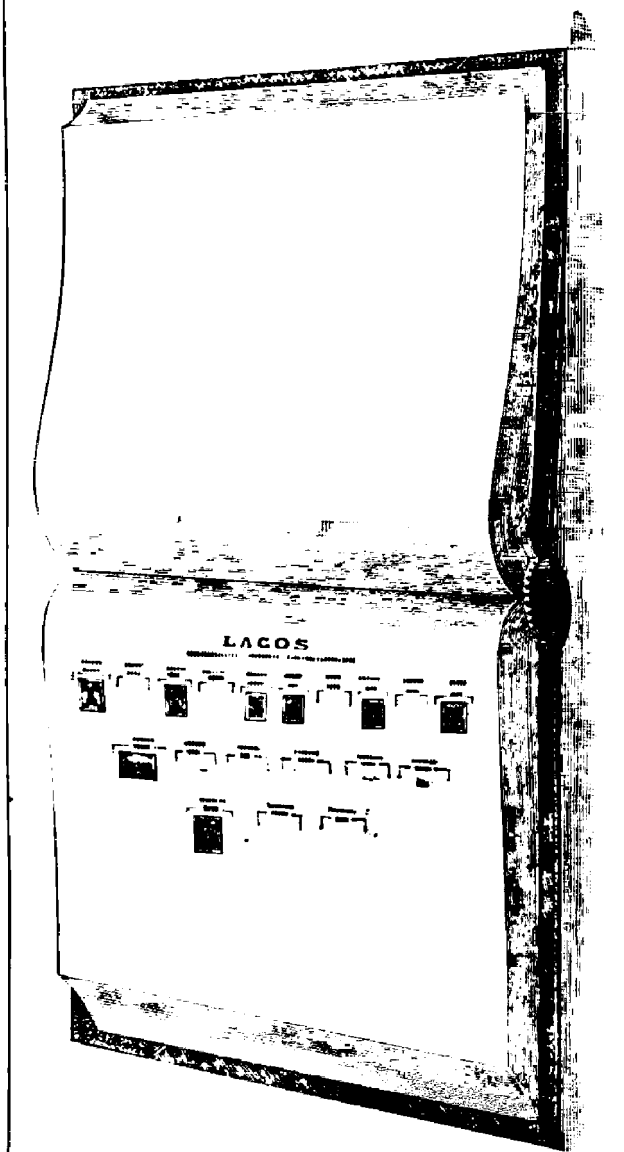
Winners are requested to make early application for their prizes.

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- aq† 5/- " " multiple " "
- ao† 10/- " " single " "

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AI ab 1/- orange shade.

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PP at 6d., wmk. narrow rosettes, type I.

au 2/6, " " variety dropped "pua."

Gibraltar.

GI au 6d., King, wmk. CA multiple, on chalky paper.

Nabha Service.

NA aw 1r. King, dark shade.

Straits on Labuan.

LA ak 25c. perf. 15.

Leeward Islands.

LE ag\* 3d. wmk. CA multiple, on chalk-surfaced paper. With the exception of the 1/2d. green, multiple wmk. on ordinary paper, this country is now brought up to date.

Gold Coast.

GC af† 2d. wmk. CA multiple, chalky paper.

## USED STAMPS.

Please order on separate sheet, as this stock is kept at 30, Palace Square.

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1900, Ship, "Turks and Caicos Is."—Very fine, lightly cancelled, 1/2d. green 1d., 2d. brown 4d., 2 1/2d. blue 4d., 3d. on yellow 5d., 4d. yellow 6d., 6d. lilac 9d., 1/- brown 1/6., 2/- lilac 2/9, 3/- red 4/6; or the set of nine values for 11/-.

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## The Week's News.

The Editor is always pleased to receive Early Information of New Issues, or of Discoveries interesting to Stamp Collectors, and will acknowledge such contributions either by name in the journal or by the presentation of several interesting newly-issued stamps, as preferred.

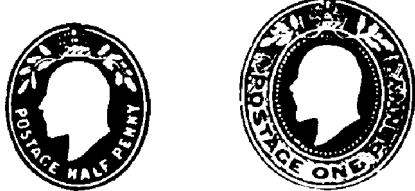
The index number and serial letter after the title of each paragraph indicate the issue of E.W.S.N. in which the last reference to that country appeared.

**GREAT BRITAIN.**—Control Letters (420 A 460).—Mr. W. J. Tullett is the first reader to send us the 1d. with control G8, whilst Mr. P. H. Young sends us ½d. G8. Recent control letters were issued as follows:

½d. F6 at left	Earliest date	10. 8.06
1d. F6 at right	"	12. 9.06
½d. F7 at left	"	5. 7.07
1d. F7 at right	"	5. 7.07
½d. G7 at left	"	25. 9.07
1d. G7 at right	"	5.10.07
½d. G8 at left	"	10.7.08
1d. G8 at right	Earliest date	10. 7.08

The fact that F7 appeared on 5.7.07 and G8 on 10.7.08 appears to indicate that stamps are issued on an average about six months after printing. If that is so, then control letter G commenced to be printed about 3.07 and F 2.06. If a letter lasts 13 months, H would commence printing about 4.08 and its issue may be expected about the end of 10.08.

**Unadhesive Stamps** (451 W 460).—We are shown by Mr. E. Bentley Wood a copy of 1d. die 75, postmarked 9.7.08. Our list now stands:—



**Envelope Dies.** List of die-numbers known.

½d. dark green.	Dies 7 to 30; 43 to 55.
½d. yellow-green.	Dies 45 to 66 exc. 49, 53.
1d.	Dies 7 to 30; 43 to 75.
1½d. yellow, 1½d. violet, 4d., 10d., 1/-.	Dies 1, 2.
2d.	Dies 1, 2, 2½d. Die 3.
3d.	Dies 1, 2, 6d.
3d. Registration.	Dies 1 to 15.

A supply of envelopes stamped for the Colonial Stamp Market last month (6.08) had the following varieties:—1½d. violet, 2d. lake, dies 1; 2½d. die 3; 3d. brown, die 2; 6d. die 7. Fourpence-halfpenny envelopes were stamped 4d. die 1+½d. die 47. It is a long time since we had to record a new 6d. die 1 and it seems from this that the old dies are not yet worn out.

**BERMUDA** (448 X 460).—The Colonial Office Journal (7.08/54) states that the ½d. and 1d. in single colours have been sent out to the Colony.

**BRITISH HONDURAS** (453 C 460).—The Colonial Office Journal (7.08/54) states that British Honduras has adopted the new colour scheme but that no order to print has yet been received.

It is doubtful if this will mean any new issues in the near future. The 1c. is already "all green" and was bound sooner or later to be supplemented by a 2c. all rose and 5c. all blue, whilst as regards the other values it is the practice of British Honduras to keep many years' stock on hand. As however this practice in the past has led to considerable waste of public money in printing stamps which had afterwards either to be surcharged (when the currency was changed from pence to cents and again when the stamps were rendered available for revenue as well as postal purposes) or destroyed, it may be that a more economical policy has been adopted in requisitioning for the King Edward stamps.

## EVERY COLLECTOR

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It is no economy to save the small subscription (4/4) and live in ignorance of Philatelic events.

**BRUNEI** (448 Q 460).—The Colonial Office Journal (7.08/54) states that a supply of the following is now being printed. The 1, 3 and 5 cents in new colours were reported in the April number of the same journal.



**Adhesives.** Wmk. Crown CA multiple, ordinary paper.  
2c. chocolate and black.  
8c. all blue.

To be issued.

**CAYMAN ISLANDS** (459 J 460).—That distinguished philatelic writer, Mr. "O. Reginald Gum" contributes the following to the columns of the *Postage Stamp* (11.7.08/177). We are afraid that not a few of the great Moguls of Philately would have to plead guilty to his indictment.

Papuans and Caymans still hold the field of philatelic speculation. They are still the rage for the very good reason that there is a spice of real speculation about them, for no one knows what next to expect. There may be a 5s. Cayman on ½d., "Postage & Revenue," or new perf. combinations of Papuans, any hour. The eminent collector frowns his sternest on these sordid philanderings, but, on the sly, he takes a hand at the cards, just for the fun of it, don'tcherknow. And, after all, it is only a bit of a farce to vary the more serious business of collecting. All work and no play, makes the philatelist a dull boy.

Mr. P. Bridge informs *Ewen's Weekly Stamp News* that he has received a letter from the Postmistress informing him that four sheets of 120 each of the 4d. were surcharged "2½d." Mr. Ewen adds "It had been freely asserted that only 240 were done." And I can assert that the statement that only 240 were done was equally authentic, for I have seen a letter from the Postmistress to that effect. The explanation is obvious: there has been a second supply printed.

Consequent on this report as to a second printing a copy which was sold at Glendinning's on the 24.6.08 fetched £4 16s. od. as compared with the £6 5s. od. at a previous auction. But how far will another 240 go towards really lowering the price.

We swear roundly at this surcharging scandal, but, all the same, we scramble for the stamps.

On 20.5.08 the Postmistress of the Cayman Islands wrote to a reader of *Gibbons Stamp Weekly* (11.7.08/31) that the ½d. stamps were exhausted.

The stock must however soon have been replenished, as a large consignment was despatched to the Colonial Stamp Market on 4.6.08.

**CEYLON** (459 I 460).—The Colonial Stamp Market has shown us the following:—

**Adhesive.** Figure of value in each lower corner.  
6c. all rose.

Issued 9.6.08.

**DOMINICA** (449 L 460).—The Colonial Office Journal (7.08/54) states that the ½d., 1d. and 2½d. stamps in single colours and on unsurfaced paper have now been sent out to the Colony.

**EAST AFRICA AND UGANDA** (458 G 460).—The Colonial Stamp Market has shown us the 1c. in a new shade, evidently a new printing.



**Adhesive.** Wmk. Crown CA multiple, ordinary paper.  
1c. red-brown.

Issued 22.6.08 or earlier. Our recent chronicle of the 50 rupees on multiple Crown CA paper was a mistake, this value not having been issued yet, although it is printed.

**FIJI ISLANDS** (427 X 460).—We take the following announcement from the Colonial Office Journal (7.08/54).

Fiji is, previously on unsurfaced single watermark paper, may be expected before our next number on multiple watermark surfaced paper.

**LEEWARD ISLANDS** (451 B 460).—The Colonial Office Journal (7.08/54) states that the 6d. and 1/- are now being printed on multiple watermark surfaced paper.

**MALAY STATES** (442 I 460).—The Colonial Office Journal (7.08/54) states that the 3 and 8 cents have now been sent out in Postal Union colours.

**PAPUA** (457 I 460).—We are informed by Mr. G. F. M. Camroux that some of the new 6d. have been seen perf. 12½.



**Adhesive.** Wmk. Crown A, perf. 12½.  
6d. dark green and black.

Issued 5.08 or earlier.

We are officially informed that the 6d. was issued 30.4.08 and presumably both perforations appeared at the same time.

**SIERRA LEONE** (418 H 460).—The Colonial Office Journal (7.08/54) states that this colony has also adopted the new colour-scheme, which means that new 1½d. (?), 2d., 3d., 4d., 1/-, 2/-, 5/- and £1 (?), mostly or all on coloured paper, may be expected in due course. No order to print has however yet been given.

**STRAITS SETTLEMENTS** (446 G 460).—It seems a very common practice here to issue new stock before old. The Straits Stamp Company brings to our notice another example. Although the 8c. blue on white has been in use at Singapore since September 1906 or even earlier, it has not yet been seen at Penang, where the 8c. on blue chalk-surfaced paper has now been superseded by the 8c. of 1902 (the first design), of which a stock has been unearthed from somewhere.

**ZANZIBAR** (456 B 460).—The following variety is reported in the *Postage Stamp* (11.7.08/177).



**Adhesive.** Wmk. wide rosettes.  
15c. ultramarine.

## Postmarking to Order.

We must join issue with the *Postage Stamp* on this important subject. Our contemporary writes:—

This most objectionable practice goes merrily on. When a sheet of stamps is postmarked and sold in mint unused condition by the sheet it is nothing more or less than an attempt to sell, to such as are easily gulled, stamps purporting to be used that have never been through the post.

Messrs. Pemberton & Co. tell us in their journal that they recently inspected the stock of a dealer from Iceland, part of which consisted of many sheets of the new Iceland 1 yr value, all of which were minus gum and plus a neat, but genuine, obliteration.

All credit to the dealer from Iceland, say we! A postmark is not and never has been a guarantee that a stamp has been through the post and it is ridiculous to say it is. One and the same postmarker is often used for cancelling stamps used on letters, telegrams, postal receipts of all kinds and various other documents. One might just as well suggest that a bank-note has been through the post because it is postmarked. (It is a practice in Post Offices to postmark bank notes

# Approval Sheets of All Countries.

CHIEFLY USED STAMPS, BOTH OBSOLETE AND CURRENT ISSUES (9,000 Varieties.)

No varieties of perforation or watermark are examined or described; no notice is taken of surcharges. All are standard varieties that have first claim to be represented in a general collector's album. Should any of the stamps have rare perforations, or be in scarce shades, nothing extra is charged on that account.

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# Approval Sheets of New Issues.

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Stamps purchased from these Approval Sheets count in the Competition for "Our Own Times" Album, whereas those purchased from the above Sheets (obsolete issues) count in the "Good Old Times" Competition.

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cashed by them). A genuine postmark on a stamp signifies nothing more nor less than that it has been cancelled by a genuine postmarker, but as to where, when and by whom there is no evidence other than that which may be shown on the stamp itself. Take for instance a postmarker inscribed "Birmingham, 9.7.08," and cancel a stamp with it; the postmark should be evidence that the stamp was cancelled at Birmingham on 9.7.08 and nothing more. There is nothing to indicate whether the stamp was on a letter doing postal duty; it might have been on a receipt or a postal order or on a telegram or even on a savings-bank collecting card or in the case cited, one of a sheet cancelled to order for a stamp dealer.

Of course the use of a postmarker may be restricted to a certain purpose and then a postmaster would have no authority to allow it to be used for another. But in the absence of any such restrictive regulation, there is nothing inherently wrong in postmarking stamps for collectors. In this country we believe the practice was officially sanctioned in connection with the Penny Postage Jubilee in 1900 when at the Guildhall, and Kensington and Naval Exhibitions special postcards and envelopes were sold either postmarked or not. In fact the Post Office placed the postmarks on almost anything that was presented to them and such postmarks have never been supposed to be evidence of anything more than that the stamps were cancelled at the time and place named on them.

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**BOLIVIA.**

- 1894, arms with nine stars, value in words at right side:—mint 1c. yellow, 1/4d.; mint 2c. red, 1/4d.; used and unused 5c. green, 1/4d.; used and unused 10c. brown, 1/4d.; used, 20c. blue, 1d.; 50c. lilac, 2d., and 100c. red, 4d.

- 1901, various portraits:—fine used 5c. red, 1d.; 10c. blue, 1/4d.; 20c. lilac, 1d.; set of three, 2 1/4d.

**BRAZIL. New Issue.**

- 1906. Small designs, portraits, very fine used 10c. grey, 1/4d.; 20c. lilac, 1/4d.; 200c. blue, 1/4d.; 300c. grey, 1d.; 400c. green, 2d.; or the set of five values for 4d.

**ZANZIBAR. New Issue.**

- 1908. Head of new Sultan. Mint and used, 3c green, 1d.; 6c. rose, 1 1/4d.; 12c. lilac, 3d.; 15c. blue, 4d.; 25c. brown, 6d.; 50c. green, 1/-.

**NATAL.**

- 1902, King's Head, fine fiscally used 5/- rose and blue, 1/-; 10/- brown and rose, 1/9; £1 blue and black, 3/9; 30/- lilac and green, 4/-; £5 grey and lilac, 8/-; £10 green and orange, 10/-; £20 green and red, 12/6 (the £10 and £20 are punctured). These stamps will soon be obsolete, as the colour is to be changed.

**Our Prize Competitions.**

After 1st July, 1908, the minimum number entitling to one of the prize albums will be raised to 100.

**No. 1. APPROVAL DEPT. (Current Issues).**

To the competitor who has purchased by the end of next week the most stamps from our approval sheets of current issues (informing us at the time he wishes the number to compete) we will send post free a copy of "Our Own Times" Postage Stamp Album. This album is specially arranged for King's Head stamps and other current colonial issues.

Result, Week ending 11th July, 1908.

	Stamps
TS (1st and also last week) ...	88
RG (2nd last week) ...	65
TG (4th last week) ...	48
GL (3rd last week) ...	41
RB (5th last week) ...	33
NC (6th last week) ...	28
JE (7th last week) ...	25
AD (8th last week) ...	22
FS (9th last week) ...	22

Non-winners' totals are carried forward to next week.

**No. 2. APPROVAL DEPT. (Old Issues).**

To the competitor who has purchased by the end of next week the most stamps from our approval sheets of old issues (informing us at the time he wishes the number to compete) we will present a copy of the "Good Old Times" Postage Stamp Album (no watermarks, perforations, surcharges, minor varieties).

**SECTION II.—EUROPE AND COLONIES.**

Result, Week ending 11th July, 1908.

NC (1st last week) ...	41
JW (3rd last week) ...	39
JH (2nd last week) ...	36
AD (4th last week) ...	34
JW ...	28
HW (5th last week) ...	23
JB (6th last week) ...	22
FC (7th last week) ...	21
AE (8th last week) ...	18

**SECTION III.—REST OF THE WORLD.**

Same conditions as No. 2 but only open to winners of Section II. The prize is Part III. of the Album, and stamps purchased from any approval sheets of old issues count.

Result, Week ending 11th July, 1908.

WB (winner and runner-up last week)	218
J1 (runner-up and 4th last week) ...	187
Mrs. U (3rd last week) ...	157
WR (6th last week) ...	124
ES (5th last week) ...	103
CG (8th last week) ...	96
JB (7th last week) ...	76
PB (9th last week) ...	63
JF (10th last week) ...	47
SR (11th last week) ...	46
JD (12th last week) ...	41
TL (13th last week) ...	23
ES ...	23

Non-winners' totals are carried forward to next week. Winners residing abroad will be required to pay carriage and customs charges if any.

**SECTION I.—GREAT BRITAIN AND COLONIES.**

Although this album is not likely to be ready for several months, winners of Section III. intending to compete for it can have their purchases credited in the meantime, all the totals being carried forward until the competition commences. This album will complete the very handsome series of three volumes.

The following totals are carried forward to the first week of the competition.

FL ...	457	JF ...	91
RG ...	229	GP ...	86
JO ...	207	JR ...	60
Mrs. C ...	184	GA ...	46
EB ...	182	ESW ...	30
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W.R. writes (11.4.08):—"I have to return you warm thanks for the handsome copy of your "Our Own Times" Album sent to me last week, as the prize in your competition. I have already two copies of this book, but am nevertheless pleased to possess the copy just sent. I shall be pleased to enter the competition for the other two volumes in due course. I only fear that the simplified system on which I observe your "Old Times" Album is based, will hardly commend itself to collectors hardened in the "pernicious" old school of collectors of varieties of watermarks, perforations, papers, &c. However, I shall be interested in watching the progress of the new movement. Certainly the formidableness of the task of grappling with the present overgrown field must act as a deterrent to beginners in this fascinating hobby."

E.F. writes (23.4.08):—"I beg to acknowledge with many thanks the receipt of the "Our Own Times" Album. To say I am pleased with it does not express myself sufficiently. I have been looking forward to receiving an excellent album,

but this one is magnificent and quite exceeds my expectations. I will do all I can to further your interests; two or three of my friends have decided to enter your weekly competition for albums."

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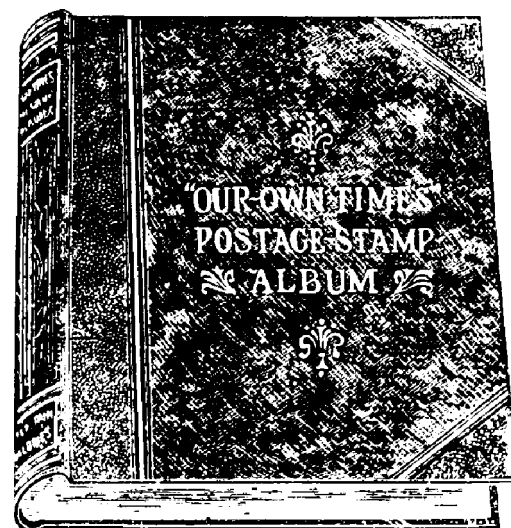
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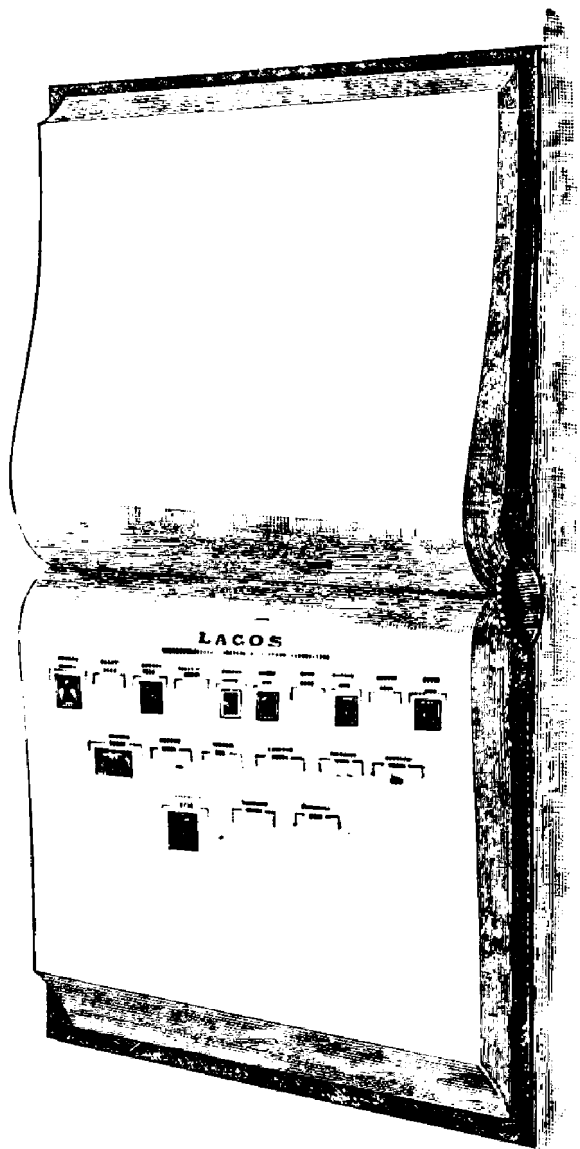
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Ceylon.

CE ap 5c. King, wmk. CA multiple, value in figures at lower corners. We shall be sending more of these stamps out with this week's New Issues, also some of the 6c. rose, multiple watermark, with value in figures.

Natal.

NT bg\* 30/- King, multiple wmk. CA, new lilac and orange colour. The distribution of this stamp brings the country up to date.

Sudan.

Surcharged Army, Service.

SD bt† 5 pi. wmk. multiple Crescent and Star.

Tasmania Official.

Punctured OS.

TA an† ½d. perf. 12½, used.  
ap† 4d., perf. 14.

Nicaragua Official.

NC au† 10c. to 5 pesos, 1907 set of 10 surcharged on fiscal stamps.

We have received a supply of East Africa 1c. multiple watermark new red-brown shade, which we shall be sending out with the current week's New Issues.

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## The Latest Arrival from Grand Cayman!

¼D. BROWN.



This interesting stamp is lithographed (?) on ordinary multiple Crown CA paper and as will be seen from our illustration is of quite an attractive single colour design; unfortunately the shade chosen is a little dull.

### A RECORD ORDER.

The Colonial Stamp Market has requisitioned for no fewer than 72,000 of these stamps, which must be almost a record order given at one time for a New Issue.

Of the ¼d. British New Guinea we purchased in 1902 34,801 out of a total issue (from 1901 to 1907) of 118,115.

The sheets of the ¼d. Cayman Islands have no marginal numbers or inscriptions.

## The Week's News.

The Editor is always pleased to receive Early Information of New Issues, or of Discoveries interesting to Stamp Collectors, and will acknowledge such contributions either by name in the journal or by the presentation of several interesting newly-issued stamps, as preferred.

The index number and serial letter after the title of each paragraph indicate the issue of E.W.S.N. in which the last reference to that country appeared.

**ANTARCTIC EXPEDITION (455 E 461).**  
—Capt. R. writes us as follows:—

"I think I can give some explanation as to why there are so many 'King Edward VII. Land' stamps on the market, or at any rate how they got there. In my last letter to you on this subject, I spoke of the issue of these stamps as having ceased, but in this I may have been wrong, as I have since received copies, all dated Feb. 3rd, '08, two on genuine envelopes, and some others apparently stamped as required. These came up in the 'Nimrod,' which ship left Lieut. Shackleton on Feb. 22nd, after which date no communication has been or will be possible, till she returns for him in December or January next. The question is as to how these stamps were originally issued to the ship's company? Up to the 15.1.08, when the 'Koonya' left them at the edge of the ice, Lieut. Shackleton had hopes of reaching King Edward VII. Land, and so consequently the letters sent back by the 'Koonya' were stamped with those stamps. It was not till January 25th or 26th that all hopes of reaching that land were given up, and the Expedition turned towards McMurdo Sound, arriving there Jan. 29th. When the 'Nimrod' finally left the shore party on Feb. 22nd, she brought back their last letters. Why the date on all these stamps should be Feb. 3rd I cannot imagine; it was on that day that landing operations were commenced on Cape Royds (*vide* Lieut. Shackleton's report). Personally, I am inclined to think that no more stamps were issued after Lieut. Shackleton had failed in his original intention, except to those of the shore party who were remaining behind, though it is pure supposition on my part. I know for a fact that his last letter to his wife had only the ordinary NZ 1d. and it was probably stamped on the ship's arrival at Lyttleton. I have two separate copies, genuinely used, on two letters, both dated Feb. 3rd, and with no other stamp or postmark on the letters. I can only call them genuine, in so far as I received them direct. Looking at it from another point of view, I see no reason why those stamps should not be used by the Expedition, for whom they were issued, until stopped by the New Zealand

Government, although they are not sent from the place for which they were issued. Providing no stamps are dated after Feb. 22nd, when one knows for certain that that was the last opportunity the shore party had of sending letters, I should be inclined to look on them as genuine. One does not know how many were given to the ship's company who returned in the ship, nor if they were stamped before they left the Antarctic regions. Up to the present time I have only heard of one block of four stamps in unused condition."

There is one specially interesting fact here. Capt. R. has seen the envelopes of three letters sent by Lieut. Shackleton himself, the leader of the expedition, to his wife in England. Two left by the Koonya and were franked with King Edward VII. Land stamps postmarked 15.1.08, whilst the third letter, carried by the Nimrod leaving on 22.2.08 had an ordinary New Zealand 1d. stamp. Had Lieut. Shackleton wished to speculate in these stamps, as certain of our contemporaries have most unfairly and groundlessly suggested, he would assuredly have taken every opportunity of using them. He seems to have completely failed to appreciate both the fact that the stamps were valuable and that his relatives would be bombarded with applications for them! Lieut. Shackleton's father and sister both live about a mile from the Colonial Stamp Market's offices so that he had a ready market at hand, yet Miss Shackleton recently reported that not a single copy of the King Edward VII. Land stamp had been received from him.

**AUSTRIAN F.P.O. (449 H 461).**—*L'Echo de la Timbrologie* (15.7.08/440) states on the authority of the *Berliner Briefmarken Zeitung* that there are to be two new sets for use of the Post Offices in Crete and Levant. The Turkish values will be engraved on the die instead of surcharged as at present. The 5, 10, 20 paras, 1 and 2 piastres will be similar to the current Austrian 5 heller, and the 5, 10 and 20 piastres similar to that of 60 heller.

**BENADIR (512 T 461).**—*L'Echo de la Timbrologie* 15.7.08/440) states that at the end of September a new set is to be issued here and that the designs will be "élégantissimes."

**CAYMAN ISLANDS (460 K 461).**—Mr. McNaughtan writes, under date of 16.7.08:—

"*Re Cayman Surcharges.*"

"I have to-day received a note from the Post Office authorities at Georgetown, Grand Cayman. This letter is dated June 17th and it says that they thought some weeks before that, that they would need to surcharge more for the ¼d. and 1d. values, but they had succeeded in making the supply do duty till the other new stamps had reached them. From this I take it, that there is no 1d. surcharged on ¼d."

The ¼d. stamp has been issued already! It is not a "King's Head" but in quite a novel design, which we illustrate this week, but the colour is not quite as pleasing as it might be, being rather a dull brown.

*Adhesive.* Wmk. Crown CA multiple, ordinary.  
¼d. brown.

Issued 30.6.08.

*Meekel's Weekly Stamp News* (4.7.08/232) states that the Postmistress, Miss Parsons, wrote to Mr. S. C. Marcuse on May 27 saying "We are out of the ¼d. and 1d. stamps and I hope the new supply will arrive soon, as it is very difficult to manage without them. We have had to do some more surcharging, but this time for fiscal purposes only. They were 1d. on the new ¼d. and badly done as usual."

In a later letter, the Postmistress is quoted as having said that after all, no new provisional was required, as the fresh supply of stamps arrived in time.

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**DOMINICA (449 L 461).**—The following new variety is chronicled by *Gibbons Stamp Weekly* (18.7.08/48).



*Adhesive.* Wmk. Crown CA multiple, ordinary paper (instead of chalky).

¼d. all green.

**MADAGASCAR (291 F 461).**—A new set is chronicled by *L'Echo de la Timbrologie* (15.7.08/440).

*Adhesives.* Large designs; perf. 13½ x 14.

- 1c. violet and olive.
- 2c. red "
- 4c. olive and brown.
- 5c. green and olive.
- 10c. carmine and violet-brown.
- 20c. orange and brown.
- 25c. blue and black.
- 35c. red and black.
- 40c. brown and black.
- 45c. green and black.
- 50c. violet "
- 75c. carmine "
- 1f. brown and olive.
- 2f. blue "
- 5f. violet and violet-brown.

*Postage Due Adhesives.*

- 2c. violet-brown.
- 4c. violet.
- 5c. green.
- 10c. red.
- 20c. olive.
- 40c. brown on buff.
- 50c. " on blue.
- 1f. blue.

**MALTA (448 T 461).**—Sergeant Ashby writes us as follows:—"Re paragraph relating to Malta (in *E.W.S. News* No. 458) I can inform you that the 5s. Queen's Head stamp is already overprinted 'Revenue' in black and has been so for the last few years (eight I was informed), the 10/- postage is also overprinted 'Revenue.' The 2/- 'Revenue' overprinted on 2/6 yellow has already appeared on Mult. CA. paper, which I have seen myself, the yellow, or orange is a much deeper than that with Cr. CC. wmk., which may be on account of the CC. paper being so long printed. The 3d. King overprinted 'Revenue' has been on mult. CA. paper for a couple of months now. I notified Gibbons of the same on 13/3/08."

**NORTHERN NIGERIA (434 N 461).**—We are informed by a correspondent that he has the 2d. on chalk-surface paper.



*Adhesive.* Wmk. Crown CA multiple, chalk-surface paper.

2d. lilac and orange.

Issued 13.6.08 or earlier.

**STRAITS SETTLEMENTS (460 H 461).**  
—The following has been shown us by Mr. Saw Hock Taik.



*Adhesive.* Wmk. Crown CA multiple, ordinary paper.

3c. rose.

Issued 25.6.08 at Penang.

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6d. rose, wmk. Star, superb used side pair lightly cancelled "A 15" once, 6/6.

### HONG KONG.

King's Heads, very fine used set, containing the 1c. lilac and brown, 2c. green, 4c. on red, 4c. rose, 5c. brown and green, 8c. lilac and black, 10c. on blue, 20c. blue, 20c. brown and black, 30c. black and green, and 50c. lilac and green, only 1/6 a set.

### LEEWARD ISLANDS.

Superb block of 4, used, of the 4d. lilac and orange, Queen's Head, 1890, price 2/-.

### LABUAN.

1902 issue, Crown in centre; bi-coloured. Very fine lightly cancelled copies of the 1c. lilac and black, 1d.; 2c. green and black, 1d.; 3c. brown and black, 1d.; 4c. rose and black, 1d.; 8c. orange and black, 2d.; 10c. grey and brown, 2d.; 12c. yellow and black, 3d.; 16c. brown and green, 4d.; 18c. brown and black, 4d.; 25c. blue, 5d.; 50c. lilac, 10d.; \$1 orange and brown, 2/-; or the complete set for 4/9.



**NEW ZEALAND.**

Comb perforation 14x13½.

- ½d. green, mint 1d.; block 2½d.; dozen 7d.
  - 3d. brown, mint 3½d.; block 1/2; dozen 3/6; block of four with marginal plate No. 7, 2/6.
  - 4d. brown and blue, mint 5d.; block 1/7; dozen 4/8; the sheets do not have plate-numbers.
  - 1/- vermilion, mint 1/2; block 4/8; dozen 14/-; pair with marginal plate No. 8, 4/2.
  - ½d., 3d., 4d., 1/- mint set of four 1/11; blocks 7/8; per dozen sets 22/9.
- The 3d. and 1/- above offered are the new small designs.

Old perforation 14.

- 1d. rose, latest and probably last printing with this perforation, 1½d.; block, 5d.; dozen, 1/2.

**HONG KONG.**

- 5c. KN, No. 336, mint 2d., block 8d.
- 12c. KN, No. 339, " 3½d., block 1/2.
- 20c. KN, No. 340, " 6d., block 2/-.
- 30c. KN, No. 341, " 9d., block 3/-.
- 50c. KN, No. 342, " 1/2, block 4/8.
- 1 KN, No. 343, " 2/4, block 9/4.
- 2 KN, No. 344, " 4/8, block 18/8.
- 3 KN, No. 345, " 7/-, block 28/-.
- 5 KN, No. 346, " 11/8, block 46/8.
- 10 KN, No. 347, " 23/4, block 93/4.

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- 12c. " " K, 1/8.
- 20c. " " L, 2/6.
- 1c. pair " C, 3d.

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- MN 1d. black, unused, cat. 10/-, mint 5/-.
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- MQ 4d. lake brown, cat. 12/6, mint 7/6.
- MR 6d. green, CA 12, cat. 30/-, mint 17/6.
- MS 6d. dull green, S.G. No. 4, cat. 15/-, only 10/-.
- MT 1/- grey, S.G. No. 10, cat. 60/-, mint, 39/-.
- MU 1/- brown, S.G. No. 14, cat. 100/-, unused but no gum, 40/- only.

**CANADA.**



- OL 10d. blue on thin paper almost pelure, unused, cat. £8, good margins on three sides, no gum, 60/- only.

**ITALY.**

- 1863, profile to left within oval, very fine used 5c. grey, ½d.; 10c. yellow, ½d.; 10c. blue, ½d.; 15c. blue, ½d.; 30c. brown, ½d.; 40c. rose, ½d.; 60c. lilac, ½d., and 2l. red, 5d.

**BOLIVIA.**

- 1894, arms with nine stars, value in words at right side:—mint 1c. yellow, ½d.; mint 2c. red, ½d.; used and unused 5c. green, ½d.; used and unused 10c. brown, ½d.; used, 20c. blue, 1d.; 50c. lilac, 2d., and 100c. red, 4d.
- 1901, various portraits:—fine used 5c. red, 1d.; 10c. blue, ½d.; 20c. lilac, 1d.; set of three, 2½d.

**BRAZIL. New Issue.**

- 1906. Small designs, portraits, very fine used 10c. grey, ½d.; 20c. lilac, ½d.; 200c. blue, ½d.; 300c. grey, 1d.; 400c. green, 2d.; or the set of five values for 4d.

**ZANZIBAR. New Issue.**

- 1908. Head of new Sultan. Mint, 3c. green, 1d.; 6c. rose, 1½d.; 12c. lilac, 3d.; 15c. blue, 4d.; 25c. brown, 6d.; 50c. green, 1/-.

**NATAL.**

- 1902, King's Head, fine fiscally used 5/- rose and blue, 1/-; 10/- brown and rose, 1/9; £1 blue and black, 3/9; 30/- lilac and green, 4/-; £5 grey and lilac, 8/-; £10 green and orange, 10/-; £20 green and red, 12/6 (the £10 and £20 are punctured). These stamps will soon be obsolete, as the colour is to be changed.

**Our Prize Competitions.**

After 1st July, 1908, the minimum number entitling to one of the prize albums will be raised to 100.

**No. 1. APPROVAL DEPT. (Current Issues).**

To the competitor who has purchased by the end of next week the most stamps from our approval sheets of current issues (informing us at the time he wishes the number to compete) we will send post free a copy of "Our Own Times" Postage Stamp Album. This album is specially arranged for King's Head stamps and other current colonial issues.

Result, Week ending 18th July, 1908.

TS (winner and 1st last week) ...	110
RG (2nd last week) ...	65
TG (3rd last week) ...	48
GL (4th last week) ...	41
RB (5th last week) ...	33
FS (9th last week) ...	32
NC (6th last week) ...	28
JE (7th last week) ...	25
WP ...	21

Non-winners' totals are carried forward to next week.

**No. 2. APPROVAL DEPT. (Old Issues).**

To the competitor who has purchased by the end of next week the most stamps from our approval sheets of old issues (informing us at the time he wishes the number to compete) we will present a copy of the "Good Old Times" Postage Stamp Album (no watermarks, perforations, surcharges, minor varieties).

**SECTION II.—EUROPE AND COLONIES.**

Result, Week ending 18th July, 1908.

JW (1st and 2nd last week) ...	52
NC (1st last week) ...	41
JW (5th last week) ...	38
JH (3rd last week) ...	36
AD (4th last week) ...	34
HW (6th last week) ...	23
JB (7th last week) ...	22
FC (8th last week) ...	21
AE (9th last week) ...	18

**SECTION III.—REST OF THE WORLD.**

Same conditions as No. 2 but only open to winners of Section II. The prize is Part III. of the Album, and stamps purchased from any approval sheets of old issues count.

Result, Week ending 18th July, 1908.

J1 (winner and runner-up last week)	187
Mrs. U (runner-up and 3rd last week)	157
WR (4th last week) ...	141
ES (5th last week) ...	105
CG (6th last week) ...	96
JB (7th last week) ...	76
PB (8th last week) ...	63
JF (9th last week) ...	47
SR (10th last week) ...	46
JD (11th last week) ...	41
TL (12th last week) ...	23
ES (13th last week) ...	23
WP ...	18

Non-winners' totals are carried forward to next week. Winners residing abroad will be required to pay carriage and customs charges if any.

**SECTION I.—GREAT BRITAIN AND COLONIES.**

Although this album is not likely to be ready for several months, winners of Section III. intending to compete for it can have their purchases credited in the meantime, all the totals being carried forward until the competition commences. This album will complete the very handsome series of three volumes.

The following totals are carried forward to the first week of the competition.

FL ...	457	JF ...	100
RG ...	229	GP ...	86
Mrs. C ...	225	JR ...	60
JO ...	207	ESW ...	60
EB ...	182	CA ...	46
Rev. S ...	136	CS ...	35
JE ...	101	SG ...	23

W.R. writes (11.4.08):—"I have to return you warm thanks for the handsome copy of your "Our Own Times" Album sent to me last week, as the prize in your competition. I have already two copies of this book, but am nevertheless pleased to possess the copy just sent. I shall be pleased to enter the competition for the other two volumes in due course. I only fear that the simplified system on which I observe your "Old Times" Album is based, will hardly commend itself to collectors hardened in the "pernicious" old school of collectors of varieties of watermarks, perforations, papers, &c. However, I shall be interested in watching the progress of the new movement. Certainly the formidableness of the task of grappling with the present overgrown field must act as a deterrent to beginners in this fascinating hobby."

E.F. writes (23.4.08):—"I beg to acknowledge with many thanks the receipt of the "Our Own Times" Album. To say I am pleased with it does not express myself sufficiently. I have been looking forward to receiving an excellent album,

but this one is magnificent and quite exceeds my expectations. I will do all I can to further your interests; two or three of my friends have decided to enter your weekly competition for albums."

The awards are made and albums posted every Monday.

Since our main object in giving these albums away is to get them known, winners can repay us by showing them to stamp-collecting friends as well as by purchasing stamps.

**No. 3. EDITORIAL COMPETITION.**

The competitor who sends us the most interesting item of information for our New Issue column each week will be credited 2/6, which must be claimed within seven days (allowance to foreign readers) and may be selected from any of our approval sheets. From time to time we shall voluntarily increase the prize.

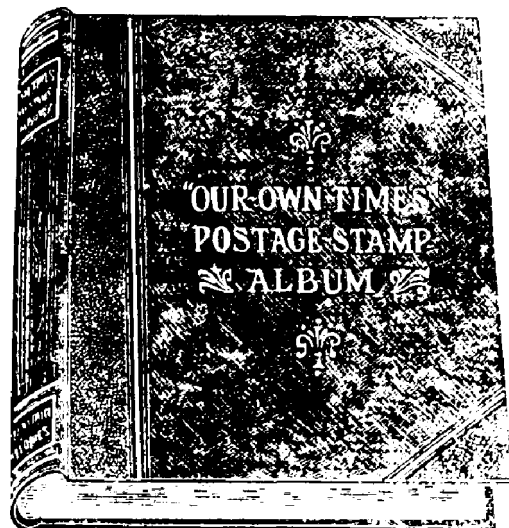
13th June, 1908.

G C for note on Papua (2/6)

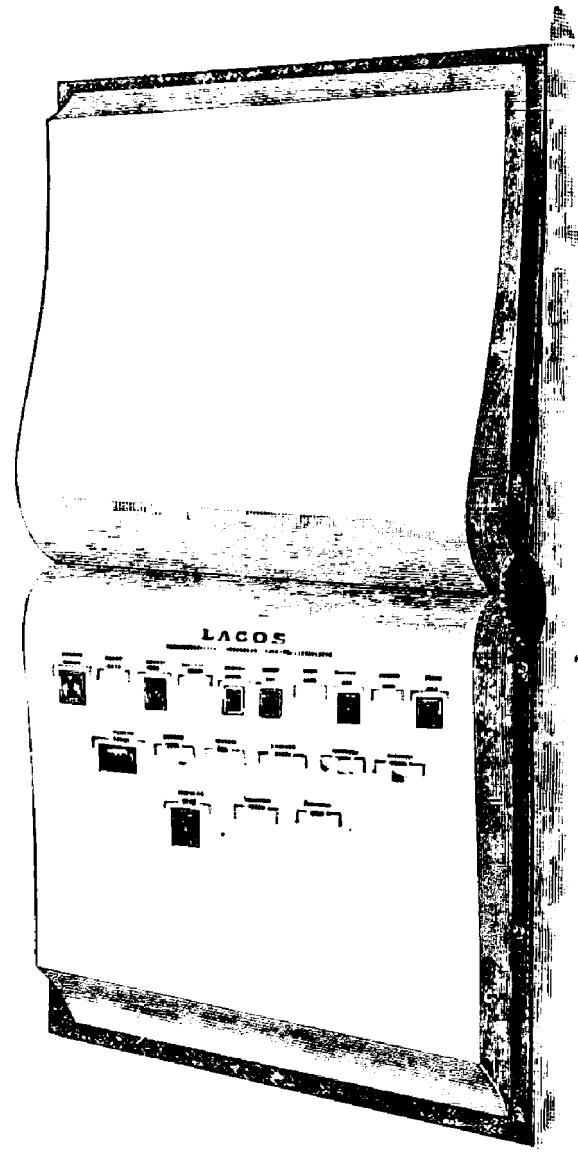
Winners are requested to make early application for their prizes.

**Our Albums.**

Our Albums are bound alike, as shown in the following illustration.



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**SUDAN.**

Multiple Watermark. 5 piastres, mint 1/3.

**LEEWARD ISLANDS.**

3d. King, single wink., mint 5d.; blocks 1/8; pane of 60, 25/-.

**QUEENSLAND.**

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J Indian Native States.  
I Indian States on India.

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East Africa and Uganda.

EA bd\* 1c. King, multiple wmk. CA, on ordinary paper, new red-brown shade. This country is now brought entirely up to date.

Ceylon.

CE ap† 5c. King, wmk. CA multiple, value in figures at lower corners.  
ag 6c. ditto ditto.

Tasmania.

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TA an† 1/4d. perf. 12½, punctured OS.  
ap† 4d. " 14 " "  
ay† 5d. " 14 " T.

Victoria.

VC bq† 3d. wmk. Crown A, perf. 11.

Punctured OS.

VC bo† £1 wmk. Crown A, perf. 12½.

Queensland.

Punctured OS.

QV ab† 3d., used.  
ac† 4d. "  
ad† 6d. "  
ax 1/- "  
ba 2/- "

Mauritius.

Express Delivery.

MU ag† 15c. on blue, "Inland" after Express Delivery.

By last mail we have received a supply of Queensland 6d. and 5/- stamps, watermarked Crown A, which will be sent out with the current week's New Issues.

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1904 Pictorial design. Very fine used copies of the 1 peso brown and black, 9d. each; also the new 1 peso fuerte, grey and black, lithographed, 9d. each.

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1903 Arms. Very fine used 1/4d. green 1d., 1d. rose and grey 1d., 2d. brown and grey 4d., 2½d. blue and grey 4d., 3d. lilac and orange 5d. The set of five 1/3.

#### TURKS ISLAND.

1900, Ship, "Turks and Caicos Is."—Very fine, lightly cancelled, 1/4d. green 1d., 2d. brown 4d., 2½d. blue 4d., 3d. on yellow 5d., 4d. yellow 6d., 6d. lilac 9d., 1/- brown 1/6., 2/- lilac 2/9, 3/- red 4/6; or the set of nine values for 11/-.

#### VIRGIN ISLANDS.

1899, name and value straight, very fine used singles and blocks of the 1/4d. green 1d., 1d. red 2d., 2½d. blue 4d., 6d. lilac 9d., 7d. green 10d., 1/- yellow 1/6, 5/- blue 7/-, or the complete set of seven values for 10/8.

#### GRENADA.

1902, King's Head, very fine used, 5/- green and 6/6, and 10/- green and lilac 13/-.  
1905, Small ship design, fine used 1d. rose 2d., 3d. on yellow 5d.

#### SARAWAK.

1899, three-quarter face to right, with "Postage" both sides, very fine used 4c. rose 1d., 8c. yellow 2½d., 10c. blue 4d., 12c. lilac 4d., 16c. brown 6d., 20c. brown 8d., 25c. brown and blue 9d., 50c. green and rose 1/6, and 3c. lilac 1½d.

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## The Week's News.

The Editor is always pleased to receive Early Information of New Issues, or of Discoveries interesting to Stamp Collectors, and will acknowledge such contributions either by name in the journal or by the presentation of several interesting newly-issued stamps, as preferred. The index number and serial letter after the title of each paragraph indicate the issue of E.W.S.N. in which the last reference to that country appeared.

**GREAT BRITAIN.**—Control Letters.—(460 B 462).—We are informed by Mr. T. Jordan that he purchased the ½d., and 1d. with G8 on earlier dates than that we gave, namely the ½d. G8 on 8.7.08 (two days earlier) and 1d. G8 on 7.7.08 (three days earlier).

**BHOPAL** (459 P 462).—The new issue, 1a. green, recently chronicled on the authority of a continental journal, turns out to have been part of a theft of stamps made from the printers, Messrs. Perkins, Bacon & Co., Ltd. The new stamps have probably not yet been sent to India.

**BRUNEI** (460 R 462).—We are informed by Mr. J. G. McNaughtan that he has received the new colour 1, 3 and 5 cents on a letter post-marked 12.6.08.

The old 5c. blue and black is bidding fair to become a rarity. The Colonial Stamp Market was obliged to refuse a wholesale offer of 800% over face value last week, as no one seems to send this stamp in for sale.

**CANADA** (458 P 462).—The *Postage Stamp* (25.7.08/193) learns that the values and designs of the Quebec Centenary issue are as follows:—

½ cent,	Prince and Princess of Wales.
1 "	Champlain and Cartier.
2 "	King Edward and Queen Alexandra.
5 "	View of Quebec.
7 "	Montcalm and Wolfe.
10 "	Quebec in 1700.
15 "	Parliament of the West.
20 "	Travellers in the Woods with Indians.

We take the following further particulars from our contemporary:—

We are indebted to the kindness of Mr. William Hedges, of Hamilton, Canada, for the following cuttings from the *Toronto Globe*, giving particulars of the Canadian Tercentenary Commemorative issue of postage stamps:—

**OTTAWA, July 3.**—(Special.)—Postmaster-General Lemieux has given instructions to issue a series of postage stamps commemorating the tercentenary.

They are eight in number. Four of them bear portraits of persons dear to Canada, or whose names recall great events. The first represents the Prince and Princess of Wales; the second, the King and Queen. Next come Cartier and Champlain, and then, in connection with the battlefields park scheme, Wolfe and Montcalm.

The second part of the issue represents Cartier's arrival before Quebec. On the calm waters of the mighty St. Lawrence stand in bold relief three ships of the discoverer of Canada, flying the fleur-de-lys.

As a sequel to the above is a very picturesque tableau. In Champlain's narrative of his third voyage to Canada is found the following passage:

"With our canoes laden with provisions, our arms and some merchandise to be given as presents to the Indians, I started on Monday, May 27, from the Isle of Sainte Helaine, accompanied by four Frenchmen and one Indian. A salute was given in my honor from some small pieces of artillery."

The artist, under the inspiration of these few lines, has depicted Champlain's departure for the west. There stand two canoes. In one Champlain's companions have already taken their places, paddle in hand, whilst the great explorer is still on shore, bidding good-bye to a few friends. The picture is full of life. The legend underneath reads as follows: "Partement de Champlain pour L'ouest." The word "partement," now obsolete, is the one used by Champlain for the modern one "depart."

The same note of old France is used in connection with a view of the first house in Quebec, indeed, in Canada, Champlain's habitation, which is called in his narrative "l'habitation de Quebec." This stamp is a clear reproduction of a cut from Champlain's work.

Quebec, as it was in 1707, is the next view; copied from Bacqueville de la Potherie's *Historie de la Nouvelle France*. It is a quaint picture of the old city, showing steeples here and there, the fort on the river front and in faint lines the Laurentide Mountains in the background.

All stamps bear with the words "Canada postage" the line, "iii. centenaire de Quebec."

The postmaster-general has given special attention

to the selection of portraits and historical scenes to be represented. His choice has been an excellent one.

The carrying out of the engraving of the plan has been entrusted to Mr. Machado, of the American Bank Note Co., who, with keen artistic sense, has performed his part of the work with great success.

Special Despatch to *The Globe*.

**OTTAWA, July 3.**—The special postage stamps to be issued in commemoration of the tercentenary celebration at Quebec are now ready, and will be placed on sale next week. The stamps are of most artistic design, and are larger than the ordinary size, to allow of adequate representation of historic scenes, portraits, etc. The description of each denomination is as follows:—

Half-cent, grey, picture of the Prince and Princess of Wales.

One-cent, green, portraits of Champlain and Cartier.

Two-cent, red, King Edward and Queen Alexandra.

Five-cent, blue, representation of L'Habitation de Quebec.

Seven-cent, yellow, pictures of Montcalm and Wolfe.

Ten-cent, mauve, picture of Quebec in 1700.

Fifteen-cent, picture of the Parliament of the West of the old regime.

Twenty-cent, green, picture of a Courier du sois with Indians.

The Colonial Stamp Market has since shown us specimens of the Tercentenary stamps post-marked 17.7.08 and we understand this was the official date of issue.

Mr. R. Jenkins has the honour of being the first to show us the complete set of these handsome stamps, and as we notice that they vary from the newspaper description, we append particulars.

*Adhesives.* No wmk., perf. 12.

½c. brown. Prince and Princess of Wales.

1c. green. Cartier and Champlain.

2c. rose. King Edward and Queen Alexandra.

5c. indigo. "L'Abitation de Quebecq."

7c. olive. Montcalm and Wolfe.

10c. violet. "Québec en 1700."

15c. orange. "Partement pour l'Ouest."

20c. brown. "Arrivée de Cartier, Québec 1835."

We expect to illustrate the designs in our next issue.

**CHILE** (459 V 462).—Commander Crawford writes us under date of 23.4.08:—

"I think the following information re the stamps of Chili, obtained in my recent visits to Valparaiso, Coquimbo and Iquique, may be of interest to you.

Of the present issue of Chili the 12c., 30c. and 1 peso (Gibbons' 97, 100, 102) have not yet made their appearance and the other values of the set seem to have been distributed in a perfunctory manner. For instance I could only obtain the 50 cent value at Coquimbo, the 15 cent value at Valparaiso, and no 3 cent although used copies were obtained.

The 30 cent in use was Gibbons' No. 75, and at Iquique the 50 cent, Gibbons' No. 62, was on sale at the post office.

At Iquique I was told a rather curious story about the Postage Due stamps (Gibbons' Nos. 223-234), which I have every reason to believe to be authentic.

Apparently this set was a private speculation on the part of an official at Valparaiso. The fraud was discovered, the official dismissed his post, and the remaining stock called in and destroyed. Hence the comparative rarity of this set to the previous one."

**COCHIN** (459 E 462).—The new issue, 1a. carmine, recently chronicled on the authority of a Continental journal, turns out to have been part of a theft of stamps made from the printers, Messrs. Perkins, Bacon & Co., Ltd. The new stamps have probably not yet been sent to India.

**LUXEMBURG** (459 R 462).—*Le Journal des Philatélistes* (30.6.08, 282) says that the official set is not punctured "Officiel" but surcharged in script.

**MALDIVE ISLANDS** (459 M 462).—Lieut. D. writes us as follows:—

"The following extract from a letter I have received from a friend in authority regarding the overprinted Ceylon stamps recently used in the Maldiv Islands, may be of interest to some of your readers. It runs as follows:

"Re your enquiries concerning Maldivian stamp business. The issue of Ceylon surcharged for use in these Islands has been stopped; this owing to the huge consignments indented for by the Maldivian Government, which on enquiry turned out to be principally for the convenience and profit of dealers and others in Great Britain and the Continent, and owing to the enhanced values placed on them by the Maldivians, to the advantage of these gentry, also thereby

contravening postal regulations. For instance, something like 20,000 rs. worth would be requisitioned for per mensem, while the postage actually from the Islands for that period would not cover any more than some 200 letters and parcels, amounting to anything between 5 and 10 rupees, therefore the surcharge 'Maldiv Islands' on Ceylon stamps have been withheld and the ordinary Ceylon stamps made available for postage from these Islands.

"The Ceylon Government were a little put out, as a very nominal cost was charged the Maldivians for overprinting the stamps."

The reason that sales of stamps were far larger than had been expected is surely an extraordinary one for stopping the issue altogether. The first object of a post office is not to carry mails but to make a profit; the convenience of the public is always made subsidiary to financial considerations. It should be the business of every post office to supply all the stamps for which it is asked and we cannot see that it matters in the least whether the applicants are stamp-collectors or letter-writers, so long as they pay cash.

**NICARAGUA** (458 N 462).—We have received the following letter from Commander Crawford (dated West Coast of America 10.5.08). Nicaragua is evidently a paradise for surcharge collectors!

"During my recent visit to Corinto, Nicaragua, I came across some new provisionals which information may be of interest to you. In order to avoid missing out any variety I listed everything I have personally seen which is not included in Stanley Gibbons' 1907-8 Catalogue.

Firstly, I would like to explain that the Nicaraguans are generally so indolent that it is nearly impossible to get any stamps at the post offices, except the low values actually in use. Also that very small stocks are kept in hand, and that the provisionals are mostly required owing to want of foresight, laziness, or whatever you care to call it, in ordering fresh stock to replace that used up. I was never able to get an entire sheet or even substantial blocks, but I saw one block of 25 (5x5) of the 10 cent on 50c., but cannot say what part of the sheet they came from. In this block there were 17 stamps with normal "O" in "10," 7 stamps with narrow "O," and one stamp an uncatalogued variety, viz.: with "1" in "10" broken at the bottom.

In the following list these varieties of surcharge are mentioned as:—

(a) Normal "O." (b) Narrow "O." (c) Broken "1."

STAMPS OF AMERICAN BANK NOTE COMPANY.

Surcharge in black, reading up (Gibbons' type 39).

10c. on 2c. rose .. .. (a) (b) (c)

10c. on 4c. orange-red .. .. (a) (b) (c)

STAMPS OF WATERLOW & SONS.

Same surcharge (Gibbons' type 39).

Black surcharge, reading up.

10c. on 2c. red .. .. (a) (b)

10c. on 4c. brown-orange .. .. (a) (b) (c)

Black surcharge, reading down.

10c. on 2c. red .. .. (a) (b) (c)

10c. on 20c. claret .. .. (a) (b)

Blue surcharge, reading down.

10c. on 50c. orange .. .. (a) (b) (c)

I have not seen this with surcharge reading "up."

I have no doubt that some or all of these have been already chronicled, but trust these notes may be of interest."

**PAPUA** (460 J 462).—The 2d. chronicled in *E.W.S.N.* No. 457 now turns out to have been described in error; we accordingly delete No. 319 in our list. Will readers please note that in future we cannot chronicle new varieties unless they are submitted for inspection?

**QUEENSLAND** (458 O 462).—We are officially informed that the 2½d. will probably never be issued on Crown A paper, as there is a large stock on hand with watermark Crown Q and a considerable stock of the blue paper to be used up, whilst on the other hand this value is now very little used.

The 6d. watermark Crown A will not come into general use till probably about 1.09 or 2.09 but as a stock has been printed, collectors have been allowed to be supplied.

The stock of 3d. and 2/- on hand is also partly watermarked Crown Q and partly Crown A and although in the ordinary course the former would have been used up first, collectors have been allowed to be supplied with the new issue.

The stock of 5d. and 1/- watermarked Crown Q is large enough to last well into 1909 and perhaps till 1910 and none have yet been printed wmk. Crown A.

# Approval Sheets of All Countries.

CHIEFLY USED STAMPS, BOTH OBSOLETE AND CURRENT ISSUES (9,000 Varieties.)

No varieties of perforation or watermark are examined or described; no notice is taken of surcharges. All are standard varieties that have first claim to be represented in a general collector's album. Should any of the stamps have rare perforations, or be in scarce shades, nothing extra is charged on that account.

<p><b>GREAT BRITAIN AND COLONIES.</b> (2691 different sorts exist). 479 Gt. Britain, 1840-1870 370 " 1870-1887 371 " 1887-1901 373 " 1840-1884 374 " 1884-1901 105 Antigua and Bahamas 106 Barbados 107 Bechuanaland and Cayman Is. 480 B.C.A. 108 Bermuda 109 B. Honduras 462 B. Columbia &amp; Vancouver Is. 110 B.E.A. 111 B. Guiana 388 B.N.G. and Papua 112 B.S.A. 113 Cape Colony 378† " " 382 " " 114 Ceylon, Pence issue and 1st [Cents issue 147 " Cents issue 481 " Cents issue 115 Cook Islands 116 Cyprus 104 Canada, 1870-97 117 " 1859-70 118† " 1851-68 119 " 1897-1904 120 " Jubilee and Map 121 Dominica 380 Brunei, East Africa &amp; Uganda 122 Falkland Islands 123 Fiji Islands 124† Gambia 125 Gibraltar 126 Gold Coast 127 Grenada 489 Heligoland and Ionian Islands 128 Hong Kong 405 " King's heads 129 East India 130 India (Empire) 131 Jamaica 357 " used 132 Labuan, 1st design, Queen's Head 133 " 1879-1897 483 " 1895-03 134 Lagos 135 Leeward Islands 348 Madagascar, British Post. 126 Malta 137 Mauritius, Pence issues 488 " Cents " 138 Montserrat and Nevis 139 Natal 140 New Brunswick, Nova Scotia 141 Newfoundland, 1857-80 482 " 1880-1905 468 New Republic 142 New South Wales, 1862-97 372 " " 144 New Zealand, 1st design 145 " 1854-1898 386 " Pictorial 146 Niger Coast 148 North Borneo, 1883-1889 486 " Pictorial issues 149 Northern Nigeria 150 Orange Free State and Colony 351 Orange River Colony</p>	<p>498† Prince Edward Is. 151 Queensland, 1860-1882 152 " 1882-96 492 " 1891-1907 154 St. Christopher 155 St. Helena 156 St. Lucia 157 St. Vincent 158 Sarawak 159† Seychelles 349 " " 160 Sierra Leone 161 S. Australia, 1855-1887 162 " long stamps 163 S. Nigeria 494† Solomon Is. and Somaliland 487 Stella'land and Tobago 164 Straits Settlements 434 " " 165 Malay States and Maldives 166 Johore 167 Negri Sembilan and Pahang 168 Perak 169 Selangor and Sungei Ujong 170 Tasmania, 1853-1892 452 " 1892-1906 171 Tonga 172 Transvaal, 1869-1885 173 " 1896 and Pietersburg 489 " 1894-07 174 Trinidad 175 Turks Islands and Virgin Islds. 176 Uganda 177 Victoria, 1851-1862 490 " 1863-1885 178 " 1885-1887 491 " 1900-1906 179 Western Australia 180 Zanzibar 181 Zululand</p> <p><b>EUROPE AND COLONIES.</b> (3545 different sorts exist). 182 Austria, 1850-90 183 " 1890-96 184 " 1891-1905 385 Austrian Diamond Jub. 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Guinea and New Caledonia 435† Middle Congo 212† French West Africa 411† Reunion 213† Tunisia 214 Germany, 1868-75 215 " 1875-79 216 " 1859-1902 217 German Colonies 415 German Colonies, used and un. 218† Alsace to Brunswick 219 Hamburg to Oldenburg 220 Prussia and Saxony 221 Schleswig-Holstein and Thurn and Taxis 477 Greece, 1861-1896 478 " 1901-1906 470 " cheap used 315 " 1861-96 316 " 1901-06 223 Holland, 1852-72 224 " 1872-99 225 " 1891-99 226 Dutch Indies, 1870-83 227 " 1870-1905 228 Curaçao 229 Suriname 230 Hungary, 1871-1898 231 " 1900 232 Iceland 233 Italy, 1851-90 234 " 1890-95 420 " " 235 Italian Col., F.P.O., and States to Sicily 403 Italian States, Parma to Tuscany 236 Luxemburg 237† Monaco 238 Montenegro (1st type) 239 " (later issues) 377 " 1898-1902 423 " postally used 240 Norway 241 " 1872-77 242 Portugal, 1853-1892 243 " 1892-1905 244 Port. Colonies near Europe 493 " " 245 Ditto, beyond Europe, 1870-93 416 " " 1897 design 402 " " 1870-1898 246 Ditto (Vasca da Gama), 1893-97 247 Ditto, 1897 type 248 Mozambique, India and Nyassa 428† Pictorial stamps 249 Roumania, 1858-71 (imperf. issues) 250 " 1871-90 417 " 1890-1891 418† " Pictorial 251† Russia 252 Russian Foreign P.O. 253 San Marino 254 Serbia, 1866-05</p>	<p>255† Serbia, 1901-05 256 Spain, 1850-67 397 " 1850-1872 257 " 1870-1878 258 " 1879-95 424 " 1873-75 259† Cuba, 1855-77 260 " 1882-98 419 " 1877-1881 421 Elobey and Spanish Guinea 261 Fernando Poo 262 Philippines 389 Philippine Islands 263† Porto Rico 264 Sweden, 1855-1872 410 " 1891 265 Switzerland, 1845-82 266 " 1882-1900 267 Turkey, 1863-76 268 " 1892-06 398 " " 269 Wurtemberg</p> <p><b>REST OF WORLD.</b> (2565 different sorts exist). 270 Abyssinia 384 Afghanistan 271 China 273 Congo Free State 274† Corea, 1895-1902 275 " 1903 276 Egypt 473 " " 277 Japan, 1871-76 278 " 1894-1900 467 " 1876-1904 279 Liberia, 1860-1892 453 " 1892-06 280 Persia, 1868-91 281† " 1891-1906 463 Shanghai 283 Siam 284 Argentine Republic, 1858-67 285 " " 1882-90 286 " " 1889-92 287 " " 1892-99 458 Buenos Aires and Corrientes 288 Bolivia, 1866-67 289 " 1878-97 290 " 1897-01 291 Brazil, 1844-78 292 " 1878-1900, chiefly used 293 " 1880-1906 294† Chili, 1852-81 295 " 1881-1906 379 " cheap used 296 Colombia, 1859-70 297 " 1876-86 298 " 1890-98 299 " 1902-04 300 " (Cartagena and other issues, 1898-05) 433 " 1902 issue 301 Costa Rica, 1862-89 454 " 1892-06 302 Dominican Republic, 1862-1900 466 " " 303 Ecuador, 1865-94 430 " 1899-05 432 " 1895-99</p>	<p>304 Guatemala, 1871-86 305 " 1902 426 " 1897-06 306 Hayti, 1871-98 422 " 1898-1906 307 Honduras, 1865-92 431 " 1892-02 308 Mexico, 1856-74 309 " 1874-82 310 " 1884-85 311 " 1886-99 429 " 1886-03 312 Nicaragua, 1862-91 313 " 1892-07 455 " 1898-06 314 Panama (unsurcharged) 317 Paraguay, 1870-1892 318 " 1900-03 319 " 1903-07 460 " 1870-1904 320 Peru, 1858-74 321 " 1895-96 456 " 1896-07 322 Salvador, 1867-92 323 " 1892-95 464 " 1895-96 465 " 1897-06 324 Uruguay, used and unused 325† " 1884-90 326 " 1890-05 327 " 1895 383 " 1887-04 427 " 1895-07 328 Venezuela, 1859-06 (for internal postage) 329 Venezuela, 1880-96 (Foreign correspondence) 457 Venezuela, 1893-06 (Foreign correspondence) 330 United States, 1851-1882 331 " 1884, 1900, 1902 332 " Columbus, Omaha, etc. 404 " cheap used (used) 333 Confederate States and Cuba 381 Philippine Islands (U.S.A.) 443 Samoa 334† Hawaii, 1853-1882 459 " 1891 (Pictorial issue)</p> <p><b>INDIAN NATIVE STATES.</b> (301 different sorts exist). 335 Alwur, Bamra, Bhor and Bhopal 337 Bundi and Bhopal 494 Bussahir 338 Charkhari, Cochin, Dhar, Duttia and Faridkot 339 Holkar and Hyderabad 340 Jaipur, Jhind, and Jhalawar 496 Jummoo and Kashmir 341 Kishengarh 342 Nepaul and Nowanugger, Soruth and Travancore 343 Rajnandgaon, Rajpcepla and Sirmoor (Scinde Dawk)</p> <p><b>NEW ISSUES (USED).</b> Sheets of these, Foreign and Colonial, are now ready.</p>
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† These Sheets are newly mounted this week.

The above fine series of Approval Sheets consists solely of stamps arranged according to our "Monthly Quotations" (4d. post free).

# Approval Sheets of New Issues.

BRITISH COLONIES ONLY, CHIEFLY KING SINGLES AND MULTIPLES, USED AND UNUSED.

Stamps purchased from these Approval Sheets count in the Competition for "Our Own Times" Album, whereas those purchased from the above Sheets (obsolete issues) count in the "Good Old Times" Competition.

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## USED STAMPS.

Please order on separate sheet, as this stock is kept at 30, Palace Square.

### GRENADA.

6d. rose, wmk. Star, superb used side pair lightly cancelled "A 15" once, 6/6.

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1907. Very fine mint copies in pairs and singles of the 50c. grey, 2/5 ea. (face value, 2/1).

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Superb block of 4, used, of the 4d. lilac and orange, Queen's Head, 1890, price 2/-.

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1902 issue, Crown in centre; bi-coloured. Very fine lightly cancelled copies of the 1c. lilac and black, 1d.; 2c. green and black, 1d.; 3c. brown and black, 1d.; 4c. rose and black, 1d.; 8c. orange and black, 2d.; 10c. grey and brown, 2d.; 12c. yellow and black, 3d.; 16c. brown and green, 4d.; 18c. brown and black, 4d.; 25c. blue, 5d.; 50c. lilac, 10d.; \$1 orange and brown, 2/-; or the complete set for 4/9.



**NEW ZEALAND.**

Comb perforation 14x13½.

- ½d. green, mint 1d.; block 2½d.; dozen 7d.
  - 3d. brown, mint 3½d.; block 1½; dozen 3/6; block of four with marginal plate No. 7, 2/6.
  - 4d. brown and blue, mint 5d.; block 1/7; dozen 4/8; the sheets do not have plate-numbers.
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- The 3d. and 1/- above offered are the new small designs.

Old perforation 14.

- 1d. rose, latest and probably last printing with this perforation, 1½d.; block, 5d.; dozen, 1/2.

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- 30c. KN, No. 341, " 9d., block 3/-.
- 50c. KN, No. 342, " 1/2, block 4/8.
- £1 KN, No. 343, " 2/4, block 9/4.
- £2 KN, No. 344, " 4/8, block 18/8.
- £3 KN, No. 345, " 7/-, block 28/-.
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- £10 KN, No. 347, " 23/4, block 93/4.

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**BOLIVIA.**

- 1894, arms with nine stars, value in words at right side:—mint 1c. yellow, ½d.; mint 2c. red, ½d.; used and unused 5c. green, ½d.; used and unused 10c. brown, ½d.; used, 20c. blue, 1d.; 50c. lilac, 2d., and 100c. red, 4d.
- 1901, various portraits:—fine used 5c. red, 1d.; 10c. blue, ½d.; 20c. lilac, 1d.; set of three, 2½d.

**BRAZIL. New Issue.**

- 1906. Small designs, portraits, very fine used 10c. grey, ½d.; 20c. lilac, ½d.; 200c. blue, ½d.; 300c. grey, 1d.; 400c. green, 2d.; or the set of five values for 4d.

**ZANZIBAR. New Issue.**

- 1908. Head of new Sultan. Mint, 3c. green, 1d.; 6c. rose, 1½d.; 12c. lilac, 3d.; 15c. blue, 4d.; 25c. brown, 6d.; 50c. green, 1/-.

**NATAL.**

- 1902, King's Head, fine fiscally used 5/- rose and blue, 1/-; 10/- brown and rose, 1/9; £1 blue and black, 3/9; 30/- lilac and green, 4/-; £5 grey and lilac, 8/-; £10 green and orange, 10/-; £20 green and red, 12/6 (the £10 and £20 are punctured). These stamps will soon be obsolete, as the colour is to be changed.

**Our Prize Competitions.**

The minimum number entitling to one of the prize albums is 100.

**No. 1. APPROVAL DEPT. (Current Issues).**

To the competitor who has purchased by the end of next week the most stamps from our approval sheets of current issues (informing us at the time he wishes the number to compete) we will send post free a copy of "Our Own Times" Postage Stamp Album. This album is specially arranged for King's Head stamps and other current colonial issues.

Result, Week ending 25th July, 1908.

	Stamps
RG (1st and 2nd last week) ...	65
TG (3rd last week) ...	55
GL (4th last week) ...	41
RB (5th last week) ...	33
FS (6th last week) ...	32
JC ...	32
NC (7th last week) ...	28
JE (8th last week) ...	25
WP (9th last week) ...	21

Non-winners' totals are carried forward to next week.

**No. 2. APPROVAL DEPT. (Old Issues).**

To the competitor who has purchased by the end of next week the most stamps from our approval sheets of old issues (informing us at the time he wishes the number to compete) we will present a copy of the "Good Old Times" Postage Stamp Album (no watermarks, perforations, surcharges, minor varieties).

**SECTION II.—EUROPE AND COLONIES.**

Result, Week ending 25th July, 1908.

RW (1st and 3rd last week) ...	58
JW (1st last week) ...	52
NC (2nd last week) ...	41
JH (4th last week) ...	36
AD (5th last week) ...	34
FS ...	26
HW (6th last week) ...	23
JB (7th last week) ...	22
FC (8th last week) ...	21

**SECTION III.—REST OF THE WORLD.**

Same conditions as No. 2 but only open to winners of Section II. The prize is Part III. of the Album, and stamps purchased from any approval sheets of old issues count.

Result, Week ending 25th July, 1908.

WR (winner and 3rd last week) ...	168
Mrs. U (runner-up and also last week) ...	157
ES (4th last week) ...	120
CG (5th last week) ...	100
JB (6th last week) ...	76
PB (7th last week) ...	63
JF (8th last week) ...	47
SR (9th last week) ...	46
JD (10th last week) ...	41
TL (11th last week) ...	23
ES (12th last week) ...	23
WP (13th last week) ...	18
HS ...	15

Non-winners' totals are carried forward to next week. Winners residing abroad will be required to pay carriage and customs charges if any.

**SECTION I.—GREAT BRITAIN AND COLONIES.**

Although this album is not likely to be ready till September, winners of Section III. intending to compete for it can have their purchases credited in the meantime, all the totals being carried forward until the competition commences. This album will complete the very handsome series of three volumes.

The following totals are carried forward to the first week of the competition.

FL ...	457	JE ...	101
RG ...	254	GP ...	86
Mrs. C ...	250	ESW ...	79
JO ...	207	JR ...	60
EB ...	182	CA ...	46
Rev. S ...	136	WB ...	42
JF ...	107	GS ...	35

W.B. writes (11.4.08):—"I have to return you warm thanks for the handsome copy of your "Our Own Times" Album sent to me last week, as the prize in your competition. I have already two copies of this book, but am nevertheless pleased to possess the copy just sent. I shall be pleased to enter the competition for the other two volumes in due course. I only fear that the simplified system on which I observe your "Old Times" Album is based, will hardly commend itself to collectors hardened in the "pernicious" old school of collectors of varieties of watermarks, perforations, papers, &c. However, I shall be interested in watching the progress of the new movement. Certainly the formidableness of the task of grappling with the present overgrown field must act as a deterrent to beginners in this fascinating hobby."

E.F. writes (23.4.08):—"I beg to acknowledge with many thanks the receipt of the "Our Own Times" Album. To say I am pleased with it does not express myself sufficiently. I have been looking forward to receiving an excellent album,

but this one is magnificent and quite exceeds my expectations. I will do all I can to further your interests; two or three of my friends have decided to enter your weekly competition for albums."

The awards are made and albums posted every Monday.

Since our main object in giving these albums away is to get them known, winners can repay us by showing them to stamp-collecting friends as well as by purchasing stamps.

**No. 3. EDITORIAL COMPETITION.**

The competitor who sends us the most interesting item of information for our New Issue column each week will be credited 2/6, which must be claimed within seven days (allowance to foreign readers) and may be selected from any of our approval sheets. From time to time we shall voluntarily increase the prize.

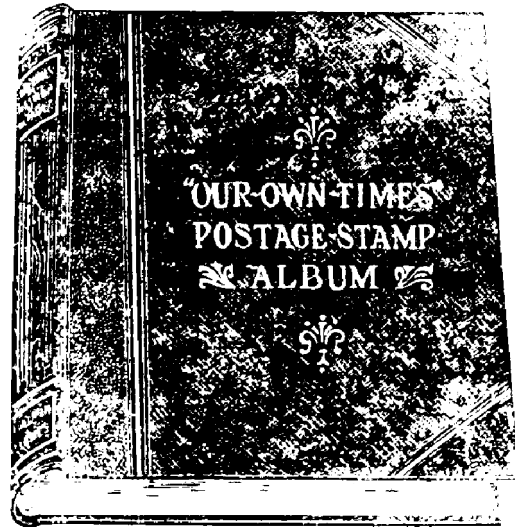
Award this week.

S T for note on Straits Settlements (2/6)

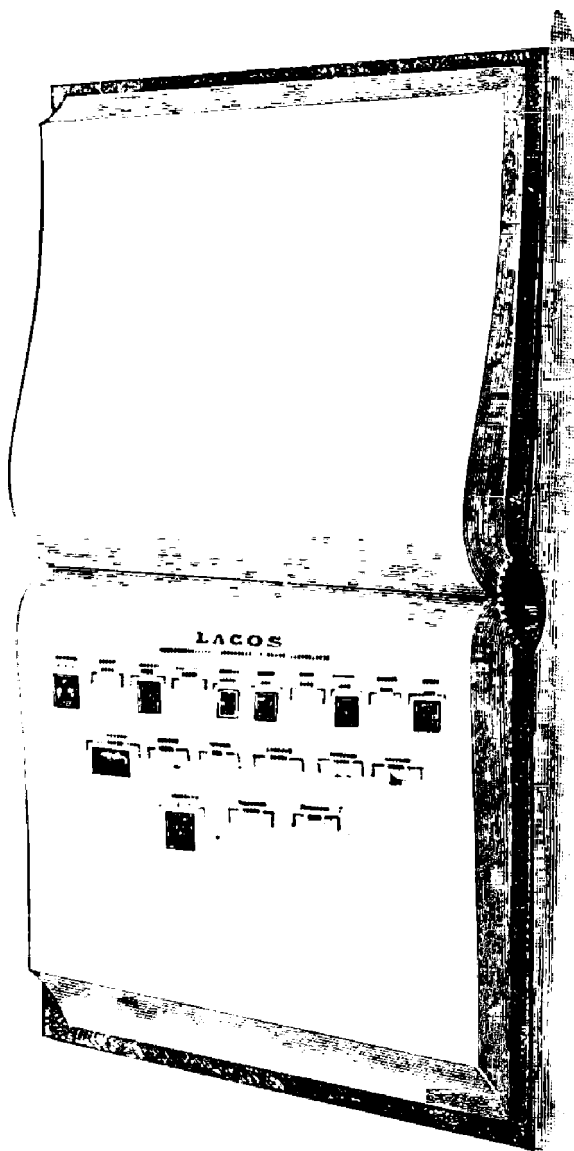
Winners are requested to make early application for their prizes.

**Our Albums.**

Our Albums are bound alike, as shown in the following illustration.



The Album opens as shown, thus enabling two albums to be compared close together.



**SUDAN.**

Multiple Watermark.  
5 piastres, mint 1/3.

**LEEWARD ISLANDS.**

3d. King, single wmk., mint 5d.; blocks 1/8; pane of 60, 25/-.

**QUEENSLAND.**

½d., 1d., 2d., 4d., Queen's Head, Crown A, mint, 9d. 2½d., 3d., 5d., 1/- Cro. Q. latest shades, 2/2½.

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DISTRIBUTION No. 389, 23.7.08.  
Queensland.

QU bc 2d. Queen, wmk. Crown A, new die, forehead without shading lines.  
bb\* 6d. Queen, wmk. Crown A, perf. 12½.  
ax† 5/- " " " " " " With the exception of the 3d. brown, 2/- green, wmk. Crown A, perf. 12½, and the 2d. new die, the distribution of which is not yet finished, this country is brought up to date in respect of the public issues.

Northern Nigeria.

NN ag\* 2d. King, wmk. Crown CA multiple, on chalk-surfaced paper. This distribution brings the country entirely up to date.

East Africa and Uganda.

EA bd† 1c. King, multiple wmk. CA, on ordinary paper, new red-brown shade.

Ceylon.

CE ap† 5c. King, wmk. CA multiple, value in figures at lower corners.  
ag† 6c. ditto ditto.

Jhind.

King, Service.

JH au ½a., Postage & Revenue.  
am† 4a.  
ao† 8a.  
ap† 1r.

Nabha.

King, Service.

NA ax ½a., pale shade.

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#### TURKS ISLAND.

1900, Ship, "Turks and Caicos Is."—Very fine, lightly cancelled, ½d. green 1d., 2d. brown 4d., 2½d. blue 4d., 3d. on yellow 5d., 4d. yellow 6d., 6d. lilac 9d., 1/- brown 1/6., 2/- lilac 2/9, 3/- red 4/6; or the set of nine values for 11/-.

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1902, King's Head, very fine used, 5/- green and 6/6, and 10/- green and lilac 13/-.  
1905, Small ship design, fine used 1d. rose 2d., 3d. on yellow 5d.

#### SARAWAK.

1899, three-quarter face to right, with "Postage" both sides, very fine used 4c. rose 1d., 8c. yellow 2½d., 10c. blue 4d., 12c. lilac 4d., 16c. brown 6d., 20c. brown 8d., 25c. brown and blue 9d., 50c. green and rose 1/6, and 3c. lilac 1½d.

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## The Week's News.

The Editor is always pleased to receive Early Information of New Issues, or of Discoveries interesting to Stamp Collectors, and will acknowledge such contributions either by name in the journal or by the presentation of several interesting newly-issued stamps, as preferred. The index number and serial letter after the title of each paragraph indicate the issue of E.W.S.N. in which the last reference to that country appeared.

**GREAT BRITAIN.**—Unadhesive stamps (460 X 463).—We have to thank Mr. E. Bentley Wood for first sight of another new die in yellow-green, No. 53; earliest postmark 27.7.08. Our list now stands:—



**Envelope Dies.** List of die-numbers known.

- ½d. dark green. Dies 7 to 30; 43 to 55.
- ½d. yellow-green. Dies 45 to 66 exc. 49.
- 1d. Dies 7 to 30; 43 to 75.
- 1½d. yellow, 1½d. violet, 4d., 10d., 1/- Dies 1, 2d. Dies 1, 2. 2½d. Dies 3. 3d. Dies 1, 2, 6d. Dies 1 to 10.
- 3d. Registration, Dies 1 to 15.

Die 49 is now the only one unknown in yellow-green.

Have Registration Envelopes started a new system of contract letters? We have one (size H) with "AB" placed vertically near the edge of the envelope, under the flap as before. The die is still No. 15.

**AUSTRIAN F.P.O.** (461 I 463).—We have to thank Mr. A. D. Jenny for particulars of the new issue for the Levant and Crete. We also learn from *L'Echo de la Timbrologie* (31.7.08/470) that several of the values are found with different perforations.

*For Crete.*

(Designs of 5h. and 5oh. Jubilee Austria with "heller" altered to centimes and franc.)

- 5c. green on yellow Perf. 12½
- 10c. red on rose "
- 15c. brown on buff "
- 25c. dark blue on blue "
- 50c. red on yellow "
- 1f. dark brown on grey "

*For the Levant.*

- 10 para, green on yellow Perf. 12½
- 20 " red on rose "
- 30 " brown on buff "
- 1 piastra, dark blue on blue "
- 60 para, violet on lilac "
- 2 pias., red on yellow "
- 5 " dark brown on grey Perf. 12½, 10½, 9, 12 x 10½, 9 x 12½.
- 10 pias. green on yellow Perf. 12½, 12 x 10½, 9
- 20 " blue on grey Perf. 12½, 9 x 12½

It is rather strange that the three high values only should be found with such a variety of perforations; it looks rather as if only the wealthier collectors were expected to take an interest in perforations! There is also a set of Postage Due stamps.

**Postage Due Adhesives.**

*For the Levant.*

Design of new Austrian Postage stamps.

- ½ pias. yellow-green.
- 1 " "
- 1½ " "
- 2 " "
- 5 " "
- 10 " "
- 20 " "
- 30 " "

**BARBADOS** (444 E 463).—A correspondent writes us under date of Barbados 30.6.08 that a fresh consignment of stamps has been reviewed there and that he understands that they are of new designs, showing values in figures instead of words.

**BRAZIL** (423 D 463).—*L'Echo de la Timbrologie* (31.7.08/460) reports the receipt of two new stamps of 100 reis, one commemorative of the Exhibition and the other of the Centenary of the opening of the ports of Brazil to the commerce of the world.

**Adhesives.**

100 reis, pale carmine. Female figure seated, surrounded by emblems of Commerce and Manufacture, holding a palm in the right hand. In the background view of the bay of Rio de Janeiro with inscription "EXPOSICAO NACIONAL 1908."

100 reis, vermilion. Arms of Portugal and of Brazil, with portraits above of Don Carlos I. and of M. Alfona Penna and beneath the two dates 1808 and 1908. The whole frames a view of the Bay of Rio de Janeiro with, in the foreground, a soldier and a young woman symbolising Portugal and Brazil.

The two stamps are available for internal postage only and will be issued from 11.8.08 to 15.11.08.

**CANADA** (462 Q 463).—The Colonial Stamp Market has shown us sheets of the Quebec Centenary stamps.

Each sheet contains 100 stamps, in 10 rows of ten. The margins are quite plain, except the top of the sheet which is inscribed "OTTAWA No. 1 (or 2)." The plate-numbers are as follows:—

½c. dark brown	Plate No. 1.
1c. blue-green.	Plate Nos. 1, 2.
2c. rose.	" 1, 2.
5c. indigo.	" 1, 2.
7c. dark olive.	" 1.
10c. violet.	" "
15c. orange.	" "
30c. brown.	" "

The set forms a handsome and welcome addition to our albums. The ½ cent should have a sale of at least 500,000 to stamp collectors.

**CEYLON** (460 J 463).—Some new stationery is chronicled by *Alfred Smith & Son's Monthly Circular*.

**Envelope.**

6c. carmine on white.

**Postcard.**

6c. carmine on white.

**Letter Card.**

6c. carmine on pale blue.

**ECUADOR** (442 M 463).—A commemorative was made here from 25.6.08 to 25.7.08 to commemorate the introduction of railways in this republic.

**Adhesives.**

Design i, triangular. Portrait of Alberto Montado (?).

" ii, oblong. View of Mt. Chimborazo.

1c. colour?

2c. "

5c. "

10c. "

20c. "

50c. "

1s. "

**FRANCE** (457 G 463).—The following new stationery is reported by the *Philatelic Adviser* (25.7.08/147).

**Pneumatic Post Lettercards.**



30c. black Issued 1903  
30c. carmine "  
30c. + 30c. carmine on bluish "



30c. purple on blue Issued 1908.

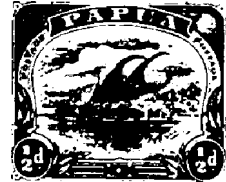
**NYASALAND** (455 D 463).—The following stationery is chronicled by *L'Echo de la Timbrologie* (31.7.08/471).

**Wrappers.**

½d. green.

1d. carmine.

**PAPUA** (462 K 463).—The Colonial Stamp Market has shown us sheets of the new 1d. It is in a rather bright pink, wmk. Crown A upright (normal or inverted).



**Adhesive.** Wmk. Crown A, perf. 11.  
1d. pink and black.

Issued 15.6.08 or earlier. We understand that the 2d., 2½d. and 1/- are likely to be issued very shortly.

**VICTORIA** (453 S 463).—We are informed that of the ½d., 1d., 3d. and 6d. wmk. V Crown and perf. 11 (S.G. Nos. 279, 280, 282, 283) there were printed 25 sheets of 120 of each in 1903. Probably most of the ½d. and 1d. came into the hands of collectors but as regards the 3d. and 6d. we should doubt if more than half did so. The 3d. and 6d. were both obtained by the Colonial Stamp Market in 3.04. The 2d., £1 and £2 are the rarities of the perf. 11 set, however. There must be very few copies of the £2 now in existence. The £1 V Crown perf. 11 was issued about 1906.

**Correction.**—Three months ago we were officially informed that the 2½d. had been issued on Crown A paper, but the Deputy Postmaster General, writing under date of Melbourne 23.6.08, now states that an error was made. The stock of 2½d. wmk. V Crown is sufficient to last till 11.08, at the present rate of consumption.

## Stamp Societies.

(From the *Bazaar, Exchange & Mart*, 29.7.08).

Members of our great stamp clubs are, we understand, much exercised as to how to attract large attendances at their meetings. The display of collections is cloying the appetites, and papers tend to become too erudite for all except the few advanced collectors of the stamps of the particular country under discussion. A recent suggestion has been made that medals should be offered for the best papers read, but this might bring a rush of readers and yet not achieve the desired result. The objection, too, is made that each reader would think his own production the best, and the medal would have to be split. It reminds one of the story of the Greek generals after the Persian invasion. They balloted for the prize for valour, and each got one vote, but Themistocles was unanimously named second!

The fact is that philatelic societies, like the hobby at large, are suffering from too great attention to detail. We have got too far away from the simple ideas of stamp-collecting, and as a consequence much of our collecting and discussion has become too irksome to be pleasant.

R.P.J.

[The only remedy in our opinion is to return to general collecting, which enables all collectors to meet on a common footing. Even if a specialist paper is being read, all the members will probably have at least a few of the stamps of the country in question. But general collecting is impracticable unless it is cut down to a limit of 10,000 varieties (comparatively few collectors reach a total of half that number of standard varieties) and that means ignoring watermarks, perforations, shades, surcharges, etc. ED. E.W.S.N.]

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1907, King's Head, "Postage and Revenue," fine used 1d. rose, price 2d. each.

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**PAPUA.**



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1863, profile to left within oval, very fine used 5c. grey, 1/4d.; 10c. yellow, 1/4d.; 10c. blue, 1/4d.; 15c. blue, 1/4d.; 30c. brown, 1/4d.; 40c. rose, 1/4d.; 60c. lilac, 1/4d., and 2l. red, 5d.

**BOLIVIA.**

1894, arms with nine stars, value in words at right side:—mint 1c. yellow, 1/4d.; mint 2c. red, 1/4d.; used and unused 5c. green, 1/4d.; used and unused 10c. brown, 1/4d.; used, 20c. blue, 1d.; 50c. lilac, 2d., and 100c. red, 4d.  
 1901, various portraits:—fine used 5c. red, 1d.; 10c. blue, 1/4d.; 20c. lilac, 1d.; set of three, 2 1/2d.

**BRAZIL. New Issue.**

1906. Small designs, portraits, very fine used 10r. grey, 1/4d.; 20r. lilac, 1/4d.; 200r. blue, 1/4d.; 300r. grey, 1d.; 400r. green, 2d.; or the set of five values for 4d.

**ZANZIBAR. New Issue.**

1908. Head of new Sultan. Mint, 3c. green, 1d.; 6c. rose, 1 1/4d.; 12c. lilac, 3d.; 15c. blue, 4d.; 25c. brown, 6d.; 50c. green, 1/-.

**NATAL.**

1902, King's Head, fine fiscally used 5/- rose and blue, 1/-; 10/- brown and rose, 1/9; £1 blue and black, 3/9; 30/- lilac and green, 4/-; £5 grey and lilac, 8/-; £10 green and orange, 10/-; £20 green and red, 12/6 (the £10 and £20 are punctured). These stamps will soon be obsolete, as the colour is to be changed.

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Result, Week ending 1st Aug., 1908.

	Stamps
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GL (3rd last week) ...	41
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**SECTION II.—EUROPE AND COLONIES.**

Result, Week ending 1st Aug., 1908.

JW (1st and 2nd last week) ...	70
RW (1st last week) ...	64
NC (3rd last week) ...	41
JH (4th last week) ...	36
AD (5th last week) ...	34
FS (6th last week) ..	26
HW (7th last week) ...	23
JB (8th last week) ...	22
FC (9th last week) ...	21

**SECTION III.—REST OF THE WORLD.**

Same conditions as No. 2 but only open to winners of Section II. The prize is Part III. of the Album, and stamps purchased from any approval sheets of old issues count.

Result, Week ending 1st Aug., 1908.

Mrs. U (winner and runner-up last week) 157	
ES (runner-up and 3rd last week) ...	129
CG (4th last week) ...	100
JB (5th last week) ...	76
PB (6th last week) ...	63
JF (7th last week) ...	47
SR (8th last week) ...	46
JD (9th last week) ...	41
TL (10th last week)...	23
ES (11th last week)...	23
WP (12th last week) ...	18
HS (13th last week) ...	15
WS (14th last week)...	12

Non-winners' totals are carried forward to next week. Winners residing abroad will be required to pay carriage and customs charges if any.

**SECTION I.—GREAT BRITAIN AND COLONIES.**

Although this album is not likely to be ready till September, winners of Section III. intending to compete for it can have their purchases credited in the meantime, all the totals being carried forward until the competition commences. This album will complete the very handsome series of three volumes.

The following totals are carried forward to the first week of the competition.

FL ...	457	JE ...	101
RG ...	266	GP ...	86
Mrs. C ...	250	ESW ...	79
JO ...	207	JR ...	60
EB ...	182	GS ...	57
Rev. S ...	136	CA ...	46
JF ...	119	WB ...	42

W.B. writes (11.4.08):—"I have to return you warm thanks for the handsome copy of your "Our Own Times" Album sent to me last week, as the prize in your competition. I have already two copies of this book, but am nevertheless pleased to possess the copy just sent. I shall be pleased to enter the competition for the other two volumes in due course. I only fear that the simplified system on which I observe your "Old Times" Album is based, will hardly commend itself to collectors hardened in the "pernicious" old school of collectors of varieties of watermarks, perforations, papers, &c. However, I shall be interested in watching the progress of the new movement. Certainly the formidableness of the task of grappling with the present overgrown field must act as a deterrent to beginners in this fascinating hobby."

E.F. writes (23.4.08):—"I beg to acknowledge with many thanks the receipt of the "Our Own Times" Album. To say I am pleased with it does not express myself sufficiently. I have been looking forward to receiving an excellent album,

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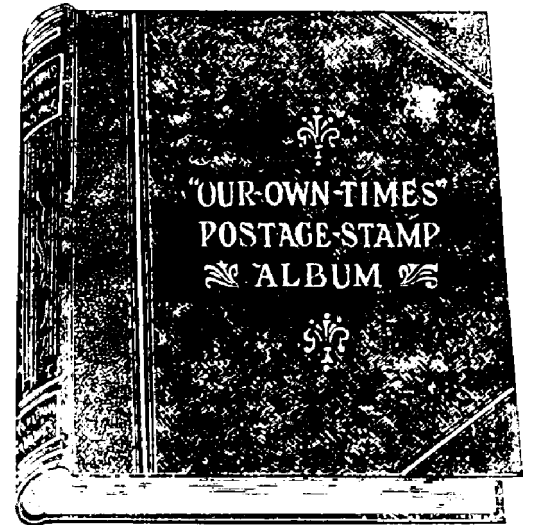
Award this week.

R J for submitting new Canada (5/-)

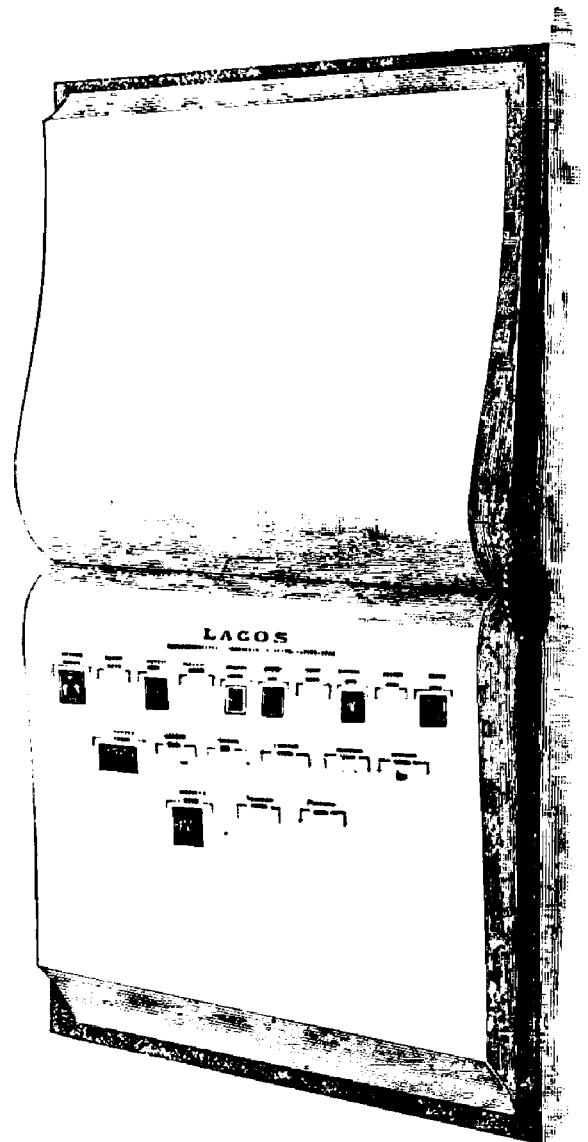
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**BAHAMAS** (422 F 464).—The Colonial Stamp Market has shown us the 1/- in a distinct shade.



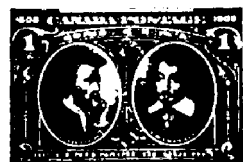
Adhesive. Wmk. Crown CA single.

1/- grey and carmine (instead of grey-black and carmine).

Issued 19.5.08 or earlier.

**BELGIAN F.P.O.** (452 C 464).—The four surcharged stamps previously chronicled for use in China did not get beyond the essay stage, another Power having successfully objected to Belgium opening post offices in that country.

**CANADA** (463 R 464).—We now illustrate the set of new Canadian stamps.



We take the following from the *Family Herald and Weekly Star* (22.7.08) of Montreal.

The first issue of the postage stamps specially designed to celebrate the tercentenary of the founding of Quebec was placed on sale Wednesday morning. Crowds packed the approaches to the wickets in the post office throughout the day. Except where the ordinary issues are specially requested, the tercentenary stamps will be sold throughout Canada until the issue is exhausted. Up to the end of the week over 7000 dollars' [£1430] worth of the stamps were sold at the Montreal Post Office.

**DUTCH INDIES** (445 A 464).—A little over a year ago (*E.W.S.N.* No. 402) we quoted as follows from the *Java Bode* ("Java Mercury") :—"In a few months special stamps are to be issued in Java and Madura. The Dutch Indies stamps sold at these offices will bear the surcharge 'Java' or 'Madura.' The stamps in use in the other islands (Sumatra, Borneo, Celebes, etc.), will on the other hand remain as at present without surcharge."

During the last fortnight these surcharged stamps have begun to come over, but the second set is overprinted "BUITEN BEZIT" instead of "Madura." These two words are Dutch for "outlying territory."

The earliest date of use of the new stamps is reported by Mr. R. Kingma, Editor of the *Postzegelnieuws*, who tells us he has the 10c. Java postmarked "Soerabaja, 20.6.08."

Mr. A. Chippindale sends us the first specimens for inspection, both of the Java and the Buiten Bezit set.

Mr. O. Marsh informs us that he has had the Java 2½c. used on piece with an unsurcharged 25c., so that presumably the latter have not been demonetised and any that were not surcharged are being used up, so that there will be no remainders.

The Colonial Stamp Market had a cablegram on 8.8.08, from their agent in Java, announcing the despatch of all values of both sets in entire sheets, so that all values had then been placed on sale. We have, however, up to the moment of going to press, only seen the following.



J A V A.

Adhesives. Surcharged "JAVA." 15mm. long horizontally in black.

2½c. green.  
5c. red.



J A V A.

Surcharged "JAVA." 15mm. long horizontally in black, but necessarily a different setting to that used for the oblong stamps.

10c. slate.  
12½c. blue.  
15c. brown.  
25c. mauve.  
30c. chestnut.  
50c. lake-brown.

The other values of the current unsurcharged set are ½, 1, 2, 3, 20c., 1, 2½ gulden and the recently issued 7½ and 22½.

BUITEN  
BEZIT.

Adhesive. Surcharged approximately as above in black reading up.  
10c. slate.

We take the following from *Whittaker's Almanack* (1908, 608).

The Dutch possessions in the East Indies are very considerable, comprising the whole of the Sunda Islands, with the exception of a small portion of Borneo and Eastern Timor, together with Western New Guinea, with an area of 738,000 square miles, and a population (1905) of 67,815,400, of whom as many as 30,098,000 live in the islands of Java and Madura. Java and Madura (custom receipts, 1907, £1,701,584) produce a sufficient supply of food for a dense population, besides furnishing sugar, tobacco, tea, coffee and other products for exportation to Europe. The "outlying" islands are frequently administered by their own princes, subject to the directions of a Dutch Resident. There is a colonial army of 1,396 officers and 36,927 men. The colonial revenue for 1907 was estimated at £13,947,813, and was largely derived from the sale of coffee, salt, bark, and tin; whilst the estimated expenditure was £14,064,439. The exports, in addition to the above, include also tobacco, indigo, gums, and spices, and amounted in 1905, for Java, Madura, and the other outlying islands, to £24,702,273, while the imports for the same year amounted to £17,228,773.

It will be seen from the above that the population of Java and Madura (the latter an island lying off the N.E. coast of Java) is almost as large as that of Great Britain, whilst the exports amount to as much as one-fifteenth those of the whole of the United Kingdom.

The following new card is reported by the *Illustriertes Briefmarken-Journal*.

Postcard.  
5c. on 7½c. grey-lilac.

**FERNANDO POO** (378 M 464).—The following new postcard is chronicled by the *Illustriertes Briefmarken-Journal*.

Postcard (single and reply).  
10c. black on yellow.

**NEW ZEALAND** (458 H 464).—The *Australian Philatelist* states that the official

stamps are to be discontinued when the present stock is exhausted.

**SWITZERLAND** (449 K 464).—The first value of the new set is shown us by Mr. F. Reinhard.

Adhesive. Figure of Helvetia on solid background with figures of value in white in each upper corner and "Helvetia" in the lower left hand corner.

40c. brown-violet and yellow.

Issued 7.8.08 or earlier.

According to the official notice of the Direction Générale des Postes the new series is to be issued only as the other becomes exhausted. The values will probably appear in the following order:

40c. yellow,	background red-violet.
30c. yellow-green,	" yellow-brown.
50c. light green,	" dark green.
3f. lilac,	" violet-blue.
20c. light yellow,	" orange-red.
1f. greenish-grey,	" carmine.
70c. yellow,	" dark brown.
25c. light blue,	" dark blue.

The first-named colour is not much in evidence, occurring only in parts of the figure of Helvetia. The background is solid, thus causing the stamp to resemble the present French stamps, although the Swiss design is smaller than the French.

Mr. Reinhard kindly informs us that the following quantities of the 1905-08 issue were printed.

1905-07. Printed at the Federal Mint, Berne.  
White paper, wmk. Large Cross.

20 centimes	..	16,000,000.
25 "	..	10,000,000.
25 "	(re-engraved)	66,000,000.
30 "	..	10,800,000.
40 "	..	8,000,000.
50 "	..	9,000,000.
1 franc	..	6,000,000.
3 francs	..	500,000.

1907-08. Printed by Benzinger & Co. at Einsiedeln. Granite paper, wmk. Large Cross.

20 centimes	8,000,000.
25 "	27,000,000.
30 "	4,500,000.
40 "	6,000,000.
50 "	4,000,000.
1 franc	3,000,000.
3 francs	500,000.

We are also indebted to Mr. F. Reinhard for a cutting from *Der Bund* (6.8.08) of Berne, of which we make the following rough translation:

"ISSUE OF NEW SWISS STAMPS.

"We are able to state, on official authority, that the postage stamps of higher values, i.e., 20c. to 3f. will also be issued in new designs and whilst hitherto printed from copper plates, will now be surface-printed in two colours. The new portrait represents Helvetia seated on a rock, the right hand grasping a sword and with cross on breast. The background is of solid colour, and in the lower right-hand corner is a small view of the Alps, whilst in each upper corner is the figure of value. In addition to the values formerly in use, there will be issued on 1.11.08 a stamp of new face value, 70 centimes. . . . The new 40c. is to be issued first and then the 30c., 50c., 3f., 20c., 1f., 70c., and lastly the 25c., so that by January, 1909, the set will be complete. Postmasters are required to see that the stock of the old stamps is completely exhausted before issuing the old ones to the public. The present set will remain available for postal use until further notice."

## Review.

*Die Postmarken von Schweden* (published by Hugo Krötzsch & Co., of Leipzig, 1908). Translated by Hilmer Djurling and Rudolf Krasemann, from the Swedish edition published last year.

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### CAYMAN ISLANDS.

1907, King's Head, "Postage and Revenue," fine used 1d. rose, price 2d. each.

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1907. Very fine mint copies in pairs and singles of the 50c. grey, 2/5 ea. (face value, 2/1).

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King's Heads, very fine used set, containing the 1c. lilac and brown, 2c. green, 4c. on red, 4c. rose, 5c. brown and green, 8c. lilac and black, 10c. on blue, 20c. blue, 20c. brown and black, 30c. black and green, and 50c. lilac and green, only 1/6 a set.

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Superb block of 4, used, of the 4d. lilac and orange, Queen's Head, 1890, price 2/-.

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1902 issue, Crown in centre; bi-coloured. Very fine lightly cancelled copies of the 1c. lilac and black, 1d.; 2c. green and black, 1d.; 3c. brown and black, 1d.; 4c. rose and black, 1d.; 8c. orange and black, 2d.; 10c. grey and brown, 2d.; 12c. yellow and black, 3d.; 16c. brown and green, 4d.; 18c. brown and black, 4d.; 25c. blue, 5d.; 50c. lilac, 10d.; \$1 orange and brown, 2/-; or the complete set for 4/9.



**Used New Issues.**

**CAYMAN ISLANDS.**



King's Head, bi-coloured, very fine used, 1/4d. on 5/-, price 15/- each.

**PAPUA.**



Permanent design, very fine, 1/4d. green and grey, 1d.; and 1d. red and grey, 2d.

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1908, new design, with figure of value at each lower corner, used 5c. lilac, 1d.

**SPECIAL OFFERS.**

**PARAGUAY.**

1904 Pictorial design. Very fine used copies of the 1 peso brown and black, 9d. each; also the new 1 peso fuerte, grey and black, lithographed, 9d. each.

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1903 Arms. Very fine used 1/4d. green 1d., 1d. rose and grey 1d., 2d. brown and grey 4d., 2 1/2d. blue and grey 4d., 3d. lilac and orange 5d. The set of five 1/3.

**TURKS ISLAND.**

1900, Ship, "Turks and Caicos Is."—Very fine, lightly cancelled, 1/4d. green 1d., 2d. brown 4d., 2 1/2d. blue 4d., 3d. on yellow 5d., 4d. yellow 6d., 6d. lilac 9d., 1/- brown 1/6., 2/- lilac 2/9, 3/- red 4/6; or the set of nine values for 11/-.

**VIRGIN ISLANDS.**

1899, name and value straight, very fine used singles and blocks of the 1/4d. green 1d., 1d. red 2d., 2 1/2d. blue 4d., 6d. lilac 9d., 7d. green 10d., 1/- yellow 1/6, 5/- blue 7/-, or the complete set of seven values for 10/8.

**ITALY.**

1863, profile to left within oval, very fine used 5c. grey, 1/4d.; 10c. yellow, 1/4d.; 10c. blue, 1/4d.; 15c. blue, 1/4d.; 30c. brown, 1/4d.; 40c. rose, 1/4d.; 60c. lilac, 1/4d., and 2l. red, 5d.

**BOLIVIA.**

1894, arms with nine stars, value in words at right side:—mint 1c. yellow, 1/4d.; mint 2c. red, 1/4d.; used and unused 5c. green, 1/4d.; used and unused 10c. brown, 1/4d.; used, 20c. blue, 1d.; 50c. lilac, 2d., and 100c. red, 4d.

1901, various portraits:—fine used 5c. red, 1d.; 10c. blue, 1/4d.; 20c. lilac, 1d.; set of three, 2 1/2d.

**BRAZIL. New Issue.**

1906. Small designs, portraits, very fine used 10c. grey, 1/4d.; 20c. lilac, 1/4d.; 200c. blue, 1/4d.; 300c. grey, 1d.; 400c. green, 2d.; or the set of five values for 4d.

**ZANZIBAR. New Issue.**

1908. Head of new Sultan. Mint, 3c. green, 1d.; 6c. rose, 1 1/4d.; 12c. lilac, 3d.; 15c. blue, 4d.; 25c. brown, 6d.; 50c. green, 1/-.

**NATAL.**

1902, King's Head, fine fiscally used 5/- rose and blue, 1/-; 10/- brown and rose, 1/9; £1 blue and black, 3/9; 30/- lilac and green, 4/-; £5 grey and lilac, 8/-; £10 green and orange, 10/-; £20 green and red, 12/6 (the £10 and £20 are punctured). These stamps will soon be obsolete, as the colour is to be changed.

**Our Prize Competitions.**

The minimum number entitling to one of the prize albums is 100.

**NO. 1. APPROVAL DEPT. (Current Issues).**

To the competitor who has purchased by the end of next week the most stamps from our approval sheets of current issues (informing us at the time he wishes the number to compete) we will send post free a copy of "Our Own Times" Postage Stamp Album. This album is specially arranged for King's Head stamps and other current colonial issues.

Result, Week ending 8th Aug., 1908.

	Stamps
RG (1st and also last week) ...	84
JC (6th last week) ...	74
JG (2nd last week) ...	67
FS (3rd last week) ...	46
NC (7th last week) ...	28
JE (8th last week) ...	25
WP (9th last week) ...	21
RH ...	19
HN ...	19

Non-winners' totals are carried forward to next week.

**NO. 2. APPROVAL DEPT. (Old Issues).**

To the competitor who has purchased by the end of next week the most stamps from our approval sheets of old issues (informing us at the time he wishes the number to compete) we will present a copy of the "Good Old Times" Postage Stamp Album (no watermarks, perforations, surcharges, minor varieties).

**SECTION II.—EUROPE AND COLONIES.**

Result, Week ending 8th Aug., 1908.

JMW (1st and last week) ...	70
JW ...	44
NC (3rd last week) ...	41
JH (4th last week) ...	36
RW (5th last week) ...	34
AD (6th last week) ...	34
FS (7th last week) ...	26
ED (10th last week) ...	24
HW (8th last week) ...	23

**SECTION III.—REST OF THE WORLD.**

Same conditions as No. 2 but only open to winners of Section II. The prize is Part III. of the Album, and stamps purchased from any approval sheets of old issues count.

Result, Week ending 8th Aug., 1908.

ES (winner and runner-up last week)	135
CG (runner-up and 3rd last week) ...	100
JB (4th last week) ...	76
PB (5th last week) ...	63
TL (9th last week) ...	60
JF (6th last week) ...	47
SR (7th last week) ...	46
JD (8th last week) ...	41
WS (13th last week) ...	29
ES (10th last week) ...	23
WP (11th last week) ...	18
HS (12th last week) ...	15
HB (14th last week) ...	8

Non-winners' totals are carried forward to next week. Winners residing abroad will be required to pay carriage and customs charges if any.

**SECTION I.—GREAT BRITAIN AND COLONIES.**

Although this album is not likely to be ready till September, winners of Section III. intending to compete for it can have their purchases credited in the meantime, all the totals being carried forward until the competition commences. This album will complete the very handsome series of three volumes.

The following totals are carried forward to the first week of the competition.

FL ...	457	GP ...	86
RG ...	269	GS ...	66
Mrs. C ...	250	JR ...	60
JO ...	207	CA ...	46
EB ...	182	WB ...	42
Rev. S ...	136	SG ...	23
JF ...	121	ES ...	19
JE ...	101	RW ...	17
EWS ...	99	WS ...	6

W.B. writes (11.4.08):—"I have to return you warm thanks for the handsome copy of your "Our Own Times" Album sent to me last week, as the prize in your competition. I have already two copies of this book, but am nevertheless pleased to possess the copy just sent. I shall be pleased to enter the competition for the other two volumes in due course. I only fear that the simplified system on which I observe your "Old Times" Album is based, will hardly commend itself to collectors hardened in the "pernicious" old school of collectors of varieties of watermarks, perforations, papers, &c. However, I shall be interested in watching the progress of the new movement. Certainly the formidableness of the task of grappling with the present overgrown field must act as a deterrent to beginners in this fascinating hobby."

E.F. writes (23.4.08):—"I beg to acknowledge with many thanks the receipt of the "Our Own Times" Album. To say I am pleased with it does not express myself sufficiently. I have been looking forward to receiving an excellent album,

but this one is magnificent and quite exceeds my expectations. I will do all I can to further your interests; two or three of my friends have decided to enter your weekly competition for albums."

The awards are made and albums posted every Monday.

Since our main object in giving these albums away is to get them known, winners can repay us by showing them to stamp-collecting friends as well as by purchasing stamps.

**NO. 3. EDITORIAL COMPETITION.**

The competitor who sends us the most interesting item of information for our New Issue column each week will be credited 2/6, which must be claimed within seven days (allowance to foreign readers) and may be selected from any of our approval sheets. From time to time we shall voluntarily increase the prize.

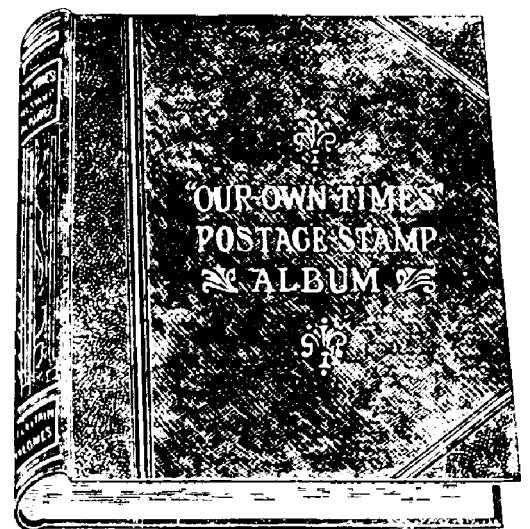
Award this week.

A C for submitting Dutch Indies (2/6).

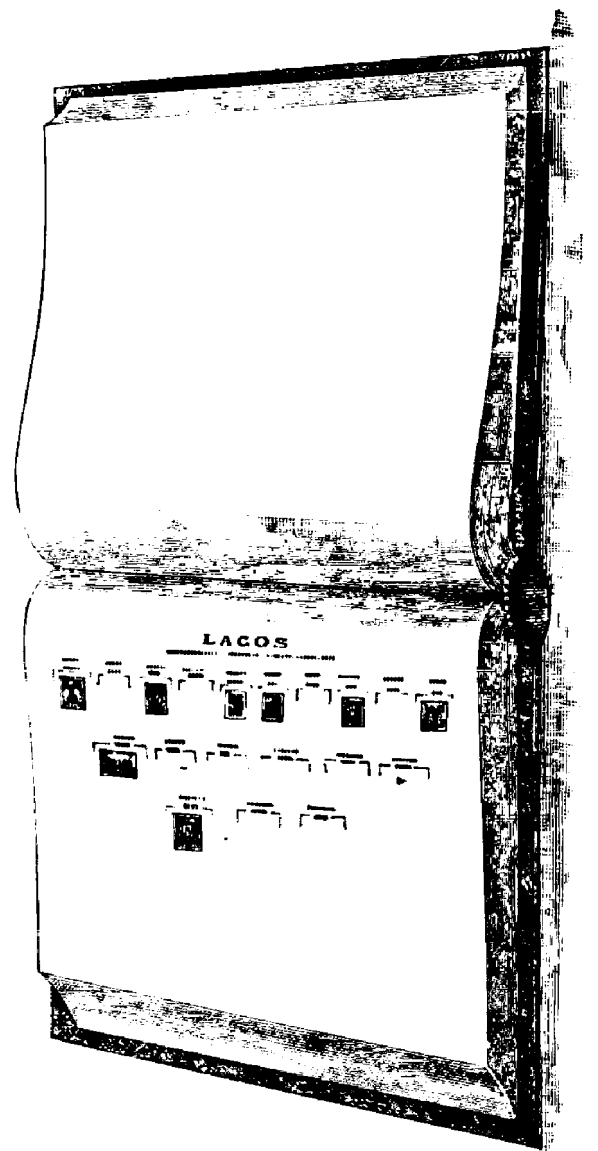
Winners are requested to make early application for their prizes.

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Multiple Watermark.

5 piastres, mint 1/3.

**LEEWARD ISLANDS.**

3d. King, single wmk., mint 5d.; blocks 1/8; pane of 60, 25/-.

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- JH an† 4a. King, Service.
- at† 3a. King.
- av 2a. King, pale shade.
- Bahamas.
- BA ae† 1/- CA ordinary paper, pale shade.
- Gibraltar.
- GI au† 6d., King, wmk. CA multiple, on chalky paper.
- av† 4/- King, multiple watermark CA on chalk-surfaced paper.
- Papua.
- PP aa† 2½d. wide watermark, inverted "d", dull blue.
- ab† 2½d. wide watermark, inverted "d", ultramarine.
- ad† 2½d. wide watermark, dropped "pua", ultramarine.
- ah† 1d. narrow watermark, inverted "d."
- ai† 2d. " " "
- aj† 2½d. " " "
- av\* 1d. rose, permanent design, perf. 11.
- New South Wales.
- NSW aw† 6d. Victoria paper, Crown A.
- bu† 2d. " " watermark letter of words "Commonwealth of Australia."
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- JM ap† 4d. Queen, wmk. Crown CA multiple on ordinary paper. This distribution brings the country entirely up to date.
- Northern Nigeria.
- NN ag† 2d. King, wmk. Crown CA multiple, chalky paper.
- India.
- Surcharged O.H.M.S.
- IN al† ½, 1, 2, 4, 8 annas, 1 rupee King.
- an† 1a. King, Postage and Revenue.
- Mauritius.
- Express Delivery.
- MU ag† 15c. on blue, "Inland" after Express Delivery.
- Sudan.
- Surcharged Army Service.
- SD bt† 5pi., wmk. multiple Crescent and Star.
- Cayman Islands.
- CY ar† 2½d. on 4d., King, multiple watermark.
- East Africa and Uganda.
- EA bd\* 1c. King, multiple wmk. CA, on ordinary paper, new red-brown shade.
- Queensland.
- QU bb\* 6d. Queen, watermark Crown A, perf. 12½.
- Ceylon.
- CE ag† 6c. King, watermark CA multiple, value in figures at lower corners.

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#### GRENADA.

- 1902, King's Head, very fine used, 5/- green and 6/6, and 10/- green and lilac 13/-.
- 1905, Small ship design, fine used 1d. rose 2d., 3d. on yellow 5d.

#### SARAWAK.

- 1899, three-quarter face to right, with "Postage" both sides, very fine used 4c. rose 1d., 8c. yellow 2½d., 10c. blue 4d., 12c. lilac 4d., 16c. brown 6d., 20c. brown 8d., 25c. brown and blue 9d., 50c. green and rose 1/6, and 3c. lilac 1½d.

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## The Week's News.

The Editor is always pleased to receive Early Information of New Issues, or of Discoveries interesting to Stamp Collectors, and will acknowledge such contributions either by name in the journal or by the presentation of several interesting newly-issued stamps, as preferred. The index number and serial letter after the title of each paragraph indicate the issue of E.W.S.N. in which the last reference to that country appeared.

**AUSTRIA (450 B 465).**—We are at last able to illustrate the new set (except the 3 and 25 heller).



**CANADA (464 S 465).**—The Colonial Stamp Market has shown us a further large supply of entire sheets of all values of the Quebec Centenary Issue, issued on 30.7.08. The one and two cents this time are from plates 3 and 4; in last week's supply they were from plates 1 and 2. The other plate-numbers are as stated in E.W.S.N., No. 463.

**ECUADOR (463 N 465).**—We illustrate the new set (chronicled in E.W.S.N. No. 418).



**HONDURAS (458 O 465).**—We illustrate the design of the new set (chronicled in E.W.S.N. No. 391).



**NYASALAND (463 E 465).**—In addition to the adhesives and wrappers already chronicled, the *Nordisk Filatelistisk Tidsskrift* reports some postcards.

Postcards.  
½d. green on white.  
1d. carmine on cream.  
2d. grey "

**PARAGUAY (452 F 465).**—We have not previously illustrated the two designs of the current issue and now do so.



The peso especially is an attractive addition to our albums.

**ROUMANIA (452 S 465).**—We quote as follows from *Stanley Gibbons Monthly Journal* (30.5.08/240):

"Messrs. Taylor Bros. kindly send us photographs of the three varieties of 'P R' watermark, which we referred to in January. It is easy to see from these photographs that the letters are not sans-serif in any of the types, so that they can only be described by measurements, which we make as follows:

1. Resembling Type 15, 11½mm. high, width of the two letters across the upper loops 16mm.
2. Height 12mm., width measured as above 14mm.
3. Type 22, height 15mm., width 14mm.

"Now we want to know whether any two of them occur in the same sheets, and, if not, what values are found with each.

"The same correspondents show us some varieties of type of the 25 bani, Type 13, and the 15 bani, Type 20, which seem to be due either to wear or to retouching of matrices or clichés. In the former stamp the principal variation is in the widths of the white and coloured lines surrounding the oval that contains the head; in one case the inner white line is comparatively narrow and the coloured line surrounding it wide; in the other the white line is distinctly wider and the coloured line proportionately narrower. This might well be due to some cutting away of the frame of the die of this value, into which the head is probably fitted as a separate piece when taking the impressions for reproducing the various values. In the case of the 15 bani, Type 20, the variation is in the outer frame line, which in one variety is thick and heavy all the way round, and the semi-circular projection in the centre below possesses a complete white frame; in the other the outer line is quite thin, and the white frame of the projection below is cut away in the centre, the whole design being as it were clipped close all round. Our correspondents show us the 15 bani, rose, in both these varieties, and they tell us that they have found the 15b., black, in the second of the two, and the 15b., drab, and violet, in the first."

**SIAM (444 Q 465).**—The *Madrid Filatélico* (31.7.08/109) states that the Siamese Government have in preparation a commemorative issue to celebrate the anniversary of the accession to the throne of King Somdet Phra Paramindr Maha Chulalongkorn, which took place on 1.10.48.

The *Postage Stamp* is informed that the provisional stamp 1 on 24 atts is obsolete, and that a fresh supply of the ordinary 1 att stamps has been received. The colour of this differs from that of the original printing, the frame being orange instead of yellow. The Colonial Stamp Market has also shown us the 1 att orange and green.

Adhesive.  
1 att, green and orange.

**SPANISH COLONIES (458 R 465).**—The *Madrid Filatélico* (31.7.08/103) states that the remainders of Fernando Poo, Elobey and Spanish Guinea were burnt on 23.5.08, notwithstanding that a good offer for them was made by a Spanish dealer. We do not see that the refusal of this offer, which was presumably under face value, acquits the Spanish Government of the charge of making its Colonial issues for sale to collectors, as it would naturally be to its disadvantage to sell remainders under face value, as such a proceeding would disturb confidence in subsequent issues.

**Rio de Oro.**—This Colony having been supplied with 1750 complete sets only finds itself under the periodical necessity of surcharging one or more of the less used values in order to supply the equivalent of our ½d. and 1d. stamps. This time we chronicle on the authority of the *Madrid Filatélico* (31.7.08/108).

Adhesive. Overprinted "Habilitado para 15 CENTS" in oval.  
15c. on 75c. red-brown of 1907.

The *Journal des Philatélistes* states that from 1.7.08 the stamps of Elobey, Guinea and Rio de Oro are to be suppressed and a set inscribed "Fernando Poo y territorios africanos" is to be substituted. The unnecessary values of 1c., 3c., 4c., and 2, 3 and 5 pesetas are to be dropped from the set.

**URUGUAY (458 K 465).**—The following are chronicled by *Stanley Gibbons Monthly Journal* (30.5.08/240) on the authority of a Spanish journal.



Adhesives. Designs of 1895 reprinted by Messrs. Waterlow & Sons in new colours.

- 7c. chestnut.
- 10c. blue-green.
- 20c. black and blue.
- 50c. " olive.
- 2p. " sepia.
- 3p. " pale blue.

**WURTEMBERG (387 I 465).**—The two remaining values of the "Antlicher Verkehr" set are reported by *Stanley Gibbons' Monthly Journal* (30.6.08/261) with watermark.

Official Adhesives. With watermark.  
30pf. orange and black.  
50pf. deep marone.

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<p><b>GREAT BRITAIN AND COLONIES.</b> (2691 different sorts exist).</p> <p>479 Gt. Britain, 1840-1870 370 " 1870-1887 371 " 1887-1901 373 " 1840-1884 374 " 1884-1901 105 Antigua and Bahamas 106 Barbados 107 Bechuanaland and Cayman Is. 480 B.C.A. 108 Bermuda 109 B. Honduras 482 B. Columbia &amp; Vancouver Is. 110 B.E.A. 111 B. Guiana 388 B.N.G. and Papua 391 " " 112 B.S.A. 118 Cape Colony 378 " " 382 " " 114 Ceylon, Pence issue and 1st 147 " (Cents issue) 481 " Cents issue 115 Cook Islands 116 Cyprus 104 Canada, 1870-97 117 " 1859-70 118 " 1851-68 119 " 1897-1904 120 " Jubilee and Map 121 Dominica 380 Brunei, East Africa &amp; Uganda 122 Falkland Islands 123 Fiji Islands 124 Gambia 125 Gibraltar 126 Gold Coast 127 Grenada 469 Heligoland and Ionian Islands 128 Hong Kong 405 " King's heads 129 East India 130 India (Empire) 131 Jamaica 357 " used 132 Labuan, 1st design, Queen's 133 " 1879-1897 Head 483 " 1895-03 134 Lagos 135 Leeward Islands 348 Madagascar, British Post. 136 Malta 137 Mauritius, Pence issues 488 " Cents 138 Montserrat and Nevis 139 Natal 406 " King's heads 140 New Brunswick, Nova Scotia 141 Newfoundland, 1857-80 482 " 1880-1905 468 New Republic 143 New South Wales, 1862-97 372 " " 144 New Zealand, 1st design 145 " 1854-1898 386 " Pictorial 146 Niger Coast 148 North Borneo, 1883-1889 486 " Pictorial issues 149 Northern Nigeria</p>	<p>150 Orange Free State and Colony 351 Orange River Colony 498 Prince Edward Is. 151 Queensland, 1860-1882 152 " 1882-96 492 " 1891-1907 154 St. Christopher 155 St. Helena 156 St. Lucia 157 St. Vincent 158 Sarawak 159 Seychelles 349 " " 160 Sierra Leone 161 S. Australia, 1855-1887 162 " long stamps 163 S. Nigeria 494 Solomon Is. and Somaliland 487 Stellaland and Tobago 164 Straits Settlements 434 " " 165 Malay States and Maldives 166 Johore 167 Negri Sembilan and Pahang 168 Perak 169 Selangor and Sungei Ujong 170 Tasmania, 1853-1892 452 " 1892-1906 171 Tonga 172 Transvaal, 1869-1885 173 " 1896 and Pietersburg 489 " 1894-07 174 Trinidad 175 Turks Islands and Virgin Islds. 176 Uganda 177 Victoria, 1851-1862 490 " 1863-1885 178 " 1885-1887 491 " 1900-1906 179 Western Australia 180 Zanzibar 181 Zululand</p> <p><b>EUROPE AND COLONIES.</b> (3545 different sorts exist).</p> <p>182 Austria, 1850-90 183 " 1890-96 184 " 1891-1905 385 Austrian Diamond Jub. Stamps 185 Austrian F.P.O. 187 Bavaria, 1849-74 188 " 1867-74 189 Belgium, 1849-68 190 " 1868-1906 191 Bosnia, 1879-1901 192 " Pictorial, 1906 195 " 1879-1901 193 Bulgaria, 1870-1902 375 " 1902 194 Crete 196 Denmark 197 Danish West Indies 198 Finland, 1860-75 199 " 1890-1900 200 France, Head of Liberty 201 " 1849-70 202 " 1876-1900 203 " 1849-06 204 " 1900-06 361 " used 205 French Foreign P.O., 1902</p>	<p>206 French Colonies, 1859-92 207 " 1892 208 Djibouti 209 Obock 412 Guadeloupe 413 Indo-China 414 Madagascar 210 Fr. Somali Coast and Fr. Guiana 211 French Congo 222 Fr. Guinea and New Caledonia 435 Middle Congo 212 French West Africa 411 Reunion 213 Tunis 214 Germany, 1868-75 215 " 1875-79 216 " 1899-1902 217 German Colonies 415 German Colonies, used and un. 218 Alsace to Brunswick 219 Hamburg to Oldenburg 220 Prussia and Saxony 221 Schleswig-Holstein and Thurn and Taxis 477 Greece, 1861-1896 478 " 1901-1906 470 " cheap used 315 " 1861-96 316 " 1901-06 223 Holland, 1852-72 224 " 1873-99 225 " 1891-99 226 Dutch Indies, 1870-83 227 " 1870-1905 228 Curaçao 229 Suriname 230 Hungary, 1871-1898 231 " 1900 232 Iceland 233 Italy, 1851-90 234 " 1890-95 420 " " 235 Italian Col., F.P.O., and States to Sicily 403 Italian States, Parma to Tuscany</p> <p>236 Luxemburg 237 Monaco 238 Montenegro (1st type) 239 " (later issues) 423 " 1898-1902 240 Norway 241 " 1872-77 242 Portugal, 1853-1892 243 " 1892-1905 244 Port. Colonies near Europe 493 " " 245 Ditto, beyond Europe, 1870-93 416 " " 1897 design 402 " " 1870-1898 246 Ditto (Vasca da Gama), 1893-97 247 Ditto, 1897 type 248 Mozambique, India and Nyassa 428 Pictorial stamps 249 Roumania, 1858-71 (imperf. issues) 250 " 1871-90 417 " 1890-1891 418 " Pictorial 251 Russia 252 Russian Foreign P.O.</p>	<p>253 San Marino 254 Serbia, 1866-05 255 Serbia, 1901-05 256 Spain, 1850-67 397 " 1850-1872 257 " 1870-1878 258 " 1879-95 424 " 1873-75 259 Cuba, 1855-77 260 " 1882-98 419 " 1877-1881 421 Elobey and Spanish Guinea 261 Fernando Poo 262 Philippines 389 Philippine Islands 263 Porto Rico 264 Sweden, 1855-1872 410 " 1891 265 Switzerland, 1845-82 266 " 1882-1900 267 Turkey, 1863-76 268 " 1892-06 398 " " 269 Wurtemberg</p> <p><b>REST OF WORLD.</b> (2565 different sorts exist).</p> <p>270 Abyssinia 384 Afghanistan 271 China 273 Congo Free State 274 Corea, 1895-1902 275 " 1903 276 Egypt 473 " " 277 Japan, 1871-76 278 " 1894-1900 467 " 1876-1904 279 Liberia, 1860-1892 453 " 1892-06 280 Persia, 1868-91 281 " 1891-1906 463 Shanghai 283 Siam 284 Argentine Republic, 1858-67 285 " 1882-90 286 " 1889-92 287 " 1892-99 458 Buenos Aires and Corrientes 288 Bolivia, 1866-67 289 " 1878-97 290 " 1897-01 291 Brazil, 1844-78 292 " 1878-1900, chiefly used 293 " 1880-1906 294 Chili, 1852-81 295 " 1881-1906 379 " cheap used 296 Colombia, 1859-70 297 " 1876-86 298 " 1890-98 299 " 1902-04 300 " (Cartagena and other issues, 1898-05) 433 " 1902 issue 301 Costa Rica, 1862-89 454 " 1892-06 302 Dominican Republic, 1862-1900 466 " " 303 Ecuador, 1865-94 430 " 1899-05</p>	<p>432 Ecuador, 1895-99 304 Guatemala, 1871-86 305 " 1902 426 " 1897-06 306 Hayti, 1871-98 422 " 1898-1906 307 Honduras, 1865-92 431 " 1892-02 308 Mexico, 1856-74 309 " 1874-82 310 " 1884-85 311 " 1886-99 429 " 1886-03 312 Nicaragua, 1862-91 313 " 1892-97 455 " 1898-06 314 Panama (unsurcharged) 317 Paraguay, 1870-1892 318 " 1900-03 319 " 1903-07 460 " 1870-1904 320 Peru, 1858-74 321 " 1895-96 456 " 1896-07 322 Salvador, 1867-92 323 " 1892-95 464 " 1895-96 465 " 1897-06 324 Uruguay, used and unused 325 " 1884-90 326 " 1890-05 327 " 1895 383 " 1887-04 427 " 1895-07 328 Venezuela, 1859-06 (for internal postage) 329 Venezuela, 1880-96 (Foreign cor- respondence) 457 Venezuela, 1893-06 (Foreign correspondence) 330 United States, 1851-1882 331 " 1884, 1900, 1902 332 " Columbus, Omaha, etc. 404 " cheap used 461 " (used) 333 Confederate States and Cuba 381 Philippine Islands (U.S.A.) 443 Samoa 334 Hawaii, 1853-1882 459 " 1891 (Pictorial issue)</p> <p><b>INDIAN NATIVE STATES.</b> (301 different sorts exist).</p> <p>335 Alwur, Bamra, Bhor and Bhopal 337 Bundi and Bhopal 494 Bussahir 338 Buxkhar, Cochin, Dhar, Duttia and Faridkot 339 Holkar and Hyderabad 340 Jaipur, Jhind, and Jhalawar 496 Jummoo and Kashmir 341 Kishengarh 342 Nepal and Nowanuggar, Soruth and Travancore 343 Rajnandgaon, Rajpeela and Sirmoor [Scinde Dawk Foreign and Colonial, are now ready.</p>
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<p>500 Aitutaki on N.Z. 501 Antigua 581 Australian Commonwealth Postage Dues 502 Bahamas, King, &amp;c. 503 Barbados 504 Bechuanaland, King 505 Bermuda, Dockyard 506 Br. Central Africa, King 507 British Guiana 508 Br. Honduras, King 585 British New Guinea 509 Br. New Guinea and Papua 510 Br. South Africa (unused) 380 Brunei, 1st issue, used and 512 Brunei, surch. and pictorial 511 Canada, King, &amp;c. 513 Cape, King 514 Cayman Is., King 515 Ceylon, King</p>	<p>516 Chamba on India, King 360 Cook Islands, Queen's Head 517 Cook Is. 518 Cyprus, King 519 Dominica, pictorial 520 E. Africa, King 521 Falkland, King 522 Fiji, King 523 Gambia, King 524 Gibraltar, King 525 Gold Coast, King 526 Grenada, King 527 Gwalior on India, King 528 Hong Kong, King 529 India, King 530 C.E.F. on India, King 531 Jamaica, Arms 532 Jhind on India 533 Johor, 1904 534 Labuan, Crown</p>	<p>580 Labuan, pictorial 411 Labuan, sur. 'Straits' 381 " " used and un. 535 Lagos, King 536 Leeward, King 537 Levant on Gt. Britain 538 Malay States 539 Maldives on Ceylon 540 Malta, King, &amp;c. 541 Mauritius, Arms 542 Montserrat, Arms 584 Morocco Ag. on Gibraltar— varieties 543 Morocco on Gibraltar 544 Morocco on Gt. Britain 545 Nabha on India, King 546 Natal, King (Family 547 Newfoundland, Cabot and Royal 548 New South Wales 583 New Zealand Pictorials and Officials</p>	<p>549 New Zealand, pictorial 550 Niue on N.Z. 551 North Borneo 552 N. Nigeria, King 553 Orange River Colony, King 554 Patiala on India, King 555 Penrhyn on N.Z. 556 Queensland 557 St. Helena, King, &amp;c. 558 St. Kitts-Nevis, pictorial 559 St. Lucia, King 560 St. Vincent, King 561 Sarawak, Rajah's Head 562 Seychelles, King 563 Sierra Leone, King 564 Solomon Islands 565 Somaliland, 1st issue 566 Somaliland, King and Queen. surch. 579 " Prot. King</p>	<p>347 Somaliland 377 Somaliland Officials, 1st issue varieties 378 Somaliland Service 566 South Australia 567 S. Nigeria, King 568 Straits, King 569 Sudan, Camel 570 Tasmania, pictorial 571 Tonga, pictorial and portrait 350 Transvaal C.S.A.R. 572 Transvaal, King 573 Trinidad 574 Turks Islands 575 Victoria 576 Virgin Islands 577 Western Australia 349 Zanzibar, 1904, and varieties 578 Zanzibar, Arms</p>
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### CAYMAN ISLANDS.

1907, King's Head, "Postage and Revenue," fine used 1d. rose, price 2d. each.

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1908, new design, with figure of value at each lower corner, used 5c. lilac, 1d.

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1904 Pictorial design. Very fine used copies of the 1 peso brown and black, 9d. each; also the new 1 peso fuerte, grey and black, lithographed, 9d. each.

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**ITALY.**

1863, profile to left within oval, very fine used 5c. grey, 1/4d.; 10c. yellow, 1/4d.; 10c. blue, 1/4d.; 15c. blue, 1/4d.; 30c. brown, 1/4d.; 40c. rose, 1/4d.; 60c. lilac, 1/4d., and 2l. red, 5d.

**BOLIVIA.**

1894, arms with nine stars, value in words at right side:—mint 1c. yellow, 1/4d.; mint 2c. red, 1/4d.; used and unused 5c. green, 1/4d.; used and unused 10c. brown, 1/4d.; used, 20c. blue, 1d.; 50c. lilac, 2d., and 100c. red, 4d.

1901, various portraits:—fine used 5c. red, 1d.; 10c. blue, 1/4d.; 20c. lilac, 1d.; set of three, 2 1/4d.

**BRAZIL. New Issue.**

1906. Small designs, portraits, very fine used 10r. grey, 1/4d.; 20r. lilac, 1/4d.; 200r. blue, 1/4d.; 300r. grey, 1d.; 400r. green, 2d.; or the set of five values for 4d.

**ZANZIBAR. New Issue.**

1908. Head of new Sultan. Mint, 3c. green, 1d.; 6c. rose, 1 1/4d.; 12c. lilac, 3d.; 15c. blue, 4d.; 25c. brown, 6d.; 50c. green, 1/-.

**NATAL.**

1902, King's Head, fine fiscally used 5/- rose and blue, 1/-; 10/- brown and rose, 1/9; £1 blue and black, 3/9; 30/- lilac and green, 4/-; £5 grey and lilac, 8/-; £10 green and orange, 10/-; £20 green and red, 12/6 (the £10 and £20 are punctured). These stamps will soon be obsolete, as the colour is to be changed.

**Our Prize Competitions.**

The minimum number entitling to one of the prize albums is 100.

**No. 1. APPROVAL DEPT. (Current Issues).**

To the competitor who has purchased by the end of next week the most stamps from our approval sheets of current issues (informing us at the time he wishes the number to compete) we will send post free a copy of "Our Own Times" Postage Stamp Album. This album is specially arranged for King's Head stamps and other current colonial issues.

Result, Week ending 15th Aug., 1908.

	Stamps
RG (1st and also last week) ...	99
TG (3rd last week) ...	76
JC (2nd last week) ...	74
FS (4th last week) ...	46
WR (10th last week) ...	36
NC (5th last week) ...	28
JF (6th last week) ...	25
WP (7th last week) ...	21
RH (8th last week) ...	19

Non-winners' totals are carried forward to next week.

**No. 2. APPROVAL DEPT. (Old Issues).**

To the competitor who has purchased by the end of next week the most stamps from our approval sheets of old issues (informing us at the time he wishes the number to compete) we will present a copy of the "Good Old Times" Postage Stamp Album (no watermarks, perforations, surcharges, minor varieties).

**SECTION II.—EUROPE AND COLONIES.**

Result, Week ending 15th Aug., 1908.

JMW (1st and last week) ...	70
JW (2nd last week) ...	67
NC (3rd last week) ...	50
FS (7th last week) ...	48
ED (8th last week) ...	45
JH (4th last week) ...	36
RW (5th last week) ...	34
AD (6th last week) ...	34
HW (9th last week) ...	23
JB (10th last week) ...	22
JC (11th last week) ...	21
AE (12th last week) ...	18
DB (13th last week) ...	14

**SECTION III.—REST OF THE WORLD.**

Same conditions as No. 2 but only open to winners of Section II. The prize is Part III. of the Album, and stamps purchased from any approval sheets of old issues count.

Result, Week ending 15th Aug., 1908.

CG (winner and runner-up last week) ...	120
JB (runner-up and 3rd last week) ...	76
PB (4th last week) ...	63
TL (5th last week) ...	60
JF (6th last week) ...	47
SR (7th last week) ...	46
WS (9th last week) ...	43
JD (8th last week) ...	41
EHS (10th last week) ...	24
WP (11th last week) ...	18
HS (12th last week) ...	15
HB (13th last week) ...	8

Non-winners' totals are carried forward to next week. Winners residing abroad will be required to pay carriage and customs charges if any.

**SECTION I.—GREAT BRITAIN AND COLONIES.**

Although this album is not likely to be ready till September, winners of Section III. intending to compete for it can have their purchases credited in the meantime, all the totals being carried forward until the competition commences. This album will complete the very handsome series of three volumes.

The following totals are carried forward to the first week of the competition.

FL ...	457	GP ...	86
RG ...	269	GS ...	66
Mrs. C ...	250	JR ...	60
EB ...	215	CA ...	46
JO ...	207	WB ...	42
Rev. S ...	136	SG ...	23
EWS ...	127	ES ...	19
JF ...	121	RW ...	17
JE ...	101	WS ...	6

W.B. writes (11.4.08):—"I have to return you warm thanks for the handsome copy of your "Our Own Times" Album sent to me last week, as the prize in your competition. I have already two copies of this book, but am nevertheless pleased to possess the copy just sent. I shall be pleased to enter the competition for the other two volumes in due course. I only fear that the simplified system on which I observe your "Old Times" Album is based, will hardly commend itself to collectors hardened in the "pernicious" old school of collectors of varieties of watermarks, perforations, papers, &c. However, I shall be interested in watching the progress of the new movement. Certainly the formidableness of the task of grappling with the present overgrown field must act as a deterrent to beginners in this fascinating hobby."

E.F. writes (23.4.08):—"I beg to acknowledge with many thanks the receipt of the "Our Own Times" Album. To say I am pleased with it

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The awards are made and albums posted every Monday.

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**No. 3. EDITORIAL COMPETITION.**

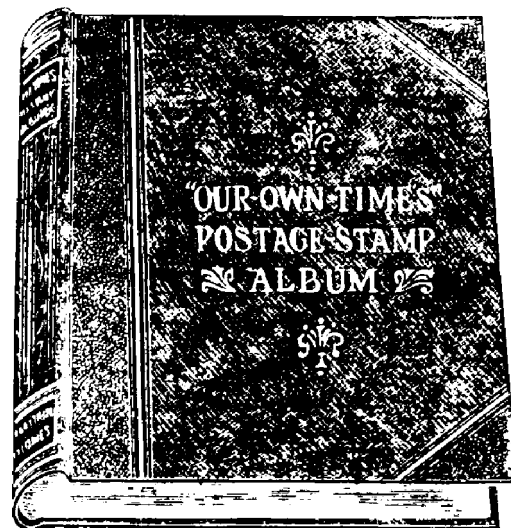
The competitor who sends us the most interesting item of information for our New Issue column each week will be credited 2/6, which must be claimed within seven days (allowance to foreign readers) and may be selected from any of our approval sheets. From time to time we shall voluntarily increase the prize.

Award this week. No entry.

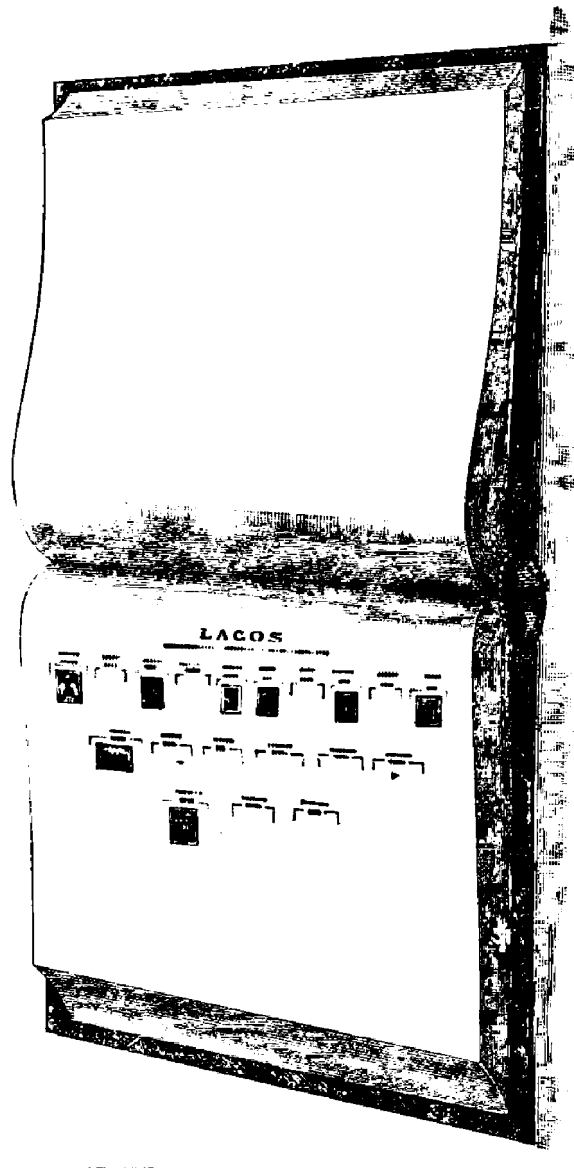
Winners are requested to make early application for their prizes.

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- cl 6d. "
- cm 6d. " imperforate pair.
- cn 1/- "
- co 2/- "
- ch\* 6d., comb perf. 14×15.

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- AF ak 5c. to 1fr., 1908 set.

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- PP av\* 1d. rose, permanent design, perf. 11.
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- al† 1d., narrow wmk., dropped 'pua' variety.
- am† 2d. " " " " "
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- ap† 1/- " " " " "

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- ML al\* ½d., wmk. Crown CA multiple, sideways.

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Jhind.

- JH av† 2a. King, pale shade.

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- SD bk 1pi., wmk. multiple Crescent and Star, plate II.

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Surcharged O.H.M.S.

- IN an† 1a. King, Postage and Revenue.

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THE following tables, although only roughly compiled, will, we believe, be of interest to collectors, as showing that "New Issues" are practically certain to prove a good investment. Taking the three tables together, stamps 10 years after issue are catalogued at an average of 10 times face value; 20 years after issue at an average of 21 times face value; and 30 years after issue at an average of 42 times face value; after that they slow down. Between 1888 and 1898 old issues advanced to about five times their catalogue value in the former year, but between 1898 and 1908 have advanced hardly at all. Current issues of 1888 advanced however to 13 times face value in 1898 and current issues of 1898 to 3 times face value in 1908. Thus, when old issues advanced 500%, new issues advanced 1300% and when old issues stood still, new issues advanced 250%, which seems to indicate that New Issues advance 2½ times as much as old issues.

### SETS OF COLONIAL STAMPS CURRENT IN 1868.

NOTE.—The face value is reckoned as "100," thus "Antigua 1000" means that the Antigua set was catalogued in 1888 (i.e., at age 20) at 1000% of its face value, i.e., 10 times face value.

	Value at age 20.	Value at age 30.	Value at age 40.
Antigua..	1000	4400	3800
Bahamas ..	—	11100	11100
Barbados ..	—	5200	5000
Bermuda ..	400	1050	900
Brit. Guiana ..	1100	2000	4400
Brit. Honduras	1500	6600	4700
Canada ..	450	1200	1900
Cape ..	500	1500	2700
Ceylon ..	800	1700	2400
Grenada ..	900	7000	10000
Average ..	830	4175	4690

### SETS CURRENT IN 1878.

	Value at age 10.	Value at age 20.	Value at age 30.
Antigua..	800	3800	4900
Bahamas ..	500	3100	2500
Barbados ..	800	3300	3000
Bermuda ..	400	1050	900
Brit. Guiana ..	700	1650	1800
Brit. Honduras	800	12000	6000
Canada ..	300	800	1400
Cape ..	500	700	1600
Ceylon ..	600	1900	2900
Dominica ..	400	5000	4000
Falkland Islands	1000	5000	5000
Fiji Islands ..	800	1400	1800
Gambia..	1500	6600	8500
Gold Coast ..	700	11000	13000
Grenada ..	700	5000	7400
Average ..	700	4150	4340

### SETS CURRENT IN 1888.

	Value at age 5.	Value at age 10.	Value at age 20.
Antigua..	750	1500	1700
Bahamas ..	250	210	500
Barbados ..	350	500	800
Bermuda ..	225	225	250
Brit. Guiana ..	300	350	650
Brit. Honduras	2000	4000	2400
Canada ..	200	150	500
Cape ..	175	1300	2000
Ceylon ..	400	350	800
Cyprus ..	250	1400	600
Dominica ..	810	6500	3000
Falkland Islands	1300	2000	3000
Fiji Islands ..	400	400	1000
Gambia..	180	180	500
Gibraltar ..	800	2200	3300
Grenada ..	250	800	1000
Average ..	540	1370	1370

### SETS CURRENT IN 1899.

It was in *Ewen's Weekly Stamp News* of 18th November, 1899, that we first published our offers of sets of current Colonial stamps. As we held them out as an investment, it may be of interest to see what result the intervening 8½ years have already produced. Our original announcement read as follows:—

Probably most Collectors have experienced at one time or other a desire to possess in mint unused condition the handsome sets of stamps issued by our

Colonies throughout the World, perhaps only to be deterred from purchasing by the large premium on face value demanded by dealers. We have given considerable thought to the above question and have at length matured a practical scheme, which, whilst allowing us a moderate rate of interest on capital employed, will nevertheless enable us to bring unused sets of current Colonial stamps within the reach of every Collector at a very slight cost above face-value. [In those days hardly any dealers stocked new issues and the few who did wanted 30% to 100% over face].

This scheme is part of our policy in regard to this paper, which Collectors may always rely upon to give them the best opportunities of forming their collections in not only the most interesting but also the most profitable manner. There cannot be the slightest doubt that these splendid sets of our Colonial stamps form one of the best foundations for a collection. Afterwards, starting with the issues immediately preceding, the stamps of each Colony can be gradually filled in until the earliest issue is reached and the collection completed. As an investment, a purchase of these sets is sound; as a speculation, chances of profit are unbounded and those of loss practically nil, as, if preserved in good condition, the sets are always worth at least face value, beyond which but little will have been paid for them.

Judging from the average life of our Colonial issues, very few of the following sets will be still current ten years hence, and a new generation of Collectors may have to pay as much as we are now doing for the issues of 10 years ago.—[E.W.S.N. 18.11.99.]

With regard to our prophecy that "very few of the sets will be current ten years hence (i.e. in 1909)," it is interesting to note that of the 57 sets we listed, only two, those of Newfoundland (Royal Family) and British South Africa, are still current in 1908, although the current sets of Sudan (10 pias.), Jamaica (2d.), Barbados (½d., 2d., 10d.), and some of the Australian States contain odd values which have not been changed. The sets we quoted as in stock on 9.12.99 were as follows:—

#### GROUP I.—WEST INDIES, ETC.

No. of set.	Face Value.	Our Price.	1899.	1908.	Catalogue Price.
1 Bahamas ..	2/1½	2/5½	10/8		
2 Barbados ..	2/11½	3/5½	5/11		
3 Bermuda ..	2/7	2/11½	4/7		
4 Brit. Guiana ..	2/7	2/11½	4/10		
5 Brit. Honduras	3/6½	4/2	18/4		
6 Falkland Is.	3/1	3/7½	7/7		
7 Grenada ..	2/9	3/2½	12/4		
8 Jamaica ..	2/7	2/11½	5/8		
9 Leeward Is.	2/9	3/2½	9/2		
10 St. Lucia ..	2/5	2/10	5/3		
11 St. Vincent	2/10	3/4	9/3		
12 Trinidad ..	2/7	2/11½	9/11		
13 Turk's Is. ..	2/7	2/11½	7/10		
14 Virgin Is. ..	2/9	3/2½	8/11		

#### GROUP II.—EUROPE.

15 Gibraltar ..	2/4	2/8	5/1
16 " (Morocco Ag.)	3/0	3/6	8/9
17 Cyprus ..	4/0	4/8	11/3
18 Malta ..	2/7½	3/0	9/3

#### GROUP III.—NORTH AMERICA.

19 Canada, ½c. to 10c.	1/5½	1/8½	3/9
20 " 15, 20, 50c.	3/6½	4/1½	7/0
21 Newfoundland, R.F. 6d.		7d.	11d.

#### GROUP IV.—AFRICA.

24 Br. Central Africa	2/1	2/5½	6/9
25 Br. East Africa ..	3/3	3/9½	7/8
26 Br. South Africa..	1/9½	2/1½	2/6
27 Cape ..	2/7	2/11½	6/8
28 Gambia ..	2/7	2/11½	14/0
29 Gold Coast ..	2/1	2/5½	5/6
30 Lagos, ½d. to 6d.	2/0	2/4	5/10
31 " 7½d. to 1s.	2/6½	2/10½	5/9
32 Mauritius ..	1/6	1/9	9/8
34 Niger Coast ..	2/5	2/10	7/10
35 St. Helena ..	1/10½	2/2	4/9
36 Seychelles ..	3/0	3/6	19/10
37 Sierra Leone ..	3/1½	3/8	9/7
38 Sudan, 1 to 5m.	3d.	3½d.	9d.
39 " 1 to 10p.	3/9	4/4½	6/1
40 Zanzibar ..	3/3	3/9½	10/8

#### GROUP V.—ASIA, &c.

41 Ceylon ..	2/9	2/2½	9/11
42 Hong Kong ..	2/8	3/1½	7/9
44 Sarawak ..	3/5	3/11½	15/8
45 Straits Settlements	4/3	4/11½	16/3

#### GROUP VI.—AUSTRALIA.

47 Fiji Islands ..	2/9	3/2½	8/4
58 Groups I. to VI.	(43 sets)	112/0½	129/0 348/0

During the same period £100 of Consols have fallen in value from £104 to £86 and most other securities have shown a downward tendency, so that despite bad trade and scarcity of money, it is interesting to find current colonial stamps advancing so considerably. Swimming against the tide is always more difficult than with it.

During the last ten years old issues, on the other hand, as will be seen from the above table, have hardly been able to avoid falling in value.

Stamps which were 30 years old in 1898 advanced from 41 times face value in that year to 46 times face value in 1908 or only an average gain per annum in catalogue value of 1¼%.

Stamps 20 years old in 1898 advanced during the last 10 years from 41 to 43 times face value, whilst sets 10 years old in 1898 stood stationary at 13 times face value.

An interesting fact exhibited by the above tables is that of the 10 sets referred to therein which had attained the age of 40 years, only one now stands at less than 19 times face value in the catalogue, whilst of the 25 sets which had attained the age of 30 years, only one again stands at less than 10 times face value. The exception in each case is Bermuda, a colony which easily holds the record for the longevity of its stamp issues, having even been known to print a stock of a stamp 30 years before it was required for use! Excluding Bermuda, therefore, it seems likely that given prosperity on the Stock Exchange, any set of Colonial stamps kept for 30 years should then be worth a minimum of 10 times face value, whilst a number of sets kept that length of time would average in catalogue value 46 times face value.

Similarly the above tables seem to indicate that sets of current Colonial stamps kept thirty years should then be worth an average 40 times face value.

Another inference to be drawn from the tables is that once a stamp has advanced to 40 times face value, it is not likely to go much further ahead, because it is then too expensive for the majority of collectors and the falling off in demand for it counteracts its increasing rarity.

We have not dealt with King's Head stamps at all in this article, as the remarkable manner in which their early printings have advanced in value is seen at a glance from our current supplement.

Looking over these figures, one ceases to wonder at a collection like the Breitfuss realizing nearly £50,000; the owner must have reaped an enormous profit through buying new issues for forty years past.

## The Week's News.

The Editor is always pleased to receive Early Information of New Issues, or of Discoveries interesting to Stamp Collectors, and will acknowledge such contributions either by name in the journal or by the presentation of several interesting newly-issued stamps, as preferred.

The index number and serial letter after the title of each paragraph indicate the issue of E.W.S.N. in which the last reference to that country appeared.

**SARAWAK** (443 P 466).—Fresh supplies of the following three values have just been sent out to Sarawak (6.08 ?).

1 cent ..	60,000
2 cents ..	60,900
4 cents ..	60,600

There is no change in colour (unless a minor one of shade).

**VICTORIA** (463 T 466).—The *Australian Philatelist* (1.7.08/131) chronicles the following:—

Postage Due Adhesive. Wmk Crown A, p. 12½. 4d. green and rose.

The 6d., although catalogued, has not been issued and the 4d. is no longer on sale.

**WURTEMBERG** (464 J 466).—The following provisional postcard is chronicled by the *Deutsche Briefmarken-Zeitung* (1.8.08/131).

Official Postcard.

3pf. brown on 2pf. grey card, the latter stamp having three heavy bars across it, the 3pf. stamps being printed to the left of it.

# Approval Sheets of All Countries.

CHIEFLY USED STAMPS, BOTH OBSOLETE AND CURRENT ISSUES (9,000 Varieties.)

No varieties of perforation or watermark are examined or described; no notice is taken of surcharges. All are standard varieties that have first claim to be represented in a general collector's album. Should any of the stamps have rare perforations, or be in scarce shades, nothing extra is charged on that account.

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† These Sheets are newly mounted this week.

The above fine series of Approval Sheets consists solely of stamps arranged according to our "Monthly Quotations" (4d. post free).

# Approval Sheets of New Issues.

BRITISH COLONIES ONLY, CHIEFLY KING SINGLES AND MULTIPLES, USED AND UNUSED.

Stamps purchased from these Approval Sheets count in the Competition for "Our Own Times" Album, whereas those purchased from the above Sheets (obsolete issues) count in the "Good Old Times" Competition.

<p>500 Aitutaki on N.Z. 501 Antigua 581 Australian Commonwealth Postage Dues 502 Bahamas, King, &amp;c. 503 Barbados 504 Bechuanaland, King 505 Bermuda, Dockyard 506 Br. Central Africa, King 507 British Guiana 508 Br. Honduras, King 585 British New Guinea 509 Br. New Guinea and Papua 510 Br. South Africa (unused) 380 Brunei, 1st issue, used and 512 Brunei, surch. and pictorial 511 Canada, King, &amp;c. 513 Cape, King 514 Cayman Is., King 515 Ceylon, King</p>	<p>516 Chamba on India, King 360 Cook Islands, Queen's Head 517 Cook Is. 518 Cyprus, King 519 Dominica, pictorial 520 E. Africa, King 521 Falkland, King 522 Fiji, King 523 Gambia, King 524 Gibraltar, King 525 Gold Coast, King 526 Grenada, King 527 Gwalior on India, King 528 Hong Kong, King 529 India, King 530 C.E.F. on India, King 531 Jamaica, Arms 532 Jhind on India 533 Johor, 1903 534 Labuan, Crown</p>	<p>580 Labuan, pictorial 411 Labuan, sur. 'Straits' 381 " " used and un. 535 Lagos, King 536 Leeward, King 537 Levant on Gt. Britain 538 Malay States 539 Maldives on Ceylon 540 Malta, King, &amp;c. 541 Mauritius, Arms 542 Montserrat, Arms 584 Morocco Ag. on Gibraltar— varieties 543 Morocco on Gibraltar 544 Morocco on Gt. Britain 545 Nabha on India, King 546 Natal, King [Family 547 Newfoundland, Cabot and Royal 548 New South Wales 583 New Zealand Pictorials and Officials</p>	<p>549 New Zealand, pictorial 550 Niue on N.Z. 551 North Borneo 552 N. Nigeria, King 553 Orange River Colony, King 551 Patiala on India, King 555 Penrhyn on N.Z. 556 Queensland 557 St. Helena, King, &amp;c. 558 St. Kitts-Nevis, pictorial 559 St. Lucia, King 560 St. Vincent, King 561 Sarawak, Rajah's Head 562 Seychelles, King 563 Sierra Leone, King 564 Solomon Islands 346 Somaliland, 1st issue 565 Somaliland, King and Queen, surch. 579 " Prot. King</p>	<p>347 Somaliland 377 Somaliland Officials, 1st issue varieties 378 Somaliland Service 566 South Australia 567 S. Nigeria, King 568 Straits, King 569 Sudan, Camel 570 Tasmania, pictorial 571 Tonga, pictorial and portrait 350 Transvaal C.S.A.R. 572 Transvaal, King 573 Trinidad 574 Turks Islands 575 Victoria 576 Virgin Islands 577 Western Australia 349 Zanzibar, 1904, and varieties 578 Zanzibar, Arms</p>
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## USED STAMPS.

Please order on separate sheet, as this stock is kept at 30, Palace Square.

### CAYMAN ISLANDS.

1907, King's Head, "Postage and Revenue," fine used 1d. rose, price 2d. each.

### CUBA (U.S.A.)

1907. Very fine mint copies in pairs and singles of the 50c. grey, 2/5 ea. (face value, 2/1). Used, 1/6 each.

### SAN MARINO.

1903, large rect. view. Very fine used, 5c. green, 1d.; 10c. rose, 2d.; and 25c. blue, 3d. Also 1907, new design, 15c. blue, 2½d.

### AUSTRIA.

1908, various large designs. Fine used, 1h. grey, ½d.; 2h. lilac, ½d.; 5h. green, ½d.; 6h. yellow, 1d.; 10h. red, ½d.; 12h. red, 2d.; 20h. brown, 2d.; 25h. blue, 1d.; 30h. green, 4d.; 35h. blue, 3d.; and 60h. red, 4d.



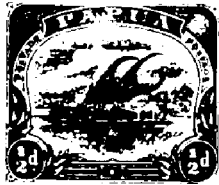
**Used New Issues.**

**CAYMAN ISLANDS.**



King's Head, bi-coloured, very fine used, 1/4d. on 5/-, price 15/- each.

**PAPUA.**



Permanent design, very fine, 1/4d. green and grey, 1d.; and 1d. red and grey, 2d.

**CEYLON.**

1908, new design, with figure of value at each lower corner, used 5c. lilac, 1d.

**SPECIAL OFFERS.**

**AUSTRIAN F.P. OFFICE.**

1908, new set for Crete. Mint, 5c. green, 1d.; 10c. red, 2d.; 15c. brown, 2d.; 25c. blue, 4d.; 50c. red, 8d.; and 1g. brown, 1/5.

**BRITISH NEW GUINEA.**

Surcharged "Papua." Very fine used, 1d. red and grey, 2 1/4d.; 2d. lilac and grey, 6d.; 2 1/2d. blue and grey, 9d.; 6d. green and grey, 1/6; and 1/- orange and grey, 2/6.

**PARAGUAY.**

1904 Pictorial design. Very fine used copies of the 1 peso brown and black, 9d. each; also the new 1 peso fuerte, grey and black, lithographed, 9d. each.

**MONTSERRAT.**

1903 Arms. Very fine used 1/4d. green 1d., 1d. rose and grey 1d., 2d. brown and grey 4d., 2 1/2d. blue and grey 4d., 3d. lilac and orange 5d. The set of five 1/3.

**ITALY.**

1863, profile to left within oval, very fine used 5c. grey, 1/4d.; 10c. yellow, 1/4d.; 10c. blue, 1/4d.; 15c. blue, 1/4d.; 30c. brown, 1/4d.; 40c. rose, 1/4d.; 4 60c. lilac, 1/4d.

**BOLIVIA.**

1894, arms with nine stars, value in words at right side:—mint 1c. yellow, 1/4d.; mint 2c. red, 1/4d.; used and unused 5c. green, 1/4d.; used and unused 10c. brown, 1/4d.; used, 20c. blue, 1d.; 50c. lilac, 2d., and 100c. red, 4d.

1901, various portraits:—fine used 5c. red, 1d.; 10c. blue, 1/4d.; 20c. lilac, 1d.; set of three, 2 1/4d.

**BRAZIL. New Issue.**

1906. Small designs, portraits, very fine used 10c. grey, 1/4d.; 20c. lilac, 1/4d.; 200c. blue, 1/4d.; 300c. grey, 1d.; 400c. green, 2d.; or the set of five values for 4d.

**ZANZIBAR. New Issue.**

1908. Head of new Sultan. Mint, 3c. green, 1d.; 6c. rose, 1 1/4d.; 12c. lilac, 3d.; 15c. blue, 4d.; 25c. brown, 6d.; 50c. green, 1/-.

**NATAL.**

1902, King's Head, fine fiscally used 5/- rose and blue, 1/-; 10/- brown and rose, 1/9; £1 blue and black, 3/9; 30/- lilac and green, 4/-; £5 grey and lilac, 8/-; £10 green and orange, 10/-; £20 green and red, 12/6 (the £10 and £20 are punctured). These stamps will soon be obsolete, as the colour is to be changed.

**Our Prize Competitions.**

The minimum number entitling to one of the prize albums is 100.

**No. 1. APPROVAL DEPT. (Current Issues).**

To the competitor who has purchased by the end of next week the most stamps from our approval sheets of current issues (informing us at the time he wishes the number to compete) we will send post free a copy of "Our Own Times" Postage Stamp Album. This album is specially arranged for King's Head stamps and other current colonial issues.

Result, Week ending 22nd Aug., 1908.

	Stamps
RG (winner and 1st last week) ...	116
TG (2nd last week) ...	91
JC (3rd last week) ...	80
FS (4th last week) ...	46
WR (5th last week) ...	36
NC (6th last week) ...	28
JE (7th last week) ...	25
WP (8th last week) ...	21
RH (9th last week) ...	19
Non-winners' totals are carried forward to next week.	

**No. 2. APPROVAL DEPT. (Old Issues).**

To the competitor who has purchased by the end of next week the most stamps from our approval sheets of old issues (informing us at the time he wishes the number to compete) we will present a copy of the "Good Old Times" Postage Stamp Album (no watermarks, perforations, surcharges, minor varieties).

**SECTION II.—EUROPE AND COLONIES.**

Result, Week ending 22nd Aug., 1908.

JMW (1st and last week) ...	79
JW (2nd last week) ...	67
ED (5th last week) ...	63
NC (3rd last week) ...	60
FS (4th last week) ...	48
RW (7th last week) ...	47
JH (6th last week) ...	36
AD (8th last week) ...	34
HW (9th last week) ...	23
JB (10th last week) ...	22
FC (11th last week) ...	21
AE (12th last week) ...	18
DB (13th last week) ...	14

**SECTION III.—REST OF THE WORLD.**

Same conditions as No. 2 but only open to winners of Section II. The prize is Part III. of the Album, and stamps purchased from any approval sheets of old issues count.

Result, Week ending 22nd Aug., 1908.

JB (winner and runner-up last week) ...	124
TL (runner-up and 4th last week) ...	75
PB (3rd last week) ...	63
WS (7th last week) ...	61
JF (5th last week) ...	47
SR (6th last week) ...	46
JD (8th last week) ...	41
ES (9th last week) ...	24
WP (10th last week) ...	18
HS (11th last week) ...	15
HB (12th last week) ...	8
Non-winners' totals are carried forward to next week. Winners residing abroad will be required to pay carriage and customs charges if any.	

**SECTION I.—GREAT BRITAIN AND COLONIES.**

Although this album is not likely to be ready till September, winners of Section III. intending to compete for it can have their purchases credited in the meantime, all the totals being carried forward until the competition commences. This album will complete the very handsome series of three volumes.

The following totals are carried forward to the first week of the competition.

FL ...	457	GP ...	86
EB ...	300	GS ...	86
RC ...	269	JR ...	60
Mrs. C ...	250	GA ...	46
JO ...	207	WB ...	42
ESW ...	150	SG ...	23
Rev. S ...	136	ES ...	19
JF ...	121	RW ...	17
JE ...	101	ES ...	9

W.B. writes (11.4.08):—"I have to return you warm thanks for the handsome copy of your "Our Own Times" Album sent to me last week, as the prize in your competition. I have already two copies of this book, but am nevertheless pleased to possess the copy just sent. I shall be pleased to enter the competition for the other two volumes in due course. I only fear that the simplified system on which I observe your "Old Times" Album is based, will hardly commend itself to collectors hardened in the "pernicious" old school of collectors of varieties of watermarks, perforations, papers, &c. However, I shall be interested in watching the progress of the new movement. Certainly the formidableness of the task of grappling with the present overgrown field must act as a deterrent to beginners in this fascinating hobby."

E.F. writes (23.4.08):—"I beg to acknowledge with many thanks the receipt of the "Our Own Times" Album. To say I am pleased with it

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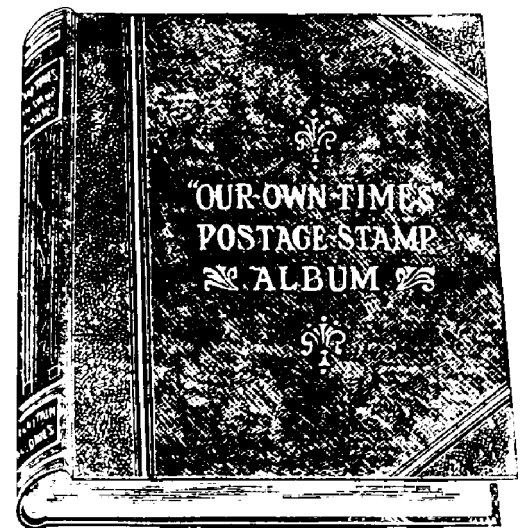
The competitor who sends us the most interesting item of information for our New Issue column each week will be credited 2/6, which must be claimed within seven days (allowance to foreign readers) and may be selected from any of our approval sheets. From time to time we shall voluntarily increase the prize.

Award this week. No entry.

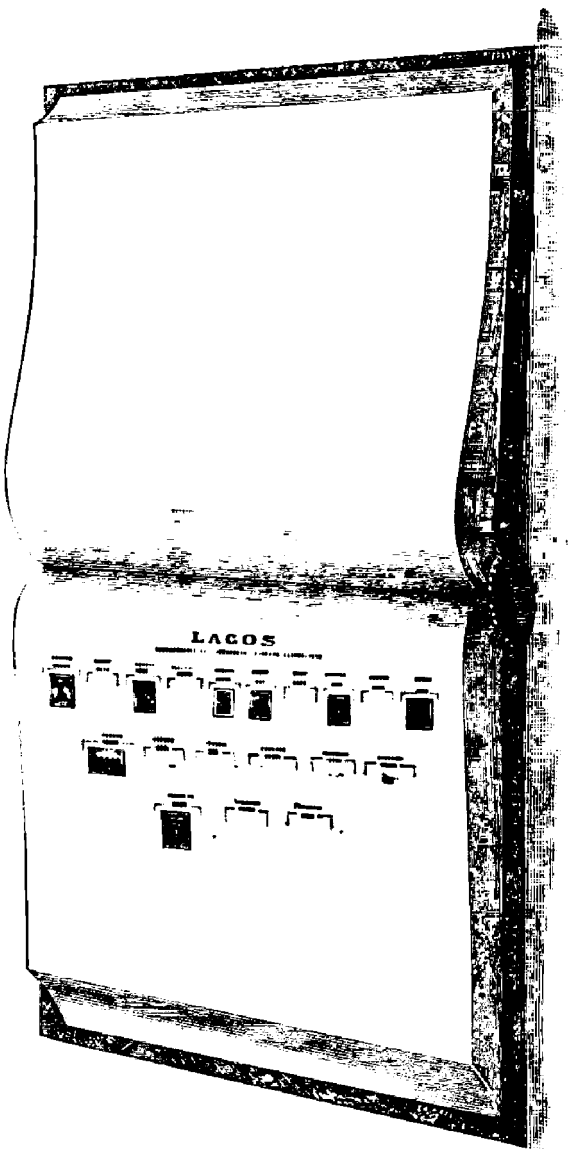
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 an† 4a. "  
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 ap† 1r. "

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 ar† 6d. " "

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## The Week's News.

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The index number and serial letter after the title of each paragraph indicate the issue of E.W.S.N. in which the last reference to that country appeared.

**AUSTRIAN LEVANT** (464 K 467).—The official notice relating to the new stamps is reproduced from the *Post-und Telegraphen-Verordnungsblatt* by the *Deutsche Briefmarken-Zeitung* (1.8.08/130).

*Herausgabe neuer Frankomarken für die k. k. Postämter in der Türkei und auf Kreta.*

H. Minist. Z. 24887 P.

Für die k. k. Postämter in der Türkei und auf Kreta sind folgende neue Postfrankomarken ausgegeben worden, die vom 15. Juli 1908 an in Gebrauch genommen werden.

- 10 Para hellgrün auf schwefelgelb.
- 20 Para hellrot auf rosa.
- 30 Para braun auf chamois.
- 60 Para violett auf blaugrün.
- 1 Piaster dunkelblau auf hellblau.
- 2 Piaster dunkelrot auf schwefelgelb.
- 5 Piaster braun auf grau.
- 10 Piaster dunkelgrün auf schwefelgelb.
- 20 Piaster dunkelblau auf grau.
- 5 Centimen hellgrün auf schwefelgelb.
- 10 Centimen hellrot auf rosa.
- 15 Centimen braun auf chamois.
- 25 Centimen dunkelblau auf hellblau.
- 50 Centimen dunkelrot auf schwefelgelb.
- 1 Frank braun auf grau.

Die Marken der Werte bis einschließlich 1 Piaster und 25 Centimen gleichen in Zeichnung und Ausführung den inländischen Briefmarken zu 5, 10 und 25 Heller, die höheren Werte von 2 Piaster und 50 Centimen aufwärts der inländischen Briefmarke zu 1 Krone. Die Levantemarken der früheren Emission werden noch bis Ende Dezember 1908 neben den neuen Marken verwendet.

Wien, den 24. Juni 1908.

**BRITISH SOLOMON ISLANDS** (459 M 467).—The 60,000 1/4d., 1d., 2d. and 2 1/2d., and 30,000 5d., 6d. and 1/- of the first issue are finding a good sale as we are informed that in June only the following remained:—

- 1/4d., 1d., 2d. ... Nearly all sold.
- 2 1/2d. ... About 42,000 left.
- 5d., 6d. 1/- ... About 18,000 each left.

The Postal Authorities adhere to their decision to burn the remainders directly the new issue arrives from the printers.

**FRENCH COLONIES** (444 W 467).—The *Timbre-Poste* states that the following quantities were printed of the 1900 issue.



	10c. red.	15c. grey.	25c. blue.	50c. brown.
Martinique	2,300,000	250,000	10,200	10,200
Guadeloupe	500,000	800,000	10,200	10,200
Réunion	600,000	2,300,000	10,200	10,200 <sup>1</sup>
Guiana	400,000	10,200	10,200	10,200
St. Pierre and Miquelon	150,000	10,200	10,200	10,200
Senegambia	2,000,000	1,800,000	10,200	10,000
Ivory Coast	10,200	260,000	10,200	10,200
Dahomey	100,000	300,000	145,500	10,200
French Guinea	10,200	10,200	10,200	10,200
Mayotte	10,200	10,200	10,200	10,200
Anjouan	10,200	10,200	10,200	10,200
French India	10,200	10,200	10,200	10,200
New Caledonia	250,000	1,000,000	182,700	10,200 <sup>2</sup>
Oceania	500,000	150,000	158,700	10,200
Madagascar	2,000,000	1,000,000	10,200	10,200
Great Comoro	10,200	10,200	10,200	10,200
Congo	225,000	38,700	28,200	23,700
Sudan	44,700	36,300	30,300	23,700
Up. Senegambia and Niger	142,500	124,500	69,000	42,000
Gaboo	283,500	349,000	198,000	87,000
Mohéli	133,500	349,000	70,500	54,000 <sup>3</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Further 54,000 in 1905 with name in blue.  
<sup>2</sup> Further 69,000 in 1904 with name in blue.  
<sup>3</sup> No mention is made of the 50c. Mohéli with value in blue.

**NEW SOUTH WALES** (458 I 467).—We take the following interesting note from the *Australian Philatelist* (1.7.08/131).

"Mr. Maney Lake was the first to inform us that new electros had been brought into use for the 1/4d., 4d., 6d., and 1/- values. The sheets are dated 1907, and have coloured margins; and we understand that all the stamps are placed the same way on the plates, so that inverted watermarks will in future not be so plentiful as the normal kind, which was the case with some values. Most likely the 2 1/2d., 8d., 10d. and 2/6 values will follow suit. We understand that one of the reasons for making these new electros was in order that the sheets might fit the new rotary perforating machine made at the government printing office pretty much on the same lines as the Adelaide press. The stamps are fed into both of these machines automatically, and there can be no possibility of imperforations, or double perforations; besides, the work is done much more quickly. The gauge of the recently installed machine varies a little from the triple cutters, some would say it was 12 all round, but in reality it gauges about 12 x 11 1/2, and we shall still continue to list it as 12 x 11 1/2. He would be a clever man who could tell from single specimens which stamps were perforated on the old triple cutters, which on the Adelaide perforating machine, and which on the new rotary. We might, add, however, that those values—new electros—above 2d., perforated on the new machine, have the gutters between the panes perforated, while the margins are not. It is the reverse on the old triple cutters."

The *Australian Philatelist* (1.7.08/134) also contains an exhaustive catalogue of New South Wales perforated official stamps.

## The Comparative Condition of Stamps.

(From the *London Philatelist*.)

HAVING regard to the steadily growing dearth of the old issues of many of the popular countries, an examination of some recent remarks as to the relative value of the differing conditions of a stamp by a well-known French Philatelist may not be out of place. The theme is not a new one, nor have we any wish to weary our readers to any extent by any divergencies into the bypaths that meander from this well-known track, such as standard values, collectors' catalogues, or the question of unused issues *versus* used.

In a recent number of *Le Postillon M. Montader*—who is well-known as a philatelic student, and who was largely responsible for the production of the Official Catalogue of the Société Française de Timbrologie—has analysed the relative states of a particular stamp, assessing its value according to the various phases of its condition. M. Montader takes a well-known stamp as an example, i.e., the 15c. green, of the French Republic of 1849, and thus appraises it:—

UNUSED.		£	s.	d.
Wide margins, o.g., mint, and fine colour	..	5	0	0
Do., no gum..	..	2	0	0 to 48/-
o.g., with three margins	..	2	0	0
No gum, with three margins	..	1	4	0
Colour faded, o.g., full margins	..	3	0	0
Do., no gum, do.	..	1	12	0
Do., do., three margins	..	1	0	0
No gum or margins, slightly soiled	..	0	8	0 to 12/-
USED.				
Very fine, bright colour, wide margins and light postmark	..	0	6	0
Do., do., but heavy postmark	..	0	4	0
Do., do., do., three margins	..	0	2	6
Colour faded, light postmark, and good margins	..	0	3	4
Do., three margins	..	0	2	0
Soiled specimens, no margins	..	0	0	10

We see here that M. Montader ranges his values on lines from £5 down to tenpence! We venture, however, to make his discrepancies still wider. This particular stamp exists in at least three marked shades—in dark green, yellow-green, and clear slightly bluish-green. The last shade, which

closely resembles that of the first reprints, was found in a number of copies a few years since, and is to be had in blocks of four—this, in our view, represents the £5 stamp of M. Montader's list. The dark green and the yellow-green are, however, immensely rarer, and may both be held to be at least twice as valuable as the one cited. The "Catalogue Officiel" quotes the dark green, unused, at £12, but we doubt if its publishers could produce a mint copy, and we do not hesitate to say that a faultless block of four would be worth nearly £100. We also think that M. Montader overrates the comparative value of the gum and underrates the importance of the colour. With regard to the used specimens, these stamps are catalogued in the French Society's work at nearly ten shillings for the "vert clair," and twelve shillings for the dark green. Used pairs of this stamp are, moreover, well known to be scarce, and are probably worth double these prices, while blocks or strips of four would also doubtless be worth a still higher figure. M. Montader furthermore calculates that stamps with light obliterations are only worth half as much again as those heavily postmarked. We differ from him again, to a marked degree, our opinion being that a heavily cancelled stamp has been deprived of three-quarters of its beauty and value, and that a stamp that has a light and well-placed cancellation is worth at least double as much as what is termed an average copy. The last stage of de-clension in value in the case of a copy of this stamp—*sans* margin, colour, or condition—may well be even lower than the franc bestowed upon it by our *confrère*, and be valued at a modest penny! We thus get a range of value from £100 for a faultless unused block in the rarest colour to practically nothing for a very poor used copy!

The purport of our remarks is to show how doctors differ in their diagnoses, and how absolutely impossible it is to establish anything like a standard value for stamps. Beyond the inherent virtues of a stamp as depicted above are the important determining factors, as to its value, of locale and purchaser, which might very materially modify any of the preceding quotations. In this case a simple stamp has been taken for example—one presenting no varieties of impression. In the case of such stamps as Sydney Views, early Mauritius, or other engraved issues, the relative condition and value of the stamp might be enormously increased by the state of the plate. Hence is the question of a standard value one to be deferred unto the Greek Kalends!

The question, however, of a proper appreciation of condition is one that is ever before us, and is constantly developing in importance. The shrinkage of the old issues will ultimately make this question one of vital importance to the collector who desires to see a return of his capital, and we think the importance of this subject may well redeem our remarks from reprobation on the score of triteness or redundancy.

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## USED STAMPS.

Please order on separate sheet, as this stock is kept at 30, Palace Square.

### BRITISH NEW GUINEA.

Surcharged "Papua." Very fine used, 1d. red and grey, 2½d.; 2d. lilac and grey, 6d.; 2½d. blue and grey, 9d.; 6d. green and grey, 1/6; and 1/- orange and grey, 2/6.

### SIAM.

1905, King's Head and View of Grand Mosque, very fine used, 2a. grey and lilac 1d., 3a. green 1d., 4a. red and brown 1d., 5a. rose 1½d., 8a. brown and black 2d., 12a. blue 1½d., 24a. brown 2d., 1t. brown and blue 8d.  
New colours, 9a. blue 2d. and 18a. brown 3d.

### SAN MARINO.

1903, large rect. view. Very fine used, 5c. green, 1d.; 10c. rose, 2d.; and 25c. blue, 3d. Also 1907, new design, 15c. blue, 2½d.

### AUSTRIA.

1908, various large designs. Fine used, 1h. grey, ½d.; 2h. lilac, ½d.; 5h. green, ½d.; 6h. yellow, 1d.; 10h. red, ½d.; 12h. red, 2d.; 20h. brown, 2d.; 25h. blue, 1d.; 30h. green, 4d.; 35h. blue, 3d.; and 60h. red, 4d.

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1903 Arms. Very fine used ½d. green 1d., 1d. rose and grey 1d., 2d. brown and grey 4d., 2½d. blue and grey 4d., 3d. lilac and orange 5d. The set of five 1/3.



**Special Offers of Used Stamps.**

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1907, King's Head, "Postage and Revenue," very fine used, 1/4d. green 1d., 1d. rose 2d., 2 1/2d. blue 4d., 3d. on yellow 5d., 1/- on green 1/6, 5/- on yellow 7/6, 10/- on green 15/-.



King's Head, bi-coloured, very fine used, 1/4d. on 5/-, price 15/- each.

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**ANTIGUA.**



1903, Large Arms design, fine used 1/4d. green and black 1d., 1d. red and grey 1d., 2d. brown and lilac 4d., 3d. brown and green 5d., 6d. black and lilac 9d., 1/- lilac and blue 1/6, and 2/- lilac and green 2/9.

**MALAY.**



1900, Tiger and Elephants, very fine used 1c. green and black 1/4d., 3c. brown and black 1/4d., 4c. rose and black 1d., 5c. red and green 2d., 8c. blue and black 2d., 10c. lilac and black 1 1/2d., 50c. orange and black 9d., 1c. green 1/4d. and 3c. brown 1/4d.

Fiscally used, \$1 green 1/6, \$2 green and rose 3/-, \$5 green and blue 8/-.

**PAPUA.**



Permanent design, very fine, 1/4d. green and grey, 1d.; and 1d. red and grey, 2d.

**CEYLON.**

1908, new design, with figure of value at each lower corner, used 5c. lilac, 1d.

**SIAM.**

1883, inscription in Siamese only, very fine mint copies of 1/4a. blue 2 1/2d., 2a. red 7d., and 4a. yellow 6d.

1900, profile to left, very fine used 2a. green 1d., 2a. red and blue 1d., 3a. green 1d., 10a. blue 1 1/2d.

**Our Prize Competitions.**

The minimum number entitling to one of the prize albums is 100.

**No. 1. APPROVAL DEPT. (Current Issues).**

To the competitor who has purchased by the end of next week the most stamps from our approval sheets of current issues (informing us at the time he wishes the number to compete) we will send post free a copy of "Our Own Times" Postage Stamp Album. This album is specially arranged for King's Head stamps and other current colonial issues.

Result, Week ending 29th Aug., 1908.

	Stamps
TG (winner and 2nd last week) ...	105
JC (3rd last week) ...	80
WR (5th last week) ...	72
FS (4th last week) ...	53
NC (6th last week) ...	28
JE (7th last week) ...	25
WP (8th last week) ...	21
RH (9th last week) ...	19
HN ...	19

Non-winners' totals are carried forward to next week.

**No. 2. APPROVAL DEPT. (Old Issues).**

To the competitor who has purchased by the end of next week the most stamps from our approval sheets of old issues (informing us at the time he wishes the number to compete) we will present a copy of the "Good Old Times" Postage Stamp Album (no watermarks, perforations, surcharges, minor varieties).

**SECTION II.—EUROPE AND COLONIES.**

Result, Week ending 29th Aug., 1908.

JMW (winner and 1st last week) ...	110
JW (2nd last week) ...	101
NC (4th last week) ...	81
ED (3rd last week) ...	63
FS (5th last week) ...	48
RW (6th last week) ...	47
JH (7th last week) ...	36
AD (8th last week) ...	34
HW (9th last week) ...	23
JB (10th last week) ...	22
FC (11th last week) ...	21
AE (12th last week) ...	18
DB (13th last week) ...	14

**SECTION III.—REST OF THE WORLD.**

Same conditions as No. 2 but only open to winners of Section II. The prize is Part III. of the Album, and stamps purchased from any approval sheets of old issues count.

Result, Week ending 29th Aug., 1908.

TL (1st and runner-up last week) ...	75
WS (runner-up and 4th last week) ...	66
PB (3rd last week) ...	63
JF (5th last week) ...	47
SR (6th last week) ...	46
JD (7th last week) ...	41
ES (8th last week) ...	24
WP (9th last week) ...	18
HS (10th last week) ...	15
JP ...	14
HB (11th last week) ...	8

Non-winners' totals are carried forward to next week. Winners residing abroad will be required to pay carriage and customs charges if any.

**SECTION I.—GREAT BRITAIN AND COLONIES.**

Although this album is not likely to be ready till September, winners of Section III. intending to compete for it can have their purchases credited in the meantime, all the totals being carried forward until the competition commences. This album will complete the very handsome series of three volumes.

The following totals are carried forward to the first week of the competition.

FL ...	457	GP ...	86
EB ...	361	GS ...	86
RC ...	269	JB ...	63
Mrs. C ...	250	JR ...	60
JO ...	230	GA ...	46
ESW ...	162	WB ...	42
Rev. S ...	136	SG ...	23
JF ...	121	ES ...	19
JE ...	101	RW ...	17

W.R. writes (11.4.08):—"I have to return you warm thanks for the handsome copy of your "Our Own Times" Album sent to me last week, as the prize in your competition. I have already two copies of this book, but am nevertheless pleased to possess the copy just sent. I shall be pleased to enter the competition for the other two volumes in due course. I only fear that the simplified system on which I observe your "Old Times" Album is based, will hardly commend itself to collectors hardened in the "pernicious" old school of collectors of varieties of watermarks, perforations, papers, &c. However, I shall be interested in watching the progress of the new movement. Certainly the formidableness of the task of grappling with the present overgrown field must act as a deterrent to beginners in this fascinating hobby."

E.F. writes (23.4.08):—"I beg to acknowledge with many thanks the receipt of the "Our Own Times" Album. To say I am pleased with it

does not express myself sufficiently. I have been looking forward to receiving an excellent album, but this one is magnificent and quite exceeds my expectations. I will do all I can to further your interests; two or three of my friends have decided to enter your weekly competition for albums."

The awards are made and albums posted every Monday.

Since our main object in giving these albums away is to get them known, winners can repay us by showing them to stamp-collecting friends as well as by purchasing stamps.

**No. 3. EDITORIAL COMPETITION.**

The competitor who sends us the most interesting item of information for our New Issue column each week will be credited 2/6, which must be claimed within seven days (allowance to foreign readers) and may be selected from any of our approval sheets. From time to time we shall voluntarily increase the prize.

Award this week. No entry.

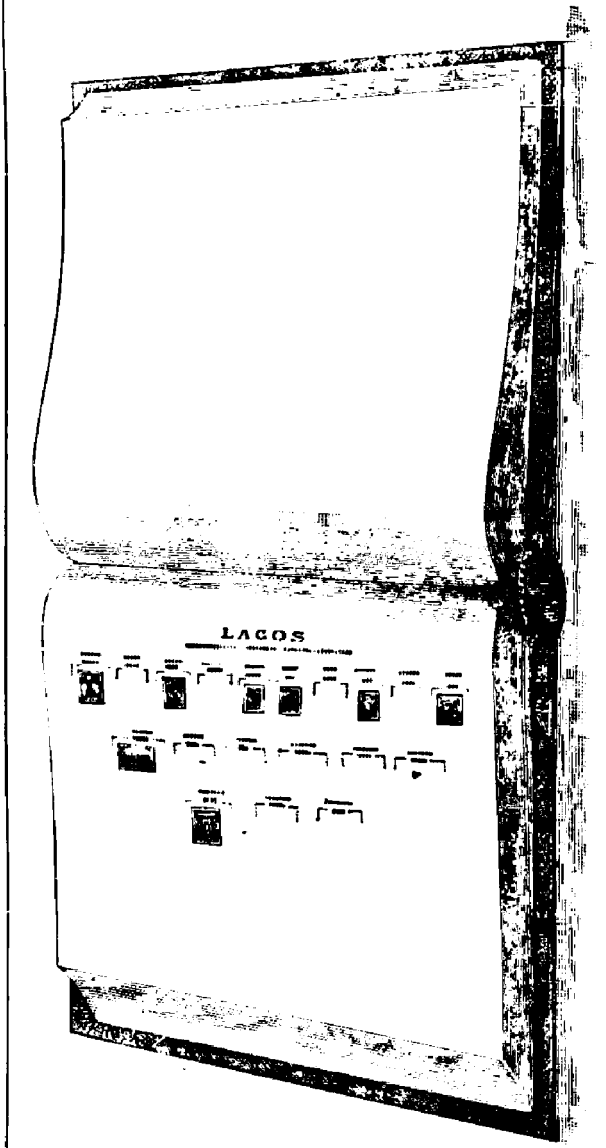
Winners are requested to make early application for their prizes.

**Our Albums.**

Our Albums are bound alike, as shown in the following illustration.



The Album opens as shown, thus enabling two albums to be compared close together.



**SUDAN.**

Multiple Watermark. 5 piastres, mint 1/3.

**LEEWARD ISLANDS.**

3d. King, single wmk., mint 5d.; blocks 1/8; pane of 60, 25/-.

**QUEENSLAND.**

1/4d., 1d., 2d., 4d., Queen's Head, Crown A, mint, 9d. 2 1/2d., 3d., 5d., 1/- Cro. Q. latest shades, 2/2 1/2.

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Trinidad.

Postage Dues.

TD av† 1d. to 1/-, set of eight stamps, multiple watermark.

We are obliged to send these stamps out in used condition, as their sale to the public unused is prohibited. Of the British Colonies only Trinidad and Grenada forbid the sale of Postage Due stamps unused.

New South Wales.

NSW bu\* 9d., wmk. Crown double-lined A perf. 12½, new golden-brown shade instead of red-brown shade.

Jhind, Service.

JH ag† ¼a. King.  
 al† 1a. "  
 an† 4a. "  
 ao† 8a. "  
 ap† 1r. "

Papua on British New Guinea.

PP aw† ½d., type II., wmk. wide rosettes.  
 ah† 1d. " narrow rosettes, inverted "d" variety.

Variety dropped "pua."

al† 1d., wmk. narrow rosettes.  
 am† 2d. " "  
 ao† 6d. " "  
 ap† 1/- " "

Labuan.

Surcharged Straits Settlements.

LA ak† 25c., perf. 14.

By last mail we received a few of the Cayman Island provisional 1d. on 4d., which we shall be sending out with this week's New Issues.

## SPECIAL OFFERS.

### AUSTRIAN F.P. OFFICE.

1908, new set for Crete. Mint, 5c. green, 1d.; 10c. red, 2d.; 15c. brown, 2d.; 25c. blue, 4d.; 50c. red, 8d.; and 1g. brown, 1/3.

### CUBA (U.S.A.)

1907. Very fine mint copies in pairs and singles of the 50c. grey, 2/5 ea. (face value, 2/1). Used, 1/6 each.

### PARAGUAY.

1904 Pictorial design. Very fine used copies of the 1 peso brown and black, 9d. each; also the new 1 peso fuerte, grey and black, lithographed, 9d. each.

### FERNANDO POO.

1907, new design, dated, complete mint set of 16 values (1c. to 10p.), inscribed Fernando Poo, Guinea Espanol, Colonia de Rio de Oro, and Elobey, Annobon y Corisco. The price of each set is only 33/-.

### NATAL.

1902, King's Head, fine fiscally used 5/- rose and blue, 1/-; 10/- brown and rose, 1/9; £1 blue and black, 3/9; 30/- lilac and green, 4/-; £5 grey and lilac, 8/-; £10 green and orange, 10/-; £20 green and red, 12/6 (the £10 and £20 are punctured). These stamps will soon be obsolete, as the colour is to be changed.

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# Ewen's Weekly Stamp News.

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## The Week's News.

The Editor is always pleased to receive Early Information of New Issues, or of Discoveries interesting to Stamp Collectors, and will acknowledge such contributions either by name in the journal or by the presentation of several interesting newly-issued stamps, as preferred.

The index number and serial letter after the title of each paragraph indicate the issue of E.W.S.N. in which the last reference to that country appeared.

**ANTIGUA (457 S 468).**—The following further supplies of stamps were received in Antigua on 15.7.08.

2½d.	...	12,000
1/-	...	6,180

The latter parcel, we are informed, consisted of "99 sheets of 60 and 8 of 30." The latter are presumably half sheets and not a new issue.

**AUSTRIA (465 C 468).**—We are indebted to Mr. Ernst Mayer for sight of a new postcard.



Postcard. Stamp in design of 30h. adhesive.

5h. green. The card is inscribed on the front "Jubiläums-Korrespondenz-Karte" and on the back are views of the Castle of Schönbrunn and the new Imperial Palace in Vienna, with portrait of the Emperor between.

Issued 8.08 or earlier.

**DANISH WEST INDIES (450 C 468).**—The new set expected is now described by the *Postage Stamp* (5.9.08/273).

Adhesives. Wmk. Crown, perf. 13.

5 bit,	green.
10 "	carmine.
20 "	green and blue.
25 "	blue.

**DUTCH INDIES (464 B 468).**—The following quantities are reported by *Der Philatelist* (8.9.08/284) to have been surcharged "JAVA."

½c.	4,700,000	15c.	306,000
1c.	3,600,000	20c.	225,000
2c.	1,200,000	25c.	375,000
2½c.	1,900,000	30c.	273,000
3c.	300,000	50c.	294,000
5c.	1,020,000	1g.	126,000
10c.	3,900,000	2½g.	24,000
12½c.	390,000		

A "provisional" issue of 19 million stamps is somewhat uncommon, if not actually a record. The "Buiten Bezit" set appears to be somewhat less common; unfortunately our contemporary does not give the figures for it also.

The 10, 12½ and 25c. are reported by *Der Philatelist* as having been seen with inverted surcharge but since 7.7.08 have not been allowed to be sold over the post office counter.

The Colonial Stamp Market has shown us entire sheets of 100 of all values of the JAVA set.



J A V A .

Adhesives. Sheets 10 rows of 10 (see note below).

½c. lilac. No. 95 on sheet has no stop after Java and No. 96 has a thick stop.

1c. olive-green. The stops vary considerably, those of the first vertical row being thick and touching the serif of the A, whilst the others are mostly small, some being slightly raised and some slightly "dropped." No. 15 has no stop after Java.

2c. red-brown. Same setting as 1c.

2½c. green. Same setting as ½c.

3c. orange. Same setting as ½c. but No. 95 has a faint stop.

5c. rose. Same setting as 3c.

NOTE.—We note that the ½, 2½, 3 and 5c. have the margin removed at left side and the 1 and 2c. at right side. There is therefore possibly only one setting in 10 rows of 20.



J A V A . J A V A .

Sheets 10 rows of 10 as issued (printed 20 rows of 10, see below). The 15c. has two continuous horizontal bars surcharged across the head in black, in order to distinguish the stamp better from the 30c.

10c.	dull blue.
12½c.	deep blue.
15c.	brown.
20c.	olive.
25c.	mauve.
30c.	chestnut.
50c.	lake brown.

NOTE.—We have sheets of 100 with both top and bottom margins, i.e., both top and bottom panes of original sheets, but they show no difference in the setting of the surcharge. No. 47 has no stop or only a very faint stop after "Java" and Nos. 36, 37 on some sheets also have no stop.

Large Design.

Sheets, 5 rows of 10, with margins on all four sides.

1 gulden, lilac.

2½ " dark green.

All have the same type of "JAVA" surcharge, 15mm. long.

BUITEN BEZIT.

Just as we go to press, we receive entire sheets of all the Buiten Bezit set.

BUITEN BEZIT.

Adhesives. Surcharged approximately as above in black reading up.

½c.	lilac.	Sheets, 10 rows of 10.
1c.	olive-green	" " "
2c.	red-brown	" " "
2½c.	green	" " "
3c.	orange	" " "
5c.	rose	" " "

NOTE.—Our sheets all have margins removed, and may be only half-sheets as printed. The ½, 1 and 2c. sheets have a broken-backed B on No. 5, whilst the 2½, 3 and 5c. sheets have a broken-footed E in "Bezit."

10c. dull blue Sheets, 10 rows of 10.

12½c. deep blue " "

15c. brown " "

20c. olive " "

25c. mauve " "

30c. chestnut " "

50c. lake-brown " "

1g. lilac Sheets, 5 rows of 10.

2½g. dark green " "

NOTE.—The 2½g. sheet sent us has full margins, but the other values are all in sheets without margin. The 10, 15 and 20c. sheets have a broken B on stamp No. 23, reading almost like "RUITEN," whilst the 25, 30 and 50c. sheets have also a broken-footed B on No. 31 and on No. 32 the B is broken at the top.

We obtained all we cabled for except of the 2½ gulden, of which only one sheet of 50 was sent us. Does this signify that this value is already obsolete?

The 15c. has two continuous horizontal bars on each horizontal row of stamps and consequently at right angles to the surcharge "Buiten Bezit."

**LEEWARD ISLANDS (460 C 468).**—The following further supplies of stamps were received at Antigua on 15.7.08.

6d.	6240 (52 sheets of 120).
1/-	6240 (52 " 120).

These are presumably the "multiple chalky" variety mentioned in the *Colonial Office Journal* (of which by the way a new number is due in two or three weeks).

EVERY COLLECTOR SHOULD SUBSCRIBE TO "E.W.S.N."

It is no economy to save the small subscription (4/4) and live in ignorance of Philatelic events.

We are informed by Mr. Camroux that he has the following novelties.



Adhesives. Wmk. Crown CA multiple, chalk-surface paper.

½d.	lilac and green.
2d.	" bistre.

Issued 25.7.08 or earlier.

**NYASALAND (465 F 468).**—The earliest specimen of the new stamps is shown us by Mr. T. Tyler. The postmark is in emerald-green and reads "Zomba, Nyasaland, 3.30 P.M., JV 20 80," the latter evidently being an error for "08." Mr. McNaughtan writes us that he has all values up to 1/- postmarked 21.7.08.

**ST. HELENA (456 O 468).**—The small 1d. King's Head is no longer on sale, as the stock was not renewed when it last became exhausted. The quantities of the new stamps were as follows:



2½d.	8,160	(68 sheets of 120)
4d.	8,160	(68 " 120)
6d.	8,160	(68 " 120)
10/-	3,120	(26 " 120)

They were received at St. Helena on 19.5.08 and as we have specimens postmarked 20.5.08, they were evidently immediately placed on sale. The next supply of 10/- must have multiple watermark, as the Crown Agent's stock of green paper with single watermark is exhausted.

**SEYCHELLES (458 H 468).**—The following additional supplies of stamps have recently been ordered from England but it is not expected that they will be different from those previously supplied.

2c.	..	60,000
3c.	..	60,000
6c.	..	60,000
12c.	..	24,000
15c.	..	24,000
18c.	..	24,000

**STRAITS SETTLEMENTS (461 I 468).**—The following novelty has been shown us by Mr. W. H. Regan.



Adhesive. Wmk. Crown CA multiple, ordinary paper.

10c. lilac on yellow (instead of lilac and black on yellow).

Issued 25.8.08 or earlier.

**TASMANIA (454 N 468).**—The 6d. is now reported by the *Australian Philatelist* (1.8.08/145) with the other perforation.



Adhesive. Wmk. Crown A, perf. 12½.  
6d. lake.

# Approval Sheets of All Countries.

CHIEFLY USED STAMPS, BOTH OBSOLETE AND CURRENT ISSUES (9,000 Varieties.)

No varieties of perforation or watermark are examined or described; no notice is taken of surcharges. All are standard varieties that have first claim to be represented in a general collector's album. Should any of the stamps have rare perforations, or be in scarce shades, nothing extra is charged on that account.

<p><b>GREAT BRITAIN AND COLONIES.</b> (2691 different sorts exist).</p> <p>479 Gt. Britain, 1840-1870 370 " 1870-1887 371 " 1887-1901 373 " 1840-1884 374 " 1884-1901 105 Antigua and Bahamas 106 Barbados 107 Bechuanaland and Cayman Is. 480 B.C.A. 108 Bermuda 109 B. Honduras 462 B. Columbia &amp; Vancouver Is. 110 B.E.A. 111 B. Guiana 388 B.N.G. and Papua 391 " " 436 " " 112 B.S.A. " 113 Cape Colony 378 " " 382 " " 409 Cayman Islands 114 Ceylon, Pence issue and 1st 147 " [Cents issue 481 " Cents issue 115 Cook Islands 116 Cyprus 104 Canada, 1870-97 117 " 1859-70 118 " 1851-68 119 " 1897-1904 120 " Jubilee and Map 121 Dominica 380 Brunei, East Africa &amp; Uganda 122 Falkland Islands 123 Fiji Islands 124 Gambia. 125 Gibraltar 126 Gold Coast 127 Grenada [and Sudan 469 Heligoland and Ionian Islands 128 Hong Kong 405 " King's heads 129 East India 130 India (Empire) 131 Jamaica 357 " used 132 Labuan, 1st design, Queen's 133 " 1879-1897 Head 483 " 1895-03 134 Lagos 135 Leeward Islands 348 Madagascar, British Post. 136 Malta 137 Mauritius, Pence issues 488 " Cents " 138 Montserrat and Nevis 139 Natal 406 " King's heads 140 New Brunswick, Nova Scotia 141 Newfoundland, 1857-80 482 " 1880-1905 468 New Republic 143 New South Wales, 1862-97 372 " " 144 New Zealand, 1st design 145 " 1854-1898 386 Pictorial 146 Niger Coast 148 North Borneo, 1883-1889 486 " Pictorial issues</p>	<p>149 Northern Nigeria 150 Orange Free State and Colony 351 Orange River Colony 498 Prince Edward Is. 151 Queensland, 1860-1882 152 " 1882-96 492 " 1891-1907 154 St. Christopher 155 St. Helena 156 St. Lucia 157 St. Vincent 158 Sarawak 159 Seychelles 349 " 160 Sierra Leone 161 S. Australia, 1855-1887 162 " long stamps 163 S. Nigeria 499 Solomon Is. and Somaliland 487 Stellaland and Tobago 164 Straits Settlements 434 " 165 Malay States and Maldives 166 Johore 167 Negri Sembilan and Pahang 168 Perak 169 Selangor and Sungei Ujong 170 Tasmania, 1853-1892 452 " 1892-1906 171 Tonga 172 Transvaal, 1869-1885 173 " 1896 and Pietersburg 489 " 1894-07 174 Trinidad 175 Turks Islands and Virgin Islds. 176 Uganda 177 Victoria, 1851-1862 490 " 1863-1885 178 " 1885-1887 491 " 1900-1906 179 Western Australia 180 Zanzibar 181 Zululand</p>	<p>205 French Foreign P.O., 1902 206 French Colonies, 1859-92 207 " " 1892 208 Djibouti 209 Obock 412 Guadeloupe 413 Indo-China 414 Madagascar 210 Fr. Somali Coast and Fr. Guiana 211 French Congo 222 Fr. Guinea and New Caledonia 435 Middle Congo 212 Fr. West Africa 411 Reunion 213 Tunis 214 Germany, 1868-75 215 " 1875-79 216 " 1879-1902 217 German Colonies 415 German Colonies, used and un. 218 Alsace to Brunswick 219 Hamburg to Oldenburg 220 Prussia and Saxony 221 Schleswig-Holstein and Thurn and Taxis 477 Greece, 1861-1896 478 " 1901-1906 470 " cheap used 315 " 1861-96 316 " 1901-06 223 Holland, 1852-72 224 " 1872-99 225 " 1891-99 226 Dutch Indies, 1870-83 227 " " 1870-1905 228 Curaçao 229 Suriname 230 Hungary, 1871-1898 231 " 1900 232 Iceland 233 Italy, 1851-90 234 " 1890-95 420 " 235 Italian Col., F.P.O., and States to Sicily 403 Italian States, Parma to Tuscany 236 Luxembourg 237 Monaco 238 Montenegro (1st type) 239 " (later issues) 377 " 1898-1902 423 " postally used 240 Norway 241 " 1872-77 242 Portugal, 1853-1892 243 " 1892-1905 244 Port. Colonies near Europe 493 Ditto, beyond Europe, 1870-93 416 " " 1897 design 402 " " 1870-1898 246 Ditto (Vasca da Gama), 1893-97 247 Ditto, 1897 type 248 Mozambique, India and Nyassa 428 Pictorial stamps 249 Roumania, 1858-71 (imperf. issues) 250 " 1871-90 417 " 1890-1891 418 " Pictorial 251 Russia 252 Russian Foreign P.O. 253 San Marino 254 Serbia, 1866-05</p>	<p>255 Servia, 1901-05 256 Spain, 1850-67 397 " 1850-1872 257 " 1870-1878 258 " 1879-95 424 " 1873-75 259 Cuba, 1855-77 260 " 1882-98 419 " 1877-1881 421 Elobey and Spanish Guinea 261 Fernando Poo 262 Philippines 389 Philippine Islands 263 Porto Rico 264 Sweden, 1855-1872 410 " 1891 265 Switzerland, 1845-82 266 Turkey, 1863-76 268 " 1892-06 398 " 269 Wurtemberg</p>	<p><b>REST OF WORLD.</b> (2565 different sorts exist).</p> <p>270 Abyssinia 384 Afghanistan 271 China 273 Congo Free State 274 Corea, 1895-1902 275 " 1903 276 Egypt 473 " 277 Japan, 1871-76 278 " 1894-1900 467 " 1876-1904 279 Liberia, 1860-1892 453 " 1892-06 280 Persia, 1868-91 281 " 1891-1906 463 Shanghai 283 Siam 284 Argentine Republic, 1858-67 285 " 1882-90 286 " 1889-92 287 " 1892-99 458 Buenos Aires and Corrientes 288 Bolivia, 1866-67 289 " 1878-97 290 " 1897-01 291 Brazil, 1844-78 292 " 1878-1900, chiefly used 293 " 1880-1906 294 Chili, 1852-81 295 " 1881-1906 379 " cheap used 296 Colombia, 1859-70 297 " 1876-86 298 " 1890-98 299 " 1902-04 300 " (Cartagena and other issues, 1898-05) 433 " 1902 issue 301 Costa Rica, 1862-89 454 " 1892-06 302 Dominican Republic, 1862-1900 466 " 303 Ecuador, 1865-94 430 " 1899-05 432 Ecuador, 1895-99 304 Guatemala, 1871-86 305 " 1902 426 " 1897-06</p>	<p>306 Hayti, 1871-98 422 " 1898-1906 307 Honduras, 1865-92 431 " 1892-02 308 Mexico, 1856-74 309 " 1874-82 310 " 1884-85 311 " 1886-99 429 " 1886-03 312 Nicaragua, 1862-91 313 " 1892-97 455 " 1898-06 314 Panama (unsurcharged) 317 Paraguay, 1870-1892 318 " 1900-03 319 " 1903-07 460 " 1870-1904 320 Peru, 1858-74 321 " 1895-96 456 " 1896-07 322 Salvador, 1867-92 323 " 1892-95 464 " 1895-96 465 " 1897-06 324 Uruguay, used and unused 325 " 1884-90 326 " 1890-05 327 " 1895 328 " 1887-04 427 " 1895-07 328 Venezuela, 1859-06 (for internal postage) 329 Venezuela, 1880-96 (Foreign correspondence) 457 Venezuela, 1903-06 (Foreign correspondence) 330 United States, 1851-1882 331 " 1884, 1900, 1902 332 " Columbus, Omaha, etc. 404 " cheap used (used) 461 " 333 Confederate States and Cuba 381 Philippine Islands (U.S.A.) 443 Samoa 334 Hawaii, 1853-1882 459 " 1891 (Pictorial issue)</p>
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† These Sheets are newly mounted this week.

The above fine series of Approval Sheets consists solely of stamps arranged according to our "Monthly Quotations" (4d. post free).

# Approval Sheets of New Issues.

BRITISH COLONIES ONLY, CHIEFLY KING SINGLES AND MULTIPLES, USED AND UNUSED.

Stamps purchased from these Approval Sheets count in the Competition for "Our Own Times" Album, whereas those purchased from the above Sheets (obsolete issues) count in the "Good Old Times" Competition.

<p>500 Aitutaki on N.Z. 501 Antigua 581 Australian Commonwealth Postage Dues 502 Bahamas, King, &amp;c. 503 Barbados 504 Bechuanaland, King 505 Bermuda, Dockyard 506 Br. Central Africa, King 507 British Guiana 508 Br. Honduras, King 585 British New Guinea 509 Br. New Guinea and Papua 510 Br. South Africa [unused 380 Brunei, 1st issue, used and 512 Brunei, surch. and pictorial 511 Canada, King, &amp;c. 513 Cape, King 514 Cayman Is., King 515 Ceylon, King</p>	<p>516 Chamba on India, King 360 Cook Islands, Queen's Head 517 Cook Is. 518 Cyprus, King 519 Dominica, pictorial 520 E. Africa, King 521 Falkland, King 522 Fiji, King 523 Gambia, King 524 Gibraltar, King 525 Gold Coast, King 526 Grenada, King 527 Gwalior on India, King 528 Hong Kong, King 529 India, King 530 C.E.P. on India, King 531 Jamaica, Arms 532 Jhind on India 533 Johor, 1904 534 Labuan, Crown</p>	<p>580 Labuan, pictorial 411 Labuan, sur. " Straits " 381 " " used and un. 535 Lagos, King 536 Leeward, King 537 Levant on Gt. Britain 538 Malay States 539 Maldives on Ceylon 540 Malta, King, &amp;c. 541 Mauritius, Arms 542 Montserrat, Arms 584 Morocco Ag. on Gibraltar— varieties 543 Morocco on Gibraltar 544 Morocco on Gt. Britain 545 Nabha on India, King 546 Natal, King [Family 547 Newfoundland, Cabot and Royal 548 New South Wales 583 New Zealand Pictorials and Officials</p>	<p>549 New Zealand, pictorial 550 Niue on N.Z. 551 North Borneo 552 N. Nigeria, King 553 Orange River Colony, King 554 Patiala on India, King 555 Penrhy on N.Z. 556 Queensland 557 St. Helena, King, &amp;c. 558 St. Kitts-Nevis, pictorial 559 St. Lucia, King 560 St. Vincent, King 561 Sarawak, Rajah's Head 562 Sierra Leone, King 563 Solomon Islands 564 Solomons 565 Somaliland, 1st issue 566 Somaliland, King and Queen, surch. 579 " Prot. King</p>	<p>347 Somaliland 377 Somaliland Officials, 1st issue varieties 378 Somaliland Service 566 South Australia 567 S. Nigeria, King 568 Straits, King 569 Sudan, Camel 570 Tasmania, pictorial 571 Tonga, pictorial and portrait 350 Transvaal C.S.A.R. 572 Transvaal, King 573 Trinidad 574 Turks Islands 575 Victoria 576 Virgin Islands 577 Western Australia 349 Zanzibar, 1904, and varieties 578 Zanzibar, Arms</p>
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## USED STAMPS.

Please order on separate sheet, as this stock is kept at 30, Palace Square.

### BRITISH NEW GUINEA.

Surcharged "Papua." Very fine used, 1d. red and grey, 2½d.; 2d. lilac and grey, 6d.; 2½d. blue and grey, 9d.; 6d. green and grey, 1/6; and 1/- orange and grey, 2/6.

### SIAM.

1905, King's Head and View of Grand Mosque, very fine used, 2a. grey and lilac 1d., 3a. green 1d., 4a. red and brown 1d., 5a. rose 1½d., 8a. brown and black 2d., 12a. blue 1½d., 24a. brown 2d., 1t. brown and blue 8d.

New colours, 9a. blue 2d. and 18a. brown 3d.

### SAN MARINO.

1903, large rect. view. Very fine used, 5c. green, 1d.; 10c. rose, 2d.; and 25c. blue, 3d. Also 1907, new design, 15c. blue, 2½d.

### AUSTRIA.

1908, various large designs. Fine used, 1b. grey, ½d.; 2h. lilac, ½d.; 5b. green, ½d.; 6h. yellow, 1d.; 10h. red, ½d.; 12h. red, 2d.; 20h. brown, 2d.; 25h. blue, 1d.; 30h. green, 4d.; 35h. blue, 3d.; and 60h. red, 4d.

### MONTSERRAT.

1903 Arms. Very fine used ½d. green 1d., 1d. rose and grey 1d., 2d. brown and grey 4d., 2½d. blue and grey 4d., 3d. lilac and orange 5d. The set of five 1/3.



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**CAYMAN ISLANDS.**



1907, King's Head, "Postage and Revenue," very fine used, 1/4d. green 1d., 1d. rose 2d., 2 1/2d. blue 4d., 3d. on yellow 5d., 1/- on green 1/6, 5/- on yellow 7/6, 10/- on green 15/-.



King's Head, bi-coloured, very fine used, 1/4d. on 5/-, price 15/- each.

**GAMBIA.**

1902, King's Head, very fine used, 1/4d. green 1d., 1d. rose 1 1/2d., 2d. yellow and lilac 2 1/2d., 2 1/2d. blue 4d., 3d. lilac and blue 5d., 4d. brown and blue 6d., 5d. grey and black 8d., 6d. green and rose 9d., 7 1/2d. green and rose 10d., 10d. brown and rose 1/3, and 1/- lilac and green 1/6. The complete set of eleven values, 6/6

**ANTIGUA.**



1903, Large Arms design, fine used 1/4d. green and black 1d., 1d. red and grey 1d., 2d. brown and lilac 4d., 3d. brown and green 5d., 6d. black and lilac 9d., 1/- lilac and blue 1/6, and 2/- lilac and green 2/9.

**MALAY.**



1900, Tiger and Elephants, very fine used 1c. green and black 1/4d., 3c. brown and black 1/2d., 4c. rose and black 1d., 5c. red and green 2d., 8c. blue and black 2d., 10c. lilac and black 1 1/2d., 50c. orange and black 9d., 1c. green 1/2d. and 3c. brown 1/4d.

Fiscally used, \$1 green 1/6, \$2 green and rose 3/-, \$5 green and blue 8/-.

**PAPUA.**



Permanent design, very fine, 1/4d. green and grey, 1d.; and 1d. red and grey, 2d.

**CEYLON.**

1908, new design, with figure of value at each lower corner, used 5c. lilac, 1d.

**SIAM.**

1883, inscription in Siamese only, very fine mint copies of 1/2a. blue 2 1/2d., 2a. red 7d., and 4a. yellow 6d.

1900, profile to left, very fine used 2a. green 1d., 2a. red and blue 1d., 3a. green 1d., 10a. blue 1 1/4d.

**Our Prize Competitions.**

The minimum number entitling to one of the prize albums is 100.

**No. 1. APPROVAL DEPT. (Current Issues).**

To the competitor who has purchased by the end of next week the most stamps from our approval sheets of current issues (informing us at the time he wishes the number to compete) we will send post free a copy of "Our Own Times" Postage Stamp Album. This album is specially arranged for King's Head stamps and other current colonial issues.

Result, Week ending 5th Sept., 1908.

	Stamps
JC (1st and 2nd last week) ...	80
WR (3rd last week) ...	72
FS (4th last week) ...	53
NC (5th last week) ...	28
JE (6th last week) ...	25
WP (7th last week) ...	21
RH (8th last week) ...	19
HN (9th last week) ...	19
Mrs. G ...	18

Non-winners' totals are carried forward to next week.

**No. 2. APPROVAL DEPT. (Old Issues).**

To the competitor who has purchased by the end of next week the most stamps from our approval sheets of old issues (informing us at the time he wishes the number to compete) we will present a copy of the "Good Old Times" Postage Stamp Album (no watermarks, perforations, surcharges, minor varieties).

**SECTION II.—EUROPE AND COLONIES.**

Result, Week ending 5th Sept., 1908.

JW (winner and 2nd last week) ...	101
NC (3rd last week) ...	90
ED (4th last week) ...	75
RW (6th last week) ...	74
FS (5th last week) ...	48
JH (7th last week) ...	36
AD (8th last week) ...	34
HW (9th last week) ...	23
JB (10th last week) ...	22
FC (11th last week) ...	21
JL ...	21
AE (12th last week) ...	18

**SECTION III.—REST OF THE WORLD.**

Same conditions as No. 2 but only open to winners of Section II. The prize is Part III. of the Album, and stamps purchased from any approval sheets of old issues count.

Result, Week ending 5th Sept., 1908.

SR (winner and 5th last week) ...	115
WS (runner-up and 2nd last week) ...	76
TL (1st last week) ...	75
PB (3rd last week) ...	63
JF (4th last week) ...	47
JD (6th last week) ...	41
ES (7th last week) ...	24
WP (8th last week) ...	18
HS (9th last week) ...	15
JP (10th last week) ...	14
JW ...	10

Non-winners' totals are carried forward to next week. Winners residing abroad will be required to pay carriage and customs charges if any.

**SECTION I.—GREAT BRITAIN AND COLONIES.**

Although this album is not likely to be ready till September, winners of Section III. intending to compete for it can have their purchases credited in the meantime, all the totals being carried forward until the competition commences. This album will complete the very handsome series of three volumes.

The following totals are carried forward to the first week of the competition.

FL ...	457	GS ...	98
EB ...	383	JB ...	89
RG ...	269	GP ...	86
Mrs. C ...	250	JR ...	60
JO ...	230	GA ...	46
ESW ...	201	WB ...	42
Rev. S ...	146	SG ...	23
JF ...	121	ES ...	19
JE ...	111	ES ...	18

W.R. writes (11.4.08):—"I have to return you warm thanks for the handsome copy of your "Our Own Times" Album sent to me last week, as the prize in your competition. I have already two copies of this book, but am nevertheless pleased to possess the copy just sent. I shall be pleased to enter the competition for the other two volumes in due course. I only fear that the simplified system on which I observe your "Old Times" Album is based, will hardly commend itself to collectors hardened in the "pernicious" old school of collectors of varieties of watermarks, perforations, papers, &c. However, I shall be interested in watching the progress of the new movement. Certainly the formidableness of the task of grappling with the present overgrown field must act as a deterrent to beginners in this fascinating hobby."

E.F. writes (23.4.08):—"I beg to acknowledge with many thanks the receipt of the "Our Own Times" Album. To say I am pleased with it

does not express myself sufficiently. I have been looking forward to receiving an excellent album, but this one is magnificent and quite exceeds my expectations. I will do all I can to further your interests; two or three of my friends have decided to enter your weekly competition for albums."

The awards are made and albums posted every Monday.

Since our main object in giving these albums away is to get them known, winners can repay us by showing them to stamp-collecting friends as well as by purchasing stamps.

**No. 3. EDITORIAL COMPETITION.**

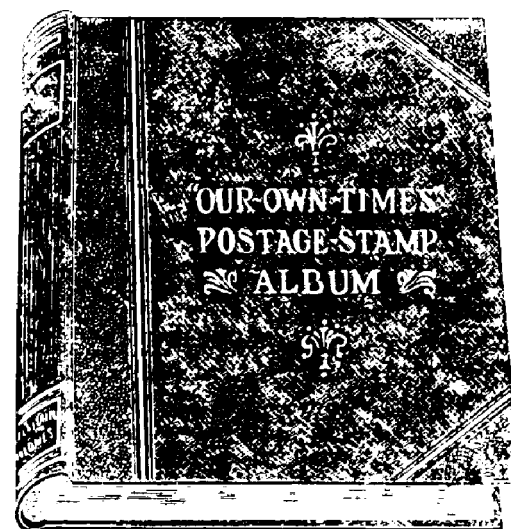
The competitor who sends us the most interesting item of information for our New Issue column each week will be credited 2/6, which must be claimed within seven days (allowance to foreign readers) and may be selected from any of our approval sheets. From time to time we shall voluntarily increase the prize.

Award this week. No entry.

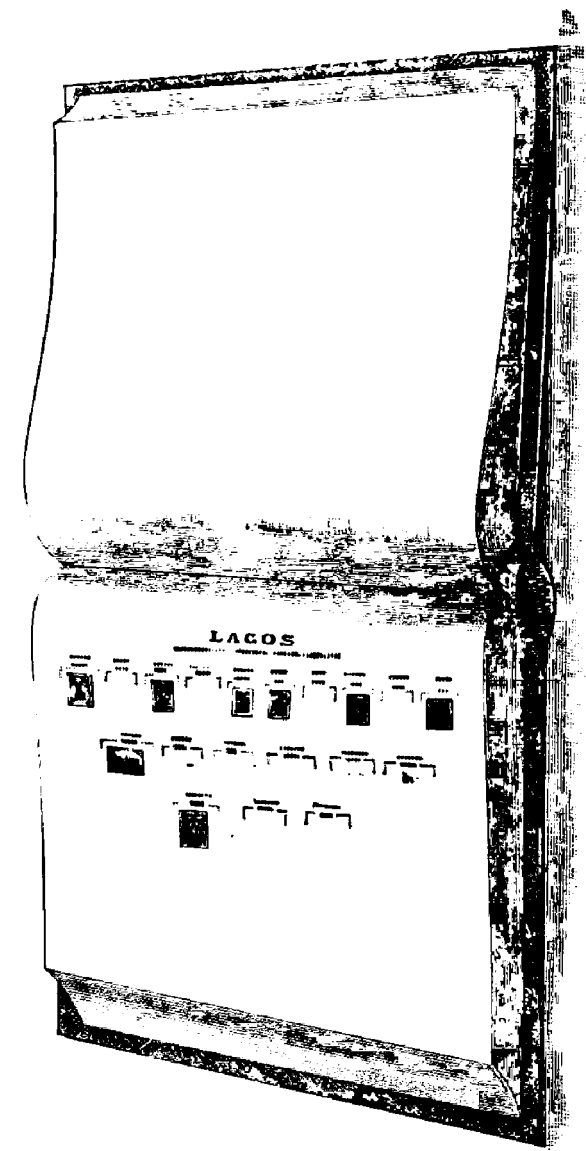
Winners are requested to make early application for their prizes.

**Our Albums.**

Our Albums are bound alike, as shown in the following illustration.



The Album opens as shown, thus enabling two albums to be compared close together.



**SUDAN.**

Multiple Watermark. 5 piastres, mint 1/3.

**LEEWARD ISLANDS.**

3d. King, single wmk., mint 5d.; blocks 1/8; pane of 60, 25/-.

**QUEENSLAND.**

1/4d., 1d., 2d., 4d., Queen's Head, Crown A, mint, 9d. 2 1/2d., 3d., 5d., 1/- Cro. Q. latest shades, 2/2 1/2.

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be† 4d. " " SA, type i., perf. 11½.

bft 5d. " " " perf. 12 X 11½.

bst 8d. " " type i., perf. 11½.

bj† 1/- " " A, type ii., perf. 12.

Cayman Is. Provisional.

CY at 1d. on 4d., King, multiple wmk.

New South Wales.

NSW bu† 9d., wmk. Crown double-lined A, perf. 12½, new golden-brown shade instead of red-brown shade.

We have received a further supply of the Cayman Island provisional ¼d. on 1d., which we shall be sending with the current week's New Issues.

### JAVA and BUITEN BEZIT.

Complete sets (up to 2½ gulden) of both are to hand and are being sent out this week. The Java we can only supply in complete sets at 10/9 (ordinary rates). The Buiten Bezit we can supply in sets up to 1 gulden, having only had a few of the 2½ gulden. All are being sent to New Issue clients at ordinary rates.

Arrivals for our New Issue Service are expected to be heavy during the next few weeks.

Nyasalands. A supply of £500 worth is due shortly and preference will be given to New Issue clients.

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### AUSTRIAN F.P. OFFICE.

1908, new set for Crete. Mint, 5c. green, 1d.; 10c. red, 2d.; 15c. brown, 2d.; 25c. blue, 4d.; 50c. red, 8d.; and 1g. brown, 1/3.

### CUBA (U.S.A.)

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Canada, Quebec, 1c.	... 7d.	4/11	—
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## The Week's News.

The Editor is always pleased to receive Early Information of New Issues, or of Discoveries interesting to Stamp Collectors, and will acknowledge such contributions either by name in the journal or by the presentation of several interesting newly-issued stamps, as preferred.

The index number and serial letter after the title of each paragraph indicate the issue of E.W.S.N. in which the last reference to that country appeared.

**ANTARCTIC EXHIBITION (461 F 469).**  
—We take the following from the *Daily Graphic*:

### BRITISH ANTARCTIC EXPEDITION.

DISPATCH OF SUPPLIES TO LIEUTENANT SHACKLETON.

Active preparations have been in hand for some time past in this country and in New Zealand for the despatch of relief food supplies and equipment for Lieutenant Shackleton and his comrades to McMurdo Sound, in the Antarctic regions, where they are wintering preparatory to the sledge journey to the south, east and west at the beginning of October. The supplies will be shipped to Lyttelton, New Zealand, where they will be put on board the expedition ship *Nimrod*.

The *Nimrod* will take food supplies for thirty-eight men for one year to provide against the possibility of being frozen in. She will sail from Lyttelton for the Antarctic on December 1st, and she is at present in dry dock at that port undergoing repairs.

The *Nimrod* left Lieutenant Shackleton and his party in the best of health at McMurdo Sound base, 77½ degs. south latitude, on February 22nd, and she returned to Lyttelton. She successfully landed all the stores at the above base before sailing—namely, a portable house, 33ft. x 19ft. x 8ft., acetylene gas plant, two years' food supplies, equipment, ponies, dogs, motor-car, coal, oil, etc.—in fact, everything necessary to make their stay there warm and comfortable for the winter.

Should any friends of the explorers wish to send out presents to the Antarctic they should address them (not later than September 18th) to Messrs. J. and T. Bayley, Limited, 10, Bury Court, St. Mary's Axe, London, E.C., packers to the expedition, with an advice note, and they will pack and forward them to their destination. Letters should be addressed, "Care of British Antarctic Expedition, 1907, S.Y. *Nimrod*, Lyttelton, New Zealand," and posted in London not later than Friday, October 16th. It is hoped that news from the Antarctic will be received about March or April next year.

**ARGENTINE REPUBLIC (457 L 469).**—In addition to the 2 and 5c. already reported, we now have the 15c. of the new series.

#### Adhesive.

15c. apple-green.

Issued 9.08 or earlier.

**AUSTRALIAN COMMONWEALTH (456 Q 469).**—The following cutting is from the *Melbourne Argus* (13.6.08).

#### SPECIAL ISSUE OF POSTCARDS.

A special issue of postcards has been arranged for by the Postmaster-General (Mr. Mauger), to commemorate the visit of the American fleet. The designs for the new cards have been approved, and proofs of them are expected shortly. They will contain views of the General Post Offices in Sydney and Melbourne, with the Australian and American flags crossed in one corner. There are to be 50,000 of these cards issued for each city—Sydney and Melbourne. The issue of the cards will be notified by proper advertisement, so that their sale may be assured.

**BARBADOS (463 F 469).**—Our correspondent here says he can hear nothing further respecting the rumoured new issue with values in figures, and it seems probable that it is only a canard.

**BRITISH NEW GUINEA (457 Z 469).**—Major Evans informs us that he has the following. Only Nos. 323 and 324 are now wanted to complete our list.



Adhesive. Thick paper, wmk. narrow rosettes.  
4d. brown and black.

**CANADA (465 T 469).**—The Colonial Stamp Market has shown us two new plate-numbers, 1c. 34, 2c. 62, issued 9.08. The list of those known is now as follows:—



#### Marginal Plate-Numbers of King's Head Canadian Stamps.

1c.	Plate Nos. 1 to 10, 13, 14, 19, 22, 24, 25, 34.
2c.	" 1 to 30, 35 to 40, 47, 53 to 58, 62.
5c.	" 1, 2.
7c., 20c.	" 1.
10c.	" 1, 2.

#### Postage Due Adhesives.

1c.	Plate Nos. 1.
2c.	" 1, 2.
5c.	" 1.

#### Special Delivery.

10c.	Plate No. 1.
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#### Marginal Plate-Numbers of Quebec Issue.

½, 7, 10, 15, 20c.	Plate No. 1.
1, 2c.	" 1, 2, 3, 4.
5c.	" 1, 2.

We have seen a letter dated 2.9.08 from a Toronto collector saying:—"The issue of these [the Quebec] stamps is entirely exhausted and the Post Office is now selling the ordinary stamps again."

Mr. Willard O. Wylie informs us that press despatches emphatically state that no further printings of the Tercentenary set can be expected. Thus far about \$600,000 has been realised, a big demand for the stamps having been noted, collectors and dealers vying with the general public in giving circulation to this handsome issue. No less a paper than the *Montreal Star* publishes Ottawa correspondence to the effect that the supply is running low and "no more will be printed."

**CHINA (427 T 469).**—The *Illustriertes Briefmarken Journal* (12.9.08/423) chronicles and illustrates the following new postcard.

Postcard. With rectangular instead of sideways oval stamp.

1c. green (single and reply).

**GERMAN F.P.O. (327 I 469).**—The following announcement is reproduced from the *Globe* (31.8.08).

The German Imperial Government has decided to issue new stamps for the Eastern or Levant Post Offices. They will be the ordinary German postage stamps, but the values will be surcharged diagonally and in French. The stamps to be put in circulation are to be of the denominations of 5, 10, 25 and 50 centimes, and also one franc. Newspaper wrappers of the value of five centimes are also to be issued.

The *Illustriertes Briefmarken Journal* (12.9.08/425) chronicles the following:—

#### Adhesives.

5 centimes black on 5 pf. green
10 " " on 10 pf. rose.
25 " " on 20 pf. blue.
50 " " on 40 pf. carmine and black.
100 " " on 80 pf. " " on rose.

#### Wrappers.

5 centimes black on 5 pf. green.

#### Postcards.

10 centimes black on 10 pf. carmine (single and reply).

Our contemporary states that the stamps will not be sold over the counter in the usual way, but will only be obtainable on special requisition to the Postmaster. They are mainly intended for Printed Matter, Samples and Business Papers, but can be used for letters also. In this case, however, a letter of 20 grammes would cost 25 centimes, which is equal to nearly 2½d. whereas if the ordinary stamps are used the cost is only 1 piastre or 2d. The postcards however permit a slight saving, 10 penny cards costing 1 franc (9½d.) instead of 5 piastres (10d.)

**JAMAICA (458 K 469).**—The 5d. value is obsolete (9.08 or earlier) and the 6d. and 1/- Queen's Head have been reissued with single watermark.

**NEW HEBRIDES (403 E 469).**—*Le Journal des Philatélistes* (7.8.08/305) states that a set of stamps has appeared here, consisting of the 5, 10, 25, 50c. and 1fr. of the 1905 set of New Caledonia surcharged NOUVELLES-HÉBRIDES. The surcharge is in blue on the 10c. and in red on the other values. On the 1fr. it is in one line and on the other values in two.

**NEW ZEALAND (464 I 469).**—The 3d. registration envelopes now have a manuscript surcharge in red "2d", the "3d" at either side being crossed through.

#### Registration Envelope.

"2d" in manuscript on 3d. blue.

**RUSSIA (410 R 469).**—The following is from the *Standard* (27.8.08).

Nearly three-quarters of a million sterling has been stolen in the past three years from the Russian Post Office Department by a gang of swindlers, headed by a post office official of Moscow. Over a score of arrests have been made in and about Moscow and in Warsaw. The Moscow official advertised for used stamps, and bought them in millions, both in Russia and Germany. These were sent to Warsaw, where the postmarks were cleaned off, and the stamps, made up in packets of thousands, returned to Moscow. They were sold mostly in small shops that make a business in Russia of keeping a stock of postage stamps to save the public the endless delays involved in a visit to a Russian post office. Numbers were also disposed of at the Moscow head post office by the official interested, who offered them to impatient customers tired of waiting their turn in the queue.

The *modus operandi* of the Warsaw Jews accused of cleaning used stamps is simple in the extreme. It is said that nothing more is needed to remove the Russian postmarks than to soak the stamps for a time in petroleum, after which they are dried, and only an expert eye can then detect the fraud. It is believed the frauds extend much beyond what has yet been discovered, as large quantities of bill stamps have also been found to be clever forgeries. These stamps are not susceptible to the cleaning process, as the usual way of defacing them, at any rate in large offices, is with a perforating machine.

**SPANISH COLONIES (465 S 469).**—*Rio de Oro.*—The following new provisional is chronicled by *Le Journal des Philatélistes* (7, 8.08/306).

#### Adhesive.

10c. in red on 50c. brown-violet of 1907.

The surcharge reads "1908—10—cents" in three lines.

**STRAITS SETTLEMENTS (468 J 469).**—The 10c. chronicled last week was issued 4.7.08 or earlier.

**SWITZERLAND (464 L 469).**—The Colonial Stamp Market has shown us another value of the new series with solid background.

#### Adhesive.

30c. yellow-brown and light green.

Earliest postmark seen, 10.9.08.

**TONGA (422 H 469).**—We are indebted to Messrs. Bridger & Kay for another valuable and interesting watermark discovery. The two papers in the current Tonga pictorial stamps—thick and thin—are well known, but we do not remember having seen it mentioned before that the watermark is different. Messrs. Bridger and Kay, however, point out that in the thick paper issue the turtles' heads point the same way, whilst in the thin paper issue, the turtles' heads point alternately up and down. They have found the following varieties:—

(i.) Wmk. Turtles' heads pointing same way. Thick paper.  
½d. to 5/-, all values.

(ii.) Wmk. Turtles' heads pointing alternately up and down. Thin paper.  
½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d.

Is the difference in the positions produced by turning the paper sideways? In any case the papers are different and merit cataloguing; the shades are also slightly different, especially in the 2½d.

# Approval Sheets of All Countries.

CHIEFLY USED STAMPS, BOTH OBSOLETE AND CURRENT ISSUES (9,000 Varieties.)

<b>GREAT BRITAIN AND COLONIES.</b> (2691 different sorts exist).		149 Northern Nigeria 150 Orange Free State and Colony 351 Orange River Colony 498 Prince Edward Is. 151 Queensland, 1860-1882 152 " " 1882-96 492 " " 1891-1907 154 St. Christopher 155 St. Helena 156 St. Lucia 157 St. Vincent 158 Sarawak 159 Seychelles 349 " " 160 Sierra Leone 161 S. Australia, 1855-1887 162 " " long stamps 163 S. Nigeria 499 Solomon Is. and Somaliland 487 Stellaland and Tobago 164 Straits Settlements 434 " " 165 Malay States and Maldives 166 Johore 167 Negri Sembilan and Pahang 168 Perak 169 Selangor and Sungei Ujong 170 Tasmania, 1853-1892 452 " " 1892-1906 171 Tonga 172 Transvaal, 1869-1885 173 " " 1896 and Pietersburg 489 " " 1894-07 174 Trinidad 175 Turks Islands and Virgin Islds. 176 Uganda 177 Victoria, 1851-1862 490 " " 1863-1885 178 " " 1885-1887 491 " " 1900-1906 179 Western Australia 180 Zanzibar 181 Zululand	205 French Foreign P.O., 1902 206 French Colonies, 1859-92 207 " " 1892 208 Djibouti " " 209 Obock " " 412 Guadeloupe 413 Indo-China 414 Madagascar 210 Fr. Somali Coast and Fr. Guiana 211 French Congo 222 Fr. Guinea and New Caledonia 435 Middle Congo 212 French West Africa 411 Reunion 213 Tunis 214 Germany, 1868-75 215 " " 1875-79 216 " " 1899-1902 217 German Colonies 415 German Colonies, used and un. 218† Alsace to Brunswick 219 Hamburg to Oldenburg 220 Prussia and Saxony 221 Schleswig-Holstein and Thurn and Taxis 477 Greece, 1861-1896 478 " " 1901-1906 470† " cheap used 315 " " 1861-96 316 " " 1901-06 223 Holland, 1852-72 224 " " 1872-99 225 " " 1891-99 226 Dutch Indies, 1870-83 227 " " 1870-1905 228 Curaçao 229 Suriname 230 Hungary, 1871-1898 231 " " 1900 232 Iceland 233 Italy, 1851-90 234 " " 1890-95 420 " " [to Sicily 235† Italian Col., F.P.O., and States 403 Italian States, Parma to Tuscany 236 Luxembourg 237 Monaco 238 Montenegro (1st type) 239 " (later issues) 377 " " 1898-1902 423 " " postally used 240 Norway 241 " " 1872-77 242 Portugal, 1853-1892 243 " " 1892-1905 244 Port. Colonies near Europe 493 " " 245 Ditto, beyond Europe, 1870-93 416 " " 1897 design 402 " " 1870-1898 246 Ditto (Vasca da Gama), 1893-97 247 Ditto, 1897 type 248 Mozambique, India and Nyaasa 428 Pictorial stamps 249 Roumania, 1858-71 (imperf. issues) 250 " " 1871-90 417 " " 1890-1891 418 " " Pictorial 251 Russia 252 Russian Foreign P.O. 253 San Marino 254 Serbia, 1866-05	255 Servia, 1901-05 256 Spain, 1850-67 397 " " 1850-1872 257 " " 1870-1878 258 " " 1879-95 424 " " 1873-75 259 Cuba, 1855-77 260 " " 1882-98 419 " " 1877-1881 421 Elobey and Spanish Guinea 261 Fernando Poo 262 Philippines 389 Philippine Islands 263 Porto Rico 264 Sweden, 1855-1872 410 " " 1891 265 Switzerland, 1845-82 266 " " 1882-1900 267 Turkey, 1863-76 268 " " 1892-06 398 " " 269 Wurtemberg	306 Hayti, 1871-98 422 " " 1898-1906 307 Honduras, 1865-92 431 " " 1892-02 308 Mexico, 1856-74 309 " " 1874-82 310 " " 1884-85 311 " " 1886-99 429 " " 1886-03 312 Nicaragua, 1862-91 313 " " 1892-97 455 " " 1898-06 314 Panama (unsurcharged) 317 Paraguay, 1870-1892 318 " " 1900-03 319 " " 1903-07 460 " " 1870-1904 320 Peru, 1858-74 321 " " 1895-96 456 " " 1896-07 322 Salvador, 1867-92 323 " " 1892-95 464 " " 1895-96 465 " " 1897-06 324† Uruguay, used and unused 325 " " 1884-90 326 " " 1890-05 327 " " 1895 383 " " 1887-04 427 " " 1895-07 328 Venezuela, 1859-06 (for internal postage) 329 Venezuela, 1880-96 (Foreign correspondence) 457 Venezuela, 1893-06 (Foreign correspondence) 330 United States, 1851-1882 331 " " 1884, 1900, 1902 332 " " Columbus, Omaha, etc. 404 " " cheap used 461 " " (used) 333 Confederate States and Cuba 381 Philippine Islands (U.S.A.) 443 Samoa 334 Hawaii, 1853-1882 459 " " 1891 (Pictorial issue)
<b>EUROPE AND COLONIES.</b> (3545 different sorts exist).		182 Austria, 1850-90 183 " " 1890-96 184 " " 1891-1905 385† Austrian Diamond Jub. Stamps 369 " " 185 Austrian F.P.O. " " 187 Bavaria, 1849-74 188 " " 1897-74 189 Belgium, 1849-68 190 " " 1868-1906 191 Bosnia, 1879-1901 192 " " Pictorial, 1906 195 " " 1879-1901 193 Bulgaria, 1870-1902 375 " " 1902 194† Crete 196 Denmark 197 Danish West Indies 198 Finland, 1860-75 199 " " 1890-1900 200 France, Head of Liberty 201 " " 1849-70 202 " " 1876-1900 203† " " 1849-06 204 " " 1900-06 361 " " used	270 Abyssinia 384 Afghanistan 271 China 273 Congo Free State 274 Corea, 1895-1902 275 " " 1903 276 Egypt 473 " " 277 Japan, 1871-76 278 " " 1894-1900 467† " " 1876-1904 279 Liberia, 1860-1892 453 " " 1892-06 280 Persia, 1868-91 281 " " 1891-1906 463 Shanghai 283 Siam 284 Argentine Republic, 1858-67 285 " " 1882-90 286 " " 1889-92 287 " " 1892-99 458 Buenos Aires and Corrientes 288 Bolivia, 1866-67 289 " " 1878-97 290 " " 1897-01 291 Brazil, 1844-78 292 " " 1878-1900, chiefly used 293 " " 1880-1906 294 Chili, 1852-81 295 " " 1881-1906 379 " " cheap used 296 Colombia, 1859-70 297 " " 1876-86 298 " " 1890-98 299 " " 1902-04 300 " (Cartagena and other issues, 1898-05) 433 " " 1902 issue 301 Costa Rica, 1862-89 454 " " 1892-06 302 Dominican Republic, 1862-1900 466 " " 303 Ecuador, 1865-94 430 " " 1890-05 432 Ecuador, 1895-99 304 Guatemala, 1871-86 305 " " 1902 426 " " 1897-06	<b>REST OF WORLD.</b> (2565 different sorts exist).	

† These Sheets are newly mounted this week.

# Approval Sheets of New Issues.

BRITISH COLONIES ONLY, CHIEFLY KING SINGLES AND MULTIPLES, USED AND UNUSED.

500 Aitutaki on N.Z. 501 Antigua 581 Australian Commonwealth Postage Dues 502 Bahamas, King, &c. 503 Barbados 504 Bechuanaland, King 505 Bermuda, Dockyard 506 Br. Central Africa, King 507 British Guiana 508 Br. Honduras, King 585 British New Guinea 509 Br. New Guinea and Papua 510 Br. South Africa [unused 380 Brunei, 1st issue, used and 512 Brunei, surch. and pictorial 511 Canada, King, &c. 513 Cape, King 514 Cayman Is., King 515 Ceylon, King	516 Chamba on India, King 380 Cook Islands, Queen's Head 517 Cook Is. 518 Cyprus, King 519 Dominica, pictorial 520 E. Africa, King 521 Falkland, King 522 Fiji, King 523 Gambia, King 524 Gibraltar, King 525 Gold Coast, King 526 Grenada, King 527 Gwalior on India, King 528 Hong Kong, King 529 India, King 530 C.E.F. on India, King 531 Jamaica, Arms 532 Hind on India 533 Johor, 1904 534 Labuan, Crown	580 Labuan, pictorial 411 Labuan, sur. 'Straits' 381 " " used and un. 535 Lagos, King 536 Leeward, King 537 Levant on Gt. Britain 538 Malay States 539 Maldives on Ceylon 540 Malta, King, &c. 541 Mauritius, Arms 542 Montserrat, Arms 584 Morocco Ag. on Gibraltar— varieties 543 Morocco on Gibraltar 544 Morocco on Gt. Britain 545 Nabha on India, King 546 Natal, King [Family 547 Newfoundland, Cabot and Royal 548 New South Wales 583 New Zealand Pictorials and Officials	549 New Zealand, pictorial 550 Niue on N.Z. 551 North Borneo 552 N. Nigeria, King 553 Orange River Colony, King 554 Patiala on India, King 555 Penrhyn on N.Z. 556 Queensland 557 St. Helena, King, &c. 558 St. Kitts-Nevis, pictorial 559 St. Lucia, King 560 St. Vincent, King 561 Sarawak, Rajah's Head 562 Seychelles, King 563 Sierra Leone, King 564 Solomon Islands 546 Somaliland, 1st issue 565 Somaliland, King and Queen, surch. 579 " " Prot. King	347 Somaliland 377 Somaliland Officials, 1st issue varieties 378 Somaliland Service 566 South Australia 567 S. Nigeria, King 568 Straits, King 569 Sudan, Camel 570 Tasmania, pictorial 571 Tonga, pictorial and portrait 350 Transvaal C.S.A.R. 572 Transvaal, King 573 Trinidad 574 Turks Islands 575 Victoria 576 Virgin Islands 577 Western Australia 349 Zanzibar, 1904, and varieties 578 Zanzibar, Arms
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# Approval Sheets of British Stamps Specialized.

600 Gt. Britain, 1840, 1d. black 601 " " 1841/57, 1d. red 602 " " 1840, 1d. red, imperf. 603 " " 1840 604 " " 1854/57, 1d. red, perf. 605 " " 1840 606 " " 1840, 1d. black, and 1841, 2d. blue 607 " " 1840/57, 2d. blue 608 " " 1840 609 " " 1840 610 " " 1847/54, 6d., 1d. & 1/- 611 " " 1855, 4d. rose 612 " " 1855, 4d. rose in pairs 613 " " 1855, 1862 and 1865, 6d. lilac	614 Gt. Britain, 1855, 1862 and 1865, 1/- green 615 " " 1862, 1865, 3d. rose 616 " " 1862, 4d. orange 617 " " " 618 " " " 619 " " 1862 & 1865, 6d. brn., 6d. yellow & 5/- rose 620 " " 1865, 3d. rose pl. Nos. 621 " " " 622 " " " 623 " " 1865, 4d. orange 624 " " " 625 " " " 626 " " 1873 & 1874, 6d. grey	627 Gt. Britain, 1865, 6d. vio., pl. 5, 6, 8 628 " " " 629 " " " 630 " " " 631 " " 1865, 1/- green 632 Gt. Britain, 1870, 3d. and 1 1/2d. red 633 " " 1864, 1d. red, picked copies 634 " " 1870, 1d. red 635 " " 1864 636 " " 1870, 1 1/2d. red 637 " " 1870, 2d. blue 638 " " " 639 " " "	640 Gt. Britain, 1870, 2 1/2d. rose pl. Nos. 641 " " " 642 " " " 643 " " 2 1/2d. blue pl. Nos. 644 " " " 645 " " " 646 " " " 647 " " 3d. rose pl. Nos. 648 " " " 649 " " " 650 " " " 651 " " 1870, 4d. grn. & brn., and 1/- red 652 " " 1870, 6d. grey and 1/- green	653 Gt. Britain, 1880, 1d. brn. 654 " " " 655 " " 1884, 1 1/2d. & 2d. lilac 656 " " 1 1/2d., 2d. & 2 1/2d. lil. 657 " " 2 1/2d. lilac 658 " " " 659 " " " 660 " " 1884, 2 1/2d. lilac and 5d. and 6d. green 661 " " unused; Army and Telegraphs, etc. 662 " " "Specimen" stamps
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**TRANSVAAL** (457 J 469).—A correspondent writes us that he has "seen and examined a used copy of the 1d. all red Transvaal (normal watermark Crown CA multiple) watermarked with the Cape Anchor in error. It was found nearly six months ago by a small collector in a mixed lot and is perfectly genuine. The postmark is illegible."



Adhesive. Wmk. Anchor (Cape Colony paper). 1d. rose.

The interesting question arises: If Messrs. De La Rue & Co. got their supply of Crown CA and Anchor papers mixed, does the Cape Colony 1d. also exist on multiple Crown CA paper? This is quite likely. The stock of watermarked paper is controlled quite as strictly as the printed sheets of stamps and only served out as required. Consequently if a sheet of Anchor paper were used accidentally for Transvaal stamps, there would be one sheet of Crown CA paper over, which would certainly lead to a search and the destruction of the sheet printed in error. The shortage of one sheet in the supply of Anchor paper would also lead to an enquiry. The fact, however, that the 1d. Transvaal stamps has been seen with Anchor watermark leads one to suppose that the error was not discovered, and that consequently one or more sheets of the two papers were transposed.

**Answers to Correspondents.**

C.B.—A great many references to the stamps of the Cayman Islands have appeared in E.H.S.N., those since the first provisional was issued being as follows:—

- T420 ½d. on 1d. reported.
- U426 Entire pane of 60 ½d. on 1d. illustrated.
- V431 ½d. on 5/- chronicled.
- W432 1d. on 5/- chronicled. Illustration of strip of three on entire and also of block of ½d. on 5/-. Minor varieties of ½d. on 1d.
- X433 Statistics of surcharged 5/- stamps.
- Y434 "Postage and Revenue" stamps announced in the *Colonial Office Journal*.
- Z435 "Postage and Revenue" ½d. and 1d. arrive.
- A441 2½d on 4d. reported and illustration of a specimen on entire.
- B445 Statistics of Cayman Islands 6d. and 1/-.
- C448 Description of new 2½d. to 10/- stamps. More about Cayman 6d. and 1/. Crown Agents Circular re remainders.
- D449 Varieties of ½d. on 5/- and 1d. on 5/-.
- E450 Revised description of new 2½d. to 10/- and issue reported (except 5/-).
- F452 "Postage—Postage" stamps exhausted; issue of new 5/- reported.
- G456 1d. on 4d. reported.
- H457 Statistics of 2½d. on 4d.
- I459 *Colonial Office Journal* announces ½d. stamp.
- J460 Auction prices.
- K461 Issue of ½d. brown and illustration.

C. B. writes:—

"As you may have seen in some of the American stamp papers, I have taken an ardent collector's interest in the provisional stamps of the Cayman Islands.

"I am preparing a long article about these stamps (and the other issues of the Islands as well), which I hope to publish during the winter, if I can gather all my facts by that time. I have some twenty or thirty used and unused copies of the first printed provisional, 1/2 on 1d. red, obtained from three different sources. As these stamps are few in number, I think it would be a good plan to have the variations in position and printing minutely described from some complete panes. I have one copy with a distinct comma inside the letter O, and several copies where the printing is not in line; and I believe I have seen a copy printed 'One Halfpenny' (without stop). Probably there are more varieties.

"I assume you have a complete pane. If so, can you favour me with a description of the varieties in the printing? Or if this has been done in any paper, will you tell me the name?"

"I shall feel deeply obliged if you can also tell me what papers in England or on the Continent have had authoritative articles about these provisional stamps."

Can any of our readers assist C.B. We no longer have a pane of these stamps.]

**New Publications.**

*Die Postfreimarken der Deutschen Schutzgebiete und die Entwertungen der Postanstalten in den Deutschen Schutzgebieten.* (Published by Mr. Albert Friedemann, Leipzig).

This most complete work of 127 pages is absolutely indispensable to collectors interested in German Colonial stamps and postmarks.

**Our Prize Competitions.**

Result week ending, 12th Sept., 1908. . .

	NEW ISSUE COMPETITION.		OLD ISSUE COMPETITION.		
	I. Europe and Colonies.		II. Rest of World.	III. (a) Britain and Colonies.	
1st	WR *103	NC - 90	WS - 76	FL †457	
2nd	JC - 80	ED - 75	TL - 75	EB - 406	
3rd	FS - 53	RW - 74	PB - 63	Mrs.C 301	
4th	JL - 32	FS - 48	JF - 47	RG - 291	
5th	Mrs.G 31	JH - 36	JD - 41	JO - 230	
6th	NC - 28	AD - 34	JW - 25	EW - 201	
7th	JE - 25	HW - 23	ES - 24	Rev.S 176	
8th	EM - 23	JB - 22	WP - 18	JF - 142	
9th	WP - 21	JL - 22	HS - 15	JE - 111	
10th		FC - 21	JP - 14	GS - 105	

\* Prize albums were despatched on Monday last.

† This Competition will open in October, but stamps purchased in meantime count.

**CONDITIONS.**

1. The prizes are the following albums:—

"Our Own Times," specially arranged for King's Heads and current issues (sale price, 10/-).

"Good Old Times." Part I., Great Britain and Colonies; part II., Europe and Colonies; part III., Rest of the World. Arranged for collectors on simplified lines, without watermarks, perforations, etc. (The set of three albums can be supplied immediately for 37/6 cash, or 12/6 each, post free).

2. The prize in each of the four competitions is awarded to the competitor who has purchased from our approval sheets the most stamps up to the end of each week, non-winners' totals being carried forward. The minimum number entitling to a prize is 100.

3. Stamps purchased from our Current Issue Sheets count in the New Issue Competition only, whilst stamps purchased from our Old Issue Sheets count in the Old Issue Competition only.

4. The "Rest of World" Competition is only open to winners of "Europe and Colonies," and the "Great Britain and Colonies" to winners of the other two.

**EDITORIAL COMPETITION.**

The competitor who sends us the most interesting item of information for our New Issue column each week will be credited 2/6, which may be selected from any of our approval sheets. From time to time we shall voluntarily increase the prize.

**Awards.**

- 8.8.08. A.J. (Austrian Levant), 2/6.
- 15.8.08. A.C. (Java), 2/6.
- 22.8.08 to 5.9.08. No entry.
- 12.9.08. T.T. & J.N. 2/6 each (Nyasaland).

The postal history of German Colonies commences as late as 1887, but judging by the number of post offices opened since that date the development of the colonies has progressed very rapidly.

The first colonial post office opened was that at Duala in Kamerun, 1.2.87, but previously to that five post offices had been opened on foreign territory. The example of Great Britain in opening a Post Office at Constantinople was followed by Germany in 1870.

The number of post offices open during each year since 1885 on foreign or colonial soil was as follows:—

Year	Total of Post Offices open.	Year	Total of Post Offices open.
1885	Constantinople and Stamboul.	1887	Kamerun-Duala opened, making six.
1886	Shanghai, Apia (Samoa) and Tongatabu opened, making five in all. Tongatabu was closed in 1893.	1888	.. 14
1887	.. 16	1889	.. 16
1888	.. 20	1890	.. 20
1889	.. 18	1891	.. 18
1890	.. 22	1892	.. 22
1891	.. 22	1893	.. 22
1892	.. 26	1894	.. 26
1893	.. 44	1895	.. 44
1894	.. 46	1896	.. 46
1895	.. 48	1897	.. 48
1896	.. 56	1898	.. 56
1897	.. 77	1899	.. 77
1898	.. 98	1900	.. 98
1899	.. 109	1901	.. 109
1900	.. 112	1902	.. 112
1901	.. 124	1903	.. 124
1902	.. 140	1904	.. 140
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On 1.8.08, 202 such post offices were open.

**British South Africa.**

(452 E 469).

We are indebted to Mr. T. H. Fox for a copy of the following postal notice. The notice evidently relates only to the stock of stamps at the G.P.O., as Mr. Fox adds that the 2/- and 2/6 of the 1890 issue (catalogued 7/6 each) are still in stock at Enkeldoorn.

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THE following schedule of varieties of Postage Stamps at present on sale at Post Offices in Southern Rhodesia is published for general information:

Value.	Year of Issue.	Colour.
½d.	1898-1903	Green.
1d.	do.	Red.
2d.	do.	Bistre.
2½d.	do.	Cobalt.
3d.	1896-97	Chocolate and ultramarine.
3d.	1898-1903	Lilac.
4d.	do.	Olive brown.
6d.	do.	Red lilac.
8d.	1896-97	Olive green and violet on buff.
1s.	1898-1903	Ochre.
2s.	1896-97	Indigo and green on buff.
2s. 6d.	do.	Brown and purple on yellow.
2s. 6d.	1898-1903	Grey.
3s.	1896-97	Green and mauve on blue.
3s.	1898-1903	Violet.
4s.	do.	Red and dark blue on green.
5s.	do.	Chestnut and green.
5s.	do.	Orange.
7s. 6d.	do.	Black.
10s.	1896-97	Slate and vermilion on rose.
10s.	1898-1903	Green.
20s.	do.	Purple.
1s.	1905	Green
2s. 6d.	do.	Black
5s.	do.	Purple

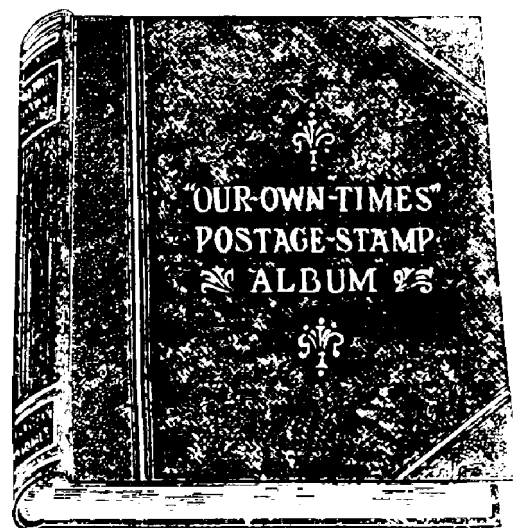
} Victoria Falls issue.

General Post Office, Salisbury, 2nd June, 1908.

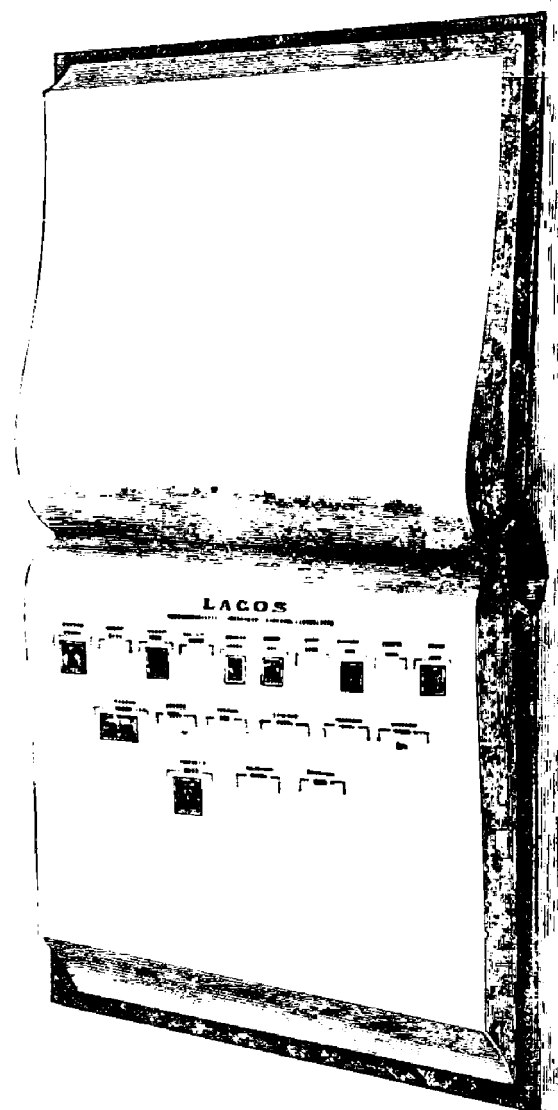
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DISTRIBUTION No. 396, 10.9.08.  
Transvaal.

TV bl\* £1 King, multiple wmk. Crown CA, on ordinary paper. This distribution brings the country entirely up to date.

Dutch East Indies.  
Surcharged "Java."

HOI ab\* 1/2c. to 2 1/2 gulden.

Surcharged "Buiten Bezit."

HOI ac\* 1/2c. to 1 gulden.  
ad 2 1/2 gulden.

Leeward Islands.

LE ah\* 1/2d., King, wmk. Crown CA multiple, all green.

Cayman Islands, Provisional.

CY ad† 1/2d. on 1d. King, multiple wmk. CA.

Montserrat.

MO ah 1d. Multiple wmk. Crown CA, on chalk-surfaced paper.

Austrian F.P.O. (Levant).

AF al\* 10pa. to 5pi., 1908 set of seven stamps.  
am 10 and 20pi.

Postage Dues.

AF an\* 1/2pi. to 5pi. 1908 set of six stamps.  
ao 10, 20, 30pi.

Straits Settlements.

ST ba† 4c. lilac, king, multiple wmk. CA, on ordinary paper. We have received a further supply of the above stamp by last mail, also the 3c. rose, which we shall be sending out with the current week's New Issues.

Southern Nigeria.

SN ax† 1/2d., King, multiple wmk. CA, all green.  
ar† 1d. " " " all rose.  
This country is now brought up to date.

Nabha.

NA ax 1/2a., King, Service, new pale shade.

Tasmania Official.

TA bu 10d., punctured T, (used).

Jhind.

Surcharged "Service."

JH al† 1a. King.  
an† 4a. "  
ao† 8a. "  
ap† 1r. "

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1896. Head of Sultan to right, slightly cancelled.

No.	Description	S.G. price	Our price
1.	1/2a. green	2d.	1 1/2d.
2.	1a. blue	2d.	1 1/2d.
3.	2a. brown	3d.	2 1/2d.
4.	2 1/2a. blue	2d.	2d.
5.	3a. grey	4d.	4d.
6.	4a. green	4d.	4d.
7.	4 1/2a. yellow	6d.	5d.
8.	5a. brown	1/6	9d.
9.	7 1/2c. lilac	1/-	6d.
10.	8a. grey	1/-	6d.
11.	1r. blue	3/-	1/6
12.	2r. green	5/-	2/6
13.	3r. lilac	6/-	3/-
14.	4r. rose	8/-	3/6
15.	5r. brown	10/-	3/6

### AUSTRIAN F.P. OFFICE.

1908, for Levant, 5 para green, mint, 1d.

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## The Week's News.

The Editor is always pleased to receive Early Information of New Issues, or of Discoveries interesting to Stamp Collectors, and will acknowledge such contributions either by name in the journal or by the presentation of several interesting newly-issued stamps, as preferred.

The index number and serial letter after the title of each paragraph indicate the issue of E.W.S.N. in which the last reference to that country appeared.

**BARBADOS** (469 G 470).—The 1d. is now coming over in a rather brighter shade.



Adhesives. Wmk. Crown CA multiple, ordinary paper.  
1d. brighter rose than formerly.

Issued 8.9.08 or earlier. The 2d., 5d. and 10d. are still coming over with single watermark.

**BRITISH GUIANA** (459 E 470).—We have the following new shade.



Adhesive. Wmk. Crown CA multiple, ordinary paper.  
4c. brown and violet (lighter violet than before).

Issued 3.9.08 or earlier. All values still have plate No. 4.

**CAYMAN ISLANDS** (461, 469 M 470).—Alas for the hopes of dealers ordering ¼d. stamps! No one got any. The postmistress evolved the following notice:—

No. 27. George Town Post Office,  
Grand Cayman, B.W.I.

NOTICE is hereby given that farthing stamps and farthing postcards, being provided solely for internal postage in the Cayman Islands Dependency, will only be sold across the counter at a Post Office in the Cayman Islands.

By Order,  
G. A. PARSONS,  
Postmistress.

July 10, 1908.

Having thus authorized herself to sell the ¼d. stamps only across the post-office counter, Miss Gwendolyn Parsons proceeded on the one hand to refuse every application from stamp dealers and on the other to supply all her friends ad lib., for on 24.8.08 (only 45 days after the issue of the above notice) she reports that "we have only ¼d., 1d., 5/- and 10/- stamps at present in stock." Residents in the Cayman Islands are now busy inviting offers from dealers for the ¼d. stamps! Beyond printing the 1/- and 10/- stamps on multiple paper, we shall be very much surprised if the Cayman Islanders are allowed to have any more new issues just yet.

The ¼d. stamp should be immediately reprinted to an extent of at least 300,000, as besides the Colonial Stamp Market's order for 72,000, we understand that another dealer ordered 36,000.

A dealer received a few days ago a letter stating that only ¼d., 1d. and 10/- stamps were still obtainable; if this is correct the 5/- stamps must have run out shortly after the postmistress wrote us on 24.8.08.

We have been favoured with a copy of *The Caymanian*, a newspaper published in the Cayman Islands although printed at Kingston, Jamaica. The copy in question is No. 6, dated August, 1908, and we make the following extracts:—

JUSTICES AND VESTRY MEET.

A LIVELY SESSION—MEMBERS WARM.

The Legislative Body of the Cayman Islands assembled for business, in the Court House, Georgetown, on Thursday, May 14th. There were present His Honour Dr. George S. S. Hirst, chairman, A. E. Panton, Edmund Parsons, J. S. Webster, W. Mearns Coe, William Farrington, Robt. Coe Wood and W. Conwell Walter, Esqs., J.Ps., Messrs. A. J. Roberts, Thomas Coe, Malcolm Mc. Taggart, H. O. Merren, C. J. H. Goring, D. Bush, D. Watler, W. S. Watler,

H. L. Coe, W. S. Powell, H. H. Thompson, E. J. Lyon, Alfred Connor, A. Ebanks, E. Ebanks, J. T. Ebanks and P. Ebanks, Vestrymen.

The chairman, after a few opening remarks, spoke on the financial position of the government of the Dependency. He said the surplus in September, 1907, was £1,393 and although more money had been spent during this year there was every possibility of a much larger surplus. He hoped it would be about £3,000 in September of this year.

The Estimate for the P.O. was £500 for the year October 07 to September 08 but already after less than eight months it had realised £21 short of £1000 and he was almost sure it would amount to £1500. Taxes, estimated at £200, had given in 7½ months £432. Imports estimated at £1,100 had realised to middle of May £850. He said he was opposed to increased taxation in any form.

A Petition largely signed by men and women from the outlying districts was read by the Chairman. It asked for free education to obtain which it prayed for the imposition of an additional 2½ per cent. on the import duty. The reader, the Chairman, said he was not in favour of the extra 2½ per cent.

Evidently things are flourishing in the Cayman Islands, and we should not be surprised to learn that all taxes were soon remitted.

The Postal Revenue from 10.07 up to the date of the meeting, 14.5.08, amounting to £979, may seem small, but it must be remembered that the surcharged stamps would only figure in the post-office accounts in respect of their face value, £28 15s., although the fortunate islanders who purchased them must have received 100 times as much from European and American dealers. We should imagine also that this total does not include the £700 (?) or so realized by the Crown Agents in April, 1908, for the remainders of the single colour stamps, nor a large proportion of the money sent out for the "Postage and Revenue" series, which was first issued partly on 30.3.08, and partly (the 5/-) on 22.4.08. The postal revenue will probably have reached at least £3,000 before the end of the financial year in 9.08, and would have been even larger if all orders had been executed. In 8.08 orders from the Colonial Stamp Market to the amount of £385 face value were not executed, and other dealers have also doubtless had orders refused.

The *Caymanian* states that the mail despatched by the "Oteri" on June 3rd, 1908, consisted of 1,018 letters and papers. A Post Office law has just been passed by the Legislative Body making it compulsory for masters of vessels leaving the islands to take mails. The "Cash on Delivery" Service has been extended to the Cayman Islands as from 1.8.08.

**CYPRUS** (434 O 470).—The Colonial Stamp Market has shown us some recent supplies of the 5 paras and we note several variations.

Issued 8.08. Colour, yellow. Sheets of 60 only, with margins cut fairly close.

Issued 10.9.08. Colour, yellow (slightly paler). Sheets of 120 (2 panes of 60).

Issued 10.9.08. Colour dull bistre (very distinct from preceding). Sheets of 120 (2 panes of 60).

Our last supply was half and half, but probably represents two distinct printings.

**DOMINICA** (461 M 470).—The Colonial Stamp Market has shown us the following novelties.



Adhesives. Wmk. Crown CA multiple sideways, ordinary paper.

1d. all rose.  
2½d. all blue.

Issued 2.9.08 or earlier.

**GWALIOR STATE** (457 I 470).—Mr. A. W. Tyrrell draws our attention to an alteration which has been made in the surcharge of the Service stamps. The earlier surcharge consists of two lines in native characters, 10 to 11mm. apart, whilst in the new surcharge the distance is only 8 to 9mm. apart. The earliest dates Mr. Tyrrell has observed are as follows:—

Official Adhesives. Two lines of overprint 8 to 9mm. apart instead of 10 to 11mm.

(i.) "Postage."

¼a. light grey ——.08.  
¼a. green 16.11.07.  
1a rose —.10.07.

(ii.) "Postage & Revenue."

¼a. green —. 2.08.

There are also several minor varieties of the first surcharge, although these are possibly due to light and heavy printing. The 4 annas now coming over have a very thick overprint.

**LEEWARD ISLANDS** (468 D 470).—The Colonial Stamp Market has shown us the ¼d. lilac and green and 2d. on chalk-surface paper chronicled a fortnight ago, both plate 1. We also have the following:—



Adhesives. Wmk. Crown CA multiple, chalk-surface paper.

6d. lilac and brown, Plate 1.  
1/- green and carmine " 1.

Issued 25.8.08 or earlier.

**NEWFOUNDLAND** (449 Q 470).—It will be remembered that in April \$100,000 worth of two and five cents stamps, shipped by the American Bank Note Co. of New York to the Newfoundland Government were washed ashore at the island of Cuttyhunk from the wreck of the *Sylvia*. The stamps were rescued by the islanders and apparently treated by them as perquisites, although it was subsequently stated that the bulk of the stamps had been recovered. If so, they were presumably destroyed as they would be of little use after their bath.

We wrote at the time to the Postmaster-General asking if the occurrence would lead to the demonetization of the stamps in question, and the issue of new 2c. and 5c. stamps surcharged or otherwise. He replied stating that no change was contemplated.

It is evident, however, that the authorities changed their mind, as we have just received from Mr. J. A. Leon samples of a new 2c. stamp.

Adhesive. New design, same size as before; with map of Newfoundland. Presumably in order to avoid jealousy no towns are named on the map. The "Gulf of St. Lawrence" (to the left) and "Atlantic Ocean" (to the right) are, however, both named.

2c. lake-red, perf. 12. Imprint of "American Bank Note Co., N.Y."

Issued 11.9.08 or earlier.

**NEW ZEALAND** (469 J 470).—The Colonial Stamp Market's consignments despatched from Wellington 2.7.08 brought samples of yet another new perforation, 14 × 15.



Adhesive. Wmk. NZ Star.  
6d. rose, perf. 14 × 15.

Issued 2.7.08 or earlier.

**PAPUA** (463 L 470).—The Colonial Stamp Market has shown us sheets of the following:—



Adhesive. Wmk. Crown A.  
2½d. sky-blue (shades) and grey-black, wmk. upright or inverted. Perf. 11.  
2½d. ditto, perf. 12½.

Issued 15.7.08 or earlier. The 1d. sheets, perf. 11, just received, also show light and dark shades.

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Colonies near Europe 493 " 416 Ditto, beyond Europe, 1870-93 417 " " 1897 design 418 " " 1870-1898 246 Ditto (Vasca da Gama), 1893-97 247 Ditto, 1897 type 248 Mozambique, India and Nyassa 428 Pictorial stamps 249 Roumania, 1858-71 (imperf. issues) 250 " 1871-90 417 " 1890-1891 418 " Pictorial 251 Russia 252 Russian Foreign P.O. 253 San Marino 254 Serbia, 1866-05</p>	<p>255 Serbia, 1901-05 256 Spain, 1850-67 397 " 1850-1872 257 " 1870-1878 258 " 1879-95 424 " 1873-75 259 Cuba, 1855-77 260 " 1882-98 419 " 1877-1881 421 Elobey and Spanish Guinea 261 Fernando Poo 262 Philippines 389 Philippine Islands 263 Porto Rico 264 Sweden, 1855-1872 410 " 1891 265 Switzerland, 1845-82 266 " 1882-1900 367 Turkey, 1863-76 268 " 1892-06 398 " 269 Wurtemberg</p>	<p><b>REST OF WORLD.</b> (2565 different sorts exist).</p> <p>270 Abyssinia 384 Afghanistan 271 China 273 Congo Free State 274 Corea, 1895-1902 275 " 1903 276 Egypt 473 " 277 Japan, 1871-76 278 " 1894-1900 467 " 1876-1904 279 Liberia, 1860-1892 453 " 1892-06 280 Persia, 1868-91 281 " 1891-1906 463 Shanghai 283 Siam 284 Argentine Republic, 1858-67 285 " " 1882-90 286 " " 1889-92 287 " " 1892-99 458 Buenos Aires and Corrientes 288 Bolivia, 1866-67 289 " 1878-97 290 " 1897-01 291 Brazil, 1844-78 292 " 1878-1900, chiefly used 293 " 1880-1906 294 Chili, 1852-81 295 " 1881-1906 379 " cheap used 296 Colombia, 1859-70 297 " 1876-86 298 " 1890-98 299 " 1902-04 300 " (Cartagena and other issues, 1898-05) 433 " 1902 issue 301 Costa Rica, 1862-89 454 " 1892-06 302 Dominican Republic, 1862-1900 466 " 303 Ecuador, 1865-94 430 " 1899-05 432 Ecuador, 1895-99 304 Guatemala, 1871-86 305 " 1902 426 " 1897-06</p>	<p>306 Hayti, 1871-98 422 " 1898-1906 307 Honduras, 1865-92 431 " 1892-02 308 Mexico, 1856-74 309 " 1874-82 310 " 1884-85 311 " 1886-99 429 " 1886-03 312 Nicaragua, 1862-91 313 " 1892-97 455 " 1898-06 314 Panama (unsurcharged) 317 Paraguay, 1870-1892 318 " 1900-03 319 " 1903-07 460 " 1870-1904 320 Peru, 1848-74 321 " 1895-96 456 " 1896-07 322 Salvador, 1867-92 323 " 1892-95 464 " 1895-96 465 " 1897-06 324 Uruguay, used and unused 325 " 1884-90 326 " 1890-05 327 " 1895 383 " 1887-04 427 " 1895-07 328 Venezuela, 1859-06 (for internal postage) 329 Venezuela, 1880-96 (Foreign correspondence) 457 Venezuela, 1893-06 (Foreign correspondence) 330 United States, 1851-1882 331 " 1884, 1900, 1902 332 " Columbus, Omaha, etc. 404 " cheap used (used) 333 Confederate States and Cuba 381 Philippine Islands (U.S.A.) 443 Samoa 334 Hawaii, 1853-1882 459 " 1891 (Pictorial issue)</p>
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These Sheets are newly mounted this week.

# Approval Sheets of New Issues.

BRITISH COLONIES ONLY, CHIEFLY KING SINGLES AND MULTIPLES, USED AND UNUSED.

<p>500 Aitutaki on N.Z. 501 Antigua 501 Australian Commonwealth Postage Dues 502 Bahamas, King, &amp;c. 503 Barbados 504 Bechuanaland, King 505 Bermuda, Dockyard 506 Br. Central Africa, King 507 British Guiana 508 Br. Honduras, King 505 British New Guinea 509 Br. New Guinea and Papua 510 Br. South Africa [unused 390 Brunei, 1st issue, used and 512 Brunei, surch. and pictorial 511 Canada, King, &amp;c. 513 Cape, King 514 Cayman Is., King 515 Ceylon, King</p>	<p>516 Chamba on India, King 360 Cook Islands, Queen's Head 517 Cook Is. 518 Cyprus, King 519 Dominica, pictorial 520 E. Africa, King 521 Falkland, King 522 Fiji, King 523 Gambia, King 524 Gibraltar, King 525 Gold Coast, King 526 Grenada, King 527 Gwalior on India, King 528 Hong Kong, King 529 India, King 530 C.E.F. on India, King 531 Jamaica, Arms 532 Jhind on India 533 Johor, 1901 534 Labuan, Crown</p>	<p>580 Labuan, pictorial 411 Labuan, sur. " Straits " 381 " " used and un. 535 Lagos, King 536 Leeward, King 537 Levant on Gt. Britain 538 Malay States 539 Maldives on Ceylon 540 Malta, King, &amp;c. 541 Mauritius, Arms 542 Montserrat, Arms 584 Morocco Ag. on Gibraltar— varieties 543 Morocco on Gibraltar 544 Morocco on Gt. Britain 545 Nabha on India, King 546 Natal, King [Family 547 Newfoundland, Cabot and Royal 548 New South Wales 583 New Zealand Pictorials and Officials</p>	<p>549 New Zealand, pictorial 550 Niue on N.Z. 551 North Borneo 552 N. Nigeria, King 553 Orange River Colony, King 551 Patiala on India, King 555 Penrhyn on N.Z. 556 Queensland 557 St. Helena, King, &amp;c. 558 St. Kitts-Nevis, pictorial 559 St. Lucia, King 560 St. Vincent, King 561 Sarawak, Rajah's Head 562 Seychelles, King 563 Sierra Leone, King 564 Solomon Islands 346 Somaliland, 1st issue 565 Somaliland, King and Queen. surch. 579 " Prot. King</p>	<p>347 Somaliland 377 Somaliland Officials, 1st issue varieties 378 Somaliland Service 566 South Australia 567 S. Nigeria, King 568 Straits, King 569 Sudan, Camel 570 Tasmania, pictorial 571 Tonga, pictorial and portrait 350 Transvaal C.S.A.R. 572 Transvaal, King 573 Trinidad 574 Turks Islands 575 Victoria 576 Virgin Islands 577 Western Australia 349 Zanzibar, 1904, and varieties 578 Zanzibar, Arms</p>
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# Approval Sheets of British Stamps Specialized.

<p>601 Gt. Britain, 1840, 1d. black 601 " 1841/57, 1d. red 602 " 1840, 1d. red, imperf. 603 " 1840 604 " 1854/57, 1d. red, perf. 605 " 1840 606 " 1840, 1d. black, and 1841, 2d. blue 607 " 1840/57, 2d. blue 608 " 1840 609 " 1840 610 " 1847/54, 6d. 10d &amp; 1/- 611 " 1855, 4d. rose 612 " 1855, 4d. rose in pairs 613 " 1855, 1862 and 1865, 6d. lilac</p>	<p>614 Gt. Britain, 1855, 1862 and 1865, 1/- green 615 " 1861, 1865, 3d. rose 616 " 1862, 3d. orange 617 " " 618 " " 619 " 1862 &amp; 1865, 6d. brn., 6d. yellow &amp; 5/- rose 620 " 1865, 3d. rose pl. Nos. 621 " " 622 " " 623 " 1865, 4d. orange 624 " " 625 " " 626 " 1873 &amp; 1874, 6d. grey</p>	<p>627 Gt. Britain 1865, 6d. vio., pl. 5, 6, 8 628 " " 629 " " 630 " " 631 " 1865, 1/- green 632 Gt. Britain, 1870, 3d. and 1 1/2d. red 633 " 1864, 1d. red, picked copies 634 " 1870, 1d. red 635 " 1864 636 " 1870, 1 1/2d. red 637 " 1870, 2d. blue 638 " " 639 " "</p>	<p>640 Gt. Britain, 1870, 2 1/2d. rose pl. Nos. 641 " " 642 " " 643 " " 2 1/2d. blue pl. Nos. 644 " " 645 " " 646 " " 647 " " 3d. rose pl. Nos. 648 " " 649 " " 650 " " 651 " 1870, 4d. grn. &amp; brn., and 1/- red 652 " 1870, 6d. grey and 1/- green</p>	<p>653 Gt. Britain, 1880, 1d. brn. 654 " " 655 " 1884, 1 1/2d. &amp; 2d. lilac 656 " " 1 1/2d., 2d. &amp; 2 1/2d. lil. 657 " " 2 1/2d. lilac 658 " " 659 " " 660 " 1884, 2 1/2d. lilac and 5d. and 6d. green 661 " unused; Army and Telegraphs, etc. 662 " "Specimen" stamps</p>
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The Territory of Papua is evidently postally in as flourishing a condition as the Cayman Islands, as the Acting Chief Postmaster writes us:—"Owing to the much higher demand for the surcharged stamps than was anticipated, the stock with the exception of the 2/6 is almost completely exhausted, both at Port Moresby and the other Post Offices."

A rough calculation shows that the total sale of British New Guinea (unsurcharged) postage stamps for all purposes, from 1901 to 1907, was about £4,000. Of this, probably about £1,000 represented the first purchases by dealers in 1901-02, leaving an average of £600 per annum for the remaining years.

The surcharged stamps came into use about January, 1907, and represented the following amounts:—

Face value, 1/4d. to 1/- stamps	£2211 17 6
" 2/6 stamps	... 1676 5 0
	£3888 2 6

Of these the Postmaster says practically all the 1/4d. to 1/- have been sold, and probably £800 worth at least of the 2/6, in addition to very large quantities of the new issue.

We have seen a card which covered 500 sheets of the new 1d. stamps, and it indicates that the same were checked at the Government Printing Office, Melbourne, on 20.8.07, and at the G.P.O., Papua, on 7.10.07. The earliest postmark seen on any stamp of the new issue is 6.11.07, on a copy of the 1/4d.

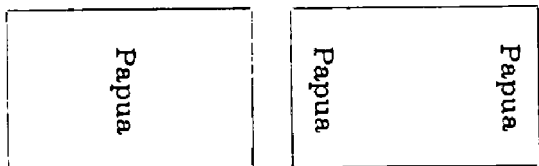
The Colonial Stamp Market has shown us the following new varieties.



Papua

Adhesive. Small surcharge "Papua." 1/- wmk. narrow rosettes, thick paper instead of thin.

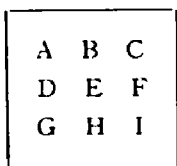
The set (Nos. 331 to 338 in our list) has hitherto been remarkable for the fact that all the values were on thin paper except the 2 1/2d. We have now found the 1/- also; unlike the 2 1/2d. however it exists on both thick and thin paper. We have also seen the following errors.



Adhesive. Wmk. wide rosettes. 2/6 small surcharge "Papua" vertically instead of horizontally. Ditto, surcharged twice vertically once at each side.

The second variety is of extreme rarity, probably only 5 being known.

We notice that quite half our sheets of surcharged Papua stamps have an unwatermarked margin on one or two sides. The possible varieties are as follows:—



Explanation, A has margin at top and left, B at top only, and so on.

The "narrow rosettes" sheets show the following proportion:—A 9; C 1; D 9; E 16; F 17; B, G, H, I none. In every 'A' sheet the rosette in the top left hand corner has a cross woven into it at the S.E., and has a watermark line about an inch in length (so far as can be seen) 1/2 in. to the left.

The "wide rosettes" sheets on the other hand show a different proportion:—A 1; C 2; D 3; E 4; H 3; I 1.

If more data could be obtained, it might be possible to say the size of the original sheet. It may be that it was only large enough for four panes, the varieties being caused by off centre printing.

ST. VINCENT (447 E 470).—We are informed by Mr. Eugene Angell that he has the following:—



Adhesive. Wmk. Crown CA multiple, chalk-surface paper. 5/- green and blue.

Issued 31.8.08 or earlier. The Colonial Stamp Market's last supply despatched from St. Vincent on 21.8.08, had single watermark.

## Our Prize Competitions.

Result week ending, 19th Sept., 1908. ..

	NEW ISSUE COMPETITION.		OLD ISSUE COMPETITION		
	I. Europe and Colonies.		II. Rest of World.		III. Gt. Britain and Colonies.
1st	JC - 88	RW *105	TL *111	FL †457	
2nd	FS - 69	NC - 100	WS - 97	EB - 406	
3rd	JL - 32	ED - 75	PB - 63	Mrs.C 301	
4th	Mrs.G 31	FS - 48	JF - 47	RG - 291	
5th	NC - 28	AD - 39	JD - 41	JO - 230	
6th	JE - 25	JH - 36	JW - 25	EW - 214	
7th	EM - 23	CH - 25	WP - 18	Rev.S 191	
8th	WP - 21	HW - 23	HS - 15	JF - 156	
9th	RH - 19	JB - 22	JP - 14	GS - 133	
10th		JL - 22	JW - 10	JB - 122	

\* Prize albums were despatched on Monday last.

† This Competition will open on Monday of the week ending October 3rd.

### CONDITIONS.

1. The prizes are the following albums:—

"Our Own Times," specially arranged for King's Heads and current issues (sale price, 10/-).

"Good Old Times." Part I., Great Britain and Colonies; part II., Europe and Colonies; part III., Rest of the World. Arranged for collectors on simplified lines, without watermarks, perforations, etc. (The set of three albums can be supplied immediately for 37/6 cash, or 12/6 each, post free).

2. The prize in each of the four competitions is awarded to the competitor who has purchased from our approval sheets the most stamps up to the end of each week, non-winners' totals being carried forward. The minimum number entitling to a prize is 100.

3. Stamps purchased from our Current Issue Sheets count in the New Issue Competition only, whilst stamps purchased from our Old Issue Sheets count in the Old Issue Competition only.

4. The "Rest of World" Competition is only open to winners of "Europe and Colonies," and the "Great Britain and Colonies" to winners of the other two.

### EDITORIAL COMPETITION.

The competitor who sends us the most interesting item of information for our New Issue column each week will be credited 2/6, which may be selected from any of our approval sheets. From time to time we shall voluntarily increase the prize.

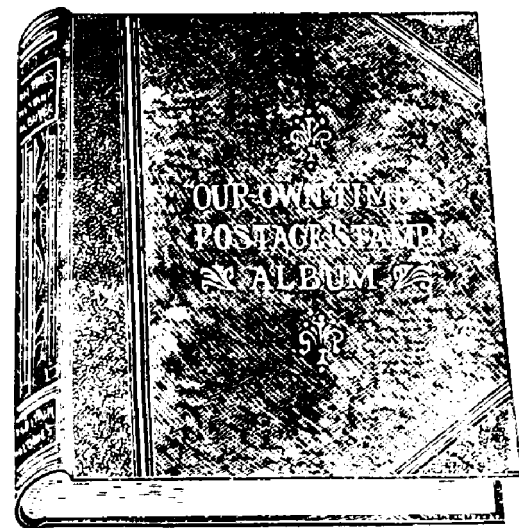
Award this week.

19.9.08. BK for note on Tonga (2/6).

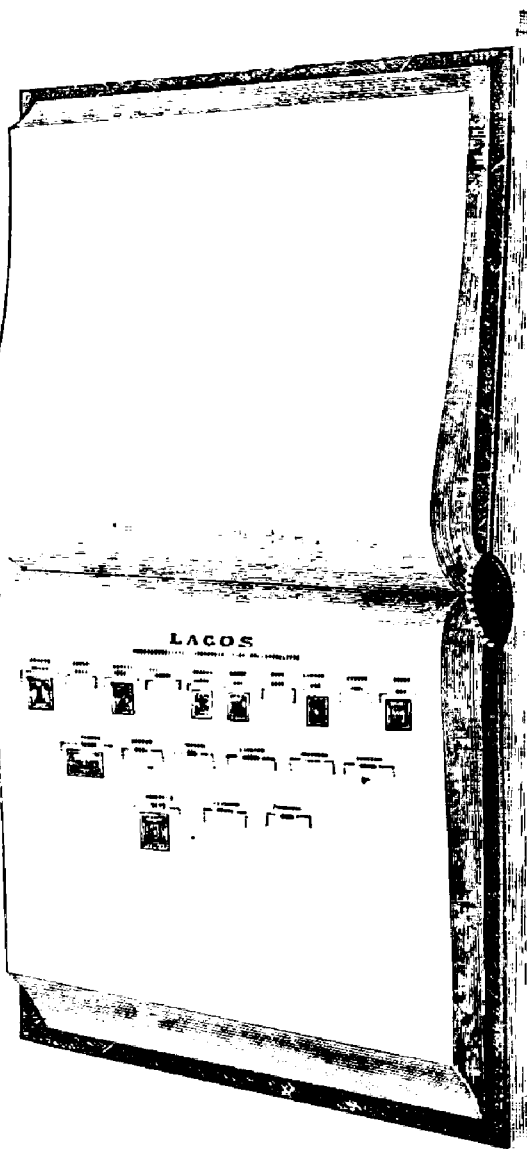
## Our Albums.

(See Particulars of Prices on Order Form).

Our Albums are bound alike, as shown in the following illustration.



The Album opens as shown, thus enabling two albums to be compared close together.



### SIAM.

1905, King's Head and view of Grand Mosque:—very fine used, 1a. green and yellow 1d., 2a. grey and lilac 1d., 3a. green 1d., 4a. red and brown 1d., 5a. rose 1 1/2d., 8a. brown and black 2d., 12a. blue 1 1/2d., 24a. brown 2d., 1r. brown and blue 8d. New colours:—9a. blue 2d., and 18a. brown 3d.

### AUSTRIA.

1908, various large designs:—fine used, 1h. grey 1/2d., 2h. lilac 1/2d., 3h. lilac 1/2d., 5h. green 1/2d., 6h. yellow 1d., 10h. red 1/2d., 12h. red 2d., 20h. brown 2d., 25h. blue 1d., 35h. blue 3d., 60h. red 4d., and 1r. lilac and rose 1/-.

### ITALY.

1906, large head to right and new design:—used 15c. grey 1/2d., 5c. green 1/2d., 10c. rose 1/2d. 1908, large head of King to left:—used 25c. blue 1/2d., 40c. brown 1d., and 50c. lilac 1d.

### HONG KONG.

1903, King's head, used:—1c. lilac and brown 1/2d., 2c. green 1/2d., 4c. on red 1/2d., 5c. brown and green 1d., 6c. lilac and red 2 1/2d., 8c. lilac and black 1 1/2d., 10c. on blue 1 1/2d., 10c. blue 1d., 12c. on yellow 2 1/2d., 20c. brown and black 2d., 30c. black and green 4d., 50c. lilac and green 5d., 81 green and lilac 1/6.

### CANADA.

1868, Queen's head to right, value at foot in figures and words:—very fine used 1c. red 1/3, 1c. yellow 1/6, 2c. green 6d., 3c. red 2d., 5c. grey 2/-, 6c. brown 8d., 12 1/2c. blue 1/-, 15c. lilac 5d., and 15c. grey 6d. 1897, oblong, with two portraits of Queen, 1837 and 1897:—fine used, 1/2c. black 1/-, 1c. yellow 1d., 2c. green 2 1/2d., 3c. rose 1d., 5c. blue 5d., 8c. lilac 8d., 10c. lilac 1/-, 15c. blue 1/3, 20c. red 1/6, 50c. blue 1/-, \$1 rose 5/-, \$2 lilac 5/-, \$3 brown 7/6, and \$5 green 13/-.

### DENMARK.

1904, King's Head to right:—used 5ö. green 1/2d., 10ö. red 1/2d., 20ö. blue 1/2d., 25ö. brown 1 1/2d., 50ö. lilac 5d., 100ö. yellow 9d. 1907, King's Head, full face:—used 5ö. green 1/2d., 10ö. rose 1/2d., 20ö. blue 1/2d., 25ö. brown 1 1/2d., 50ö. lilac 3d., 100ö. yellow 5d.

### CHILI.

1900, Head. Figure at corner:—very fine used 2c. rose 1d., 5c. blue 1/2d., 10c. lilac 1d., 20c. grey 3d., and 50c. brown 2 1/2d. 1902, small head without beard:—used 1c. green 1/2d., 2c. rose 1/2d., 5c. blue 1/2d., 10c. red 1d. and 30c. lilac 2d. 1906, various designs:—used 1c. green 1/2d., 2c. rose 1/2d., 3c. brown 1d., 5c. blue 1/2d., 10c. grey and black 1/2d., 15c. lilac and black 2d., 20c. brown and black 1d. and 50c. blue and black 3d.

### BRAZIL.

1906, small designs, portrait:—very fine used, 10r. grey 1/2d., 20r. lilac 1/2d., 100r. rose 1/2d., 200r. blue 1/2d., 300r. grey 1d., 400r. green 2d., 700r. brown 4d., 1000r. red 4d., 2000r. green 8d. and 5000r. rose 2/3.

### NEW ZEALAND.

1854, full face:—very fine used 1d. red 1/6, 1d. brown 1/6, 2d. blue 1/-, 2d. red 1/6, 3d. lilac 1/6, 4d. red 1/-, 4d. yellow 3/6, 6d. brown 1/-, 6d. blue 1/9 and 1/- green 3/-.

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	Face Value.	Sale Price.		Face Value.	Sale Price.
1 Aitutaki (on N.Z.), ½d., 1d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/-	6	2/1	151 Seychelles (King), 2, 3, 6, 12, 15, 18, 30, 45, 75	9	2/9
2 Antigua (Arms), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/-	7	2/3	152 Sierra Leone (King), ½d., 1d., 1½d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 1/-	10	3/1½
3 Austral. Cmnwlth, Postage Due, ½, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 10d., 1/-	10	4/3½	153 Solomon Is. (litho.), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 5d., 6d., 1/-	7	2/5
6 Bahamas (Staircase), 1d., 5d.	2	0/6	154 " (Engraved), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 5d., 6d., 1/-	7	2/5
7 " (King), ½d., 1d., 2½d., 4d., 6d., 1/-	6	2/2	155 Somaliland (King), ½, 1, 2, 2½, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12a.	9	3/3
8 Barbados (Arms), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 5d., 6d., 8d., 10d.	9	2/11½	156 " (King, O.H.M.S.), ½, 1a.	2	—
9 " (Nelson), ½d., 1d., 2½d., 6d., 1/-	6	1/10½	157 " (Official), complete except 2a. KS.	14	£10
10 Bechuanaland (on G.B. King), ½d., 1d., 2½d.	3	0/4	158 S. Australia (small), ½d., 1d., 2d., 5d.	4	0/8½
11 Bermuda (Dock), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d.	5	0/9	159 " (large), 3d., 4d., 6d., 8d., 9d., 10d., 1/-	7	4/4
13 British Guiana, 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 12, 24c.	7	2/3	161 S. Nigeria (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 4d., 6d., 1/-	7	2/4
14 British Honduras (King), 1, 2, 5, 10, 20, 25c.	6	2/7½	162 Straits (King), 1, 3, 4, 5, 8, 10, 25, 30, 50c.	9	3/3
16 B.S.A. (Arms), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 6d., 1/-	8	2/7	164 Sudan (Camel), 1, 2, 3, 4, 5m., 1, 2, 5pi.	8	1/11½
17 " (Victoria Falls), 1d., 2½d., 5d., 1/-	4	1/8½	165 " (O.S.G.S.), 1, 3, 5m., 1, 2, 5pi.	6	1/10½
18 Brunei (on Labuan), complete set	12	—	166 " (Army Service), 1, 2, 3, 5m., 2pi.	5	—
19 " " set of ten, 1-30c.	10	—	171 Tasmania (Pict.), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d.	8	2/0
20 " " set of seven, 1-10c.	7	—	172 " (Queen), 1½d., 8d., 9d., 1/-	4	2/6½
21 Brunei (View), 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 10, 25, 30, 50c.	10	3/3	174 Tonga (Pict.), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 7½d., 10d., 1/-	11	4/5½
27 Canada (King), 1, 2, 5, 7, 10, 20c.	6	1/10½	175 Transvaal (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 6d., 1/-	8	2/7
28 " (Dues), 1, 2, 5c.	3	0/4	176 " (Dues), ½d., 1d., 2d., 3d., 5d., 6d., 1/-	7	2/5½
29 " (Quebec), ½, 1, 2, 5, 7, 10, 15, 20c.	8	2/6½	177 Trinidad (Britannia), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 4d., 6d., 1/-	7	2/4
30 Cape Colony (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 6d., 1/-	8	2/7	178 " (Dues, used), 1d., 2d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 8d., 1/-	8	3/5
31 Cayman Islands, ½d., 1d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 1/-	7	1/11½	179 Turks & Caicos Is. (Ship), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 6d., 1/-	8	2/7
32 Ceylon (King), 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 12, 15, 25, 30, 75c.	10	2/4½	185 Victoria, ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 9d., 1/-	10	3/9
33 Chamba (on India King), ½, 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12a.	9	3/0½	186 " (Dues), ½d., 1d., 2d.	3	0/3½
34 " (Service, King), ½, 1, 2, 4, 8a.	6	1/3½	187 Virgin Islands (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/-	7	2/3
35 Cook Islands, ½d., 1d., 1½d., 2d., 2½d., 5d., 6d., 10d., 1/-	9	3/4½	190 W. Australia (Swan), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 8d., 9d., 10d., 1/-	12	5/3
36 Cyprus (King), ½, 1, 2, 4, 6, 9 pi.	9	2/7½	195 Zanzibar, 3, 6, 12, 15, 25, 50c.	6	1/7½
41 Dominica (View), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/-	7	2/3			
43 E. Africa and Ug. (King), 1, 3, 6, 10, 12, 15, 25, 50, 75c.	9	2/7½			
45 Falkland Islands (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 6d., 1/-	6	2/0			
46 Fiji Islands (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 6d., 1/-	9	3/0			
50 Gambia (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 7½d., 10d., 1/-	11	4/5½			
51 Gibraltar (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 6d., 1/-	6	2/0			
52 Gold Coast (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/-	7	2/3			
53 Grenada (Ship), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d.	5	0/9			
54 " (King), 6d., 1/-	2	1/6			
55 " (Dues), 1d., 2d., 3d.	3	0/6			
56 Gwalior (on India King), ½, 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12a.	9	3/0½			
57 " (Service, King), ½, 1, 2, 4, 8a.	6	—			
61 Hong Kong (King), 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 8, 10, 12, 20, 30, 50c.	11	3/0			
64 India (King), ½, 1, 2, 2½, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12a.	10	3/3½			
65 " (King, On H.M.S.), ½, 1, 2, 4, 8a., 1r.	7	—			
70 Jamaica (Queen), 3d., 4d., 6d., 1/-	4	2/1			
71 " (Arms), ½d., 1d., 2½d., 5d.	4	0/9			
72 Jhind (on India, King), ½, 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12a.	9	3/0½			
74 Johore (1904 Sultan), 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 10, 25, 50c.	9	2/11			
78 Labuan (Crown), 1, 2, 3, 4, 8, 10, 12, 16, 18, 25, 50c.	9	—			
79 " (surch. Straits), complete	11	—			
80 " " without 2c.	10	—			
81 " " 1, 2c.	9	—			
83 Leeward Is. (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/-	7	2/3			
84 Levant (on G.B., King), 1, 2, 4 pi.	3	1/2			
85 " " 1, ½d., 1d., 1½d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 1/-	10	3/1½			
91 Malay States (Tiger), 1, 3, 4, 5, 8, 10, 20, 50c.	8	2/4½			
92 Maldives (Minaret), 2, 3, 5, 10c.	4	0/6			
93 Malta (Pictorial), ½d., 4½d., 5d.	3	0/9½			
94 " (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 1/-	7	2/1			
95 Mauritius (Arms), 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 12, 15, 25, 50c.	11	1/9			
96 " (Express), 15, 18c.	2	0/5½			
98 Montserrat (Arms), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/-	7	2/3			
100 Morocco (on G.B. King), 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 40, 50c., 1p.	8	1/9			
101 " " ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 8d., 9d., 1/-	6	2/1½			
105 Nabha (on India King), ½, 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12a.	9	3/0½			
106 " (Service, King), ½, 1, 2, 4, 8a., 1r.	6	—			
107 Natal (King), ½d., 1d., 1½d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 1/-	10	3/1½			
109 Newfoundland (Cabot), 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 15, 24c.	7	3/3½			
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111 N.S.W., ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 8d., 10d., 1/-	11	4/6			
115 N.Z., ½d., 1d., 1½d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 8d., 9d., 1/-	12	4/6½			
116 " (Dues), ½d., 1d., 2d.	3	0/3½			
117 Niue (on N.Z.), ½d., 1d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/-	6	2/1			
119 N. Borneo (Brit. Prot.), 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 10, 12, 16, 18, 24c.	12	2/7			
121 N. Nigeria (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 5d., 6d., 1/-	7	2/5			
123 Nyasaland (King), ½d., 1d., 3d., 4d., 6d., 1/-	6	2/2½			
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131 Papua (large surch.), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 4d., 6d., 1/-	7	—			
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133 " ½d., 1d., 2½d., 4d., 6d.	5	1/2			
134 Patiala (on India King), ½, 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12a.	9	3/0½			
135 " (Service, King), ½, 1, 2, 3, 4, 8a., 1r.	7	—			
136 Penrhyn (on N.Z.), ½d., 1d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/-	6	2/1			
140 Queensland, ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 9d., 1/-	10	3/9			
143 St. Helena (King), ½d., 2½d., 4d., 6d.	4	1/1			
144 " (Pictorial), ½d., 1d., 2d., 8d., 1/-	5	1/11½			
145 St. Kitts-Nevis (Pict.), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/-	7	2/3			
146 St. Lucia (King), ½d., 1d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/-	6	2/1			
147 St. Vincent (King), 6d., 1/-	2	1/6			
148 " (Pict.) ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d.	5	0/9			
150 Sarawak, 1, 2, 3, 4, 8, 10, 12, 16, 20, 25, 50c.	11	3/6			

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1402 German Morocco, 1½, 2½, 3½, 6½ pes. used, v.f.	..	..	8/6	9/11
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1419 Nicaragua, 10c. on 2c. rose	..	..	—	3d.
1221 Egypt OHMS, 1, 2, 3, 5m., 1 5 pi.	..	..	—	3/6
1287 Nepal, New Issue, mint set of four	..	..	—	9d.
1302 Siam, 2, 3, 4, 9, 18 atts, new colours	..	..	—	10d.
1322 Austrian Levant, 10, 20 paras, Jubilee	..	..	—	1½d.
1323 " Crete, 7, 10c., Jubilee	..	..	—	2d.
1219 " Java " on D. E. Indies, complete 1c. to 2½g.	..	..	9/0	10/9
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203 Ceylon King, On Service, complete set of 6	..	..	—	35/0
1331 Somaliland " Service " on India, error dropped E. ½, 1, 2as. mint	..	..	—	20/0
1334 " wrong fount " Service," ½, 1, 2as. mint	..	..	—	6/6
1335 " no I in " British " ½, 1as. mint	..	..	—	10/0
204 Brunei, complete 1st Issue, used	..	..	—	50/0
205 " " mint blocks of four	..	..	—	200/0
206 " 1st issue, used, 1c. to 50c.	..	..	—	35/0
207 Straits on Labuan, 3c. to \$1, used, fine	..	..	—	15/0
208 " " complete, 1c. to \$1 used	..	..	—	35/0
209 Morocco on G.B., 3, 6, 12 pes. on 2/6, 5/-, 10/-, K., used, v.f.	..	..	—	15/0
210 N.Z. Official, complete ½d. to 5/-, used, fine	..	..	—	60/0
211 Sudan, Army, entire pane of 30 with 3 errors	..	..	—	25/0

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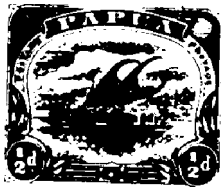
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The index number and serial letter after the title of each paragraph indicate the issue of E.W.S.N. in which the last reference to that country appeared.

**GREAT BRITAIN.**—Record Dates of Use (457 F 471).—The following new records have been shown us by Mr. R. N. Arnold Wallinger.

2d. No. lines. Bradford, Yorks, 1.6.40.  
1d. rose, L.C. 14, London, W., 30.5.57

The latter stamp has not been included in our records before.

**Railway Letter Stamps** (449 O 471).—Mr. L. W. Crouch writes:—

"*Tralee & Dingle Light Railway.*—I have just received from the Secretary of the above Company a specimen of the current Letter Stamp. I find that it is a new issue. It is printed in dark green and is perforated 11. It is evidently printed by Messrs. Carswell & Sons, of Belfast, as it is in exactly the same design as the Ballycastle and the Belfast Companies, showing no stop after "Railway" in the circular band.

**Cambrian Railways.**—Have you chronicled a printing of Letter Stamps perf. 11? I have a copy which I obtained at Barmouth in June, 1907."

**BRAZIL** (463 E 471).—According to the *Berliner Briefmarken-Zeitung* (16.9.08/352) the quantities printed of the new stamps are as follows:—

Jubilee card	50 reis	3,000,000
" stamp	100 "	5,000,000
Exhibition card	50 "	1,000,000
" stamp	100 "	2,000,000

The Brazilian authorities evidently intend giving everyone a chance to obtain them.

**BRITISH POST OFFICES, LEVANT** (443 H 471).—The ½d. and 1d. with control letter G7 are reported by Mr. J. Copland under date of 22.9.08. The letters just superseded are ½d. F6 and 1d. E6.

**CAPE COLONY** (397 T 471).—We are informed by Mr. Oswald Marsh that he has the ½d. with marginal plate-number 2 and 1d. with plate-number 4. The varieties now known are:—

½d.	Plates Nos. 1, 2.
1d.	" " 1, 2, 3, 4.
Other values.	" " 1.

**CAYMAN ISLANDS** (470 N 471).—With reference to the official notice that the ½d. stamps were only to be sold across the counter because they were "provided solely for internal postage," the Editor has received a picture postcard from the postmistress herself, franked with four of them! Postage from Grand Cayman to Norwood is hardly "internal" postage.

**CONGO** (A 471).—We take the following from the *Newcastle Chronicle* (18.9.08).

Philatelists have been awaiting with some eagerness the issue of the new Congo stamp which will indicate the annexation of the Colony to Belgium. The stamp will be on sale shortly, and it is already known that the changes involved will be very slight. They are in fact limited to the substitution of the "Colony of the Congo" for the older inscription "Congo Independent State." The Belgium Government has thought it best to preserve the old symbolical features of the elephant, the palm tree and profile of black natives, and practically the new stamp will be the same as its predecessor. As, nevertheless, every little detail, no matter how trifling, is important in the eyes of postage stamps collector, the new issue will no doubt find plenty of purchasers.

The Congo Free State is a country very free from New Issues; this is, in fact, our first reference to it since we introduced our present index system in E.W.S.N. over nine years ago! It has never been a very popular country though; perhaps with a few new issues it may revive philatelically.

**DUTCH INDIES** (468 C 471).—The following notes concerning the new "Java" stamps are sent us by Mr. A. Chippendale.

"Regarding the new surcharged stamps of Java, I am enclosing one of the 15cts. for your inspection; the cross bars are on, but the wording

is missing. On a close inspection you will find the foot of A and the full stop, just under the beginning of the bottom line. I also notice in the 2½cts., as also in the other values, that there are thick and thin printings of the surcharge. All the enclosed have come by this morning's mail. The Java mail just now is like a lottery, because the surcharges are so varied; the specialist collector will need almost the whole 19 millions surcharged before his collection is complete. I also enclose a Java postmark, which has been cancelled by machine; this is the first I have received from Java. I have never seen it chronicled that they had this in operation."

The *Berliner Briefmarken Zeitung* (16.9.08/352) states that the following quantities of stamps were surcharged "Buiten Bezit."

### Overprinted "Buiten Bezit."

½c. lilac	3,170,000
1c. olive	2,400,000
2c. brown	800,000
2½c. green	900,000
3c. orange	200,000
5c. red	680,000
10c. grey	2,600,000
12½c. blue	260,000
15c. brown	204,000
20c. olive	150,000
25c. lilac	250,000
30c. red-brown	182,000
50c. brown-red	196,000
1g. grey	84,000
2½g. green	16,000

The 2½g. should be scarce, as 16,000 is not a large number spread over the various Dutch possessions (outside Java and Madura) in the East, as we presume that at least all the principal post offices will be supplied.

**INDO-CHINA** (454 B 471).—The following new set of postage due stamps is chronicled by *L'Echo de la Timbrologie* (15.9.08/551).

### Postage Due Adhesives.

2c. black.
4c. blue.
5c. green.
10c. carmine.
15c. violet.
20c. brown.
30c. olive.
40c. brown-violet.
50c. blue.
60c. orange.
1f. grey.
2f. yellow-brown.
5f. red.

**ITALIAN FOREIGN P.O.** (459 N 471).—The Colonial Stamp Market has shown us sheets of the following:—



### Adhesives.

10 Para 10 in black of 5c. green.
20 Para 20 " 10c. rose.
40 Para 40 " 25c. blue. (1908 issue).
80 Para 80 " 50c. violet ( " ).

These may be the same as those listed three months ago under heading (i) but in that case they are new printings. The 80 Para on 50c. was chronicled in E.W.S.N. No 445 as on the 1901 issue but those just received are the 1908 issue. The marginal plate-numbers are as follows:—

10 Para on 5c.	5500
2c " 10c.	5483.
40 " 25c.	5497.
60 " 50c.	5563.

*Der Deutsche Philatelist* (9.08/95) states that the 30 para on 15c. has been issued with red instead of black surcharge and the 1 and 5 lire have been overprinted 4 and 20 piastre.

**EVERY COLLECTOR  
SHOULD SUBSCRIBE TO "E.W.S.N."**

It is no economy to save the small subscription (4/4) and live in ignorance of Philatelic events.

**MALAY STATES** (460 J 471).—We have received the following new shade.



Adhesive. Wmk. Crown CA multiple, ordinary paper.

1c. dark green (instead of light green).

Issued 1.9.08 or earlier. The 5c. issued to the Colonial Stamp Market at the same time had single watermark again; both the multiple ordinary and multiple chalky varieties of this value are singularly elusive stamps. We have managed to find a full supply of the 50c. on chalk-surface paper; this is another stamp that has evaded search for several years and at one time was actually quoted 18 times face value.

A correspondent in the Malay States writes us under date of 26.8.08:—"Referring to your latest announcement re 3c. rose and 8c. ultramarine, these stamps have arrived in Kuala Lumpur but the 3c. will not be issued till next year and possibly not till still later as I hear there are over 1,000,000 stamps of the 3c. brown on hand and these will be issued first. The stock of the 8c. blue and black is not likely to be exhausted for another 18 months."

The delay in carrying into effect the reform requiring ½d., 1d. and 2½d. stamps to be in Postal Union colour is probably a direct outcome of the outcry against surcharged stamps some years ago. Smaller stocks were then kept in hand and were liable to run out if any exceptional demand arose; hence necessitating provisionals. To pacify collectors large stocks are now kept, and in a country too where the gum very rapidly deteriorates (every one of the millions of stamps in the Post Office has to be interleaved with a sort of blotting-paper). The result is inconvenience to the Post Office and to the local public who often find the gum on the stamps a doubtful quantity and delay in bringing the Malay States into line with the stamps of other Postal Union countries; let us hope the Anti-Surcharger is happy!

**NEW ZEALAND** (470 K 471).—We have received the following note from Mr. R. J. Kingsley, under date of 12.8.08.

"I am sending you a registration envelope I purchased to-day. Our post office here (Nelson, N.Z.) has been without this size envelope (G) for over four months; the excuse has been, they were getting a fresh plate engraved, &c. At last I wrote the chief secretary, and after three weeks a supply was sent, which I find is similar to the old one with this exception—the label at the bottom of the stamp is blank, whereas in the old it was a dark blue, like the groundwork at the top of the stamp, and with the words registration fee in white letters. I do not know if this is to be the permanent type or not, but I send you this early copy for your information."

### Registration Envelope.

3d. dark blue. The space inside the lower label (formerly "Registration Fee" in white letters on blue ground) is now blank and the blue smudge inside the star on either side is also removed. Size G.

It will be remembered that a fortnight ago we reported the 3d. size G with manuscript surcharge 2d. in red ink (these latter were postmarked Ashburton N.Z. 20.6.08 and 25.6.08). The effect of the alteration is to make the stamp available for postage as well as registration, as in England.

The ½d. stamps just received by the Colonial Stamp Market are again perf. 14×15, so that it would seem as if the perf. 14×13½ was to become rare; already the 6d. as well as the ½d. has been superseded.

The *Postage Stamp* (19.9.08/291) chronicles the following:—



Adhesive. Perf. 14×15.  
1/- red.

# Approval Sheets of All Countries.

CHIEFLY USED STAMPS, BOTH OBSOLETE AND CURRENT ISSUES (9,000 Varieties.)

<p><b>GREAT BRITAIN AND COLONIES.</b> (2691 different sorts exist).</p> <p>479 Gt. Britain, 1840-1870 370 " " 1870-1887 371 " " 1887-1901 373 " " 1840-1884 374 " " 1884-1901</p> <p>105 Antigua and Bahamas 106 Barbados 107 Bechuanaland and Cayman Is. 480 B.C.A. 108 Bermuda 109 B. Honduras 482 B. Columbia &amp; Vancouver Is. 110 B.E.A. 111 B. Guiana 388 B.N.G. and Papua 391 " " " 436 " " " 112 B.S.A. " 113 Cape Colony 378 " " 382 " " 409 Cayman Islands 114 Ceylon, Pence issue and 1st [Cents issue 481 " " Cents issue 115 Cook Islands 116† Cyprus 104 Canada, 1870-97 117 " " 1850-70 118 " " 1851-68 119 " " 1897-1904 120 " " Jubilee and Map 121 Dominica 380 Brunei, East Africa &amp; Uganda 122 Falkland Islands 123 Fiji Islands 124 Gambia 125 Gibraltar 126 Gold Coast 127 Grenada [and Sudan 469 Heligoland and Ionian Islands 128 Hong Kong 405 " " King's heads 129 East India 130 India (Empire) 131 Jamaica 357 " " used 132 Labuan, 1st design, Queen's Head 133 " " 1879-1897 483 " " 1895-03 134 Lagos 135 Leeward Islands 348 Madagascar, British Post. 126 Malta 137 Mauritius, Pence issues 488† " " Cents " 138 Montserrat and Nevis 139 Natal 406 " " King's heads 140 New Brunswick, Nova Scotia 141 Newfoundland, 1857-80 482 " " 1880-1905 468 New Republic 143 New South Wales, 1862-97 372 " " 144 New Zealand, 1st design 145 " " 1854-1898 386 " " Pictorial 146 Niger Coast 148 North Borneo, 1883-1889 486 " " Pictorial issues</p>	<p>149 Northern Nigeria 150 Orange Free State and Colony 351 Orange River Colony 498 Prince Edward Is. 151 Queensland, 1860-1882 152 " " 1882-96 492† " " 1891-1907</p> <p>154 St. Christopher 155 St. Helena 156 St. Lucia 157 St. Vincent 158 Sarawak 159 Seychelles 349 " " 160 Sierra Leone 161 S. Australia, 1835-1887 162 " " long stamps 163 S. Nigeria 494† Solomon Is. and Somaliland 487 Stella and and Tobago 164 Straits Settlements 434 " " 165 Malay States and Maldives 166 Johore 167 Negri Sembilan and Pahang 168 Perak 169 Selangor and Sungai Ujong 170 Tasmania, 1853-1892 452 " " 1892-1906 171 Tonga 172 Transvaal, 1860-1885 173 " " 1896 and Pietersburg 489 " " 1891-07 174 Trinidad 175 Turks Islands and Virgin Islds. 176 Uganda 177 Victoria, 1851-1862 490 " " 1863-1885 178 " " 1885-1887 491 " " 1900-1906 179 Western Australia 180 Zanzibar 181 Zululand</p> <p><b>EUROPE AND COLONIES.</b> (3545 different sorts exist).</p> <p>182 Austria, 1850-90 183 " " 1890-96 184 " " 1891-1905 385 Austrian Diamond Jub. Stamps 369† " " 185 Austrian F.P.O. 187 Bavaria, 1849-74 188 " " 1867-74 189 Belgium, 1849-68 190 " " 1868-1906 191 Bosnia, 1879-1901 192 " " Pictorial, 1906 195† " " 1879-1901 193 Bulgaria, 1870-1902 375 " " 1902 194 Crete 196 Denmark 197 Danish West Indies 198 Finland, 1860-75 199 " " 1890-1900 200 France, Head of Liberty 201 " " 1849-70 202† " " 1876-1900 203 " " 1849-06 204† " " 1900-06 361 " " used</p>	<p>205 French Foreign P.O., 1902 206 French Colonies, 1850-92 207 " " 1892 208 Djibouti " " 209 Obock " " 412 Guadeloupe 413 Indo-China 414 Madagascar 210 Fr. Somali Coast and Fr. Guiana 211 French Congo 222 Fr. Guinea and New Caledonia 435 Middle Congo 212 French West Africa 411 Reunion 2131 Tunis 214† Germany, 1868-75 215 " " 1875-79 216 " " 1891-1902 217 German Colonies 415 German Colonies, used and un. 218 Alsace to Brunswick 219 Hamburg to Oldenburg 220 Prussia and Saxony 221 Schleswig-Holstein and Thurn and Taxis 477 Greece, 1861-1896 478 " " 1901-1906 470 " " cheap used 315 " " 1861-96 316 " " 1901-06 223† Holland, 1852-72 224 " " 1872-99 225 " " 1891-99 226 Dutch Indies, 1870-83 227† " " 1870-1905 228 Curaçao 229 Suriname 230 Hungary, 1871-1898 231† " " 1900 232 Iceland 233 Italy, 1851-90 234 " " 1890-95 420 " " [to Sicily 235 Italian Col., F.P.O., and States 403 Italian States, Parma to Tuscany 236 Luxembourg 237 Monaco 238 Montenegro (1st type) 239 " " (later issues) 377 " " 1898-1902 423 " " postally used 240 Norway 241 " " 1872-77 242 Portugal, 1853-1892 243 " " 1892-1905 244 Port. Colonies near Europe 493 " " 495 Ditto, beyond Europe, 1870-93 416 " " " 1897 design 402 " " " 1870-1898 246† Ditto (Vasca da Gama), 1893-97 247 Ditto, 1897 type 248 Mozambique, India and Nyassa 428† Pictorial stamps 249 Roumania, 1858-71 250 " " (imperf. issues; 411 " " 1871-90 417 " " 1890-1897 418 " " Pictorial 251 Russia 252 Russian Foreign P.O. 253 San Marino 254† Serbia, 1866-05</p>	<p>255 Serbia, 1901-05 256 Spain, 1850-67 397 " " 1850-1872 257 " " 1870-1878 258 " " 1879-95 424 " " 1873-75 259 Cuba, 1855-77 260 " " 1882-98 419 " " 1877-1881 421 Elobey and Spanish Guinea 261† Fernando Poo 262 Philippines 389 Philippine Islands 263 Porto Rico 264† Sweden, 1835-1872 410 " " 1891 265 Switzerland, 1845-82 266 " " 1882-1900 267 Turkey, 1863-76 268 " " 1892-06 398 " " 269 Wurtemberg</p> <p><b>REST OF WORLD.</b> (2565 different sorts exist).</p> <p>270 Abyssinia 384 Afghanistan 271 China 273† Congo Free State 274† Corea, 1895-1902 275 " " 1903 276 Egypt 473 " " 277 Japan, 1871-76 278 " " 1894-1900 467 " " 1876-1904 279 Liberia, 1860-1892 453 " " 1892-06 280 Persia, 1868-91 281 " " 1891-1906 463 Shanghai 283 Siam 284 Argentine Republic, 1858-67 285 " " " 1882-90 286 " " " 1889-92 287 " " " 1892-99 458 Buenos Aires and Corrientes 288 Bolivia, 1866-67 289 " " 1878-97 290 " " 1897-01 291 Brazil, 1844-78 292 " " 1878-1900, chiefly used 293 " " 1880-1906 294 Chili, 1852-81 295 " " 1881-1906 379 " " cheap used 296 Colombia, 1859-70 297 " " 1876-86 298 " " 1890-98 299 " " 1902-04 300 " " (Cartagena and other issues, 1898-05) 433 " " 1902 issue 301 Costa Rica, 1862-89 454 " " 1892-06 302 Dominican Republic, 1862-1900 466 " " 303 Ecuador, 1865-94 430 " " 1890-05 432† Ecuador, 1895-99 304 Guatemala, 1871-86 305 " " 1902 426 " " 1897-06</p>	<p>306 Hayti, 1871-98 422 " " 1898-1906 307 Honduras, 1865-92 431 " " 1892-02 308 Mexico, 1856-74 309 " " 1874-82 310 " " 1884-85 311 " " 1886-99 429 " " 1886-03 312 Nicaragua, 1862-91 313 " " 1892-97 455 " " 1898-06 314 Panama (unsurcharged) 317 Paraguay, 1870-1892 318† " " 1900-03 319 " " 1903-07 460 " " 1870-1904 320 Peru, 1858-74 321 " " 1895-96 456 " " 1896-07 322 Salvador, 1867-92 323 " " 1892-95 464 " " 1895-96 465 " " 1897-06 324 Uruguay, used and unused 325 " " 1884-90 326 " " 1890-05 327 " " 1895 383 " " 1887-04 427 " " 1895-07 328 Venezuela, 1859-06 (for internal postage) 329 Venezuela, 1880-96 (Foreign correspondence) 457 Venezuela, 1893-06 (Foreign correspondence) 330 United States, 1851-1882 331 " " 1884, 1900, 1902 332 " " Columbus, Omaha, etc. 404 " " cheap used 461 " " (used) 333 Confederate States and Cuba 381 Philippine Islands (U.S.A.) 443 Samoa 334 Hawaii, 1853-1882 459 " " 1891 (Pictorial issue)</p> <p><b>INDIAN NATIVE STATES.</b> (301 different sorts exist).</p> <p>335 Alwur, Bamra, Bhor and Bhopal 337 Bundi and Bhopal 494 Busahir 338 Charkhari, Cochio, Dhar, Duttia and Faridkot 339 Holkar and Hyderabad 340 Jaipur, Jhind, and Jhalawar 496 Jummo and Kashmir 341 Kishengarh 342 Nepal and Nowanugger, Soruth and Travancore 343 Rajnandgaon, Rajpeela and Sirmoor [Scinde Dawk</p> <p><b>NEW ISSUES (USED).</b> Sheets of these, Foreign and Colonial, are now ready.</p>
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† These Sheets are newly mounted this week.

# Approval Sheets of New Issues.

BRITISH COLONIES ONLY, CHIEFLY KING SINGLES AND MULTIPLES, USED AND UNUSED.

<p>500 Atutaki on N.Z. 501 Antigua 581 Australian Commonwealth Postage Dues 502 Bahamas, King, &amp;c. 503 Barbados 504 Bechuanaland, King 505 Bermuda, Dockyard 506 Br. Central Africa, King 507 British Guiana 508 Br. Honduras, King 585 British New Guinea 509 Br. New Guinea and Papua 510 Br. South Africa [unused 380 Brunei, 1st issue, used and 512 Brunei, surch. and pictorial 511 Canada, King, &amp;c. 513 Cape, King 514 Cayman Is., King 515 Ceylon, King</p>	<p>516 Chamba on India, King 360 Cook Islands, Queen's Head 517 Cook Is. 518 Cyprus, King 519 Dominica, pictorial 520 E. Africa, King 521 Falkland, King 522 Fiji, King 523 Gambia, King 524 Gibraltar, King 525 Gold Coast, King 526 Grenada, King 527 Gwalior on India, King 528 Hong Kong, King 529 India, King 530 C.E.F. on India, King 531 Jamaica, Arms 532 Jhind on India 533 Johor, 1901 534 Labuan, Crown</p>	<p>580 Labuan, pictorial 411 Labuan, sur. " Straits " 381 " " used and un. 535 Lagos, King 536 Leeward, King 537 Levant on Gt. Britain 538 Malay States 539 Maldives on Ceylon 540 Malta, King, &amp;c. 541 Mauritius, Arms 542 Montserrat, Arms 584 Morocco Ag. on Gibraltar— varieties 543 Morocco on Gibraltar 544 Morocco on Gt. Britain 545 Nabha on India, King 546 Natal, King [Family 547 Newfoundland, Cabot and Royal 548 New South Wales 583 New Zealand Pictorials and Officials</p>	<p>549 New Zealand, pictorial 550 Niue on N.Z. 551 North Borneo 552 N. Nigeria, King 553 Orange River Colony, King 554 Patiala on India, King 555 Penrhyn on N.Z. 556 Queensland 557 St. Helena, King, &amp;c. 558 St. Kitts-Nevis, pictorial 559 St. Lucia, King 560 St. Vincent, King 561 Sarawak, Rajah's Head 562 Seychelles, King 563 Sierra Leone, King 564 Solomon Islands 546 Somaliland, 1st issue 565 Somaliland, King and Queen, surch. 579 " " Prot. King</p>	<p>347 Somaliland 377 Somaliland Officials, 1st issue varieties 378 Somaliland Service 566 South Australia 567 S. Nigeria, King 568 Straits, King 569 Sudan, Camel 570 Tasmania, pictorial 571 Tonga, pictorial and portrait 350 Transvaal C.S.A.R. 572 Transvaal, King 573 Trinidad 574 Turks Islands 575 Victoria 576 Virgin Islands 577 Western Australia 349 Zanzibar, 1904, and varieties 578 Zanzibar, Arms</p>
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# Approval Sheets of British Stamps Specialized.

<p>601 Gt. Britain, 1840, 1d. black 601 " " 1841/57, 1d. red 602 " " 1840, 1d. red, imperf. 603 " " 1840 " " 604 " " 1854/57, 1d. red, perf. 605 " " 1840 " " 606 " " 1840, 1d. black, and 1841, 2d. blue 607 " " 1840/57, 2d. blue 608 " " 1840 " " 609 " " 1840 " " 610 " " 1847/54, 6d., 10d. &amp; 1/- 611 " " 1855, 4d. rose 612 " " 1855, 4d. rose in pairs 613 " " 1855, 1862 and 1865, 6d. lilac</p>	<p>614 Gt. Britain, 1855, 1862 and 1865, 1/- green 615 " " 1862, 1865, 3d. rose 616 " " 1862, 4d. orange 617 " " " " 618 " " " " 619 " " 1862 &amp; 1865, 9d. brn., 6d. yellow &amp; 5/- rose 620 " " 1865, 3d. rose pl. Nos. 621 " " " " 622 " " " " 623 " " 1865, 4d. orange 624 " " " " 625 " " " " 626 " " 1873 &amp; 1874, 6d. grey</p>	<p>627 Gt. Britain, 1865, 6d. vio., pl. 5, 6, 8 628 " " " " 629 " " " " 630 " " " " 631 " " 1865, 1/- green 632 Gt. Britain, 1870, 3d. and 1 1/2d. red 633 " " 1864, 1d. red, picked copies 634 " " 1870, 1d. red 635 " " 1864 " " 636 " " 1870, 1 1/2d. red 637 " " 1870, 2d. blue 638 " " " " 639 " " " "</p>	<p>640 Gt. Britain, 1870, 2 1/2d. rose pl. Nos. 641 " " " " 642 " " " " 643 " " 2 1/2d. blue pl. Nos. 644 " " " " 645 " " " " 646 " " " " 647 " " 3d. rose pl. Nos. 648 " " " " 649 " " " " 650 " " " " 651 " " 1870, 4d. grn. &amp; brn., and 1/- red 652 " " 1870, 6d. grey and 1/- green</p>	<p>653 Gt. Britain, 1880, 1d. brn. 654 " " " " 655 " " 1884, 1 1/2d. &amp; 2d. lilac 656 " " 1 1/2d., 2d. &amp; 2 1/2d. lil. 657 " " 2 1/2d. lilac 658 " " " " 659 " " " " 660 " " 1884, 2 1/2d. lilac and 5d. and 6d. green 661 " " unused; Army and Telegraphs, etc. 662 " " "Specimen" stamps</p>
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**ORANGE RIVER COLONY** (443 C 471).—We are shown the following C.S.A.R. stamps by Mr. Oswald Marsh.



*Adhesives.*

2d. punctured C.S.A.R.  
4d. " " "

Earliest postmark seen, Bloemfontein 26.5.08. Our correspondent has a variety of the 4d. with double puncture, one inverted.

The only punctured official stamps of this Colony we previously reported were the ½d. and 1d. with "N.G.R." and we should think these also exist with "C.S.A.R."

**SOUTH AUSTRALIA** (458 B 471).—Our last supply of 5d. had only one sheet-number, but we notice those just received (issued 28.9.08) have two numbers—"4d. 133" in pink and "004515" in black.

**SWITZERLAND** (469 M 471).—We are shown another value of the new set by Mr. Eug. Meyer.

*Adhesive.* New design, solid ground.  
50c. green.

Issued 19.9.08 or earlier.

**VICTORIA** (466 U 471).—The Colonial Stamp Market has shown us the following novelty:—

*Adhesive.* Wmk. Crown A, perf. 12½.  
5/- red and blue.

Issued 10.8.08 or earlier.

**BELGIUM.**

1850, full face, value curved, very fine used, 10c. brown ½d., and 20c. blue ½d.

**TURKEY.**

1908, new designs, used, 5pa. brown ½d., 10pa. green ½d., 20pa. rose ½d., 1pi. blue ½d., 2pi. grey 1d., 3pi. brown 4d., 5pi. lilac 6d. and 10pi. red 1/3.

**SERVIA.**

1905, Head of King Peter in black, used, 10p. rose ½d., 20p. yellow 1d., 25p. blue 1d., 30p. grey 1d., 1d. brown 7d., 3d. green 2/- and 5d. lilac 2/9.

**PARAGUAY.**

1889, figure of value in centre, used, 1c. green 1d., 2c. rose 1d., 5c. blue 1½d., 20c. rose 4d., and 80c. blue 8d.

**PORTUGUESE COLONIES. B.E.**

1885, Head embossed, surcharged Mozambique, used, 5r. black 1d., 10r. green 1½d., 20r. rose 2d., 25r. lilac 1d., 40r. brown 4d., 50r. blue 1d., 100r. brown 4d., 200r. lilac 6d., and 300r. orange 9d.

**BRAZIL.**

1906, small designs, portrait:—very fine used, 10r. grey ½d., 20r. lilac ½d., 100r. rose ½d., 200r. blue ½d., 300r. 3rey 1d., 400r. green 2d., 700r. brown 4d., 1000r. red 4d., 2000r. green 8d. and 5000r. rose 2/3.

**NEW ZEALAND.**

1854, full face:—very fine used 1d. red 1/6, 1d. brown 1/6, 2d. blue 1/-, 2d. red 1/6, 3d. lilac 1/6, 4d. red 1/6, 4d. yellow 3/6, 6d. brown 1/-, 6d. blue 1/9 and 1/- green 3/-.

**CANADA.**

1908. Quebec Centenary:—Postally used ½c. brown ½d., 1c. green ½d., 2c. red ½d., and 20c. brown 1/-.

**AUSTRIAN F.P. OFFICE.**

1908, for Levant, 5 para green, mint, 1d.

**Our Prize Competitions.**

Result week ending, 26th Sept., 1908. ..

	NEW ISSUE COMPETITION		OLD ISSUE COMPETITION		
	I. Europe and Colonies.		II. Rest of World.	III. Great Britain and Colonies.	
1st	JC - 88	CH *153	WS *102	EB	461
2nd	FS - 69	NC - 100	PB - 63	FL	457
3rd	JL - 32	ED - 94	JF - 47	Mrs.C	319
4th	Mrs.G 31	JL - 75	JD - 41	RG	291
5th	NC - 28	FS - 48	JW - 34	EW	243
6th	JE - 25	AD - 40	ES - 32	JO	230
7th	EM - 23	JH - 36	WP - 18	Rev.S	191
8th	WP - 21	HW - 23	HS - 15	JF	159
9th	RH - 19	JB - 22	JP - 14	GS	144
10th		JL - 22	JW - 10	JB	143

\* Prize albums were despatched on Monday last.  
† This Competition will open on Monday of the week ending October 3rd.

**CONDITIONS.**

1. The prizes are the following albums:—

"Our Own Times," specially arranged for King's Heads and current issues (sale price, 12/6).

"Good Old Times." Part I., Great Britain and Colonies; part II., Europe and Colonies; part III., Rest of the World. Arranged for collectors on simplified lines, without watermarks, perforations, etc. (The set of three albums can be supplied immediately for 37/6 cash, or 12/6 each, post free).

- The prize in each of the four competitions is awarded to the competitor who has purchased from our approval sheets the most stamps up to the end of each week, non-winners' totals being carried forward. The minimum number entitling to a prize is 100.
- Stamps purchased from our Current Issue Sheets count in the New Issue Competition only, whilst stamps purchased from our Old Issue Sheets count in the Old Issue Competition only.
- The "Rest of World" Competition is only open to winners of "Europe and Colonies," and the "Great Britain and Colonies" to winners of the other two.

**EDITORIAL COMPETITION.**

The competitor who sends us the most interesting item of information for our New Issue column each week will be credited 2/6, which may be selected from any of our approval sheets. From time to time we shall voluntarily increase the prize.

*Award this week.*

J.L. for sending the new 2c. Newfoundland (2/6).

**SIAM.**

1905, King's Head and view of Grand Mosque:—very fine used, 1a. green and yellow 1d., 2a. grey and lilac 1d., 3a. green 1d., 4a. red and brown 1d., 5a. rose 1½d., 8a. brown and black 2d., 12a. blue 1½d., 24a. brown 2d., 11. brown and blue 8d.

New colours:—9a. blue 2d., and 18a. brown 3d.

**AUSTRIA.**

1908, various large designs:—fine used, 1h. grey ½d., 2h. lilac ½d., 3h. lilac ½d., 5h. green ½d., 6h. yellow 1d., 10h. red ½d., 12h. red 2d., 20h. brown 2d., 25h. blue 1d., 35h. blue 3d., 60h. red 4d., and 1r. lilac and rose 1/-.

**ITALY.**

1906, large head to right and new design:—used 15c. grey ½d., 5c. green ½d., 10c. rose ½d.  
1908, large head of King to left:—used 25c. blue ½d., 40c. brown 1d., and 50c. lilac 1d.

**HONG KONG.**

1903, King's head, used:—1c. lilac and brown ½d., 2c. green ½d., 4c. on red ½d., 5c. brown and green 1d., 6c. lilac and red 2½d., 8c. lilac and black 1½d., 10c. on blue 1½d., 10c. blue 1d., 12c. on yellow 2½d., 20c. brown and black 2d., 30c. black and green 4d., 50c. lilac and green 5d., \$1 green and lilac 1/6.

**CANADA.**

1868, Queen's head to right, value at foot in figures and words:—very fine used 1c. red 1/3, 1c. yellow 1/6, 2c. green 6d., 3c. red 2d., 5c. grey 2/-, 6c. brown 8d., 12½c. blue 1/-, 15c. lilac 5d., and 15c. grey 6d.  
1897, oblong, with two portraits of Queen, 1837 and 1897:—fine used, ½c. black 1/-, 1c. yellow 1d., 2c. green 2½d., 3c. rose 1d., 5c. blue 5d., 8c. lilac 8d., 10c. lilac 1/-, 15c. blue 1/3, 20c. red 1/6, 50c. blue 1/-, \$1 rose 5/-, \$2 lilac 5/-, \$3 brown 7/6, and \$5 green 13/-.

**DENMARK.**

1904, King's Head to right:—used 5ö. green ½d., 10ö. red ½d., 20ö. blue ½d., 25ö. brown 1½d., 50ö. lilac 5d., 100ö. yellow 9d.  
1907, King's Head, full face:—used 5ö. green ½d., 10ö. rose ½d., 20ö. blue ½d., 25ö. brown 1½d., 50ö. lilac 3d., 100ö. yellow 5d.

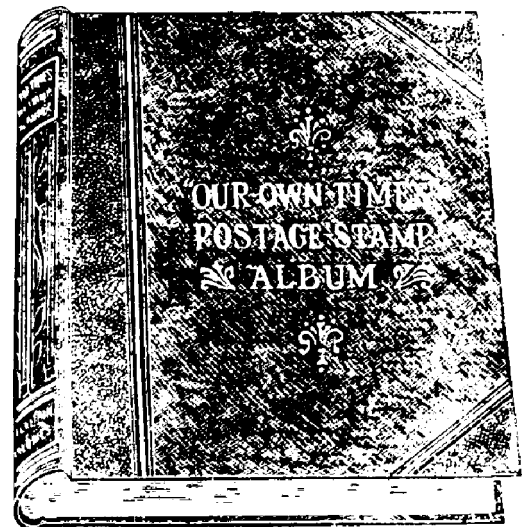
**CHILI.**

1900, Head. Figure at corner:—very fine used 2c. rose 1d., 5c. blue ½d., 10c. lilac 1d., 20c. grey 3d., and 50c. brown 2½d.  
1902, small head without beard:—used 1c. green ½d., 2c. rose ½d., 5c. blue ½d., 10c. red 1d. and 30c. lilac 2d.  
1906, various designs:—used 1c. green ½d., 2c. rose ½d., 3c. brown 1d., 5c. blue ½d., 10c. grey and black ½d., 15c. lilac and black 2d., 20c. brown and black 1d. and 50c. blue and black 3d.

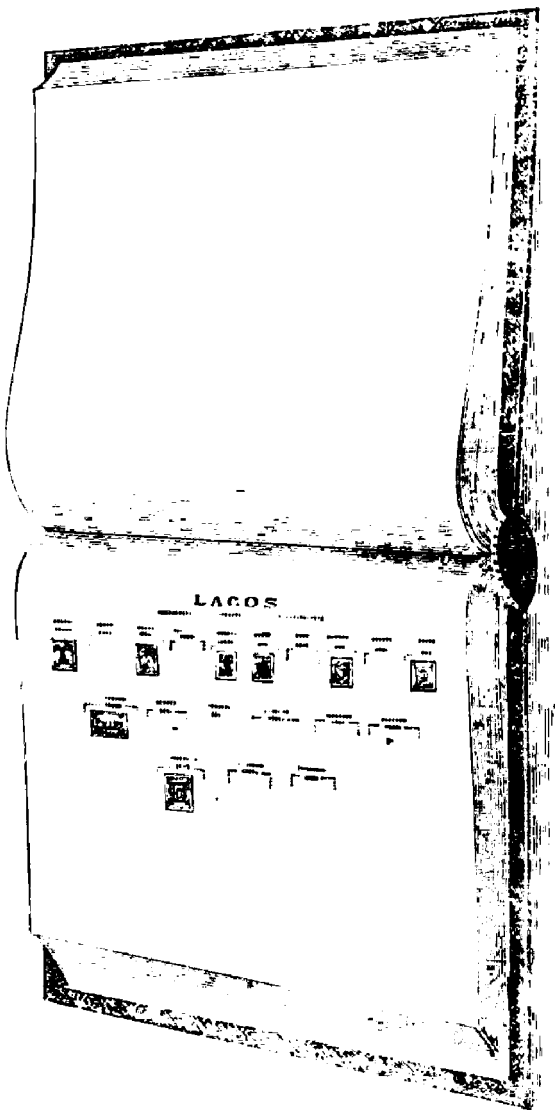
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	Face Value.	Sale Price.		Face Value.	Sale Price.		
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2 Antigua (Arms), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/- ..	7	2/3	2/7½	152 Sierra Leone (King), ½d., 1d., 1½d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 1/-	10	3/1½	3/8
3 Austral. Cmnwlth, Postage Due, ½, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 10d., 1/- ..	10	4/3½	—	153 Solomon Is. (litho.), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 5d., 6d., 1/-	7	2/5	4/6
6 Bahamas (Staircase), 1d., 5d. ..	2	0/6	0/7	154 .. (Engraved), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 5d., 6d., 1/-	7	2/5	—
7 .. (King), ½d., 1d., 2½d., 4d., 6d., 1/-	6	2/2	2/6½	155 Somaliland (King), ½, 1, 2, 2½, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12a. ..	9	3/3	3/9½
8 Barbados (Arms), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 5d., 6d., 8d., 10d. ..	9	2/11½	3/5	156 .. (King, O.H.M.S.), ½, 1a. ..	2	—	7/6
9 .. (Nelson), ½d., 1d., 2½d., 6d., 1/-	6	1/10½	—	157 .. (Official), complete except 2a. KS. ..	14	—	£10
10 Bechuanaland (on G.B. King), ½d., 1d., 2½d. ..	3	0/4	0/5	158 S. Australia (small), ½d., 1d., 2d., 5d. ..	4	0/8½	—
11 Bermuda (Dock), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d. ..	5	0/9	0/10½	159 .. (large), 3d., 4d., 6d., 8d., 9d., 10d., 1/-	7	4/4	5/1
13 British Guiana, 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 12, 24c. ..	7	2/3	2/7½	161 S. Nigeria (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 4d., 6d., 1/- ..	7	2/4	2/9
14 British Honduras (King), 1, 2, 5, 10, 20, 25c. ..	6	2/7½	3/2	162 Straits (King), 1, 3, 4, 5, 8, 10, 25, 30, 50c. ..	9	3/3	—
16 B.S.A. (Arms), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 6d., 1/- ..	8	2/7	3/0	164 Sudan (Camel), 1, 2, 3, 4, 5m., 1, 2, 5pi. ..	8	1/11½	2/3½
17 .. (Victoria Falls), 1d., 2½d., 5d., 1/-	4	1/8½	2/0	165 .. (O.S.G.S.), 1, 3, 5m., 1, 2, 5pi. ..	6	1/10½	2/2½
18 Brunei (on Labuan), complete set ..	12	—	50/0	166 .. (Army Service), 1, 2, 3, 5m., 2pi. ..	5	—	14/0
19 .. .. set of ten, 1-30c. ..	10	—	30/0	171 Tasmania (Pict.), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d. ..	8	2/0	—
20 .. .. set of seven, 1-10c. ..	7	—	10/0	172 .. (Queen), 1½d., 8d., 9d., 1/- ..	4	2/6½	—
21 Brunei (View), 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 10, 25, 30, 50c. ..	10	3/3	—	174 Tonga (Pict.), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 7½d., 10d., 1/-	11	4/5½	5/2½
27 Canada (King), 1, 2, 5, 7, 10, 20c. ..	6	1/10½	2/2½	175 Transvaal (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 6d., 1/-	8	2/7	3/2
28 .. (Dues), 1, 2, 5c. ..	3	0/4	0/5	176 .. (Dues), ½d., 1d., 2d., 3d., 5d., 6d., 1/-	7	2/5½	2/10½
29 .. (Quebec), ½, 1, 2, 5, 7, 10, 15, 20c. ..	8	2/6½	—	177 Trinidad (Britannia), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 4d., 6d., 1/-	7	2/4	—
30 Cape Colony (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 6d., 1/-	8	2/7	3/0	178 .. (Dues, used), 1d., 2d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 8d., 1/-	8	3/5	4/2
31 Cayman Islands, ½d., 1d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 1/-	7	1/11½	—	179 Turks & Caicos Is. (Ship), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 6d., 1/-	8	2/7	3/0
32 Ceylon (King), 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 12, 15, 25, 30, 75c. ..	10	2/4½	—	185 Victoria, ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 9d., 1/-	10	3/9	—
33 Chamba (on India King), ½, 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12a. ..	9	3/0½	1/6½	186 .. (Dues), ½d., 1d., 2d. ..	3	0/3½	—
34 .. (Service, King), ½, 1, 2, 4, 8a. ..	6	1/3½	—	187 Virgin Islands (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/-	7	2/3	2/7½
35 Cook Islands ½d., 1d., 1½d., 2d., 2½d., 5d., 6d., 10d., 1/-	9	3/4½	—	190 W. Australia (Swan), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 8d.,	12	5/3	—
36 Cyprus (King), ½, 1, 2, 4, 6, 9 pias ..	9	2/7½	3/1	9d., 10d., 1/- ..	12	5/3	—
41 Dominica (View), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/-	7	2/3	2/7½	195 Zanzibar, 3, 6, 12, 15, 25, 50c. ..	6	1/7½	1/11
43 E. Africa and Ug. (King), 1, 3, 6, 10, 12, 15, 25, 50, 75c. ..	9	2/7½	3/1				
45 Falkland Islands (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 6d., 1/-	6	2/0	—				
46 Fiji Islands (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 1/-	9	3/0	—				
50 Gambia (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 7½d., 10d., 1/-	11	4/5½	5/2½				
51 Gibraltar (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 6d., 1/-	6	2/0	2/4				
52 Gold Coast (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/-	7	2/3	—				
53 Grenada (Ship), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d. ..	5	0/9	—				
54 .. (King), 6d., 1/- ..	2	1/6	—				
55 .. (Dues), 1d., 2d., 3d. ..	3	0/6	—				
56 Gwalior (on India King), ½, 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12a. ..	9	3/0½	3/7				
57 .. (Service, King), ½, 1, 2, 4, 8a. ..	6	—	3/9				
61 Hong Kong (King), 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 8, 10, 12, 20, 30, 50c. ..	11	3/0	—				
64 India (King), ½, 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12a. ..	10	3/3½	3/10				
65 .. (King, On O.H.M.S.), ½, 1, 2, 4, 8a. 1r. ..	7	—	6/6				
70 Jamaica (Queen), 3d., 4d., 6d., 1/-	4	2/1	—				
71 .. (Arms), ½d., 1d., 2½d., 5d. ..	4	0/9	—				
72 Jhond (on India King), ½, 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12a. ..	9	3/0½	—				
74 Johore (1904 Sultan), 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 10, 25, 50c. ..	9	2/11	—				
78 Labuan (Crown), 1, 2, 3, 4, 8, 10, 12, 16, 18, 25, 50c. ..	9	—	1/11				
79 .. (surch. Straits), complete ..	11	—	35/0				
80 .. .. without 2c. ..	10	—	15/0				
81 .. .. 1, 2c. ..	9	—	10/0				
83 Leeward Is. (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/-	7	2/3	—				
84 Levant (on G.B., King), 1, 2, 4 pias ..	3	1/2	1/4½				
85 .. ( .. ), ½d., 1d., 1½d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 1/-	10	3/1½	—				
91 Malay States (Tiger), 1, 3, 4, 5, 8, 10, 20, 50c. ..	8	2/4½	2/9½				
92 Maldives (Minaret), 2, 3, 5, 10c. ..	4	0/6	—				
93 Malta (Pictorial), ½d., 1d., 2½d., 5d. ..	3	0/9½	—				
94 .. (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 1/-	7	2/1	2/5½				
95 Mauritius (Arms), 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 12, 15, 25, 50c. ..	11	1/1	—				
96 .. (Express), 15, 18c. ..	2	0/5½	—				
98 Montserrat (Arms), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/-	7	2/3	2/7½				
100 Morocco (on G.B. King), 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 40, 50c., 1p. ..	8	1/9	2/0½				
101 .. .. ½d., 1d., 2d., 4d., 6d., 1/-	6	2/1½	2/6				
105 Nabha (on India King), ½, 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12a. ..	9	3/0½	3/7				
106 .. (Service, King), ½, 1, 2, 4, 8a., 1r. ..	6	—	11/6				
107 Natal (King), ½d., 1d., 1½d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 1/-	10	3/1½	—				
109 Newfoundland (Cabot), 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 15, 24c. ..	7	3/1½	3/10½				
110 .. (Royal Family), ½, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5c. ..	6	0/7½	0/9				
111 N.S.W. ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 8d., 10d., 1/-	11	4/6	—				
115 N.Z. ½d., 1d., 1½d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 8d., 9d., 1/-	12	4/6½	—				
116 .. (Dues), ½d., 1d., 2d. ..	3	0/3½	—				
117 Niue (on N.Z.), ½d., 1d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/-	6	2/1	2/5½				
119 N. Borneo (Brit. Prot.), 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 10, 12, 16, 18, 24c. ..	12	2/7	3/0				
121 N. Nigeria (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 5d., 6d., 1/-	7	2/5	—				
123 Nyasaland (King), ½d., 1d., 3d., 4d., 6d., 1/-	6	2/2½	—				
126 Orange River (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 6d., 1/-	8	2/7	3/0				
131 Papua (large surch.), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 4d., 6d., 1/-	7	—	25/0				
132 .. (small surch.), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 4d., 6d., 1/-, 2/6	8	—	14/0				
133 .. ½d., 1d., 2½d., 4d., 6d. ..	5	1/2	1/4½				
134 Patiala (on India King), ½, 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12a. ..	9	3/0½	—				
135 .. (Service, King), ½, 1, 2, 3, 4, 8a., 1r. ..	7	—	4/6				
136 Penrhyn (on N.Z.), ½d., 1d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/-	6	2/1	2/5½				
140 Queensland, ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 9d., 1/-	10	3/9	—				
143 St. Helena (King), ½d., 2½d., 4d., 6d. ..	4	1/1	1/3½				
144 .. (Pictorial), ½d., 1d., 2d., 8d., 1/-	5	1/11½	2/3½				
145 St. Kitts-Nevis (Pict.), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/-	7	2/3	2/7½				
146 St. Lucia (King), ½d., 1d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/-	6	2/1	—				
147 St. Vincent (King), 6d., 1/- ..	2	1/6	1/9				
148 .. (Pict.) ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d. ..	5	0/9	0/10½				
150 Sarawak, 1, 2, 3, 4, 8, 10, 12, 16, 20, 25, 50c. ..	11	3/6	4/1				

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1334 .. wrong fount "Service," ½, 1, 2as. mint ..	—	6/6
1335 .. no I in "British" ½ 1as. mint ..	—	10/0
204 Brunei, complete 1st Issue, used ..	—	50/0
205 .. .. mint blocks of four ..	—	200/0
206 .. 1st issue, used, 1c. to 50c. ..	—	35/0
207 Straits on Labuan, 3c. to 5s, used, fine ..	—	15/0
208 .. .. complete, 1c. to 5s used ..	—	35/0
209 Morocco on G.B., 3, 6, 12 pes. on 2/6, 5/-, 10/-, K., used, v.f. ..	—	15/0
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A	B										
1	2d. green	4/0	—	31	2d. green	1/6	1/6	61	2d. green	6d	6d
2	2d. green	—	—	32	2d. red	6d	—	62	2d. green	—	—
3	2d. green	1 6	1/6	33	2d. green	1/6	1/0	63	2d. green	6d	6d
4	2d. blue	6d	—	34	2d. red	6d	6d	64	2d. green	2/6	2/0
5	2d. green	—	—	35	2d. green	2/6	1/6	65	2d. green	4/0	—
6	2d. green	1/0	9d	36	2d. red	—	6d	66	2d. green	6d	3d
7	2d. green	6d	6d	37	2d. green	—	—	67	2d. green	6d	3d
8	2d. green	1/0	6d	38	2d. green	7/6	—	68	2d. green	6d	3d
9	2d. green	6d	6d	39	2d. green	1/0	1/0	69	2d. green	4/0	4/0
10	2d. green	6d	—	40	2d. green	6d	6d	70	2d. green	6d	6d
11	2d. green	6d	—	41	2d. green	6d	—	71	1d. blue	1/0	1/0
12	2d. green	6d	—	42	2d. green	6d	6d	72	2d. rose	6d	—
13	2d. green	1/-	—	43	2d. green	6d	—	73	2d. green	1/0	6d
14	2d. carmine	6d	—	44	2d. green	6d	6d	74	2d. green	1/6	1/6
15	2d. green	6d	6d	45	2d. green	—	—	75	2d. green	3/0	1/6
16	2d. green	6d	6d	46	2d. green	—	—	76	2d. green	6d	—
17	2d. green	6d	6d	47	2d. green	6d	3d	77	2d. green	6d	6d
18	2d. green	7/6	—	48	2d. green	6d	3d	78	2d. rose	2/0	6d
19	2d. green	6d	6d	49	2d. green	6d	—	79	2d. blue	1/9	6d
20	2d. green	6d	6d	50	2d. green	6d	6d	80	2d. green	6d	6d
21	2d. green	6d	—	51	2d. green	6d	d	81	2d. green	—	—
22	2d. blue	3/0	—	52	2d. green	6d	6d	82	2d. green	6d	—
23	2d. green	6d	—	53	2d. green	6d	3d	83	2d. green	6d	6d
24	2d. green	6d	6d	54	2d. green and black	—	—	84	2d. green	6d	6d
25	2d. green	6d	—	55	2d. grn. G.W.R.	—	2/6	85	2d. green	6d	6d
26	2d. green	6d	6d	56	2d. grn., blk. & viol.	—	—	86	2d. green	6d	—
27	2d. green	1/0	—	57	2d. green	6d	—	87	2d. red	4/0	3/0
28	2d. green	6d	6d	58	2d. green	—	—	88	2d. green	6d	—
29	2d. green	6d	6d	59	2d. green	—	—	89	2d. green	6d	—
30	2d. green	6d	6d	60	2d. green	6d	—	90	2d. green	—	6d
								91	2d. green	7/6	—
								92	2d. green	6d	6d
								93	2d. green	2/0	—
								94	2d. green	1/0	6d
								95	2d. green	4/0	—
								96	2d. green	—	—
								97	2d. green	—	6d
								98	2d. green	6d	—
								99	2d. green	6d	—
								100	2d. green	—	6d
								101	2d. green	7/6	—
								102	2d. green	6d	—
								103	2d. green	3/0	6d
								104	2d. green	6d	6d
								105	2d. green	1/0	6d
								106	2d. green	1/0	6d
								107	2d. green	1/6	1/6
								108	2d. green	6d	4d
								109	2d. green	1/0	—
								110	2d. green	6d	—
								111	2d. green	6d	—
								112	2d. green	6d	—
								113	2d. green	3/0	—
								114	2d. red-brn.	2 0	2 0
								115	2d. vermilion	2/0	—
								116	2d. red	1/6	—
								117	2d. green	—	—
								118	2d. green	1/6	1/6
								119	2d. green	6d	6d
								120	2d. green	3/6	—
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Cyprus.

CP an\* 5 paras, King, multiple wmk. CA., new shades, one yellow (paler than first printing) and the other a dull bistre.

Dominica.

DO aw 1d. all rose and 2½d. all blue, wmk. Crown CA multiple, ordinary paper.

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Gold Coast.

GC ap 2d., King, wmk. CA multiple, ordinary paper.

Leeward Islands.

LE ai ½d. and 2d., King, Crown CA multiple, chalky paper.

aj 6d. " " "

ak 1/- " " "

Newfoundland.

NF ab 2c., new map design.

Belgium.

BE af\* 1, 2, 5c., type ii. with no ornamentation between the design and the Sunday label.

New Zealand.

Surcharged Official.

NZ cp ½, 2, 3, 6d., 1/-, 2/- and 5/-, unused.

Papua.

Permanent design.

PP az 2½d., normal wmk. Crown A, rare perf. 12½.

ay\* 2½d. " " perf. 11.

ba 2½d., perf. 11, Set of four stamps, normal wmk. (dark and pale shade) and inverted wmk. (two shades).

bb\* 2½d. wmk. Crown A, perf. 11; set of two stamps, normal and inverted wmk.

bc\* 1d., perf. 11, inverted wmk. Crown A.

BN at† 4d. " " "

ai† 4d. " normal wmk. Crown A.

Papua on B.N. Guinea.

Small surcharge.

PP bh\* 1/- wmk. narrow rosettes, on thick paper instead of thin as hitherto.

Error, vertical surcharge.

PP bf 2/6 surcharged once.

be 2/6 surcharge at each side.

bg 2/6 not so fine as bf, only part of the surcharge appearing on the stamp (sent out at half price). PP be and bf are of extreme rarity, and we regret only being able to supply those subscribers at the head of our list.

We have received a supply of French Madagascar stamps, which we shall be sending out with this week's New Issues, in complete sets of 16 stamps 1c. to 5 francs, and also sets 1c. to 1f. We are also distributing Malay 50c. multiple watermark Crown CA on chalk-surfaced paper, and Italian Levant 10, 20, 40 and 80 paras.

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The index number and serial letter after the title of each paragraph indicate the issue of F.W.S.N. in which the last reference to that country appeared.

**GREAT BRITAIN.**—Unadhesive Stamps (463 Y 472).—We have received the 3d. Registration Envelopes with stamp die 16, the contract letters being GB and the size of the envelope H. Date of issue, 28.9.08 or earlier. Our list now stands:—



Envelope Dies. List of die-numbers known.

- ½d. dark green. Dies 7 to 30; 43 to 55.
- ½d. yellow-green. Dies 45 to 66 exc. 49.
- 1d. Dies 7 to 30; 43 to 75.
- 1½d. yellow, 1½d. violet, 4d., 10d., 1/- Dies 1, 2d. Dies 1, 2. 2½d. Die 3. 3d. Dies 1, 2. 6d. Dies 1 to 10.
- 3d. Registration, Dies 1 to 16.

**BRITISH HONDURAS** (460 D 472).—The following two new stamps are being printed, states the *Colonial Office Journal* (10.08/165).



Adhesive. Wmk. Crown CA multiple ordinary.  
2c. rose on white.  
5c. blue "

To be issued.

**CAYMAN ISLANDS** (471 O 472).—The *Colonial Office Journal* (10.08/165) announces the despatch to the island of the following.



Adhesive. Wmk. Crown CA multiple, chalk-surface paper.  
6d. lilac on white.

To be issued (probably immediately—and we might hazard a guess, to be out of issue almost as quickly!)

It is only a week or two since we were told that there were only ½d., 1d. and 10/- stamps left in the Cayman Islands. The *Colonial Office Journal* (10.08/164) however explains:—

"In our last issue we stated that the new ½d. Cayman Islands stamps and postcards were for internal postage within Grand Cayman. We have since been informed that, though it was originally intended to confine them to local circulation, it has been found necessary, through lack of ½d. stamps, to allow them to be used for foreign postage. A further supply of both stamps and postcards of the farthing value is now in hand."

The italics are ours.

**FALKLAND ISLANDS** (417 L 472).—The printing of the 1d. with watermark sideways was presumably an error, as it is now issued again with upright watermark. We do not appear to have yet noted the size of the sheets in these columns. Those just received (issued 3.9.08) are in ten rows of six (½d., 1d. and 2½d.) or six rows of ten (2d., 6d., 1/-), with plain margins all round, no plate-numbers. Of the 1d. however only the top halves (30 stamps) of the sheets are sent us. The 1d. stamps are also remarkable in having a smudge of red ink down the edge of the right hand margin, a very unusual occurrence in stamps printed by Messrs. De La Rue & Co., if in fact these are done by

that firm. The colour varies considerably also, from dark blood-red to almost dull red and some of the stamps were slightly smudged in printing giving a deeper shade to the colour.

**FIJI ISLANDS** (460 Y 472).—The *Colonial Office Journal* (10.08/165) announces that this colony has decided to adopt the new colour scheme but without alteration of design. The 1/- green and carmine, of which a supply was only recently sent out with multiple watermark, will thus have a short life, as the next supply will be 1/- black on green.



Adhesive. Wmk. multiple Crown CA, chalk-surfaced paper.  
1/- green and carmine.

To be issued shortly.

**GWALIOR STATE** (470 J 472).—The surcharge of the ordinary stamps has also been slightly altered. Whereas the distance between the two lines of the official stamps has been reduced from 10.11mm. to 8.9mm., that between the two lines of the ordinary surcharge has been increased from 2¼ to 2½mm. The difference in appearance is greater than the ¼mm. would lead one to suppose. The *Colonial Stamp Market* has received the following:—

Adhesives. Surcharge 2½ instead of 2¼mm. apart.  
½a. grey.  
1a. carmine.

Issued 9.08 or earlier.

**HOLLAND** (441 Y 472).—Mr. Reinou Kingma, Editor of the *Postzegelnieuws*, is first in sending us the new 1½c. stamp and card, but Mr. J. B. Robert and other readers were not far behind.



Adhesive.  
1½c. blue.  
Postcard. (Single and reply).  
1½c. blue.

Issued 1.10.08 for local use.

**HONG KONG** (435 J 472).—We have a few new consignment letter varieties:—2c. N 2641 (the first time we have seen letter N), 5c. L 2700, M 5530, 8c. L 095, 10c. blue. L 6068, 30c. L 080, \$2 K 18, \$1 G 199. The 2c. N was issued 2.9.08 or earlier.

**ICELAND** (445 E 472).—Two new stamps are shown us by Mr. W. T. Wilson under date of 29.9.08.



Adhesive.  
15 aur, pink and green.  
Official Adhesive.  
15 aur, bright blue and grey.

**MAURITIUS** (453 Q 472).—We take the following from the *Colonial Office Journal* (10.08/165).

An entirely new issue of stamps has been arranged. As stated in our October, 1907, issue several corrections have been made in the Arms of the Colony. The following stamps will be printed from the new "Arms" keyplate, the existing set of duty plates being used with it:—1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8 and 15 cents. The following values will be printed from the old

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The 4 cents stamps will be sage-green with carmine label and the 5 cents stamp grey with carmine label. A supply of 2, 3, 4, 6 and 15 cents stamps will be sent to the Colony towards the end of the present year.

**NATAL** (459 R 472).—The *Colonial Office Journal* (10.08/165) states that "2/-, 5/- and £1 postage stamps and 6d., 1/-, 2/-, 2 6, 5/-, 10/-, £1, £1/10/-, £5, £10 and £20 Revenue stamps have appeared during the past quarter."

We presume "appear" means "delivered by the printers" rather than "issued." The new stamps are as follows:—



Adhesives. Wmk. Crown CA, multiple, ordinary paper, chalk-surfaced (?).

- 2/- dull green and violet (new wmk.)
- 5/- doubly fugitive purple and carmine (new colours).
- £1 " " blue (new colours).

To be issued. Taken into connection with the announcement in the January issue of the *Colonial Office Journal* this statement is interesting, as the fact that special revenue stamps have now been printed will probably preclude the printing of any more postage stamps over £1 in value and the second fact that the £5, £10, £20 announced in new colours along with the 5/-, 10/-, 20/- and 30/- in January are not mentioned above leads us to expect that they will not now be created.

**NORTHERN NIGERIA** (461 O 472).—The *Colonial Office Journal* (10.08/165) announces that this colony has adopted the new colour scheme, although without alteration of design. The first two values in the new colours, ½d. and 1d., are about to be sent out.



Adhesives. Wmk. Crown CA multiple ordinary.  
½d. all green.  
1d. all rose.

To be issued shortly.

**NYASALAND** (468 G 472).—We have received the following note from Mr. W. H. Regan:—"I enclose variety of the Nyasaland 1/- in which the lines of the engraving are not carried to the eye, giving the stamp a very unfinished appearance in comparison with others on the sheet." Does this defect occur on other sheets? Our correspondent says nothing of its possession. Unless it appears on most of the sheets printed it would hardly have any philatelic interest.

**ORANGE RIVER COLONY** (471 D 472).—The *Colonial Office Journal* (10.08/165) states that "1/- postage stamps have been supplied for the first time on multiple watermarked paper."



Adhesive. Wmk. Crown CA multiple, ordinary paper.  
1/- bistre and red.

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# Approval Sheets of All Countries.

CHIEFLY USED STAMPS, BOTH OBSOLETE AND CURRENT ISSUES (9,000 Varieties.)

<p><b>GREAT BRITAIN AND COLONIES.</b> (2691 different sorts exist).</p> <p>479† Gt. Britain, 1840-1870 370 " " 1870-1887 371 " " 1887-1901 373 " " 1840-1884 374 " " 1884-1901 105 Antigua and Bahamas 106 Barbados 107 Bechuanaland and Cayman Is. 480 B.C.A. 108 Bermuda 109† B. Honduras 462† B. Columbia &amp; Vancouver Is. 110 B.E.A. 111 B. Guiana 388 B.N.G. and Papua 391 " " " 436 " " " 112† B.S.A., 1890-1898 471† " " 1898-1905 118 Cape Colony 378† " " " 382 " " " 409 Cayman Islands 114† Ceylon, Pence issue and 1st 147 " " [Cents issue 461 " " Cents issue 115 Cook Islands 116 Cyprus 104 Canada, 1870-97 117 " " 1859-70 118 " " 1851-68 119 " " 1897-1904 120 " " Jubilee and Map 121 Dominica 380 Brunei, East Africa &amp; Uganda 122 Falkland Islands 123 Fiji Islands 399† Fiscally used Stamps 124 Gambia 125 Gibraltar 126 Gold Coast 127 Grenada [and Sudan 469 Heligoland and Ionian Islands 128 Hong Kong 405† " " King's heads 129 East India 130 India (Empire) 131 Jamaica 357 " " used 132 Labuan, 1st design, Queen's 133† " " 1893-1902 Head 483 " " 1895-03 134 Lagos 135 Leeward Islands 348 Madagascar, British Post. 136 Malta 137 Mauritius, Pence issues 488 " " Cents " 138 Montserrat and Nevis 139 Natal 406 " " King's heads 140 New Brunswick, Nova Scotia 141 Newfoundland, 1857-80 482 " " 1880-1905 468 New Republic 143 New South Wales, 1862-97 372 " " " 144 New Zealand, 1st design 145 " " 1854-1898 386 " " Pictorial 146 Niger Coast</p>	<p>148 North Borneo, 1883-1889 486 " " Pictorial issues 149 Northern Nigeria 150 Orange Free State and Colony 351 Orange River Colony 498 Prince Edward Is. 151 Queensland, 1860-1882 152 " " 1882-96 492 " " 1891-1907 154† St. Christopher 155 St. Helena 156† St. Lucia 157 St. Vincent 158 Sarawak 159 Seychelles 349 " " 160 Sierra Leone 161 S. Australia, 1855-1887 162 " " long stamps 163 S. Nigeria 499 Solomon Is. and Somaliland 487 Stellaland and Tobago 164 Straits Settlements 434† " " 165† Malay States 166 Johore 167 Negri Sembilan and Pahang 168 Perak 169 Selangor and Sungei Ujong 170 Tasmania, 1853-1892 452 " " 1892†-906 171† Tonga 172 Transvaal, 1860-1885 173 " " 1856 and Pietersburg 489 " " 1894-07 174 Trinidad 175 Turks Islands and Virgin Islds. 176 Uganda 177 Victoria, 1851-1862 490 " " 1863-1885 178 " " 1885-1887 491 " " 1900-1906 179 Western Australia 180 Zanzibar 181 Zululand</p> <p><b>EUROPE AND COLONIES.</b> (3545 different sorts exist).</p> <p>182 Austria, 1850-90 183 " " 1890-96 184 " " 1891-1905 385† Austrian Diamond Jub. Stamps 369 " " " 185† Austrian F.P.O. 187 Bavaria, 1849-74 188 " " 1867-74 189 Belgium, 1849-68 190 " " 1868-1906 191 Bosnia, 1879-1901 192 " " Pictorial, 1906 195 " " 1879-1901 193 Bulgaria, 1870-1902 375 " " 1902 194 Crete 196 Denmark 197 Danish West Indies 198 Finland, 1860-75 199 " " 1890-1900 200 France, Head of Liberty 201 " " 1849-70 202 " " 1876-1900</p>	<p>203 France, 1849-06 204† " " 1900-06 361† " " used 205 French Foreign P.O., 1902 206† French Colonies, 1859-92 207 " " 1892 208 Djibouti 209 Obock 412 Guadeloupe 413† Indo-China 414 Madagascar 210 Fr. Somali Coast and Fr. Guiana 211 French Congo 222 Fr. Guinea and New Caledonia 435 Middle Congo 212 French West Africa 411 Reunion 213 Tunis 214 Germany, 1868-75 215 " " 1875-79 216 " " 189-1902 217 German Colonies 415 German Colonies, used and un. 218 Alsace to Brunswick 219 Hamburg to Oldenburg 220 Prussia and Saxony 221 Schleswig-Holstein and Thuro and Taxis 477† Greece, 1861-1896 478 " " 1901-1906 470 " " cheap used 315 " " 1861-96 316 " " 1901-06 223 Holland, 1852-72 224† " " 1872-99 225 " " 1891-99 226 Dutch Indies, 1870-83 227 " " 1870-1905 228 Curaçao 229 Suriname 230 Hungary, 1871-1898 231 " " 1900 232† Iceland 233 Italy, 1851-90 234 " " 1890-95 [to Sicily 420 " " " 235 Italian Col., F.P.O., and States 403 Italian States, Parma to Tuscany 236 Luxembourg 237 Monaco 238 Montenegro (1st type) 239 " " (later issues) 377 " " 1898-1902 423 " " postally used 240 Norway 241 " " 1872-77 242 Portugal, 1853-1892 243 " " 1892-1905 244 Port. Colonies near Europe 493 " " 245 Ditto, beyond Europe, 1870-93 416 " " " 1897 design 402 " " " 1870-1898 246 Ditto (Vasca da Gama), 1893-97 247 Ditto, 1897 type 248 Mozambique, India and Nyassa 428 Pictorial stamps 249 Roumania, 1858-71 (imperf. issues) 250 " " 1871-90 417 " " 1890-189† 418 " " Pictorial 251 Russia 252 Russian Foreign P.O.</p>	<p>253 San Marino 254 Servia, 1866-05 255 " " 1901-05 256 Spain, 1850-67 397 " " 1850-1872 257 " " 1870-1878 258 " " 1879-95 424 " " 1873-75 259 Cuba, 1855-77 260 " " 1882-98 419 " " 1877-1881 421† Elobey and Spanish Guinea 261 Fernando Poo 262 Philippines 389 Philippine Islands 263 Porto Rico 264 Sweden, 1855-1872 410 " " 1891 265 Switzerland, 1845-82 266 " " 1882-1900 267† Turkey, 1863-76 268 " " 1892-06 398 " " 269 Wurtemberg</p> <p><b>REST OF WORLD.</b> (2565 different sorts exist).</p> <p>270 Abyssinia 384 Afghanistan 271 China 273 Congo Free State 274 Corea, 1895-1902 275 " " 1903 276 Egypt 473 " " 277 Japan, 1871-76 278 " " 1894-1900 467 " " 1876-1904 279 Liberia, 1860-1892 453 " " 1892-06 280 Persia, 1868-91 281 " " 1891-1906 463 Shanghai 283 Siam 284 Argentine Republic, 1858-67 285 " " 1882-90 286 " " 1889-92 287 " " 1892-99 458 Buenos Aires and Corrientes 288 Bolivia, 1866-67 289† " " 1878-97 290 " " 1897-01 291 Brazil, 1844-78 292 " " 1878-1900, chiefly used 293† " " 1880-1906 362† " " 1906 294 Chili, 1852-81 295† " " 1900-1906 296 Colombia, 1859-70 297† " " 1876-86 298 " " 1890-98 299 " " 1902-04 300† " " (Cartagena and other issues, 1898-05) 433 " " 1902 issue 301 Costa Rica, 1862-89 454 " " 1892-06 302 Dominican Republic, 1862-1900 466 " " 303 Ecuador, 1865-94 430 " " 1899-05 432 Ecuador, 1895-99</p>	<p>304† Guatemala, 1871-86 305 " " 1902 426† " " 1897-06 306 Hayti, 1871-98 422 " " 1898-1906 307 Honduras, 1865-92 431 " " 1892-02 308 Mexico, 1856-74 309† " " 1874-82 310 " " 1884-85 311 " " 1886-90 429 " " 1886-03 312 Nicaragua, 1862-91 313 " " 1892-97 455 " " 1898-06 314 Panama (unsurcharged) 317 Paraguay, 1870-1892 318 " " 1900-03 319 " " 1903-07 460† " " 1870-1904 320 Peru, 1858-74 321 " " 1895-96 456 " " 1896-07 322 Salvador, 1867-92 323 " " 1892-95 464 " " 1895-96 465 " " 1897-06 324 Uruguay, used and unused 325 " " 1884-90 326 " " 1890-05 327 " " 1895 383 " " 1887-04 427 " " 1895-07 328 Venezuela, 1859-06 (for internal postage) 329 Venezuela, 1880-96 (Foreign cor- respondence) 457 Venezuela, 1903-06 (Foreign correspondence) 330 United States, 1851-1882 331 " " 1884, 1900, 1902 332 " " Columbus, Omaha, etc. 404† " " cheap used 461 " " (used) 333† Confederate States and Cuba 381 Philippine Islands (U.S.A.) 443 Samoa 334 Hawaii, 1853-1882 459 " " 1891 (Pictorial issue)</p> <p><b>INDIAN NATIVE STATES.</b> (301 different sorts exist).</p> <p>335 Alwur, Bamra, Bhor and Bhopal 337 Bundi and Bhopal 494 Bussahir 338 Charkhari, Cochin, Dhar, Duttia and Faridkot 339 Holkar and Hyderabad 340 Jaipur, Jhind, and Jhalawar 496 Jummoo and Kashmir 341 Kishengarh 342 Nepal and Nowanugger, Soruth and Travancore 343 Rajnandgaon, Rajpepla and 344 Sirmoor [Scinde Dawk</p> <p><b>NEW ISSUES (USED).</b> Sheets of these, Foreign and Colonial, are now ready.</p>
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† These Sheets are newly mounted this week.

# Approval Sheets of New Issues.

BRITISH COLONIES ONLY, CHIEFLY KING SINGLES AND MULTIPLES, USED AND UNUSED.

<p>500 Atutaki on N.Z. 501 Antigua 581 Australian Commonwealth Postage Dues 502 Bahamas, King, &amp;c. 503 Barbados 504 Bechuanaland, King 505 Bermuda, Dockyard 506 Br. Central Africa, King 507 British Guiana 508 Br. Honduras, King 585 British New Guinea 509 Br. New Guinea and Papua 510 Br. South Africa [unused 340 Brunei, 1st issue, used and 512 Brunei, surch. and pictorial 511 Canada, King, &amp;c. 513 Cape, King 514 Cayman Is., King 515 Ceylon, King</p>	<p>516 Chamba on India, King 360 Cook Islands, Queen's Head 517 Cook Is. 518 Cyprus, King 519 Dominica, pictorial 520 E. Africa, King 521 Falkland, King 522 Fiji, King 523 Gambia, King 524 Gibraltar, King 525 Gold Coast, King 526 Grenada, King 527 Gwahor on India, King 528 Hong Kong, King 529 India, King 530 C.E.F. on India, King 531 Jamaica, Arms 532 Jhind on India 533 Johor, 1904 534 Labuan, Crown</p>	<p>580 Labuan, pictorial 411 Labuan, sur. " Straits " 381 " " used and un. 535 Lagos, King 536 Leeward, King 537 Levant on Gt. Britain 538 Malay States 539 Maldives on Ceylon 540 Malta, King, &amp;c. 541 Mauritius, Arms 542 Montserrat, Arms 581 Morocco Ag. on Gibraltar— varieties 543 Morocco on Gibraltar 544 Morocco on Gt. Britain 545 Nabha on India, King 546 Natal, King [Family 547 Newfoundland, Cabot and Royal 548 New South Wales 583 New Zealand Pictorials and Officials</p>	<p>549 New Zealand, pictorial 550 Niue on N.Z. 551 North Borneo 552 N. Nigeria, King 553 Orange River Colony, King 551 Patiala on India, King 555 Penrhyn on N.Z. 556 Queensland 557 St. Helena, King, &amp;c. 558 St. Kitts-Nevis, pictorial 559 St. Lucia, King 560 St. Vincent, King 561 Sarawak, Rajah's Head 562 Seychelles, King 563 Sierra Leone, King 564 Solomon Islands 346 Somaliland, 1st issue 565 Somaliland, King and Queen, surch. 579 " " Prot. King</p>	<p>347 Somaliland 377 Somaliland Officials, 1st issue varieties 378 Somaliland Service 566 South Australia 567 S. Nigeria, King 568 Straits, King 569 Sudan, Camel 570 Tasmania, pictorial 571 Tonga, pictorial and portrait 350 Transvaal C.S.A.R. 572 Transvaal, King 573 Trinidad 574 Turks Islands 575 Victoria 576 Virginia Islands 577 Western Australia 349 Zanzibar, 1904, and varieties 578 Zanzibar, Arms</p>
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# Approval Sheets of British Stamps Specialized.

<p>600 Gt. Britain, 1840, 1d. black 601 " " 1841/57, 1d. red 602 " " 1840, 1d. red, imperf. 603 " " 1840 604 " " 1854/57, 1d. red, perf. 605 " " 1840 606 " " 1840, 1d. black, and 1841, 2d. blue 607 " " 1840/57, 2d. blue 608 " " 1840 609 " " 1840 610 " " 1847/54, 6d., 10d. &amp; 1/- 611 " " 1855, 4d. rose 612 " " 1855, 4d. rose in pairs 613 " " 1855, 1862 and 1865, 6d. lilac</p>	<p>614 Gt. Britain, 1855, 1862 and 1865, 1/- green 615 " " 1862, 1865, 3d. rose 616 " " 1862, 4d. orange 617 " " " 618 " " " 619 " " 1862 &amp; 1865, 9d. brn., 6d. yellow &amp; 5/- rose 620 " " 1865, 3d. rose pl. Nos. 621 " " " 622 " " " 623 " " 1865, 4d. orange 624 " " " 625 " " " 626 " " 1873 &amp; 1874, 6d. grey</p>	<p>627 Gt. Britain, 1865, 6d. vio., pl. 5, 6, 8 628 " " " 629 " " " 630 " " " 631 " " 1865, 1/- green 632 Gt. Britain, 1870, 3d. and 1d. red 633 " " 1864, 1d. red, picked copies 634 " " 1870, 1d. red 635 " " 1864 636 " " 1870, 1d. red 637 " " 1870, 2d. blue 638 " " " 639 " " "</p>	<p>640 Gt. Britain, 1870, 2d. rose pl. Nos. 641 " " " 642 " " " 643 " " 2d. blue pl. Nos. 644 " " " 645 " " " 646 " " " 647 " " 3d. rose pl. Nos. 648 " " " 649 " " " 650 " " " 651 " " 1870, 4d. grn. &amp; brn., and 1/- red 652 " " 1870, 6d. grey and 1/- green</p>	<p>653 Gt. Britain, 1880, 1d. brn. 654 " " " 655 " " 1884, 1d. &amp; 2d. lilac 656 " " 1d., 2d. &amp; 2d. lil. 657 " " 2d. lilac 658 " " " 659 " " " 660 " " 1884, 2d. lilac and 5d. and 6d. green 661 " " unused; Army and Telegraphs, etc. 662 " " "Specimen" stamps 663 " " Used Abroad 664 Used British Levant</p>
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ST. VINCENT (470 F 472).—The new programme for this Colony involves the printing and issue of the following new stamps, states the *Colonial Office Journal* (10.08/165).



- 2/- blue and purple on blue instead of green and violet on white. — — —  
5/- red and green on yellow instead of green and blue on white.



- 6d. purple on white instead of purple and brown on white.  
1/- black on green instead of green and carmine.

There will thus be no high values in the latter set.

SIERRA LEONE (460 I 472).—The *Colonial Office Journal* (10.08/165) states that the following "have appeared during the past quarter."



Adhesives. Wmk. Crown CA multiple, chalk-surface paper.

- 6d. purple on white.  
1/- black on green.  
2/- blue and purple on blue.  
5/- red and green on yellow.

To be issued shortly. These are printed in consequence of Sierra Leone adopting the new colour scheme.

STRAITS SETTLEMENTS (469 K 472).—This country, the *Colonial Office Journal* (10.08/165) states, "will adopt the new colour scheme for all values except the 3 cents stamps. New plates are in hand for the \$25 and \$100 values. These stamps will be of large size, and will show the King's Head printed from the new large key-plate."

Printing high value stamps in a larger size is a very effective means of preventing forgers making them by manipulation of low value stamps.

The Colonial Stamp Market has shown us the following stamp in a new shade.



Adhesive.  
4c. red-violet instead of dull lilac.

Issued 15.9.08 or earlier.

SWITZERLAND (471 N 472).—We are shown by Mr. F. Reinhard a notice in *Der Bund* of Berne (9/10.9.08) stating that new stamps of 35c. will be issued on 1.11.08, at the same time as those of 70c. previously announced.

Our correspondent also draws our attention to the fact that there is a slight difference between the new 30c. and 40c. Whilst the latter has the name of the engraver in the lower left-hand corner spelt in full "C. L'Epplattener" the latter has only the initials "CL." It is said the 30c. may be altered to agree with the 30c., and in any case its colour is likely to be modified, the present shade being too sensible to the light.

The values 2 to 15c. are likely to be re-engraved (the public will probably not be sorry to see the last of the present ugly design) and the colours of the 2, 3 and 12c. will be changed.

TRINIDAD (452 V 472).—The *Colonial Office Journal* (10.08/165) states that this colony "has decided to complete the adoption of the new colour scheme by using the colours appropriated to the 4d., 6d. and 1/- values. This means the following changes:—

- 4d. red and black on yellow instead of green and blue on buff.  
6d. purple on white instead of purple and black on white.  
1/- black on green instead of purple and blue on yellow.

As the printing of the new stamps has not yet been authorized it will no doubt be some time before we see the new stamps; the three stamps at present in use are however doomed."

## Our Prize Competitions.

Result week ending,  
3rd Oct., 1908. ..

	NEW ISSUE COMPETITION.		OLD ISSUE COMPETITION.			
			I. Europe and Colonies.	II. Rest of World.	III. Gt. Britain and Colonies.	
1st	JC *109	ED *106	PB . 63	EB *482		
2nd	FS . 75	NC . 100	JF . 47	FL . 457		
3rd	JL . 32	JL . 90	JD . 41	Mrs.C 348		
4th	Mrs.G 31	FS . 50	JW . 34	RG . 311		
5th	Mrs.H 30	AD . 45	ES . 32	EW . 258		
6th	NC . 28	JH . 36	RW . 21	JO . 254		
7th	JE . 25	HW . 23	CH . 20	Rev.S 191		
8th	EM . 23	JB . 22	WP . 18	GS . 175		
9th	WP . 21	JL . 22	JW . 16	JF . 167		
10th		FC . 21	HS . 15	JB . 143		

\*Prize albums were despatched on Monday last.

### CONDITIONS.

1. The prizes are the following albums:—

"Our Own Times," specially arranged for King's Heads and current issues (sale price, 12/6).

"Good Old Times." Part I., Great Britain and Colonies; part II., Europe and Colonies; part III., Rest of the World. Arranged for collectors on simplified lines, without watermarks, perforations, etc. (The set of three albums can be supplied immediately for 37/6 cash, or 12/6 each, post free).

2. The prize in each of the four competitions is awarded to the competitor who has purchased from our approval sheets the most stamps up to the end of each week, non-winners' totals being carried forward. The minimum number entitling to a prize is 100.

3. Stamps purchased from our Current Issue Sheets count in the New Issue Competition only, whilst stamps purchased from our Old Issue Sheets count in the Old Issue Competition only.

4. The "Rest of World" Competition is only open to winners of "Europe and Colonies," and the "Great Britain and Colonies" to winners of the other two.

### EDITORIAL COMPETITION.

The competitor who sends us the most interesting item of information for our New Issue column each week will be credited 2/6, which may be selected from any of our approval sheets. From time to time we shall voluntarily increase the prize.

Award this week.

R.K. for note on New Zealand (2/6).

### BULGARIA.

1882, figure of value at corners, complete set of nine values, 1s. lilac to 50s. blue, 9d. a set.

1889, value at foot only, set of ten, 1s. lilac to 11. red, 8½d. each set.

1896, commemorative dated 2nd Feb. 1896, set of four values, 1s. to 25s. red, 5d.

1902, Head of Ferdinand, set of five, 1, 3, 5, 10 and 25s., 2½d. a set.

1907, large oblong design, mint, 5s. green, 10s. rose, 25s. blue, 6d. the set of three, blocks of four 2/-.

### LUXEMBURG.

1906 to 1907, new designs, lightly cancelled, 1c. grey ½d., 2c. brown ½d., 4c. yellow 1d., 6c. lilac 1d., 10c. rose ½d., 12½c. green 2d., 15c. brown 2d., 20c. orange 3d., 30c. green 4d., 37½c. green 5d., 87½c. blue 1/-, 1f. lilac 1/3, 2½f. red 2/9, 5f. lilac 5/6.

### BULGARIA.

Special Offer:—Set of 28 values, all distinct stamps, no varieties of perforation or watermarks taken into consideration. Chiefly used. Only 2/- a set.

### SIAM.

1905, King's Head and view of Grand Mosque:—very fine used, 1a. green and yellow 1d., 2a. grey and lilac 1d., 3a. green 1d., 4a. red and brown 1d., 5a. rose 1½d., 8a. brown and black 2d., 12a. blue 1½d., 24a. brown 2d., 1t. brown and blue 8d.

New colours:—9a. blue 2d., and 18a. brown 3d.

### AUSTRIA.

1908, various large designs:—fine used, 1h. grey ½d., 2h. lilac ½d., 3h. lilac ½d., 5h. green ½d., 6h. yellow 1d., 10h. red ½d., 12h. red 2d., 20h. brown 2d., 25h. blue 1d., 35h. blue 3d., 60h. red 4d., and 1r. lilac and rose 1/-.

### HONG KONG.

1903, King's head, used:—1c. lilac and brown ½d., 2c. green ½d., 4c. on red ½d., 5c. brown and green 1d., 6c. lilac and red 2½d., 8c. lilac and black 1½d., 10c. on blue 1½d., 10c. blue 1d., 12c. on yellow 2½d., 20c. brown and black 2d., 30c. black and green 4d., 50c. lilac and green 5d., \$1 green and lilac 1/6.

### CANADA.

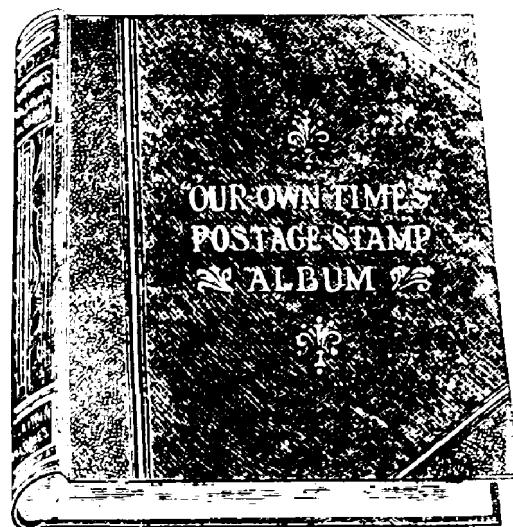
1868, Queen's head to right, value at foot in figures and words:—very fine used 1c. red 1/3, 1c. yellow 1/6, 2c. green 6d., 3c. red 2d., 5c. grey 2/-, 6c. brown 8d., 12½c. blue 1/-, 15c. lilac 5d., and 15c. grey 6d.

1897, oblong, with two portraits of Queen, 1837 and 1897:—fine used, ½c. black 1/-, 1c. yellow 1d., 2c. green 2½d., 3c. rose 1d., 5c. blue 5d., 8c. lilac 8d., 10c. lilac 1/-, 15c. blue 1/3, 20c. red 1/6, 50c. blue 1/-, \$1 rose 5/-, \$2 lilac 5/-, \$3 brown 7/6, and \$5 green 13/-.

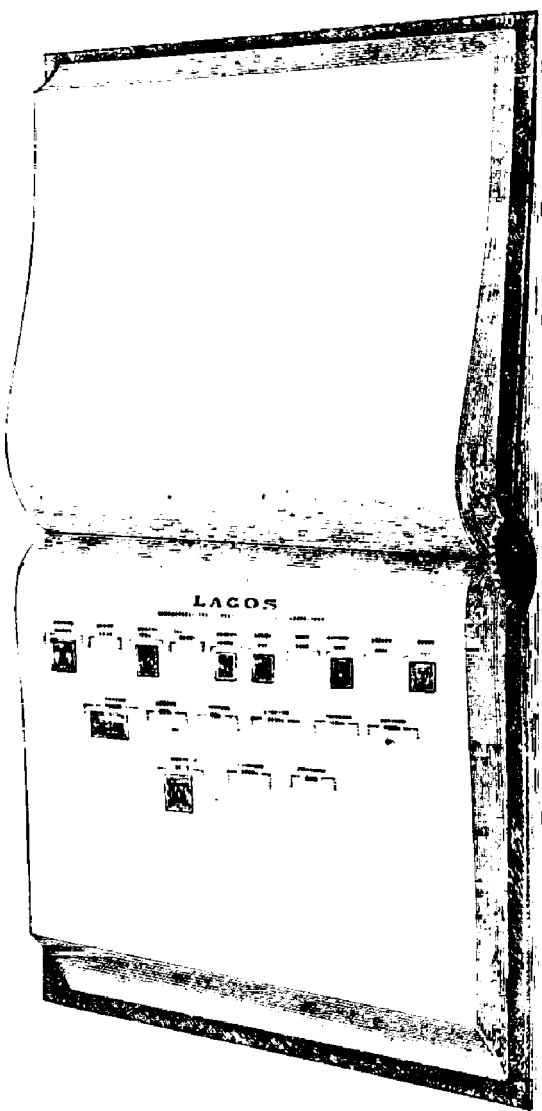
## Our Albums.

(See Particulars of Prices on Order Form.)

Our Albums are bound alike, as shown in the following illustration.



The Album opens as shown, thus enabling two albums to be compared close together.



# Sets of Current Colonial Stamps.

## THE BEST NUCLEUS FOR A COLLECTION OF NEW ISSUES.

THE very best way of starting a Collection of New Issues is to purchase these Sets, which contain all the stamps current in British Colonies at the date of our last importation. The list also includes a few other recent sets. Collectors requiring particular watermarks or perforations are referred to our Quotations Supplement. All Sets are guaranteed in mint well-centred condition.

	Face Value.	Sale Price.		Face Value.	Sale Price.
1 Aitutaki (on N.Z.), 1/2d., 1d., 2 1/2d., 3d., 6d., 1/- .. .. .	6	2/1	250 Sarawak, 1, 2, 3, 4, 8, 10, 12, 16, 20, 25, 50c. .. .. .	11	3/6
2 Antigua (Arms), 1/2d., 1d., 2d., 2 1/2d., 3d., 6d., 1/- .. .. .	7	2/3	151 Seychelles (King), 2, 3, 6, 12, 15, 18, 30, 45, 75 .. .. .	9	2/9
3 Austral. Cmnwlth, Postage Due, 1/2, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 10d., 1/- .. .. .	10	4/3 1/2	152 Sierra Leone (King), 1/2d., 1d., 1 1/2d., 2d., 2 1/2d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 1/- .. .. .	10	3/1 1/2
6 Bahamas (Staircase), 1d., 5d. .. .. .	2	0/6	153 Solomon Is. (litho.), 1/2d., 1d., 2d., 2 1/2d., 5d., 6d., 1/- .. .. .	7	2/5
7 .. (King), 1/2d., 1d., 2 1/2d., 4d., 6d., 1/- .. .. .	6	2/2	154 .. (Engraved), 1/2d., 1d., 2d., 2 1/2d., 5d., 6d., 1/- .. .. .	7	2/5
8 Barbados (Arms), 1/2d., 1d., 2d., 2 1/2d., 5d., 6d., 8d., 10d. .. .. .	9	2/11 1/2	155 Somaliland (King), 1/2, 1, 2, 2 1/2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12a. .. .. .	9	3/3
9 .. (Nelson), 1/2d., 1d., 2 1/2d., 6d., 1/- .. .. .	6	1/10 1/2	156 .. (King, O.H.M.S.), 1/2, 1a. .. .. .	2	—
10 Bechuanaland (on G.B. King), 1/2d., 1d., 2 1/2d. .. .. .	3	0/4	157 .. (Official), complete except 2a. KS. .. .. .	14	—
11 Bermuda (Dock), 1/2d., 1d., 2d., 2 1/2d., 3d. .. .. .	5	0/9	158 S. Australia (small), 1/2d., 1d., 2d., 5d. .. .. .	4	0/8 1/2
13 British Guiana, 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 12, 24c. .. .. .	7	2/3	159 .. (large), 3d., 4d., 6d., 8d., 9d., 10d., 1/- .. .. .	7	4/4
14 British Honduras (King), 1, 2, 5, 10, 20, 25c. .. .. .	6	2/7 1/2	161 S. Nigeria (King), 1/2d., 1d., 2d., 2 1/2d., 4d., 6d., 1/- .. .. .	7	2/4
15 British New Guinea, 1/2, 1, 2, 2 1/2, 4, 6d., 1/- .. .. .	7	—	162 Straits (King), 1, 3, 4, 5, 8, 10, 25, 30, 50c. .. .. .	9	3/3
16 B.S.A. (Arms), 1/2d., 1d., 2d., 2 1/2d., 3d., 4d., 6d., 1/- .. .. .	8	2/7	164 Sudan (Camel), 1, 2, 3, 4, 5m., 1, 2, 5pi. .. .. .	8	1/11 1/2
17 .. (Victoria Falls), 1d., 2 1/2d., 5d., 1/- .. .. .	4	1/8 1/2	165 .. (O.S.G.S.), 1, 3, 5m., 1, 2, 5pi. .. .. .	6	1/10 1/2
18 Brunei (on Labuan), complete set .. .. .	12	—	166 .. (Army Service), 1, 2, 3, 5m., 2pi. .. .. .	5	—
19 .. .. set of ten, 1-30c. .. .. .	10	—	171 Tasmania (Pi.t.), 1/2d., 1d., 2d., 2 1/2d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d. .. .. .	8	2/0
20 .. .. set of seven, 1-10c. .. .. .	7	—	172 .. (Queen), 1/2d., 8d., 9d., 1/- .. .. .	4	2/6 1/2
21 Brunei (View), 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 10, 25, 30, 50c. .. .. .	10	3/3	174 Tonga (Pict.), 1/2d., 1d., 2d., 2 1/2d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 7 1/2d., 10d., 1/- .. .. .	11	4/5 1/2
27 Canada (King), 1, 2, 5, 7, 10, 20c. .. .. .	6	1/10 1/2	175 Transvaal (King), 1/2d., 1d., 2d., 2 1/2d., 3d., 4d., 6d., 1/- .. .. .	8	2/7
28 .. (Dues) 1, 2, 5c. .. .. .	3	0/4	176 .. (Dues), 1/2d., 1d., 2d., 3d., 5d., 6d., 1/- .. .. .	7	2/5 1/2
29 .. (Quebec), 1/2, 1, 2, 5, 7, 10, 15, 20c. .. .. .	8	2/6 1/2	177 Trinidad (Britannia), 1/2d., 1d., 2d., 2 1/2d., 4d., 6d., 1/- .. .. .	7	2/4
30 Cape Colony (King), 1/2d., 1d., 2d., 2 1/2d., 3d., 4d., 6d., 1/- .. .. .	8	2/7	178 .. (Dues, used), 1d., 2d., 2 1/2d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 8d., 1/- .. .. .	8	3/5
31 Cayman Islands, 1/2d., 1d., 2d., 2 1/2d., 3d., 4d., 1/- .. .. .	7	1/11 1/2	179 Turks & Caicos Is. (Ship), 1/2d., 1d., 2d., 2 1/2d., 3d., 4d., 6d., 1/- .. .. .	8	2/7
32 Ceylon (King), 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 12, 15, 25, 30, 75c. .. .. .	10	2/4 1/2	185 Victoria, 1/2d., 1d., 2d., 2 1/2d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 9d., 1/- .. .. .	10	3/9
33 Chamba (on India King), 1/2, 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12a. .. .. .	9	3/0 1/2	186 .. (Dues), 1/2d., 1d., 2d. .. .. .	3	0/3 1/2
34 .. (Service, King), 1/2, 1, 2, 4, 8a. .. .. .	6	1/3 1/2	187 Virgin Islands (King), 1/2d., 1d., 2d., 2 1/2d., 3d., 6d., 1/- .. .. .	7	2/3
35 Cook Islands, 1/2d., 1d., 1 1/2d., 2d., 2 1/2d., 5d., 6d., 10d., 1/- .. .. .	9	3/4 1/2	190 W. Australia (Swan), 1/2d., 1d., 2d., 2 1/2d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 8d., .. .. .	12	5/3
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51 Gibraltar (King), 1/2d., 1d., 2d., 2 1/2d., 6d., 1/- .. .. .	6	2/0			
52 Gold Coast (King), 1/2d., 1d., 2d., 2 1/2d., 3d., 6d., 1/- .. .. .	7	2/3			
53 Grenada (Ship), 1/2d., 1d., 2d., 2 1/2d., 3d. .. .. .	5	0/9			
54 .. (King), 1d., 2d. .. .. .	2	1/6			
55 .. (Dues), 1d., 2d., 3d. .. .. .	3	0/6			
56 Gwalior (on India King), 1/2, 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12a. .. .. .	9	3/0 1/2			
57 .. (Service, King), 1/2, 1, 2, 4, 8a. .. .. .	6	—			
61 Hong Kong (King), 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 8, 10, 12, 20, 30, 50c. .. .. .	11	3/0			
64 India (King), 1/2, 1, 2, 4, 6, 8, 12a. .. .. .	10	3/3 1/2			
65 .. (King, On H.M.S.), 1/2, 1, 2, 4, 8a., 1r. .. .. .	7	—			
70 Jamaica (Queen), 3d., 4d., 6d., 1/- .. .. .	4	2/1			
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72 Jhind (on India, King), 1/2, 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12a. .. .. .	9	3/0 1/2			
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134 Patiala (on India King), 1/2, 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12a. .. .. .	9	3/0 1/2			
135 .. (Service, King), 1/2, 1, 2, 3, 4, 8a., 1r. .. .. .	7	—			
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1334 .. wrong fount "Service," 1/2, 1, 2as. mint .. .. .	—	6/6
1335 .. no 1 in "British" 1/2 1as. mint .. .. .	—	10/0
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205 .. .. mint blocks of four .. .. .	—	200/0
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## The Week's News.

The Editor is always pleased to receive Early Information of New Issues, or of Discoveries interesting to Stamp Collectors, and will acknowledge such contributions either by name in the journal or by the presentation of several interesting newly-issued stamps, as preferred.

The index number and serial letter after the title of each paragraph indicate the issue of E.W.S.N. in which the last reference to that country appeared.

**GREAT BRITAIN.**—Record Dates of Use (471 G 473).—Mr. S. Hodson has shown us the following new record.

1d. LC14 red on white. Manchester, 25.3.57.

**Control Letters** (462 C 473).—Mr. G. F. M. Camroux has the honour of being first in reporting the issue of 1d. H8 (issued 8.10.08), whilst Mr. Oswald Marsh has the same honour in connection with the ½d. H8. Earliest dates of recent varieties are as follows:—

	Earliest date	to.	
½d. F6 at left.	10.	8.06.	
1d. F6 at right.	"	12. 9.06.	
½d. F7 at left.	"	5. 7.07.	
1d. F7 at right.	"	5. 7.07.	
½d. G7 at left.	"	25. 9.07.	
1d. G7 at right.	"	5.10.07.	
½d. G8 at left.	"	8. 7.08.	
1d. G8 at right.	"	7. 7.08.	
½d. H8 at left.	"	10.10.08.	
1d. H8 at right.	"	8.10.08.	

**Cheque Dues** (451 P 473).—Mr. S. Chapman informs us that he has seen thistle die N, those unknown being now M, O, Q, and after.

**ABYSSINIA** (438 X 473).—The following provisional is chronicled in the *Bulletin Philatélique* (5.10.08/78).



Adhesive.  
"1 PIASTRE" on ½ gairsh, rose of 1894.

**AFGHANISTAN** (444 J 473).—We take the following from *Gibbons Stamp Weekly* (3.10.08/223): "Mr. S. A. Rahim sends us for inspection a 1 abasi stamp of the engraved type perforated 12. According to the Indian Society's handbook on this country, recently published, 'the 1 rupee, after being used for some months imperforate, appeared from June, 1908, with a fairly clean cut (nearly 12) perforation.' Mr. Rahim confirms the issue of the latter, and also says that the 2 abasi has appeared similarly perforated. He dates the issue of all three values back to March of this year.

"Another variety that needs mention appears to be the 2 abasi with the zigzag roulette. This is given in the handbook mentioned above, but has not yet been chronicled in this magazine."



1908. Types 49 to 51. Engraved.

(b) Zigzag roulette.

- 2a. blue.  
(c) Perf. 12.  
1a. green.  
2a. blue.  
1r. green.

**BERMUDA** (460 Y 473).—We are officially informed that the unicoloured 1d. has been issued and that the stock of the bicoloured 1d. is completely exhausted.



Adhesive. Wmk. Crown CA multiple, ordinary paper.  
1d. all rose.

We are informed by Mr. B. E. Lawe that he has a copy postmarked 16.9.08.

**BRITISH NEW GUINEA** (469 A 473).—We have succeeded in repurchasing from a New Issue client almost entire sheets of the unsurcharged set which he had from us about the time of issue, probably Spring 1902. Needless to say, the price he now realizes will show him a very handsome margin of profit, although his pleasure will not be unalloyed, because in 1905 when the 2/6 value appeared he took the advice of a certain philatelic journal, which rashly dared to assert that new issues "were being imported in such large quantities now-a-days that they could never be rare" and contented himself with a single copy of the 2/6.

The ½d. to 1/- are all on thick paper (but not the opaque variety of it as exemplified by, for instance, the 4d. large surcharge "Papua") and all have narrow rosettes watermark, or as Messrs. Stanley Gibbons prefer to call it, vertical watermark. The paper is distinguished by being very white and the engraving is very distinct, the lines of shading in the sky being thin and clear, thus indicating an early printing. In many of the recent printings, the sky is quite cloudy and even stormy.

We notice that the 2½d., although as stated evidently an early printing, shows the two shading errors, which cannot under the circumstances be due to wear of the plate.

### ERRORS OF 2½D. PLATE.

Stamp No. 20 on sheet. The leaves over the value in lower right-hand corner are white instead of lined.

Stamp No. 27. Leaves to right of value in lower left-hand corner are unshaded.

The stamps just re-purchased also show decided shades.

The solitary copy of the 2/6 we secured is the thin paper variety, wmk. narrow rosettes.

The following may be chronicled as a novelty:



Adhesive. Wmk. narrow rosettes, thick paper (not opaque).  
1/- orange and black. (Unsurcharged).

**BRITISH SOLOMON ISLANDS** (467 N 473).—The *Nordisk Filatelistisk Tidsskrift* (22.9.08/170) writes that "specimen" copies of the new engraved set have been seen, so that the issue is evidently imminent.

**Adhesives.** Wmk. multiple Crown CA, ordinary paper, except the 1/- which the N.F.T. says has single watermark (this must surely be a mistake as the last *Colonial Office Journal* said the green single watermark paper was finished).

The design we understand to be similar in size and shape to the Malay States stamps or Malta ½d. Perf. 14.

- ½d. green.  
1d. red.  
2d. grey.  
2½d. ultramarine.  
5d. olive.  
6d. red-violet.  
1/- black on green paper.

To be issued shortly.

**CANADA** (469 U 473).—Report states that the ½c. Quebec stamps are obsolete.

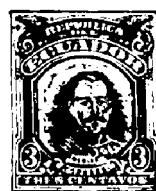
We clip the following from the *Western Daily Press*:—

The two sets of the special Tercentenary stamps for the Prince of Wales are contained in handsome caskets. One set is placed in small gold boxes, enclosed in a large box of morocco leather. The second set is in a large gold box. On the cover of the large box is the Prince's crest and a gold plate inscribed as follows: "Set of Canadian postage stamps issued upon the occasion of the Quebec Tercentenary, 1908. Presented to His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales by Hon. Rodolphe Lemieux, Postmaster-General of Canada."

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**ECUADOR** (465 O 473).—*Le Bulletin Philatélique* (5.10.08/78) states that the 1907 set has been surcharged as below:—



**Adhesives.** Overprinted "Consejo Escolar — provincia de Pichincha-Quito."

- 1c. red and black.  
2c. blue "  
3c. orange "  
5c. rose "  
10c. blue "  
20c. yellow-green and black.  
50c. violet "  
1s. green "

**FRANCE** (463 H 473).—The following two postage due stamps are chronicled by *L'Echo de la Timbrologie* (30.9.08/581).

**Postage Due Adhesives.** Inscribed "Recouvrements — Valeurs Impayées — Loi de Finances due 26 Janvier 1892, Art. 29."

- 1c. olive.  
10c. violet.

**HYDERABAD** (329 F 473).—*Le Bulletin Mensuel* (5.10.08/78) mentions the issue of four new stamps, ½a. green, ½a. grey, 1a. carmine, 2a. lilac, but gives no other particulars.

**NEW CALEDONIA** (360 P 473).—The following new value is reported by *Die Post* (9.08/135).



Adhesive.  
45c. red-brown on rose.

**NORTH BORNEO** (377 B 473).—The following new postage due stamp is reported by the *Stamp Collectors' Fortnightly* (3.10.08/139).

**Postage Due Adhesive.**  
6c. black and brown, overprinted "British Protectorate."

**PORTUGUESE COLONIES** (455 L 473).—The Colony of Zambesia is to change its name to Quilimane, states *L'Annonce Timbrologique*.

**PERSIA** (452 W 473).—Two more values of the current set have been surcharged "Colis Postaux" states *Le Collectionneur de Timbres-poste* (1.10.08/301).

**PARAGUAY** (465 G 473).—The following have been issued, states the *Svensk Filatelistisk Tidsskrift* (30.9.08/135).



**Adhesives.**  
10c. ultramarine.  
5c. in black on 1c. grey.  
5c. " 10c. red-violet.  
5c. " 30c. yellow.  
5c. " 60c. orange-brown.  
Habilitado on 1p. black and red.

**ROUMANIA** (465 T 473).—Additional values of the new set are reported by *Le Bulletin Mensuel* (5.10.08/78).

- Adhesives.**  
40b. green.  
1 leu, brown and black.  
2 lei, green and black.

# Approval Sheets of All Countries.

CHIEFLY USED STAMPS, BOTH OBSOLETE AND CURRENT ISSUES (9,000 Varieties.)

<p><b>GREAT BRITAIN AND COLONIES.</b> (2691 different sorts exist).</p> <p>479 Gt. Britain, 1840-1870 370 " 1870-1887 371 " 1887-1901 373 " 1840-1884 374 " 1884-1901 105 Antigua and Bahamas 106 Barbados 107 Bechuanaland and Cayman Is. 480 B.C.A. 108 Bermuda 109 B. Honduras 482 B. Columbia &amp; Vancouver Is. 110 B.E.A. 111 B. Guiana 3881 B.N.G. and Papua 391 " " 436 " " 112 B.S.A., 1890-1898 471 " 1898-1905 113 Cape Colony 378 " " 382 " " 4091 Cayman Islands 114 Ceylon, Pence issue and 1st 147 " [Cents issue 481 " Cents issue 115 Cook Islands 116 Cyprus 104 Canada, 1870-97 117 " 1859-70 118 " 1851-68 119 " 1897-1904 120 " Jubilee and Map 121 Dominica 380 Brunei, East Africa &amp; Uganda 1221 Falkland Islands 123 Fiji Islands 399 Fiscally used Stamps 124 Gambia 125 Gibraltar 126 Gold Coast 127 Grenada [and Sudan 469 Heligoland and Ionian Islands 128 Hong Kong 405 " King's heads 129 East India 130 India (Empire) 131 Jamaica 357 " used 132 Labuan, 1st design, Queen's 133 " 1893-1902 Head 483 " 1895-03 134 Lagos 135 Leeward Islands 348 Madagascar, British Post. 136 Malta 137 Mauritius, Pence issues 488 " Cents 138 Montserrat and Nevis 139 Natal 406 " King's heads 140 New Brunswick, Nova Scotia 141 Newfoundland, 1857-80 482 " 1880-1905 468 New Republic 143 New South Wales, 1862-97 372 " " 144 New Zealand, 1st design 145 " 1854-1898 386 " Pictorial 146 Niger Coast</p>	<p>148 North Borneo, 1883-1889 486 " Pictorial issues 149 Northern Nigeria 150 Orange Free State and Colony 351 Orange River Colony 498 Prince Edward Is. 151 Queensland, 1860-1882 152 " 1882-96 492 " 1891-1907 154 St. Christopher 155 St. Helena 156 St. Lucia 157 St. Vincent 158 Sarawak 159 Seychelles 349 " " 160 Sierra Leone 161 S. Australia, 1855-1887 162 " long stamps 163 S. Nigeria 499 Solomon Is. and Somaliland 487 Stellaland and Tobago 164 Straits Settlements 434 " " 165 Malay States 166 Johore 167 Negri Sembilan and Pahang 168 Perak 169 Selangor and Sungei Ujong 170 Tasmania, 1853-1892 452 " 18921-906 171 Tonga 172 Transvaal, 1869-1885 173 " 1896 and Pietersburg 489 " 1894-07 174 Trinidad 1751 Turks Islands and Virgin Islds. 176 Uganda 177 Victoria, 1851-1862 490 " 1863-1885 178 " 1885-1887 491 " 1900-1906 179 Western Australia 180 Zanzibar 181 Zululand</p> <p><b>EUROPE AND COLONIES.</b> (3545 different sorts exist).</p> <p>182 Austria, 1850-90 183 " 1890-96 184 " 1891-1905 Head 385 Austrian Diamond Jub. Stamps 369 " " 185 Austrian F.P.O. 187 Bavaria, 1849-74 188 " 1867-74 189 Belgium, 1849-68 190 " 1868-1906 191 Bosnia, 1879-1901 192 " Pictorial, 1906 1951 " 1879-1901 193 Bulgaria, 1870-1902 375 " 1902 194 Crete 196 Denmark 197 Danish West Indies 198 Finland, 1860-75 199 " 1890-1900 200 France, Head of Liberty 201 " 1849-70 202 " 1876-1900</p>	<p>203 France, 1849-06 204 " 1900-06 3611 " used 2051 French Foreign P.O., 1902 206 French Colonies, 1859-92 207 " 1892 208 Djibouti 209 Obock 4121 Guadeloupe 413 Indo-China 414 Madagascar 2101 Fr. Somali Coast and Fr. Guiana 211 French Congo 2221 Fr. Guinea and New Caledonia 435 Middle Congo 212 French West Africa 411 Reunion 213 Tunisia 214 Germany, 1868-75 215 " 1875-79 2161 " 1899-1902 217 German Colonies 415 German Colonies, used and un. 218 Alsace to Brunswick 219 Hamburg to Oldenburg 220 Prussia and Saxony 221 Schleswig-Holstein and Thurn and Taxis 477 Greece, 1861-1896 478 " 1901-1906 4701 " cheap used 315 " 1861-96 3161 " 1901-06 223 Holland, 1852-72 224 " 1872-99 225 " 1891-99 226 Dutch Indies, 1870-83 227 " 1870-1905 228 Curaçao 229 Suriname 230 Hungary, 1871-1898 231 " 1900 232 Iceland 233 Italy, 1851-90 234 " 1890-95 420 " [to Sicily 235 Italian Col., F.P.O., and States 403 Italian States, Parma to Tuscany 236 Luxemburg 237 Monaco 238 Montenegro (1st type) 239 " (later issues) 377 " 1898-1902 4231 " postally used 240 Norway 241 " 1872-77 242 Portugal, 1853-1892 243 " 1892-1905 244 Port. Colonies near Europe 4931 " " 245 Ditto. beyond Europe, 1870-93 416 " " 1897 design 402 " " 1870-1898 246 Ditto (Vasca da Gama), 1893-97 247 Ditto, 1897 type 248 Mozambique, India and Nyassa 428 Pictorial stamps 249 Roumania, 1858-71 " (imperf. issues) 250 " 1871-90 417 " 1890-1891 418 " Pictorial 251 Russia 252 Russian Foreign P.O.</p>	<p>253 San Marino 254 Serbia, 1866-05 255 " 1901-05 256 Spain, 1850-67 397 " 1850-1872 257 " 1870-1878 258 " 1879-95 424 " 1873-75 259 Cuba, 1855-77 260 " 1882-98 4191 " 1877-1881 421 Elobey and Spanish Guinea 261 Fernando Poo 262 Philippines 388 Philippine Islands 263 Porto Rico 264 Sweden, 1855-1872 410 " 1891 265 Switzerland, 1845-82 266 " 1882-1900 267 Turkey, 1863-76 268 " 1892-06 398 " " 269 Wurtemberg</p> <p><b>REST OF WORLD.</b> (2565 different sorts exist).</p> <p>270 Abyssinia 384 Afghanistan 2711 China 273 Congo Free State 274 Corea, 1895-1902 275 " 1903 276 Egypt 473 " " 277 Japan, 1871-76 278 " 1894-1900 467 " 1876-1904 279 Liberia, 1860-1892 453 " 1892-06 280 Persia, 1868-91 281 " 1891-1906 463 Shanghai 283 Siam 284 Argentine Republic, 1858-67 285 " 1882-90 286 " 1889-92 287 " 1892-99 458 Buenos Aires and Corrientes 288 Bolivia, 1866-67 289 " 1878-97 290 " 1897-01 291 Brazil, 1844-78 292 " 1878-1900, chiefly used 293 " 1880-1906 362 " 1906 294 Chili, 1852-81 295 " 1900-1906 296 Colombia, 1859-70 297 " 1876-26 298 " 1890-98 299 " 1902-04 300 " (Cartagena and other issues, 1898-05) 433 " 1902 issue 301 Costa Rica, 1862-89 304 " 1892-06 302 Dominican Republic, 1862-1900 466 " " 303 Ecuador, 1865-94 430 " 1899-05 432 Ecuador, 1895-99</p>	<p>304 Guatemala, 1871-86 305 " 1902 426 " 1897-06 306 Hayti, 1871-98 422 " 1898-1906 307 Honduras, 1865-92 431 " 1892-02 308 Mexico, 1856-74 309 " 1874-82 310 " 1884-85 311 " 1886-99 429 " 1886-03 312 Nicaragua, 1862-91 313 " 1892-97 455 " 1898-06 314 Panama (unsurcharged) 317 Paraguay, 1870-1892 318 " 1900-03 319 " 1903-07 460 " 1870-1904 320 Peru, 1858-74 321 " 1895-96 456 " 1896-07 322 Salvador, 1867-92 323 " 1892-95 464 " 1895-96 465 " 1897-06 324 Uruguay, used and unused 325 " 1884-90 326 " 1890-05 327 " 1895 383 " 1887-04 427 " 1895-07 328 Venezuela, 1859-06 (for internal postage) 329 Venezuela, 1880-96 (Foreign cor- respondence) 457 Venezuela, 1893-06 (Foreign correspondence) 330 United States, 1851-1882 331 " 1884, 1900, 1902 332 " Columbus, Omaha, etc. 404 " cheap used 461 " (used) 333 Confederate States and Cuba 381 Philippine Islands (U.S.A.) 443 Samoa 334 Hawaii, 1853-1882 459 " 1891 (Pictorial issue)</p> <p><b>INDIAN NATIVE STATES.</b> (301 different sorts exist).</p> <p>335 Alwur, Bamra, Bhor and Bhopal 337 Bundi and Bhopal 494 Bussahir 338 Charkhari, Cochin, Dhar, Duttia and Faridkot 339 Holkar and Hyderabad 340 Jaipur, Jhind, and Jhalawar 496 Jummo and Kashmir 341 Kishengarh 342 Nepal and Nowanugger, Soruth and Travancore 343 Rajnadgaon, Rajpeela and 341 Sirmoor [Scinde Dawk</p> <p><b>NEW ISSUES (USED).</b> Sheets of these, Foreign and Colonial, are now ready.</p>
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† These Sheets are newly mounted this week.

# Approval Sheets of New Issues.

BRITISH COLONIES ONLY, CHIEFLY KING SINGLES AND MULTIPLES, USED AND UNUSED.

<p>500 Aitutaki on N.Z. 501 Antigua 581 Australian Commonwealth Postage Dues 502 Bahamas, King, &amp;c. 503 Barbados 504 Bechuanaland, King 505 Bermuda, Dockyard 506 Br. Central Africa, King 507 British Guiana 508 Br. Honduras, King 585 British New Guinea 509 Br. New Guinea and Papua 510 Br. South Africa [unused 380 Brunei, 1st issue, used and 512 Brunei, surch. and pictorial 511 Canada, King, &amp;c. 513 Cape, King 514 Cayman Is., King 515 Ceylon, King</p>	<p>516 Chamba on India, King 360 Cook Islands, Queen's Head 517 Cook Is. 518 Cyprus, King 519 Dominica, pictorial 520 E. Africa, King 521 Falkland, King 522 Fiji, King 523 Gambia, King 524 Gibraltar, King 525 Gold Coast, King 526 Grenada, King 527 Gwalior on India, King 528 Hong Kong, King 529 India, King 530 C.E.F. on India, King 531 Jamaica, Arms 532 Jhind on India 533 Johor, 1904 534 Labuan, Crown</p>	<p>580 Labuan, pictorial 411 Labuan, sur. " Straits " 391 " " used and un. 535 Lagos, King 536 Leeward, King 537 Levant on Gt. Britain 538 Malay States 539 Maldives on Ceylon 540 Malta, King, &amp;c. 541 Mauritius, Arms 542 Montserrat, Arms 584 Morocco Ag. on Gibraltar-- varieties 543 Morocco on Gibraltar 544 Morocco on Gt. Britain 545 Nabha on India, King 546 Natal, King [Family 547 Newfoundland, Cabot and Royal 518 New South Wales 583 New Zealand Pictorials and Officials</p>	<p>549 New Zealand, pictorial 550 Niue on N.Z. 551 North Borneo 552 N. Nigeria, King 553 Orange River Colony, King 554 Patiala on India, King 555 Penrhyn on N.Z. 556 Queensland 557 St. Helena, King, &amp;c. 558 St. Kitts-Nevis, pictorial 559 St. Lucia, King 560 St. Vincent, King 561 Sarawak, Rajah's Head 562 Seychelles, King 563 Sierra Leone, King 564 Solomon Islands 346 Somaliland, 1st issue 565 Somaliland, King and Queen, surch. 579 " Prot. King</p>	<p>347 Somaliland 377 Somaliland Officials, 1st issue varieties 378 Somaliland Service 566 South Australia 567 S. Nigeria, King 568 Straits, King 569 Sudan, Camel 570 Tasmania, pictorial 571 Tonga, pictorial and portrait 350 Transvaal C.S.A.R. 572 Transvaal, King 573 Trinidad 574 Turks Islands 575 Victoria 576 Virgin Islands 577 Western Australia 549 Zanzibar, 1904, and varieties 578 Zanzibar, Arms</p>
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# Approval Sheets of British Stamps Specialized.

<p>600 Gt. Britain, 1840, 1d. black 601 " 1841/57, 1d. red 602 " 1840, 1d. red, imperf. 603 " 1840 604 " 1854/57, 1d. red, perf. 605 " 1840 606 " 1840, 1d. black, and 1841, 2d. blue 607 " 1840/57, 2d. blue 608 " 1840 609 " 1840 610 " 1847/54, 6d. 1od &amp; 1/- 611 " 1855, 4d. rose 612 " 1855, 4d. rose in pairs 613 " 1855, 1862 and 1865, 6d. lilac</p>	<p>614 Gt. Britain, 1855, 1862 and 1865, 1/- green 615 " 1862, 1865, 3d. rose 616 " 1862, 4d. orange 617 " " 618 " " 619 " 1862 &amp; 1865, 9d. brn., 6d. yellow &amp; 5/- rose 620 " 1865, 3d. rose pl. Nos. 621 " " 622 " " 623 " 1865, 4d. orange 624 " " 625 " " 626 " 1873 &amp; 1874, 6d. grey</p>	<p>627 Gt. Britain, 1865, 6d. vio., pl. 5, 6, 8 628 " " 629 " " 630 " " 631 " 1865, 1/- green 632 Gt. Britain, 1870, 3d. and 1 1/2d. red 633 " 1864, 1d. red, picked copies 634 " 1870, 1d. red 635 " 1864 636 " 1870, 1 1/2d. red 637 " 1870, 2d. blue 638 " " 639 " "</p>	<p>640 Gt. Britain, 1870, 2 1/2d. rose pl. Nos. 641 " " 642 " " 643 " 2 1/2d. blue pl. Nos. 644 " " 645 " " 646 " " 647 " 3d. rose pl. Nos. 648 " " 649 " " 650 " " 651 " 1870, 4d. grn. &amp; brn., and 1/- red 652 " 1870, 6d. grey and 1/- green</p>	<p>653 Gt. Britain, 1880, 1d. brn. 654 " " 655 " 1884, 1 1/2d. &amp; 2d. lilac 656 " 1 1/2d., 2d. &amp; 2 1/2d. lil. 657 " 2 1/2d. lilac 658 " " 659 " " 660 " 1884, 2 1/2d. lilac and 5d. and 6d. green 661 " unused; Army and Telegraphs, etc. 662 " "Specimen" stamps 663 " Used Abroad 664 Used British Levant</p>
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TUNIS (415 P 473).—A. C. writes:—

"I have received by this morning's mail the enclosed surcharged Tunis stamp which I send for your inspection. It makes one wonder the reason of this surcharge, perhaps it is because they have a large stock of the old 1 franc on hand and wish to clear them out, or it may possibly be that they have run short of the 35cts. picture stamp. This stamp is taken from a letter franked with two copies of the surcharge and one of the picture rocts."



Adhesive.

"35" in red on lf. olive-green.

Earliest postmark seen, 25.9.08.

URUGUAY (465 L 473).—Mr. A. H. Davis writes as follows to *Gibbons Stamp Weekly*, under date of Montevideo 20.8.08.

"As advised by me a few weeks ago, the Government has decided on the issue of a commemorative set of 300,000 stamps of the 1c., 2c. and 5c. values for internal postage only. The occasion is the celebration of the Declaration of Uruguayan Independence on 25th August, 1825, and also to signalize the opening of the new municipal electric light works, in the construction of which a million dollars have been spent. The original intention was to have placed the order with a Buenos Aires firm, but at the last moment the local firm of Barreiro y Ramos has been entrusted with the work. The stamps are to be of large design, and are to be printed in panes of twenty-five. The centre of the stamp is taken from a painting by Larraide of the Bay of Montevideo, in which the Uruguayan navy, consisting of the gunboats *Montevideo* and *18 de Julio* profusely beflagged, appears. These stamps will be on sale only on the 23rd, 24th and 25th instant, and after that date they will be useless for postal services, but the Post Office will accept them in exchange for the current issue. In order to give every one a chance of acquiring a few of these stamps a supply is to be sent to all sub-offices in the Republic, and no one is to be allowed to buy more than fifty of each value at a time. As these stamps will appear before I can dispatch this letter, I will send you a set in case you wish to illustrate them. In addition to above the Government has ordered a commemorative postcard to be printed, in which the stamps will also appear in their several colours, and on the 23rd these cards will be presented to the members of the Government, legislators, diplomatic corps, Press, etc. So, you see we are doing the thing in great style.

"I have recently seen a sheet of the 1c. on 10c. Postage Due (S.G. 356) surcharged in black instead of red, but I think it must have been a trial sheet. The owner asked me \$50 for it!

"In order to supplement the salaries of the postal clerks, the Director-General allows them to hold periodical sales of all the stamps which are returned by the Dead Letter Office, and amongst a lot of these stamps a friend came across a few specimens of the 20c. of the 1904-5 issue (grey-blue) in black; but I suppose the change of colour is due either to chemical action or to exposure. I am unable to discover any more minor varieties of this issue, although I have diligently searched for them."

We also take the following note from the same contemporary (3.10.08/223).

"We have received the three stamps mentioned in Mr. Davis's letter printed on another page of this number. The description he gives is so complete that little need be said here. It may be mentioned that the style of manufacture is peculiar. There is a background of fine mesh-work, which together with the central picture seems to have been printed in one operation, probably from separate clichés, made by a photographic half-tone process, clamped together. The frame looks as if it had been lithographed, but it is difficult to decide from single specimens. The name of the steamer, *18 de Julio*, mentioned by Mr. Davis, recalls the date 18 July, 1830, when the Constitution of the Republic was sworn.

Adhesives. Design representing Bay of Montevideo, showing the Uruguayan navy.

23-28 August, 1908. Issue commemorative of the Declaration of Uruguayan Independence, 25 August, 1825, and the opening of the Municipal Electric Light Works, Montevideo, 1908. Type 91. Centre and background in grey-black. Rouletted (about 13).

1c. carmine.  
2c. green.  
5c. orange.

VICTORIA (471 V 473).—We are indebted to Mr. Howard Davis for a new postcard issued on 29.8.08 in honour of the visit of the American Fleet. As the stamp is unchanged however, we do not consider it of much philatelic importance.

## Our Prize Competitions.

Result week ending,  
10th Oct., 1908. ..

	NEW ISSUE COMPETITION.		OLD ISSUE COMPETITION		
	I. Europe and Colonies.		II. Rest of World		III. Gt. Britain and Colonies.
1st	FS - 81	NC *100	PB - 63	FL *457	
2nd	JE - 49	JL - 90	JF - 47	Mrs.C 377	
3rd	Mrs.G 37	FS - 50	JW - 47	RG - 341	
4th	JL - 32	AD - 45	JD - 41	JO - 271	
5th	Mrs.H 30	JH - 36	CH - 41	EW - 258	
6th	NC - 28	CM - 34	ES - 32	Rev.S 237	
7th	EM - 23	HW - 23	JP - 32	GS - 221	
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\* Prize albums were despatched on Monday last.

### CONDITIONS.

1. The prizes are the following albums:—

"Our Own Times," specially arranged for King's Heads and current issues (sale price, 12/6).

"Good Old Times." Part I., Great Britain and Colonies; part II., Europe and Colonies; part III., Rest of the World. Arranged for collectors on simplified lines, without watermarks, perforations, etc. (The set of three albums can be supplied immediately for 37/6 cash, or 12/6 each, post free).

### EDITORIAL COMPETITION.

The competitor who sends us the most interesting item of information for our New Issue column each week will be credited 2/6, which may be selected from any of our approval sheets. From time to time we shall voluntarily increase the prize.

Award this week.

WW for note on Iceland (2/6).

### BULGARIA.

- 1882, figure of value at corners, complete set of nine values, 1s. lilac to 50s. blue, 9d. a set.  
1889, value at foot only, set of ten, 1s. lilac to 1l. red, 8½d. each set.  
1896, commemorative dated 2nd Feb. 1896, set of four values, 1s. to 25s. red, 5d.  
1902, Head of Ferdinand, set of five, 1, 3, 5, 10 and 25s., 2½d. a set.  
1907, large oblong design, mint, 5s. green, 10s. rose, 25s. blue, 6d. the set of three, blocks of four 2/-.

### AUSTRIA.

- 1908, various large designs:—fine used, 1h. grey ½d., 2h. lilac ½d., 3h. lilac ½d., 5h. green ½d., 6h. yellow 1d., 10h. red ½d., 12h. red 2d., 20h. brown 2d., 25h. blue 1d., 35h. blue 3d., 60h. red 4d., and 1r. lilac and rose 1/-.

### BULGARIA.

Special Offer:—Set of 28 values, all distinct stamps, no varieties of perforation or watermarks taken into consideration. Chiefly used. Only 2/- a set.

### HONG KONG.

- 1903, King's head, used:—1c. lilac and brown ½d., 2c. green ½d., 4c. on red ½d., 5c. brown and green 1d., 6c. lilac and red 2½d., 8c. lilac and black 1½d., 10c. on blue 1½d., 10c. blue 1d., 12c. on yellow 2½d., 20c. brown and black 2d., 30c. black and green 4d., 50c. lilac and green 5d., \$1 green and lilac 1/6.

### CANADA.

- 1868, Queen's head to right, value at foot in figures and words:—very fine used 1c. red 1/3, 1c. yellow 1/6, 2c. green 6d., 3c. red 2d., 5c. grey 2/-, 6c. brown 8d., 12½c. blue 1/-, 15c. lilac 5d., and 15c. grey 6d.  
1897, oblong, with two portraits of Queen, 1837 and 1897:—fine used, ½c. black 1/-, 1c. yellow 1d., 2c. green 2½d., 3c. rose 1d., 5c. blue 5d., 8c. lilac 8d., 10c. lilac 1/-, 15c. blue 1/3, 20c. red 1/6, 50c. blue 1/-, \$1 rose 5/-, \$2 lilac 5/-, \$3 brown 7/6, and \$5 green 13/-.

### BELGIUM.

- 1850, full face, value curved, very fine used, 10c. brown ½d., and 20c. blue ½d.

## Answers to Correspondents.

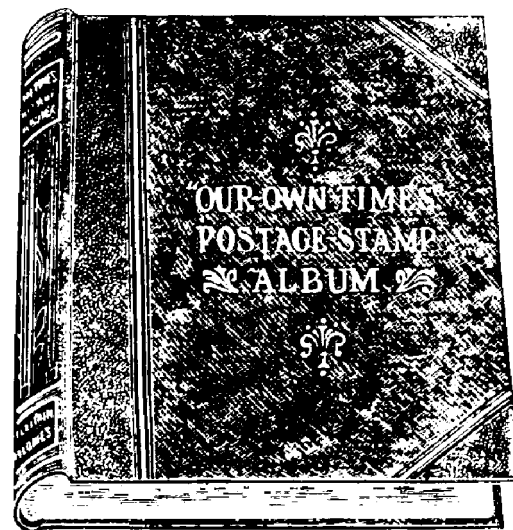
G.E.—The 1d. and 6d. British New Guinea you send are wmk. wide rosettes, thick paper, not thin. There are really three papers:—(a) thick opaque paper, watermark very difficult to make out whether the stamp is held up to the light or placed against a black background; (b) thick paper, not opaque, wmk. quite clear if stamp is placed on a black ground, face down; and (c) thin paper. Your 1d. is apparently (b) but the 6d. is almost opaque enough to be (a).

G.E.—We are much obliged for your letter pointing out that the building on the current Siamese stamps is a Pagoda and not a Mosque.

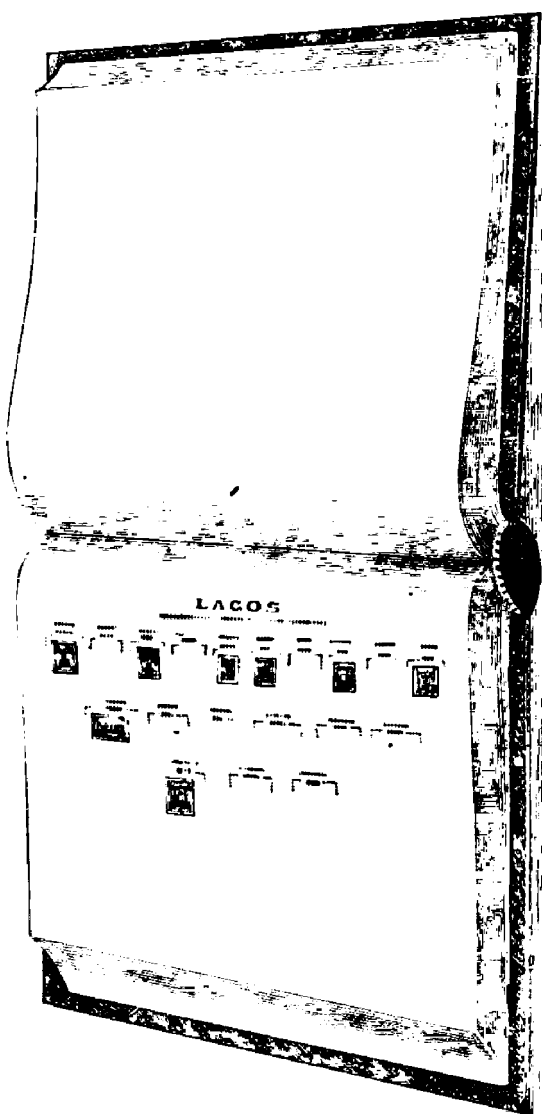
## Our Albums.

(See Particulars of Prices on Order Form).

Our Albums are bound alike, as shown in the following illustration.



The Album opens as shown, thus enabling two albums to be compared close together.



# Sets of Current Colonial Stamps.

THE BEST NUCLEUS FOR A COLLECTION OF NEW ISSUES.

THE very best way of starting a Collection of New Issues is to purchase these Sets, which contain all the stamps current in British Colonies at the date of our last importation. The list also includes a few other recent sets. Collectors requiring particular watermarks or perforations are referred to our Quotations Supplement. All Sets are guaranteed in mint well-centred condition.

	Face Value.	Sale Price.		Face Value.	Sale Price.		
1 Aitutaki (on N.Z.), 1d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/- ..	6	2/1	2/5½	150 Sarawak, 1, 2, 3, 4, 8, 10, 12, 16, 20, 25, 50c. ..	11	3/6	4/1
2 Antigua (Arms), 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/- ..	7	2/3	2/7½	151 Seychelles (King), 2, 3, 6, 12, 15, 18, 30, 45, 75 ..	9	2/9	3 2½
3 Austral. Cmnwlth, Postage Due, ½, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 10d., 1/- ..	10	4/3½	—	152 Sierra Leone (King), 1d., 1½d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 1/- ..	10	3/1½	3/8
6 Bahamas (Staircase), 1d., 5d. ..	2	0/6	0/7	153 Solomon Is. (litho.), 1d., 2d., 2½d., 5d., 6d., 1/- ..	7	2/5	4/6
7 .. (King), 1d., 2½d., 4d., 6d., 1/- ..	6	2/2	2/6½	154 .. (Engraved), 1d., 2d., 2½d., 5d., 6d., 1/- ..	7	2/5	—
8 Barbados (Arms), 1d., 2d., 2½d., 5d., 6d., 8d., 10d. ..	9	2/11½	3/5	155 Somaliland (King), ½, 1, 2, 2½, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12a. ..	9	3/3	3/9½
9 .. (Nelson), 1d., 2½d., 5d., 6d., 1/- ..	6	1/10½	—	156 .. (King, O.H.M.S.), ½, 1a. ..	2	—	7/6
10 Bechuanaland (on G.B. King), 1d., 2½d. ..	3	0/4	0/5	157 .. (Official), complete except 2a. KS. ..	14	—	£10
11 Bermuda (Dock), 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d. ..	5	0/9	0/10½	158 S. Australia (small), 1d., 2d., 5d. ..	4	0/8½	—
13 British Guiana, 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 12, 24c. ..	7	2/3	2/7½	159 .. (large), 3d., 4d., 6d., 8d., 9d., 10d., 1/- ..	7	4/4	5/1
14 British Honduras (King), 1, 2, 5, 10, 20, 25c. ..	6	2/7½	3/2	161 S. Nigeria (King), 1d., 2d., 2½d., 4d., 6d., 1/- ..	7	2/4	2/9
15 British New Guinea, ½, 1, 2, 2½, 4, 6d., 1/- ..	7	—	15/0	162 Straits (King), 1, 3, 4, 5, 8, 10, 25, 30, 50c. ..	9	3/3	—
16 B.S.A. (Arms), 1d., 1½d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 6d., 1/- ..	8	2/7	3/0	164 Sudan (Camel), 1, 2, 3, 4, 5m., 1, 2, 5pi. ..	8	1/11½	2/3½
17 .. (Victoria Falls), 1d., 2½d., 5d., 1/- ..	4	1/8½	2/0	165 .. (O.S.G.S.), 1, 3, 5m., 1, 2, 5pi. ..	6	1/10½	2/2½
18 Brunei (on Labuan), complete set ..	12	—	50/0	166 .. (Army Service), 1, 2, 3, 5m., 2pi. ..	5	—	14/0
19 .. " " set of ten, 1-30c. ..	10	—	30/0	171 Tasmania (Pict.), 1d., 1½d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d. ..	8	2/0	—
20 .. " " set of seven, 1-10c. ..	7	—	10/0	172 .. (Queen), 1½d., 8d., 9d., 1/- ..	4	2/6½	—
21 Brunei (View), 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 10, 25, 30, 50c. ..	10	3/3	—	174 Tonga (Pict.), 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 7½d., 10d., 1/- ..	11	4/5½	5/2½
27 Canada (King), 1, 2, 5, 7, 10, 20c. ..	6	1/10½	2/2½	175 Transvaal (King), 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 6d., 1/- ..	8	2/7	3/2
28 .. (Dues) 1, 2, 5c. ..	3	0/4	0/5	176 .. (Dues), 1d., 2d., 3d., 5d., 6d., 1/- ..	7	2/5½	2/10½
29 .. (Quebec), ½, 1, 2, 5, 7, 10, 15, 20c. ..	8	2/6½	—	177 Trinidad (Britannia), 1d., 2d., 2½d., 4d., 6d., 1/- ..	7	2/4	—
30 Cape Colony (King), 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 6d., 1/- ..	8	2/7	3/0	178 .. (Dues, used), 1d., 2d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 8d., 1/- ..	8	3/5	4/2
31 Cayman Islands, 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 1/- ..	7	1/11½	—	179 Turks & Caicos Is. (Ship), 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 6d., 1/- ..	8	2/7	3/0
32 Ceylon (King), 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 12, 15, 25, 30, 75c. ..	10	2/4½	—	185 Victoria, 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 9d., 1/- ..	10	3/9	—
33 Chamba (on India King), 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12a. ..	9	3/0½	—	186 .. (Dues), 1d., 2d. ..	3	0/3½	—
34 .. (Service, King), 1, 2, 4, 8a. ..	6	1/3½	1/6½	187 Virgin Islands (King), 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/- ..	7	2/3	2/7½
35 Cook Islands, 1d., 1½d., 2d., 2½d., 5d., 6d., 10d., 1/- ..	9	3/4½	—	190 W. Australia (Swan), 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 8d., 9d., 10d., 1/- ..	12	5/3	—
36 Cyprus (King), 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 9 pi. ..	9	2/7½	3/1	195 Zanzibar, 3, 6, 12, 15, 25, 50c. ..	6	1/7½	1/11
41 Dominica (View), 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/- ..	7	2/3	2/7½				
43 E. Africa and Ug. (King), 1, 3, 6, 10, 12, 15, 25, 50, 75c. ..	9	2/7½	3/1				
45 Falkland Islands (King), 1d., 2d., 2½d., 6d., 1/- ..	6	2/0	2/4				
46 Fiji Islands (King), 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 1/- ..	9	3/0	—				
50 Gambia (King), 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 7½d., 10d., 1/- ..	11	4/5½	5/2½				
51 Gibraltar (King), 1d., 2d., 2½d., 6d., 1/- ..	6	2/0	2/4				
52 Gold Coast (King), 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/- ..	7	2/3	—				
53 Grenada (Ship), 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d. ..	5	0/9	0/10½				
54 .. (King), 6d., 1/- ..	2	1/6	—				
55 .. (Dues), 1d., 2d., 3d. ..	3	0/6	—				
56 Gwalior (on India King), 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12a. ..	9	3/0½	3/7				
57 .. (Service, King), 1, 2, 4, 8a. ..	6	—	3/9				
61 Hong Kong (King), 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 8, 10, 12, 20, 30, 50c. ..	11	3/0	—				
64 India (King), 1, 2, 2½, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12a. ..	10	3/3½	3/10				
65 .. (King, On H.M.S.), 1, 2, 4, 8a., 1r. ..	7	—	6/6				
70 Jamaica (Queen), 3d., 4d., 6d., 1/- ..	4	2/1	—				
71 .. (Arms), 1d., 2½d., 5d. ..	4	0/9	—				
72 Jhind (on India, King), 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12a. ..	9	3/0½	—				
74 Johore (1904 Sultan), 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 10, 25, 50c. ..	9	2/11	3/4				
78 Labuan (Crown), 1, 2, 3, 4, 8, 10, 12, 16, 18, 25 50c. ..	9	—	4/11				
79 .. (surch. Straits), complete ..	11	—	35/0				
80 .. " " without 2c. ..	10	—	15/0				
81 .. " " 1, 2c. ..	9	—	10/0				
83 Leeward Is. (King), 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/- ..	7	2/3	—				
84 Levant (on G.B., King), 1, 2, 4 pi. ..	3	1/2	1/4½				
85 .. ( " ), 1d., 1½d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 1/- ..	10	3/1½	3/8				
91 Malay States (Tiger), 1, 3, 4, 5, 8, 10, 20, 50c. ..	8	2/4½	2/9½				
92 Maldives (Minaret), 2, 3, 5, 10c. ..	4	0/6	—				
93 Malta (Pictorial), 1d., 4½d., 5d. ..	3	0/9½	—				
94 .. (King), 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 1/- ..	7	2/1	2/5½				
95 Mauritius (Arms), 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 12, 15, 25, 50c. ..	11	1/9	—				
96 .. (Express), 15, 18c. ..	2	0/5½	—				
98 Montserrat (Arms), 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/- ..	7	2/3	2/7½				
100 Morocco (on G.B. King), 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 40, 50c., 1p. ..	8	1/9	2/0½				
101 .. " " 1d., 2d., 4d., 6d., 1/- ..	6	2/1½	2/6				
105 Nabha (on India King), 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12a. ..	9	3/0½	3/7				
106 .. (Service, King), 1, 2, 4, 8a., 1r. ..	6	—	11/6				
107 Natal (King), 1d., 1½d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 1/- ..	10	3/1½	—				
109 Newfoundland (Cabot), 1, 6, 8, 10, 12, 15, 24c. ..	7	3/3½	3/10½				
110 .. (Royal Family), 1, 2, 3, 4, 5c. ..	6	0/7½	0/9				
111 N.S.W., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 8d., 10d., 1/- ..	11	4/6	—				
115 N.Z., 1d., 1½d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 8d., 9d., 1/- ..	12	4/6½	—				
116 .. (Dues), 1d., 2d. ..	3	0/3½	—				
117 Niue (on N.Z.), 1d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/- ..	6	2/1	2/5½				
119 N. Borneo (Brit. Prot.), 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 10, 12, 16, 18, 24c. ..	12	2/7	3/0				
121 N. Nigeria (King), 1d., 2d., 2½d., 5d., 6d., 1/- ..	7	2/5	2/10				
123 Nyasaland (King), 1d., 3d., 4d., 6d., 1/- ..	6	2/2½	—				
126 Orange River (King), 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 6d., 1/- ..	8	2/7	3/0				
131 Papua (large surch.), 1d., 2d., 2½d., 4d., 6d., 1/- ..	7	—	25/0				
132 .. (small surch.), 1d., 2d., 2½d., 4d., 6d., 1/-, 2/6 ..	8	—	14/0				
133 .. 1d., 2½d., 4d., 6d. ..	5	1/2	1/4½				
134 Patiala (on India King), 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12a. ..	9	3/0½	3/7				
135 .. (Service, King), 1, 2, 3, 4, 8a., 1r. ..	7	—	4/6				
136 Penrhyn (on N.Z.), 1d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/- ..	6	2/1	2/5½				
140 Queensland, 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 9d., 1/- ..	10	3/9	—				
143 St. Helena (King), 1d., 2½d., 4d., 6d. ..	4	1/1	1/3½				
144 .. (Pictorial), 1d., 2d., 8d., 1/- ..	5	1/11½	2/3½				
145 St. Kitts-Nevis (Pict.), 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/- ..	7	2/3	2/7½				
146 St. Lucia (King), 1d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/- ..	6	2/1	—				
147 St. Vincent (King), 6d., 1/- ..	2	1/6	1/9				
148 .. (Pict.) 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d. ..	5	0/9	0/10½				

## Miscellaneous Sets.

1285 Switzerland, new 5, 10c. ..	1½d.	2d.
1412 " " 5c. ..	1d.	1d.
1402 German Morocco, 1½, 2½, 3½, 6½ pes. used, v.f. ..	8/6	9/11
1370 China, 16c. green, mint (block 1/8) ..	4d.	5d.
1275 " 5c. lilac, mint ( " 6d.) ..	1½d.	1½d.
1221 Egypt OHMS, 1, 2, 3, 5m., 1 5 pi. ..	—	3/6
1287 Nepal, New Issue, mint set of four ..	—	9d.
1322 Austrian Levant, 10, 20 paras, Jubilee ..	1½d.	2d.
1323 " Crete, 7, 10c., Jubilee ..	1½d.	2d.
1219 " Java " on D. E. Indies, complete 1c. to 2½g. (Blocks of four, mint 43/-) ..	9/0	10/9
1325 " Buiten Bezit " on D. E. Indies 1c. to 1g. ..	4/10	5/11
1324 " " 2½g. ..	4/2	4/10
201 Australian Commonwealth, Postage Dues, Melbourne paper (rare), 1d., 2d., 4d., 6d., mint ..	—	4/6
202 Barbados, 1d. on 2d. K.R.F. complete set of 6 varieties, (3 inverted surcharge) ..	—	7/6
203 Ceylon King, On Service, complete set of 6 ..	—	35/0
1331 Somaliland " Service " on India, error dropped E, ½, 1, 2as. mint ..	—	20/0
1334 " wrong fount " Service," ½, 1, 2as. mint ..	—	6/6
1335 " no I in " British " ½, 1as. mint ..	—	10/0
204 Brunei, complete 1st Issue, used ..	—	50/0
205 " " mint blocks of four ..	—	200/0
206 " 1st issue, used, 1c. to 50c. ..	—	35/0
207 Straits on Labuan, 3c. to \$1, used, fine ..	—	15/0
208 " complete, 1c. to \$1 used ..	—	35/0
209 Morocco on G.B., 3, 6, 12 pes. on 2/6, 5/-, 10/-, K., used, v.f. ..	—	15/0
210 N.Z. Official, complete 1d. to 5/-, used, fine ..	—	60/0
211 Sudan, Army, entire pane of 30 with 3 errors ..	—	25/0
1865 Somali, Queen, ½a. surcharge at top, mint ..	—	2d.
1174 " " 1a. " " " " ..	—	4d.
1270 Belgium, 1, 2, 5c., 1908 issue, mint ..	—	1d.
1327 Austrian Levant, 20 para to 5pi set of 6, mint ..	—	2/2
1323 " " Post Due, 1 pi. to 5 pi., set of 6, mint ..	—	2/0
1339 Luxemburg, 1908 issue, mint set of 14 ..	—	3/0
1349 " 30, 87½c. 1fr., mint ..	—	2/2
1344 German Levant, 5, 10, 25, 50, 100c., mint ..	—	1/9
1345 Fr. Madagascar, 1908, 1c. to 1fr. set of 14 ..	—	4/2
1351 " " 2, 5fr., mint ..	—	6/7
1348 " " Post Due, mint set of 8 ..	—	2/2
1350 Switzerland, 30, 40c., new design, mint ..	—	8d.
1346 Italian Levant, 10, 20, 40, 80 para, mint ..	—	9d.
Trinidad, Postage Due, single wmk., complete, mint ..	—	30/0
Tunis, set of 4 surcharged (1908) ..	—	—

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1905, large head, solid ground, very fine used, 10c. rose 1½d., 20c. green 1d., 35c. lilac 1d., 50c. grey 1d. and 1f. yellow 3d.

### SAN MARINO.

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	Unused Per 12	Used Per 12							
G. Britain (93) 2/6 King ..	—	3/6	Gambia (23) 1d., King ..	—	1/6	Morocco on Great Britain.		Somaliland O.H.M.S.	
" (94) 5/- ..	—	4/9	" (24) 2d. ..	—	2/9	(330) 2d. ..	—	(351) 1/2a. King single ..	45/0
Aitutaki (307) 1/- bright red	14/0	—	" (25) 2 1/2d. ..	—	4/0	Nabha Service (324) 2a. King	6/0	(352) 1a. ..	36/0
Antigua (9) 1/2d. Arms ..	—	9d.	" (26) 3d. ..	—	5/0	Natal (18) 1/2d. King..	—	Stellaland, 3d. yellow ..	6/0
" (10) 1d. ..	—	1/0	" (27) 4d. ..	—	6/0	" (21) 2d. ..	—	S. Australia, (43) long 8d. ..	6/0
" (11) 2d. ..	—	4/0	Gibraltar (23) 1/2d. King ..	—	6d.	" (23) 3d. ..	—	" (44) .. od. ..	6/0
" (15) 1/- ..	—	18/0	" (24) 1d. on red ..	—	4d.	" (24) 4d. ..	—	" (45) .. 1od. ..	12/0
Australian Commonwealth, Postage Due.			" (25) 1d. rose ..	—	6d.	" (25) 5d. ..	—	" (46) .. 1/- ..	5/0
(353) 1d. Melbourne p. ..	7/0	—	" (26) 2d. King ..	—	2/3	" (32) 10/- .. (Fisc.) ..	—	S. Nigeria (10) 1/2d. K., bi-col.	1/0
(354) 2d. ..	14/0	—	" (29) 6d. ..	—	5/0	" (33) £1 .. ( " ) ..	—	" (11) 1d. K. ..	1/6
(356) 6d. ..	18/0	—	" (326) 6d. ..	—	7/0	" (34) 30/- .. ( " ) ..	—	" (12) 1/2d. K., green ..	1/0
Bahamas (16) 1d. ..	—	10d.	Gold C. (27) 1/2d. K., lil. & gr.	—	1/0	Newfoundland Royal Family		" (316) 2d. brn & grey	2/4
" (312) 1/2d. ..	—	7d.	" (31) 3d. King ..	—	2/6	(315) 1/2c. green ..	—	" (329) 4d. mult. chal	4/8
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GR ao† 3d., ship design, wmk. CA multiple on chalk-surfaced paper. The remaining Grenada ship design are expected to go out this or next week.

French Madagascar.

FRM ad† 1c. to 1fr., set of 13 stamps.  
ae† 2 and 5fr.  
af\* 2c. to 5fr., set of 8 postage dues.

Queensland.

QU bd\* 3d., wmk. Crown A, perf. 12½.  
bf\* 2/- " " "

This country is now brought up to date in respect of the public issue.

Officials (used).

QU ap 1d., punctured OS.  
aq 2d. " "  
ac 4d. " "  
ad 6d. " "  
az 1/- " "

Luxemburg.

LU af\* 30, 87½c. and 1fr.  
ag 2½fr.  
ah 5fr.  
ai 1c. to 5fr., complete set of official stamps.

Gibraltar.

GI aw £1 King, wmk. CA multiple on chalky paper.

Holland.

HO af 1½c. blue.

## SPECIAL OFFERS.

### ZANZIBAR.

1896. Head of Sultan to right, slightly cancelled.

No.	Value	Color	S.G. price	Our price
1.	½a.	green	2d.	1½d.
2.	1a.	blue	2d.	1½d.
3.	2a.	brown	3d.	2½d.
4.	2½a.	blue	2d.	2d.
5.	3a.	grey	4d.	4d.
6.	4a.	green	4d.	4d.
7.	4½a.	yellow	6d.	5d.
8.	5a.	brown	1/6	9d.
9.	7½c.	lilac	1/-	6d.
10.	8a.	grey	1/-	6d.
11.	1r.	blue	3/-	1/6
12.	2r.	green	5/-	2/6
13.	3r.	lilac	6/-	3/-
14.	4r.	rose	8/-	3/6
15.	5r.	brown	10/-	3/6

### AUSTRIAN F.P. OFFICE.

1908, for Levant, 5 para green, mint, 1d.

### BRAZIL.

1906, small designs, portrait:—very fine used, 10r. grey ½d., 20r. lilac ½d., 100r. rose ½d., 200r. blue ½d., 300r. 3rey 1d., 400r. green 2d., 700r. brown 4d., 1000r. red 4d., 2000r. green 8d. and 5000r. rose 2/3.

### NEW ZEALAND.

1854, full face:—very fine used 1d. red 1/6, 1d. brown 1/6, 2d. blue 1/-, 2d. red 1/6, 3d. lilac 1/6, 4d. red 6/-, 4d. yellow 3/6, 6d. brown 1/-, 6d. blue 1/9 and 1/- green 3/-.

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## The New Colour Scheme.

FULL PARTICULARS IN THE  
OCTOBER "COLONIAL OFFICE JOURNAL."

THE *Colonial Office Journal* (10.08) gives a full list of the colours of the new scheme recently introduced for British Colonial stamps. In the past the colours of stamps have been to some extent arbitrary and the Postal Union took a step in the right direction when it decreed that all ½d., 1d., and 2½d. stamps should be uniform in colour, namely, green, red and blue respectively. The colours which the Crown Agents have decided upon for the stamps of the Crown Colonies (or of those colonies which have signified their willingness to adopt the new scheme, for all have not yet consented), are as follows:

### Unicoloured stamps.

Under ½d.	Black	
½d.	Brown	
¾d.	Green	
1d.	Red	
1½d.	Orange	
2d.	Grey	
2½d.	Blue	
3d.	Purple	Yellow paper.
6d.	"	
1/0	Black	Green paper.

### Bi-coloured stamps.

4d.	Black and red	Yellow paper.
5d.	Purple and sage green	
7½d.	Purple and yellow	
8d.	Purple and black	
10d.	Purple and red	
1/6	Green and blue	
2/0	Purple and blue	Blue paper.
2/6	Black and red	" "
3/0	Green and violet	
4/0	Black and red	
5/0	Green and red	Yellow paper.
8/0	Purple and emerald	
10/0	Green and red	Green paper.
£1	Purple and black	Red paper.
£5	Green and yellow	
£10	Purple and blue	
£25	Green and red	

Where no paper is mentioned it is white.

Every bi-coloured stamp requires at least two operations to print and as two impressions mean more expense than one, it was necessary that the bi-coloured stamps should be the values least used. We therefore agree with the decision of the authorities on this point, but we do not think the choice of coloured papers is very happy.

It is true the blue paper distinguishes the values between 1/6 and 3/- but the inclusion of a 5/- stamp on yellow and a 5d. on white paper prevents the yellow paper recalling the values between 2½d. and 6d., whilst the 1/- on green paper is an obstruction to the assignment of this colour to the values between 5/- and £1. Red paper used to recall the £1 and £5 values (for instance, Zululand) but is now appropriated to the £1 only, whilst to complete the confusion white paper is dotted in and out throughout the scheme and the £25 stamp actually differs only from the ½d. in that the value is in red instead of green, a distinction that would be lost to a purchaser who was colour-blind!

One undesirable result of this arrangement is seen in the case of the Cayman Islands, which has two stamps (1/- and 10/-) on green paper and none on blue or red. Supposing that one Colony had in its set the values 3d. and 10/- and no 1/- or 5/- and a second Colony the values 1/- and 5/- and no 3d. or 10/-, the result would be that yellow and green paper would signify exactly the opposite in the two cases; in the one, the high value would be on green paper and the low value on yellow and in the other just the opposite.

If yellow paper had been adopted for the values 3d. to 5d., blue for those from 1/- to 3/-, green for those from 4/- to 10/- and red for the higher values, with the remaining values below 1/- unicoloured on white paper up to 2½d. and thence bi-coloured (partly purple) on white paper, we should have known "where we were," and with the majority of colonies only requiring one value from each of the five higher groups 3d. to

5d., 7½d. to 10d., 1/- to 3/-, 4/- to 10/-, £1 to £25, the sets would have shown greater variety.

In the unicoloured series it is also rather a pity that such a pretty colour as orange is thrown away on a value so little used as the 1½d., whilst the two lowest values are apportioned a dingy black and brown. Perhaps printing in yellow or orange is more expensive than black or brown.

It will be noticed with the exception of the 4d., 2/6 and 4/-, which are in black and red, all the bi-coloured stamps have the body of the stamp in either purple or green.

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BERMUDA (473 Z 474).—We are officially informed that the following has now been issued.



Adhesive. Wmk. Crown CA multiple, ordinary paper.  
¾d. lilac and brown.

Issued 25.9.08 or earlier.

DANISH WEST INDIES (468 D 474).—Two values are added to the new set by *Le Timbre Poste* (9, 10.08/259).

Adhesives. New design.  
40 bit, vermilion and grey.  
50 bit, yellow and grey.

ERYTREA (457 B 474).—The *Revue Postale* gives some further particulars of the issue in preparation for this Italian Colony.

The *Officina Carte-Valori* of Turin has received an order to print a set of 10 postage stamps, of the values of 1, 2, 5, 10, 15, 25, 40, 50 centesimi, 1 and 5 lire. The designs will be as follows:—

1, 2c.	Scambio della Posta.
5, 10c.	Aratro a Senafé (Plough at Senafé).
15, 20c.	Palazzo Governatoriale (Governor's Palace).
40, 50c.	Un camello e palmizi (Camel and palm trees).
1, 5l.	Un guerriero con lo scudo (Warrior with shield).

The designs have been prepared from photographs taken by Lieut. L. Giudice, of the Artillery. Those of the six lower values are oblong and of the other four rectangular. In the upper right-hand corner will be the Crown of Savoy and in the opposite corner the words "Poste italiane" with the figures of value; at the bottom, "Colonia Eritrea."

GERMAN COLONIES (457 B 474).—The sale of German Colonial stamps, which, according to a German paper quoted by *Gibbons Stamp Weekly*, is conducted in Germany solely at the Post Office in Berlin, has been so great since the end of 1900, when this office was opened, that in this time stamps to the value of 1,002,764 marks have been disposed of. Since such stamps sold in Germany have been but little used for postage or remittance purposes, but rather for collections, the clear profit to the State through philatelists reaches an important figure.

It would be interesting to compare this figure (about £50,000) with the value of British Colonial stamps purchased for collecting purposes during the same period. Stamp collecting is of course enormously more popular in Germany than in England, but on the other hand there are many more stamp-issuing British Colonies and the sets run up to a higher face value as a general rule (the German Colonial sets only go to 5 marks). The total must be greatly in excess of the above figure; in fact the purchases of the Colonial Stamp Market alone considerably exceed it.

GRENADA (453 D 474).—The new stamps were issued on 1.10.08, as had been expected, and the colours are as given by us last May. The set is a very pretty one, the 2/- being especially attractive. The plate-number is in each case "1."

We may recall that of the 1/- and 10/- values 25,000 and 10,000 respectively have been printed, so that these are hardly likely to become very rare with single watermark, although of course the next printing will have multiple Crown CA watermark.

We have not heard what is to become of the remainders of the King's Head issue, but judging by precedent they will be withdrawn from circulation and burnt.

ITALY (445 A 474).—A new Express Delivery stamp has been issued here, for foreign service, with inscription in French "Expres" instead of "Espresso."

Express Delivery Adhesive. Inscribed "Expres." 30c. blue and red, wmk. Crown.

The above description is from *L'Echo de la Timbrologie* (15.10.08/620).

ITALIAN FOREIGN P.O. (471 O 474).—The Colonial Stamp Market has shown us the following novelties.

### Adhesives.

- "30 Parà 30" on 15c. grey.
- "4 Piastra 4" on 1l. brown and green.
- "20 Piastra 20" on 5l. blue and rose.

### Express Delivery Adhesive.

- "Levante 1 Piastra 1" on 25c. rose, "Espresso."

In the 4 and 20 piastre stamps the figures of value are above the word "piastre."

The *Svensk Filatelistisk Tidskrift* (30.9.08/135) states that the quantities printed of the new values are:—30 paras, 100,000; 4 piastre, 4,700; 20 piastre, 2,300.

ST. KITTS-NEVIS (442 X 474).—The Colonial Stamp Market has shown us the following novelty.



Adhesive. Wmk. Crown CA multiple, chalk-surface paper.  
3d. orange and green.

Issued 11.8.08 or earlier.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA (471 C 474).—The issue of the following is reported by *Gibbons Stamp Weekly* (10.10.08/240).



Adhesive. Wmk. Crown SA, perf. 12.  
10/- green, large "Postage."

SOUTHERN NIGERIA (448 T 474).—The following is chronicled by *Gibbons Stamp Weekly* (17.10.08/256).



Adhesive. Wmk. multiple Crown CA, chalk-surface paper.  
10/- purple on yellow.

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**GREAT BRITAIN.**—Surface Printed Stamps (379 P 475).—Some ten or fifteen years ago a used copy of the 6d. violet, plate 10 was discovered, believed to be the only known copy. We have just succeeded in purchasing it for Mk. 1400.—(£68 12/-)—the *Berliner Briefmarken Zeitung* in reporting the sale gives the price as Mk. 1200.—but this is inaccurate—and it may be of interest to record that the postmark is "545" (Newcastle-on-Tyne). The common plate-numbers of this stamp are of course 5, 6, 8, 9.

**Railway Letter Stamps** (471 P 475).—We have received the following new printings:

Somerset & Dorset, 8th Issue, vertical Nos. A4001 to A5000 (?); deeper green than before; perf. 10.

South Eastern & Chatham, 11th Printing, horizontal control Nos. 90001 to 100000; rouletted; greyish-green.

Metropolitan & Great Central Joint, 5th Printing, horizontal control Nos. 4801 to 6000.

London Brighton & South Coast, 33rd Issue, 8.08, Nos. 63001 to 69000? Apparently new transfer, but we have as yet only seen single copies.

Midland Railway, 23rd Issue, Nos. 186001 to 198000. The control Nos. are again at the left side, reading up.

North Eastern Railway, 87th Issue, 4.3.08, Nos. 283001 to 286000. Transfer XIX., Printing AO; 88th Issue, 8.5.08, Nos. 286001 to 289000; 89th Issue, 17.7.08, Nos. 289001 to 292000; 90th Issue, 4.9.08, Nos. 292001 to 295000. All Transfer XIX., Printing AO.

London Tilbury & Southend, 15th Issue, Nos. S27201 to S271000 (?); transfer No. IIc again.

This makes a total of 19 new printings made this year, so far as we have been able to ascertain. The Railway Companies which have printed 100,000 or more railway letter stamps are as follows:—

Great Western	340,000?
North Eastern	295,000
London & North Western	220,000
North British	200,040?
Midland	198,000
London, Brighton & South Coast	189,000
London & South Western	186,000?
South-Eastern & Chatham	160,000
Great Eastern	157,500?
Great Southern & Western	134,000?
Caledonian	133,000?
Great Northern of Ireland	100,000?

The North Eastern has issued all but 2000 of its total to stations for use but the Great Western probably has 40,000 still in stock, so there is very little to choose between these two companies. The totals queried are only estimated.

It is a matter to marvel at, that more collectors in this country do not interest themselves in these stamps, which they can as a rule easily obtain for themselves without recourse to a dealer. It is perhaps for this reason that they are not collected, as no dealer wants his clients to collect stamps which can be obtained without his assistance!

The Railway Company which holds the record for the smallest issue of letter stamps is the North Pembroke and Fishguard Railway, which printed 200 stamps and soon after ceased to exist.

Since writing the above we have received a further new printing.

Lancashire and Yorkshire, 9th printing, transfer IIa? Nos. 23761? to 28764? Larger control figures than before. It is possible the 7th, 8th and 9th supplies may be all part of one large printing, from which each issue is drawn and numbered as required, but we have not been able to secure sufficient blocks to decide the question.

Mr. L. W. Crouch points out that the 5th and 6th issues of the Great Northern Railway are

given in our catalogues by error as perf. 10, whereas they are both perf. 11.

**CANADA** (473 V 475).—Messrs. Whitfield King & Co. state that they have been officially informed that the only values of the Quebec Centenary stamps remaining in the Post Office department are the 10, 15 and 20c. values.

**HUNGARY** (451 B 475).—We learn from the *Illustriertes Briefmarken Journal* (17.10.08/470) that the Crown watermark has again been altered, the lines (except the outline other than the base) being straight instead of curved and the cross at top leaning to the left instead of the right.



Adhesive. Wmk. Crown of 1908. 5f. green.

Our contemporary states that the 5 and 10 filler and the Newspaper stamp were first printed on the new paper in 7.08; the 3, 5, 6 filler in 8.08; the 1, 2, 20, 30, 35, 60 filler, 1, 2 kronen in 9.08; the 25 and 50 filler in 10.08 and that the 5kr. was expected to be printed in 1.09 and would be followed by the 12 filler.

**NYASALAND** (472 H 475).—The Colonial Stamp Market has shown us entire sheets of the new stamps. They are all numbered in black in the upper right-hand corner, the highest numbers we have being as follows:—

½d.	265	2/6	046
1d.	0207	4/0	030
3d.	124	10/0	023
4d.	095	£1	011
6d.	104	£10	01
1/0	066		

The ½d. to 1/- are in sheets of 120, divided into 2 panes, each of 60 stamps in 10 rows of 6, whilst the high values are in sheets of 5 rows of 12. Of the 1/- (single wmk.) 500 sheets of 120 have been supplied.

**PAPUA** (470, 474 N 475).—B. writes:—

"With reference to your article in E.W.S.N. of the 17th October last, noting two shading errors on Nos. 20 and 27 of each sheet of the 2½d. B.N. Guinea unsurcharged, I would like to say that similar errors occur on other values both of the unsurcharged and surcharged. It cannot, therefore, be argued that such varieties have arisen owing to worn plates. In my own case the errors do not occur on the same sheet, so that perhaps a partial rectification may have taken place at a later printing. No such flaws occur in any of my sheets above the 2½d. value. The list, previously mentioned, I give hereunder.

B.N.G., unsurcharged, No. 20 on sheet, 2d.

Papua, Type I., ditto, ½d. and 2d.

Papua, Type II., ditto, ½d.

As I have a 2d. stamp used of the Type I. variety this should prove to be scarce.

Perhaps some of your readers would say whether any of the shading errors occur on the higher values."

We have examined the Colonial Stamp Market's stock and find that all their sheets of 2d. small "Papua" surcharge show the same two varieties of leaves unshaded and in the same positions (Nos. 20 and 27) though perhaps not quite so pronounced as in the 2½d.

We have also made the extraordinary discovery that even the minutest defects on the 2½d. plate find their counterpart in that of the 2d. Take for instance the band to left of the leaves in the lower right-hand corner. This is shaded with 29 vertical lines, of which the last four touch the outline of one of the leaves. Note the following stamps:—

No. 20 on sheet. There are 7 clear lines (starting from the left), the 8th line is very short, the 9th only slightly short, 10th and 11th very faint, 12th, 13th clear and 14th partly clear, 15th very faint, 16th quite clear, 17th and 18th very faint, 19th to 22nd clear, 23rd broken in middle, 24th to 29th clear. (In the 2d. sheet the 29th line is indistinguishable, but this is merely due to over-inking).

No. 25 on sheet. The 18th, 23rd and 25th lines are defective at top and the 21st at foot.

No. 27 on sheet. The first line is broken at top.

It is out of the question for these defects to be due to wear of the plates, because the two plates could not possibly be expected to develop precisely the same set of defects; there is not one discrepancy. It was equally impossible to print 2½d. stamps from the 2d. plate and vice-versá. Whence then do the two plates derive their extraordinary similarity? The ½d. plate is also in some degree similar but it is No. 28 instead of 27 which shows the white leaves in the lower left-hand corner and the lines of shading are faint rather than altogether absent.

With regard to the plates for printing the central design, of which we believe there were two, we should not be surprised to learn that they could be distinguished. We have examined half sheets of the unsurcharged ½d. to 1/- British New Guinea, probably an early printing, and find that No. 20 on the sheet of each value has a white space at the top of the shading of the sky. The white blotch usually falls under the letters "SH N" of "British New."

We have this variety on a sheet of 1/- with large surcharge but of four sheets of 1/- with small surcharge only two have it, whilst the other two have a somewhat similar variety on No. 25.

There is another remarkable variety in the plates of the central design. On some sheets the white clouds are plain white on every stamp of the sheet; on others a magnifying glass shows them to be faintly shaded with horizontal lines. The absence of the shading may be due to wear or may indicate another plate.

We are afraid we must leave all these matters in a very indefinite state; perhaps some of our readers who are specializing British New Guinea and Papua may be disposed to investigate further and give us the result of their research.

Besides the above there are of course varieties due merely to over-inking such as the 1/- of which we have sheets showing clear impressions at the top and very black ones, with stormy sky, in the lower row.

In the case of the permanent issue inscribed "Papua" there are also many interesting varieties. No. 20 on the sheet is again of special interest, as the central plate has a black dot in the N.E. corner, usually falling just under P of "Postage." It appears to occur on all values except the ½d. The ½d., by the way, is the value with slightly different design, the name "Papua" being in larger lettering. The clouds in all values of the permanent issue show no trace of shading.

**PERU** (428 W 475).—The new set, commenced in 1907, has at last been completed by the issue of the 2 soles. The full set is as follows:—

### Adhesives.

1c. green and black	Monument Bolognesi
2c. vermilion & violet	Admiral Gran
4c. olive-green	Llama
5c. dark blue & black	Statue S. Martins
10c. red-brown & grey	Exhibition buildings
20c. dark green & black	School of Medicine at Lima
50c. black	Post and Telegraph Office
1 sol., violet and green	Hippodrome of S. Beatrice
2 soles, dark blue	Monument of Columbus

**RUSSIA** (469 T 475).—New 7 and 10 kopek stamps are to be issued on 1.1.09 and the old issue will then lose their validity. The date is presumably old style and equivalent to our 14.1.09.

**TUNIS** (474 Q 475).—We note from the entire sheets of the new provisionals shown us by the Colonial Stamp Market that the millésimes are as follows:—

10c. on 15c.	No. 3.	40c. on 2f.	No. 1.
35c. on 1f.	No. 9.	75c. on 5f.	No. 9.

**UNITED STATES** (439 I 475).—The following announcement of a new issue is made by the *New York Herald* (12M.10.08):—

### NEW STAMP ISSUE.

Design Suggested by Postmaster-General Meyer is Completed and is Considered Artistic.

"Twos" will be Out First.

They bear the Head of Washington and, like other denominations, show little lettering.

Washington, D. C., Sunday.—The Bureau of Engraving and Printing has completed designs suggested by Postmaster-General Meyer for a new issue of United

# Sets of Current Colonial Stamps.

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	Face Value.	Sale Price.		Face Value.	Sale Price.
1 Aitutaki (on N.Z.), ½d., 1d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/-	6	2/1	150 Sarawak, 1, 2, 3, 4, 8, 10, 12, 16, 20, 25, 50c.	11	3/6
2 Antigua (Arms), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/-	7	2/3	151 Seychelles (King), 2, 3, 6, 12, 15, 18, 30, 45, 75	9	2/9
3 Austral. Cmnw. Postage Due, ½, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 10d., 1/-	10	4/3½	152 Sierra Leone (King), ½d., 1d., 1½d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 1/-	10	3/1½
6 Bahamas (Staircase), 1d., 5d.	2	0/6	153 Solomon Is. (litho.), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 5d., 6d., 1/-	7	2/5
7 " (King), ½d., 1d., 2½d., 4d., 6d., 1/-	6	2/2	154 " (Engraved), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 5d., 6d., 1/-	7	2/5
8 Barbados (Arms), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 5d., 6d., 8d., 10d.	9	2/11½	155 Somaliland (King), ½, 1, 2, 2½, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12a.	9	3/3
9 " (Nelson), ½d., 1d., 2½d., 6d., 1/-	6	1/10½	156 " (King, O.H.M.S.), ½, 1a.	2	—
10 Bechuanaland (on G.B. King), ½d., 1d., 2½d.	3	0/4	157 " (Official), complete except 2a. KS.	14	—
11 Bermuda (Dock), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d.	5	0/9	158 S. Australia (small), ½d., 1d., 2d., 5d.	4	0/8½
13 British Guiana, 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 12, 24c.	7	2/3	159 " (large), 3d., 4d., 6d., 8d., 9d., 10d., 1/-	7	4/4
14 British Honduras (King), 1, 2, 5, 10, 20, 25c.	6	2/7½	161 S. Nigeria (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 4d., 6d., 1/-	7	2/4
15 British New Guinea, ½, 1, 2, 2½, 4, 6d., 1/-	7	—	162 Straits (King), 1, 3, 4, 5, 8, 10, 25, 30, 50c.	9	3/3
16 B.S.A. (Arms), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 6d., 1/-	8	2/7	164 Sudan (Camel), 1, 2, 3, 4, 5m., 1, 2, 5pi.	6	1/11½
17 " (Victoria Falls), 1d., 2½d., 5d., 1/-	4	1/8½	165 " (O.S.G.S.), 1, 3, 5m., 1, 2, 5pi.	8	1/10½
18 Brunei (on Labuan), complete set	12	—	166 " (Army Service), 1, 2, 3, 5m., 2pi.	5	—
19 " " set of ten, 1-30c.	10	—	171 Tasmania (Pict.), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d.	8	2/0
20 " " set of seven, 1-10c.	7	—	172 " (Queen), 1½d., 8d., 9d., 1/-	4	2/6½
21 Brunei (View), 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 10, 25, 30, 50c.	10	3/3	174 Tonga (Pict.), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 7½d., 10d., 1/-	11	4/5½
27 Canada (King), 1, 2, 5, 7, 10, 20c.	6	1/10½	175 Transvaal (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 6d., 1/-	8	2/7
28 " (Dues), 1, 2, 5c.	3	0/4	176 " (Dues), ½d., 1d., 2d., 3d., 5d., 6d., 1/-	7	2/5½
29 " (Quebec), ½, 1, 2, 5, 7, 10, 15, 20c.	8	2/6½	177 Trinidad (Britannia), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 4d., 6d., 1/-	7	2/4
30 Cape colony (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 6d., 1/-	8	2/7	178 " (Dues, used), 1d., 2d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 8d., 1/-	8	3/5
31 Cayman Islands, ½d., 1d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 1/-	7	1/11½	179 Turks & Caicos Is. (Ship), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 6d., 1/-	8	2/7
32 Ceylon (King), 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 12, 15, 25, 30, 75c.	10	2/4½	185 Victoria, ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 9d., 1/-	10	3/9
33 Chamba (on India King), ½, 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12a.	9	3/0½	186 " (Dues), ½d., 1d., 2d.	3	0/3½
34 " (Service, King), ½, 1, 2, 4, 8a.	6	1/3½	187 Virgin Islands (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/-	7	2/3
35 Cook Islands, ½d., 1d., 1½d., 2d., 2½d., 5d., 6d., 10d., 1/-	9	3/4½	190 W. Australia (Swan), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 8d., 9d., 10d., 1/-	12	5/3
36 Cyprus (King), ½, 1, 2, 4, 6, 9 pias	9	2/7½	195 Zanzibar, 3, 6, 12, 15, 25, 50c.	6	1/7½
41 Dominica (View), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/-	7	2/3			
43 E. Africa and Ug. (King), 1, 3, 6, 10, 12, 15, 25, 50, 75c.	9	2/7½			
45 Falkland Islands (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 6d., 1/-	6	2/0			
46 Fiji Islands (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 1/-	9	3/0			
50 Gambia (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 7½d., 10d., 1/-	11	4/5½			
51 Gibraltar (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 6d., 1/-	6	2/0			
52 Gold Coast (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/-	7	2/3			
53 Grenada (Ship), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d.	5	0/9			
54 " (King), 6d., 1/-	2	1/6			
55 " (Dues), 1d., 2d., 3d.	3	0/6			
56 Gwal or (on India King), ½, 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12a.	9	3/0½			
57 " (Service, King), ½, 1, 2, 4, 8a.	6	—			
61 Hong Kong (King), 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 8, 10, 12, 20, 30, 50c.	11	3/0			
64 India (King), ½, 1, 2, 2½, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12a.	10	3/3½			
65 " (King, On H.M.S.), ½, 1, 2, 4, 8a., 1r.	7	—			
70 Jamaica (Queen), 3d., 4d., 6d., 1/-	4	2/1			
71 " (Arms), ½d., 1d., 2½d., 5d.	4	0/9			
72 Jhind (on India, King), ½, 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12a.	9	3/0½			
74 Johore (1904 Sultan), 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 10, 25, 50c.	9	2/11			
78 Labuan (Crown), 1, 2, 3, 4, 8, 10, 12, 16, 18, 25, 50c.	11	—			
79 " (surch. Straits), complete	11	—			
80 " " without 2c.	10	—			
81 " " 1, 2c.	9	—			
83 Leeward Is. (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/-	7	2/3			
84 Levant (on G.B., King), 1, 2, 4 pias	3	1/2			
85 " ( " ), ½d., 1d., 1½d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 1/-	10	3/1½			
91 Malay States (Tiger), 1, 3, 4, 5, 8, 10, 20, 50c.	8	2/4½			
92 Maldives (Minaret), 2, 3, 5, 10c.	4	0/6			
93 Malta (Pictorial), ½d., 4½d., 5d.	3	0/9½			
94 " (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 1/-	7	2/1			
95 Mauritius (Arms), 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 12, 15, 25, 50c.	11	1/9			
96 " (Express), 15, 18c.	2	0/5½			
98 Montserrat (Arms), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/-	7	2/3			
100 Morocco (on G.B. King), 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 40, 50c., 1p.	8	1/9			
101 " " ½d., 1d., 2d., 4d., 6d., 1/-	6	2/1½			
105 Nabha (on India King), ½, 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12a.	9	3/0½			
106 " (Service, King), ½, 1, 2, 4, 8a., 1r.	6	—			
107 Natal (King), ½d., 1d., 1½d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 1/-	10	3/1½			
109 Newfoundland (Cabot), 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 15, 24c.	7	3/1½			
110 " (Royal Family), ½, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5c.	6	0/7½			
111 N.S.W., ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 8d., 10d., 1/-	11	4/6			
115 N.Z., ½d., 1d., 1½d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 8d., 9d., 1/-	12	4/8½			
116 " (Dues), ½d., 1d., 2d.	3	0/3½			
117 Niue (on N.Z.), ½d., 1d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/-	6	2/1			
119 N. Borneo (Brit. Prot.), 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 10, 12, 16, 18, 24c.	12	2/7			
121 N. Nigeria (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 5d., 6d., 1/-	7	2/5			
123 Nyasaland (King), ½d., 1d., 3d., 4d., 6d., 1/-	6	2/2½			
126 Orange River (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 6d., 1/-	8	2/7			
131 Papua (large surch.), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 4d., 6d., 1/-	7	—			
132 " (small surch.), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 4d., 6d., 1/-, 2/6	8	—			
133 " ½d., 1d., 2½d., 4d., 6d.	5	1/2			
134 Patiala (on India King), ½, 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12a.	9	3/0½			
135 " (Service, King), ½, 1, 2, 3, 4, 8a., 1r.	7	—			
136 Penrhyn (on N.Z.), ½d., 1d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/-	6	2/1			
140 Queensland, ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 9d., 1/-	10	3/9			
143 St. Helena (King), ½d., 2½d., 4d., 6d.	4	1/1			
144 " (Pictorial), ½d., 1d., 2d., 8d., 1/-	5	1/11½			
145 St. Kitts-Nevis (Pict.), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/-	7	2/3			
146 St. Lucia (King), ½d., 1d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/-	6	2/1			
147 St. Vincent (King), 6d., 1/-	2	1/6			
148 " (Pict.) ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d.	5	0/9			

## Miscellaneous Sets.

1285 Switzerland, new 5, 10c.	1½d.	2d.
1412 " " 5c.	½d.	1d.
1402 German Morocco, 1½, 2½, 3½, 6½ pes. used, v.f.	8/6	9/11
1370 China, 16c. green, mint (block 1/8)	4d.	5d.
1275 " 5c. lilac, mint ( " 6d.)	1½d.	1½d.
1221 Egypt OHMS, 1, 2, 3, 5m., 1 5 pi.	—	3/6
1287 Nepal, New Issue, mint set of four	—	9d.
1322 Austrian Levant, 10, 20 paras, Jubilee	1½d.	2d.
1323 " Crete, 7, 10c., Jubilee	1½d.	2d.
1219 " Java " on D. E. Indies, complete 1c. to 2½g. (Blocks of four, mint 43/-)	9/0	10/9
1325 " Buiten Bezit " on D. E. Indies 1c. to 1g.	4/10	5/11
1324 " " 2½g.	4/2	4/10
201 Australian Commonwealth, Postage Dues, Melbourne paper (rare), 1d., 2d., 4d., 6d., mint	—	4/6
202 Barbados, 1d. on 2d. K.R.F. complete set of 6 varieties, (3 inverted surcharge)	—	7/6
203 Ceylon King, On Service, complete set of 6	—	35/0
1331 Somaliland " Service " on India, error dropped E. ½, 1, 2as. mint	—	20/0
1334 " wrong fount " Service," ½, 1, 2as. mint	—	6/6
1335 " no I in " British " ½, 1as. mint	—	10/0
204 Brunei, complete 1st Issue, used	—	50/0
205 " " mint blocks of four	—	200/0
206 " 1st issue, used, 1c. to 50c.	—	35/0
207 Straits on Labuan, 3c. to \$1, used, fine	—	15/0
208 " complete, 1c. to \$1 used	—	35/0
209 Morocco on G.B., 3, 6, 12 pes. on 2/6, 5/-, 10/-, K., used, v.f.	—	15/0
210 N.Z. Official, complete ½d. to 5/-, used, fine	—	60/0
211 Sudan, Army, entire pane of 30 with 3 errors	—	25/0
1165 Somali, Queen, ½a. surcharge at top, mint	—	2d.
1174 " " 1a. " " "	—	4d.
1270 Belgium, 1, 2, 5c., 1908 issue, mint	—	1d.
1323 Austrian Levant, Post Due, ½ pi. to 5 pi., set of 6, mint	—	2/0
1339 Luxemburg, 1908 issue, mint set of 14	—	3/0
1349 " 30, 87½c. 1fr., mint	—	2/2
1344 German Levant, 5, 10, 25, 50, 100c., mint	—	1/9
1345 Fr. Madagascar, 1908, 1c. to 1fr. set of 14	—	4/2
1351 " " 2, 5fr., mint	—	6/7
1348 " Post Due, mint set of 8	—	2/2
1350 Switzerland, 30, 40c., new design, mint	—	8d.
1346 Italian Levant, 10, 20, 40, 80 para, mint	—	9d.
Tunis, set of 4 surcharged (1908)	—	1/6

### BRITISH SOUTH AFRICA.

1905, Victoria Falls, postally used, fine, 1/- green 1 6, 2/6 black 3/9, 5/- lilac 7/6.

### BRITISH NEW GUINEA.

Surcharged " Papua." Very fine used, 1d. red and grey, 2½d.; 2d. lilac and grey, 6d.; 2½d. blue and grey, 9d.; 6d. green and grey, 3/-; and 1/- orange and grey, 3/6.

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1894, Prince Henry commemorative issue used: 5r. yellow 2d., 10r. red 2½d., 15r. brown 3d., 20r. lilac 5d., 25r. green 3d., 50r. blue 6d., 75r. rose 1/-, 80r. green 1/-, 100r. brown 9d., 150r. rose 1/6, 300r. blue 2/-, 500r. lilac 3/-, 1000r. black, 4/-.

### HOLLAND.

1908, New value 1½c. blue, used, ½d.

### LUXEMBURG.

1906 to 1907, new designs, lightly cancelled, 1c. grey ½d., 2c. brown ½d., 4c. yellow 1d., 6c. lilac 1d., 10c. rose ½d., 12½c. green 2d., 15c. brown 2d., 20c. orange 3d., 30c. green 4d., 37½c. green 5d., 87½c. blue 1/-, 1f. lilac 1/3, 2½f. red 2/9, 5f. lilac 5/6.

### MONTSERRAT.

1903 Arms. Very fine used ½d. green 1d., 1d. rose and grey 1d., 2d. brown and grey 4d., 2½d. blue and grey 4d., 3d. lilac and orange 5d. The set of five 1/3.



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	Unused Per 12	Used Per 12							
G. Britain (93) 2/6 King ..	—	3/6	Falkland (15) 2½d. King ..	—	4/0	Morocco on Great Britain.		Sierra Leone (42) 1d. K., rose ..	5d.
" (94) 5/- ..	—	4/9	" (301) KM ..	7d.	—	(325) 40c. on 4d. ..	—	" (315) 1d. KM ..	4/0
Aitutaki (301) ½d. ..	7d.	—	" (302) KM ..	1/2	—	(326) 50c. on 5d. ..	—	" (313) £1 King single ..	£14
" (307) 1/- bright red ..	14/0	—	Gambia (22) ½d. King ..	—	1/0	1327) 1p. on 10d. ..	—	Somaliland O.H.M.S.	
Antigua (9) ½d. Arms ..	—	9d.	" (23) 1d., King ..	—	1/6	(330) 2d. ..	—	(351) ½a. King single ..	45/0
" (10) 1d. ..	—	1/0	" (24) 2d. ..	—	2/9	Nabha Service (324) 2a. King ..	6/0	(352) 1a. ..	36/0
" (11) 2d. ..	—	4/0	" (25) 2½d. ..	—	4/0	Natal (18) ½d. King ..	—	Stellaland, 3d. yellow ..	6/0
" (15) 1/- ..	—	18/0	" (26) 3d. ..	—	5/0	" (21) 2d. ..	—	S. Australia, (43) long 8d. ..	6/0
Australian Commonwealth, Postage Due.			" (27) 4d. ..	—	6/0	" (23) 3d. ..	—	" (44) .. 9d. ..	6/0
(353) 1d. Melbourne p. ..	7/0	—	Gibraltar (23) ½d. King ..	—	6d.	" (24) 4d. ..	—	" (45) .. 10d. ..	12/0
(354) 2d. ..	14/0	—	" (24) 1d. on red ..	—	4d.	" (25) 5d. ..	—	" (46) .. 1/- ..	5/0
(356) 6d. ..	18/0	—	" (25) 1d. rose ..	—	6d.	" (32) 10/- (Fisc.) ..	—	S. Nigeria (10) ½d. K., bi-col. ..	1/0
Bahamas (16) 1d., King ..	—	10d.	" (26) 2d. King ..	—	2/3	" (33) £1 ..	—	" (11) 1d. K. ..	1/6
" (300) 1d., Stair ..	1/2	—	" (29) 6d. ..	—	5/0	" (34) 30/- ..	—	" (12) ½d. K., green ..	1/0
" (312) ½d., King ..	7d.	—	" (326) 6d. ..	—	7/0	Newfoundland Royal Family		" (316) 2d. brn & grey ..	2/4
Barbados (31) ½d. Arms ..	—	4d.	Gold C. (27) ½d. K., lil. & gr. ..	—	1/0	(315) ½c. green ..	—	" (329) 4d. mult. chal ..	4/8
" (33) 1d. ..	—	2d.	" (31) 3d. King ..	—	2/6	(316) 1c. green ..	—	" (330) 6d. ..	7/0
" (34) 2d. ..	—	2/0	Grenada (34) ½d. Ship ..	7d.	—	(317) 2c red ..	—	" (331) 1/0 ..	14/0
" (35) 2½d. ..	—	1/0	" (35) 1d. ..	—	1/2	N.S.W. (34) 4d. brown ..	—	" (336) ½d. all green ..	7d.
" (42) ½d. Nelson ..	—	9d.	Hongkong (29) 1c. King ..	—	—	" (38) 8d. lilac ..	—	" (337) 1d. all rose ..	1/2
" (44) 1d. ..	—	1/0	" (30) 2c. ..	—	3d.	" (43) 1d. rose ..	—	" (340) 3d. lil. & red ..	3/6
" (313) ½d. Arms ..	4d.	—	" (31) 4c. K., on red ..	—	6d.	" (44) 2d. blue ..	—	Straits, King, 1st type.	
Barbados, 1d. on 2d. K.R.F.			" (32) 4c. K., rose ..	—	3d.	" (45) 2½d. lilac ..	—	(28) 1c. green ..	—
(338) Normal surch. ..	3/0	—	" (35) 8c. King ..	—	1/0	" (46) 2½d. blue ..	—	(29) 3c. lil. and or. ..	—
(339) Inverted ..	6/0	—	" (37) 10c. K., blue ..	—	9d.	" (47) 9d. brn & blue ..	—	(30) 4c. on red ..	—
Bechuanaland on G.B., King.			" (39) 20c. King ..	—	1/9	N.S.W., Crown A, perf. 12 x 11 (rare).		(31) 5c. lilac ..	—
(304) ½d. dark green ..	7d.	—	" (40) 30c. ..	—	2/9	(323) ½d. grn. (Cr. NSW) ..	20/0	(32) 8c. on blue ..	—
(305) 1d. red ..	1/2	—	India (42) ½d. on 1a. K. ..	—	2d.	(317) 1d. rose (cat. 6d.) ..	4/0	(33) 10c. lil. and blk. ..	—
Bermuda (1) ½d. on 1/- ..	—	6d.	" (43) ½a. King ..	—	1d.	(318) 2d. blud (cat. 1/-) ..	8/0	Straits, King, 2nd types.	
" (305) ½d. Dock ..	—	7d.	" (44) 1a. ..	—	1d.	(319) 6d. oran. (cat. 3/-) ..	24/0	(42) 1c. green ..	—
" (15) 1d. ..	—	6d.	" (45) 2a. ..	—	2d.	(321) 2/6 grn. (cat. 15/-) ..	90/0	(43) 3c. lilac ..	—
" (307) 2d. yel. & grey ..	2/4	—	" (46) 2½a. ..	—	10d.	N.S.W., Melbourne paper.		(319) ..	—
" (308) 2½d. blue & brn ..	2/11	—	" (47) 3a. ..	—	6d.	(326) ½d. green (cat. 3d.) ..	2/4	(45) 4c. on red ..	—
" (304) 3d. grn. & lilac ..	3/6	—	" (48) 4a. ..	—	5d.	(327) 1d. rose (cat. 6d.) ..	4/8	(32) 8c. blue ..	—
B.C.A. (27) 1d. King ..	—	8d.	" (49) 6a. ..	—	1/0	(328) 2d. blue (cat. 9d.) ..	8/6	Sudan, Camel.	
B. Honduras (27) 2c. King ..	—	10d.	" (50) 8a. ..	—	8d.	(334) 8d. lilac (cat. 3/-) ..	21/0	(1) 1m. rose and brn. ..	—
" (28) 5c. ..	—	2/3	" (51) 12a. ..	—	1/9	N.S.W., Punctured OS-NSW.		(4) 5m. black and red ..	—
Brunei on Labuan.			" (52) 1r. ..	—	1/0	(370) 1/- brown ..	—	(321) 4m. brn. and red ..	1/2
(302) 1c. lilac and black ..	18/0	—	" (53) 2r. ..	—	5/6	N.Z. (36) 2d. lilac ..	—	(314) 2p. mult. wmk. ..	5/10
(306) 4c. yellow & black ..	6/0	—	" (55) ½a. P & R ..	—	2d.	" (47) 1/- red (large) ..	—	(315) 5p. ..	14/7
(307) 5c. brown & green ..	30/0	—	Jamaica (19) ½d. Arms ..	—	3d.	N.Z., pict., Comb perf. 14 x 13½.		Tasmania, Pictorial.	
B.N.G. (302) 1d., wide wmk. ..	3/0	—	" (20) 1d. ..	—	2d.	(360) 3d. brown ..	3/6	(30) 1d. red (11d. 100) ..	—
B.S.A. (34) ½d. 1898 ..	—	6d.	" (21) 2½d. ..	—	1/0	(361) 4d. brn. and blue ..	4/8	(31) 2d. lilac (11d. 100) ..	—
" (15) 1d. ..	—	4d.	" (24) ½d. all green ..	—	4d.	(393) 6d. rose ..	7/0	(32) 2½d. blue ..	—
" (36) 2d. ..	—	9d.	" (25) 1d. all rose ..	—	2d.	(366) 1/0 red ..	14/0	(33) 3d. brown ..	—
" (37) 2½d. ..	—	1/0	" (308) green & black ..	7d.	—	N. Nigeria (10) ½d. King bi-c. ..	10d.	(34) 4d. yellow ..	—
" (316) 3d. ..	—	3/6	" (310) blue and black ..	3/0	—	" (11) 1d. .. bi-c ..	1/0	(35) 5d. blue ..	—
" (38) 4d. ..	—	3/0	Labuan on Straits.			" (303) 2d. .. single ..	5/6	(36) 6d. rose ..	—
" (39) 6d. ..	—	2/3	(337) 4c. on 16c. ..	—	4/6	" (305) 5d. .. single ..	8/0	(30) 6d. rose, A Cr 11 ..	7/0
" (40) 1/- ..	—	2/0	(338) 4c. on 18c. ..	—	3/6	" (319) ½d. KN ..	7d.	Tonga (20) ½d. Pict. ..	9d.
" (320) 1d. V. Falls ..	1/2	—	(339) 8c. ... ..	—	6/0	Nyasaland (301) ½d. King ..	7d.	Tasmania, Queen.	
" (330) 2½d. ..	—	2/11	Lagos (31) 6d. King ..	—	5/0	" (302) 1d. ..	1/2	(314) 9d. blue, V Cr 11 ..	10/6
" (331) 5d. ..	—	5/10	Leeward Is. (11) 2d. King ..	—	4/0	O.R.C. (13) ½d. King ..	—	(332) 8d. brown, A Cr 11 ..	10/0
" (332) 1/- ..	—	14/0	" (12) 2½d. ..	—	4/0	" (14) 1d. ..	—	Tasmania, punctured "T."	
Brunei (4) 4c. lilac & brown ..	2/0	—	" (13) 3d. ..	—	5/0	" (17) 3d. ..	—	(342) 1d. pictorial ..	—
" (325) 1c. green ..	4d.	—	" (311) ½d. green ..	7d.	—	Papua (1) ½d. ..	1/0	(343) 2d. ..	—
Canada (71) 2c. King ..	—	1d.	Malay (2) 3c. brn. and blk. ..	—	4d.	Papua on B.N.G., large surch.		(345) 3d. ..	—
" (72) 5c. ..	—	2d.	" (3) 4c. rose and blk. ..	—	6d.	(307) 1/- wide rosettes ..	30/0	Transvaal, King	
" (310) ½c. Quebec ..	—	9d.	" (4) 5c. green and red ..	—	10d.	Papua on B.N.G., small surch.		(56) ½d. green ..	—
" (311) 1c. ..	—	8d.	" (13) 1c. all green ..	—	4d.	(320) 2½d. wide rosettes ..	7/6	(59) 2d. lil. & blk. ..	—
" (312) 2c. ..	—	1/2	" (14) 3c. all brown ..	—	5d.	(323) 1/- ..	40/0	(60) 2½d. blue & blk. ..	—
" (313) 5c. ..	—	2/11	Malta (9) ½d. brown ..	—	5d.	(324) 2/6 ..	45/0	(63) 4d. brn. & blk. ..	—
" (314) 7c. ..	—	4/2	" (11) 5d. red ..	—	4/0	(338) 2/6 narrow rosettes ..	50/0	(64) 6d. oran. & blk. ..	—
Canada Postage Due.			" (14) ½d. green, K ..	—	3d.	Papua, permanent issue.		(67) 1/1. brn. & blk. ..	—
(307) 1c. lilac ..	—	7d.	" (15) 1d. red and blk. ..	—	5d.	(355) ½d. grn. and black ..	7d.	Trinidad, Britannia	
(308) 2c. ..	—	1/2	" (16) 2d. King ..	—	2/0	(356) 1d. red and black ..	1/2	(20) ½d. all green ..	—
(309) 5c. ..	—	2/11	" (17) 2½d. ..	—	1/6	(359) 4d. brn. and black ..	4/8	(21) 1d. lil. and rose ..	—
Cape (303) 2d. King ..	—	2/4	" (18) 3d. ..	—	3/6	Patiala (316) 8a. King, Service ..	11/0	(22) 1d. lil. on red ..	—
" (304) 2½d. ..	—	2/11	" (19) 4d. ..	—	4/8	Queensland (42) 1d. red ..	—	Turks Is. 1881, 2½d. brown ..	17/0
" (30) 3d. ..	—	9d.	" (20) 1/- ..	—	8/0	" (43) 2d. blue ..	—	Victoria, current designs.	
" (31) 4d. ..	—	9d.	" (21) 1d. all rose ..	—	5d.	" (45) 2½d. on blue ..	—	(83) ½d. green ..	—
" (32) 6d. ..	—	9d.	Mauritius (52) 2c. lilac ..	—	3d.	" (49) 6d. green ..	—	(84) 1d. rose ..	—
" (33) 1/- ..	—	9d.	" (57) 4c. on yellow ..	—	4d.	(336) 2d. new die ..	2/4	(85) 1½d. red on yell. ..	—
Cayman (316) ½d. on 5/- ..	120/0	—	" (58) 4c. grn. and lil. ..	—	4d.	St. Helena (301) ½d. King ..	7d.	(87) 2½d. blue ..	—
" (12) ½d. King ..	—	1/0	" (59) 4c. on blue ..	—	4d.	" (309) 2½d. ..	2/11	(94) 2/1. blue on rose ..	—
" (13) 1d. ..	—	2/0	" (63) 6c. on red ..	—	6d.	" (310) 4d. ..	4/8	Victoria, punctured "OS"	
" (14) 2½d. ..	—	4/0	" (67) 15c. on blue ..	—	1/6	" (311) 6d. ..	7/0	(362) 1d. rose ..	—
" (15) 3d. ..	—	5/0	Montserrat (6) ½d. green ..	—	9d.	" (312) 10/- ..	14/0	Virgin Is., 1899, Virgin	
Ceylon (54) 2c. King ..	—	4d.	" (8) 2d. brn. & blk. ..	—	4/0	" (303) ½d. pict. ..	7d.	(15) ½d. green ..	—
" (57) 5c. ..	—	2d.	" (9) 2½d. bl. & blk. ..	—	6/0	" (304) 1d. ..	1/2	Virgin Is., King	
" (327) 3c. K., On Service ..	30/0	—	" (10) 3d. lil. & red ..	—	5/0	" (305) 2d. ..	2/4	(301) ½d. lilac and green ..	7d.
Cook Is. (311) ½d. green ..	7d.	—	" (310) 5/- Crown CC ..	70/0	—	" (306) 8d. ..	9/4	(302) 1d. .. rose ..	1/2
" (312) 1d. rose ..	1/2	—	" (311) ½d. mult. ord. ..	5d.	—	" (307) 1/- ..	14/0	(303) 1d. .. brn. ..	2/4
Cyprus (322) 5pa. King ..	3d.	5d.	" (319) 2d. mult. chalk ..	2/4	—	St. Kitts-Nevis (2) 1d. bi-col. ..	—	(304) 2½d. .. blue ..	2/11
Per 60, unused 1/1	—	—	" (321) 3d. ..	3/6	—	St. Lucia (307) ½d. all green ..	7d.	(305) 3d. .. blk. ..	3/6
" (311) 10pa. King ..	6d.	—	" (322) 6d. ..	7/0	—	(311) 2½d. all blue ..	2/11	(306) 6d. .. brn. ..	7/0
Dominica (318) ½d. View ..	7d.	—	" (323) 1/- ..	14/0	—	(320) 1/- mult. chalky ..	14/0	(307) 1/- grn. and car. ..	14/0
" (324) 1/- mult. chalky ..	14/0	—	Morocco on Gibraltar			St. Vincent (322) ½d. pict. ..	7d.	W. Australia, current.	
E. Africa (17) 1c. King ..	—	5d.	" (35) 5c. King ..	—	1/0	" (323) 1d. ..	1/2	(27) 1d. rose ..	—
" (344) ..	—	3d.	" (36) 10c. ..	—	1/0	" (324) 2d. ..	2/4	(28) 2d. yellow ..	—
" (352) 75c. King ..	14/0	—	" (38) 25c. ..	—	1/6	" (325) 2½d. ..	2/11	(22) 1d. Cr A 11 (rare) ..	2/0
Falkland (1) ½d. Queen ..	9d.	9d.	" (41) 2p. ..	—	30/0	" (326) 3d. ..	3/6	(324) 2d. .. ( " ) ..	6/0
" (12) ½d. King ..	—	9d.	" (305) 50c. K. sing. ..	180/0	—	" (326) 3d. .. ( " ) ..	8/0	(326) 3d. .. ( " ) ..	8/0
" (13) 1d. ..	—	1/6	" (306) 1p. ..	25/0	—	" (329) 5d. .. ( " ) ..	10/0	Zululand, 1d. Queen ..	1/3
" (14) 2d. ..	—	4/0	Morocco on Great Britain.			Sierra Leone (41) ½d. K., grn. ..	9d.	Zanzibar, (331) 3c green ..	7d.
			(320) 15c. on 1½d. ..	—	—			" (332) 6c. rose ..	1/2
			(321) 20c. on 2d. ..	—	—			" (333) 12c. lilac ..	2/4
			(322) 25c. on 2½d. ..	—	—				

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## The Week's News.

The Editor is always pleased to receive Early Information of New Issues, or of Discoveries interesting to Stamp Collectors, and will acknowledge such contributions either by name in the journal or by the presentation of several interesting newly-issued stamps, as preferred.

The index number and serial letter after the title of each paragraph indicate the issue of E.W.S.N. in which the last reference to that country appeared.

**BAHAMAS** (464 G 476).—The Colonial Stamp Market has shown us the following new shade.



Adhesive. Wmk. Crown CC, ordinary paper. 1d. bright rose and grey-black, paper much thinner than before.

Issued 10.08 or earlier. This is a companion to the pale green 3/- on thinner paper.

**CANADA** (475 W 476).—The following are chronicled by *Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News*.

Wrappers. 1c. on 2c. carmine on manila. 1c. on 3c. slate

**CAYMAN ISLANDS** (472 P 476).—E.B. writes:—

"In a recent issue I saw a dot spoken of as a 'variety'! I have the lower part of a pane of Cayman ½d. on 1d. (No. 315), which is full of dots.

- No. 60. Dot inside first 'n' of 'Halfpenny.'
- No. 54. Dot inside 'y' and in 'H.'
- No. 52. A small dot in 'H.'
- No. 49. Dot inside 'y' and in 'H,' upper left-hand side of 'H' is broken, but serif on top is complete.
- No. 48. Inside of 'y' filled up.
- No. 36. Dot inside 'H.'
- No. 35. Dot at serif of 2nd 'n'; perhaps serif broken?

No. 28. Dot inside 'y.'

"In addition the following have the 'e' of 'one' more or less filled up:

Nos. 25, 33, 34, 43, 52.

The 'e' of 'Halfpenny' is practically clear in each stamp.

The 'a' of 'Halfpenny' is filled up in No. 33. (I thought there were more).

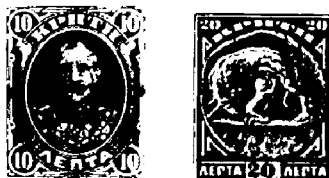
There is a small second dot between the 'y' and the proper full stop in Nos. 32, 38, 44, 50, 55, 56, 59 and 60.

There are a few other specks but all the above are distinctly noticeable."

Correspondents seem to miss the main point in connection with varieties of this nature. Dots have no philatelic importance unless they mean something. Thus, the two small white dots in the 3d. "small letters" of the 1862 Issue of Great Britain constitute the difference between plates 2 and 3 and are so important philatelicly that their presence may change the value of the stamp from pence to as many pounds. Yet even larger dots on another stamp, if caused accidentally, may have no philatelic importance at all and may even detract from the value of a stamp by spoiling its appearance. In the case of the Cayman Islands ½d. on 1d. the dots in the surcharge have no philatelic value as varieties because there was only one setting of the surcharge and nothing therefore to distinguish between. They might possibly have some value to an expert in case a dangerous forgery came on the market. In the case of the black dot which occurs on stamp No. 20 of the permanent Papua issue, its presence does not constitute a catalogue variety nor even a collectible variety in the ordinary sense, but it is of interest to the philatelic student and its absence later on may possibly be the means of telling us when a new plate is brought into use for printing the central design. Other dots that are of great importance to the philatelic student are those which occur between the stamps on certain New Zealand plates (1d., 6d. ? and perhaps others). Another interesting dot was that which occurred

on the bridge of the Queen's nose on the 1d. stamp of Victoria a few years ago, as it denoted a new die.

**CRETE** (455 C 476). We are informed by a correspondent that the following stamps have been surcharged Hellas (Greece) in Greek characters.



Adhesives. Overprinted "Hellas" in Greek characters.

- |                        |                         |
|------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1l. red brown          | Issue.                  |
| 2l. violet             | 1900, Hermes            |
| 5l. green              | 1905, Diana.            |
| 10l. rose-red          | " Britomartis.          |
| 20l. blue-green        | 1900, Prince George.    |
| 25l. blue and black    | 1905, Triton.           |
| 50l. brown             | 1907, Alexander Zaimis. |
| 1dr. carmine and brown | 1905, Ariadne.          |
| 2dr. brown             | " Europe and Jupiter.   |
| 3dr. orange and black  | 1900, Minos.            |
| 5dr. green and black   | 1905, Minos Ruins.      |
|                        | " View of Mount Ida.    |

The stamps were issued 21 or 22.10.08. The 1 lepton and 2 drachmai of the 1900 set are included presumably because the 1905 set does not contain these values, but we do not understand why the 10 lepta of 1900 is preferred to the later issue; perhaps both have been surcharged. The 1 drachme of 1907 is also a notable absentee. Alexander Zaimis, whose portrait occurs on the 25 lepta of 1907, is the High Commissioner appointed by the Powers.

The following have also been surcharged "Hellas."

Postcard.

10 lepta, carmine.

Postage Due Adhesives.

1 lepton, red.

5 lepta "

10 " "

20 " "

40 " "

50 " "

1 drachme, red.

2 drachmai "

**PAPUA** (475 O 476).—E.B. writes:—"Re par in No. 473 on B.N.G. and in No. 450 on Papua, I have a complete sheet of ½d., and in No. 20 on the sheet the unshaded leaves appear exactly as described for the 2½d. No. 20, and similar to those in the 2½d. No. 27, which I have to compare it with (although, unfortunately, I have not the 2½d. No. 20)."

**PARAGUAY** (473 H 476).—The following are chronicled by *Gibbons Stamp Weekly* (31.10.08/288).



Adhesives. New colours. 60c. orange-brown. 60c. pink.

Surcharged.

"Habilitado en 5 Centavos" (and three bars) in black on 60c. pink.

The *L'Amateur de Timbres-poste* (10.08/230) gives the list of the various recently issued 5c. surcharges as follows:—

Adhesives.

5c. on 1c. greenish blue.

" 10c. yellow.

" 10c. violet.

" 10c. lilac.

" 20c. rose.

" 20c. bistre.

" 30c. brown.

" 30c. red-brown.

" 30c. violet.

" 30c. blue.

" 30c. grey.

" 30c. orange.

" 60c. dark blue.

" 60c. brown.

" 60c. violet.

" 60c. red-brown.

" 1p. Official of 1908.

**PATIALA** (435 P 476).—A Patiala correspondent informs us that on 6.3.08 240,000 ½a. King's Head Service stamps "Postage and Revenue" were supplied to the State Post Office. The *Philatelic Journal of India* (12.07/449) stated that 360,240 had been printed in 1907, so that stamps are evidently printed in large lots which are supplied piecemeal. No mention has yet been made at all of the new 1a. Service printed in 1907.

**SIAM** (465 R 476).—There has been some further surcharging here and the Colonial Stamp Market has shown us an entire sheet of 100 of the following:—

Adhesive.

"4" 4" in black on 5 atts rose of 1906.

\* The first figure is Siamese.

Issued 28.9.08. The quantity printed was 200,000. There are no type varieties on the sheet.

Two other provisionals were to have been issued a few days after the above, but we will defer chronicling them till our supply comes to hand.

Our Bangkok correspondent states that these three provisionals have again been caused "by the negligence of the Treasury in ordering fresh supplies from Europe," but we think it far more likely that the delay in ordering from Europe was premeditated in order to enable the stock of remainders (850,000 stamps) to be surcharged and thus avoid wasting them. As the three values surcharged are now but little used owing to the reduced postal rates, this seems to us a more likely explanation in every way.

It is expected however that these surcharges will be the last, as the control of the postage stamps is now to be given to the Postal Department.

On 15.11.08 new stamps of 1, 2, 5, 10, 20 and 40 ticals will be issued to replace the present provisionals of 10, 20 and 40 ticals. Although this date is the 41st anniversary of the King's Coronation and the design of the stamps will represent an equestrian statue of the King which is to be unveiled on that day in honour of his having reigned longer than any of his predecessors of the present dynasty, the issue is not to be looked upon as a commemorative one but is intended to be permanent.

**ST. VINCENT** (472 G 476).—With reference to the 5/- on chalky paper which we recently chronicled on the authority of an American collector, the Colonial Postmaster writes us as follows, under date of 17.10.08:—"I am to inform you that there is no chalk-surface multiple

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2 Antigua (Arms), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/- .. ..	7	2/3	2/7½	151 Seychelles (King), 2, 3, 6, 12, 15, 18, 30, 45, 75 .. ..	9	2/9	3/2½
3 Austral. Cmwth, Postage Due, ½, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 10d., 1/- ..	10	4/3½	—	152 Sierra Leone (King), ½d., 1d., 1½d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 1/-	10	3/1½	—
6 Bahamas (Staircase), 1d., 5d. .. ..	2	0/6	0/7	153 Solomon Is. (litho.), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 5d., 6d., 1/-	7	2/5	4/6
7 " (King), ½d., 1d., 2½d., 4d., 6d., 1/- .. ..	6	2/2	2/6½	154 " (Engraved), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 5d., 6d., 1/-	7	2/5	—
8 Barbados (Arms), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 5d., 6d., 8d., 10d. ..	9	2/11½	3/5	155 Somaliland (King), ½, 1, 2, 2½, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12a. .. ..	9	3/3	3/9½
9 " (Nelson), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 6d., 1/- .. ..	6	1/10½	—	156 " (King, O.H.M.S.), ½, 1a. .. ..	2	—	7/6
10 Bechuanaland (on G.B. King), ½d., 1d., 2½d. .. ..	3	0/4	0/5	157 " (Official), complete except 2a. KS. .. ..	14	—	£10
11 Bermuda (Dock), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d. .. ..	5	0/9	0/10½	158 S. Australia (small), ½d., 1d., 2d., 5d. .. ..	4	0/8½	1/1
13 British Guiana, 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 12, 24c. .. ..	7	2/3	2/7½	159 " (large), 3d., 4d., 6d., 8d., 9d., 10d., 1/-	7	4/4	5/1
14 British Honduras (King), 1, 2, 5, 10, 20, 25c. .. ..	6	2/7½	3/2	161 S. Nigeria (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 4d., 6d., 1/- ..	7	2/4	2/9
15 British New Guinea, ½, 1, 2, 2½, 4, 6d., 1/-	7	—	15/0	162 Straits (King), 1, 3, 4, 5, 8, 10, 25, 30, 50c. .. ..	9	3/3	—
16 B.S.A. (Arms), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 6d., 1/- ..	8	2/7	3/0	164 Sudan (Camel), 1, 2, 3, 4, 5m., 1, 2, 5pi. .. ..	8	1/11½	2/3½
17 " (Victoria Falls), 1d., 2½d., 5d., 1/- .. ..	4	1/8½	2/0	165 " (O.S.G.S.), 1, 3, 5m., 1, 2, 5pi. .. ..	6	1/10½	2/2½
18 Brunei (on Labuan), complete set .. ..	12	—	50/0	166 " (Army Service), 1, 2, 3, 5m., 2pi. .. ..	5	—	14/0
19 " " set of ten, 1-30c. .. ..	10	—	30/0	171 Tasmania (Pict.), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d. ..	8	2/0	—
20 " " set of seven, 1-10c. .. ..	7	—	10/0	172 " (Queen), 1½d., 8d., 9d., 1/- .. ..	4	2/6½	—
21 Brunei (View), 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 10, 25, 30, 50c. .. ..	10	3/3	—	174 Tonga (Pict.), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 7½d., 10d., 1/-	11	4/5½	5/2½
27 Canada (King), 1, 2, 5, 7, 10, 20c. .. ..	6	1/10½	2/2½	175 Transvaal (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 6d., 1/-	8	2/7	3/2
28 " (Dues), 1, 2, 5c. .. ..	3	0/4	0/5	176 " (Dues), ½d., 1d., 2d., 3d., 5d., 6d., 1/- .. ..	7	2/5½	2/10½
29 " (Quebec), ½, 1, 2, 5, 7, 10, 15, 20c. .. ..	8	2/6½	—	177 Trinidad (Britannia), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 4d., 6d., 1/-	7	2/4	—
30 Cape Colony (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 6d., 1/-	8	2/7	3/0	178 " (Dues, used), 1d., 2d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 8d., 1/-	8	3/5	4/2
31 Cayman Islands, ½d., 1d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 1/- .. ..	7	1/11½	—	179 Turks & Caicos Is. (Ship), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 6d., 1/- ..	8	2/7	3/0
32 Ceylon (King), 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 12, 15, 25, 30, 75c. .. ..	10	2/4½	—	185 Victoria, ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 9d., 1/-	10	3/9	4/4½
33 Chamba (on India King), ½, 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12a. .. ..	9	3/0½	3/7	186 " (Dues), ½d., 1d., 2d. .. ..	3	0/3½	6/1½
34 " (Service, King), ½, 1, 2, 4, 8a. .. ..	6	1/3½	1/6½	187 Virgin Islands (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/-	7	2/3	2/7½
35 Cook Islands, ½d., 1d., 1½d., 2d., 2½d., 5d., 6d., 10d., 1/-	9	3/4½	3/11	190 W. Australia (Swan), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 8d.,	12	5/3	—
36 Cyprus (King), ½, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 10, 25, 50c. .. ..	9	2/7½	3/1	9d., 10d., 1/- .. ..	12	5/3	—
41 Dominica (View), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/- .. ..	7	2/3	2/7½	195 Zanzibar, 3, 6, 12, 15, 25, 50c. .. ..	6	1/7½	1/11
43 E. Africa and Ug. (King), 1, 3, 6, 10, 12, 15, 25, 50, 75c. ..	9	2/7½	3/1				
45 Falkland Islands (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 6d., 1/-	6	2/0	2/4				
46 Fiji Islands (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 1/-	9	3/0	3/6				
50 Gambia (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 7½d., 10d., 1/-	11	4/5½	5/2½				
51 Gibraltar (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 6d., 1/- .. ..	6	2/0	2/4				
52 Gold Coast (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/- ..	7	2/3	—				
53 Grenada (Ship), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d. .. ..	5	0/9	0/10½				
54 " (King), 6d., 1/- .. ..	2	1/6	—				
55 " (Dues), 1d., 2d., 3d. .. ..	3	0/6	—				
56 Gwalior (on India King), ½, 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12a. .. ..	9	3/0½	3/7				
57 " (Service, King), ½, 1, 2, 4, 8a. .. ..	6	—	3/9				
61 Hong Kong (King), 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 8, 10, 12, 20, 30, 50c. .. ..	11	3/0	—				
64 India (King), ½, 1, 2, 2½, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12a. .. ..	10	3/3½	3/10				
65 " (King, On H.M.S.), ½, 1, 2, 4, 8a., 1r. .. ..	7	—	6/6				
70 Jamaica (Queen), 3d., 4d., 6d., 1/- .. ..	4	2/1	—				
71 " (Arms), ½d., 1d., 2½d., 5d. .. ..	4	0/9	—				
72 Jhind (on India, King), ½, 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12a. .. ..	9	3/0½	—				
74 Johore (1904 Sultan), 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 10, 25, 50c. .. ..	9	2/11	3/4				
78 Labuan (Crown), 1, 2, 3, 4, 8, 10, 12, 16, 18, 25 50c. .. ..	11	—	4/11				
79 " (surch. Straits), complete .. ..	11	—	35/0				
80 " " without 2c. .. ..	10	—	15/0				
81 " " " 1. 2c. .. ..	9	—	10/0				
83 Leeward Is. (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/-	7	2/3	—				
84 Levant (on G.B., King), 1, 2, 4 pias .. ..	3	1/2	1/4½				
85 " ( " ), ½d., 1d., 1½d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 1/-	10	3/1½	3/8				
91 Malay States (Tiger), 1, 3, 4, 5, 8, 10, 20, 50c. .. ..	8	2/4½	2/9½				
92 Maldives (Minaret), 2, 3, 5, 10c. .. ..	4	0/6	—				
93 Malta (Pictorial), ½d., 4½d., 5d. .. ..	3	0/9½	—				
94 " (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 1/-	7	2/1	2/5½				
95 Mauritius (Arms), 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 12, 15, 25, 50c. .. ..	11	1/9	2/0½				
96 " (Express), 15, 18c. .. ..	2	0/5½	0/6				
98 Montserrat (Arms), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/-	7	2/3	2/7½				
100 Morocco (on G.B. King), 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 40, 50c., 1p. ..	8	1/9	2/0½				
101 " " " ½d., 1d., 2d., 4d., 6d., 1/-	6	2/11½	2/6				
105 Nabha (on India King), ½, 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12a. .. ..	9	3/0½	3/7				
106 " (Service, King), ½, 1, 2, 4, 8a., 1r. .. ..	6	—	11/6				
107 Natal (King), ½d., 1d., 1½d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 1/-	10	3/1½	—				
109 Newfoundland (Cabot), 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 15, 24c. .. ..	7	3/3½	3/10½				
110 " (Royal Family), ½, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5c. .. ..	6	0/7½	0/9				
111 N.S.W. ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 8d., 10d., 1/-	11	4/6	—				
115 N.Z., ½d., 1d., 1½d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 8d., 9d., 1/-	12	4/6½	5/3½				
116 " (Dues), ½d., 1d., 2d. .. ..	3	0/3½	—				
117 Niue (on N.Z.), ½d., 1d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/-	6	2/1	2/5½				
119 N. Borneo (Brit. Prot.), 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 10, 12, 16, 18, 24c. ..	12	2/7	3/0				
121 N. Nigeria (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 5d., 6d., 1/- ..	7	2/5	2/10				
123 Nyasaland (King), ½d., 1d., 3d., 4d., 6d., 1/-	6	2/2½	2/7				
126 Orange River (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 6d., 1/-	8	2/7	3/0				
131 Papua (large surch.), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 4d., 6d., 1/-	7	—	25/0				
132 " (small surch.), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 4d., 6d., 1/-, 2/6	8	—	14/0				
133 " ½d., 1d., 2½d., 4d., 6d. .. ..	5	1/2	1/4½				
134 Patiala (on India King), ½, 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12a. .. ..	9	3/0½	3/7				
135 " (Service, King), ½, 1, 2, 3, 4, 8a., 1r. .. ..	7	—	4/6				
136 Penrhyn (on N.Z.), ½d., 1d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/- .. ..	6	2/1	2/5½				
140 Queensland, ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 9d., 1/-	10	3/9	—				
143 St. Helena (King), ½d., 2½d., 4d., 6d. .. ..	4	1/1	1/3½				
144 " (Pictorial), ½d., 1d., 2d., 8d., 1/- .. ..	5	1/11½	2/3½				
145 St. Kitts-Nevis (Pict.), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/-	7	2/3	2/7½				
146 St. Lucia (King), ½d., 1d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/- .. ..	6	2/1	—				
147 St. Vincent (King), 6d., 1/- .. ..	2	1/6	1/9				
148 " (Pict.), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d. .. ..	5	0/9	0/10½				

## Miscellaneous Sets.

1285 Switzerland, new 5, 10c. .. ..	1½d.	2d.
1412 " " 5c. .. ..	½d.	1d.
1402 German Morocco, 1½, 2½, 3½, 6½ pes. used, v.f. .. ..	8/6	9/11
1370 China, 16c. green, mint (block 1/8) .. ..	4d.	5d.
1275 " 5c. lilac, mint ( " 6d.) .. ..	1½d.	1½d.
1221 Egypt OHMS, 1, 2, 3, 5m., 1 5 pi. .. ..	—	3/6
1287 Nepal, New Issue, mint set of four .. ..	—	9d.
1322 Austrian Levant, 10, 20 paras, Jubilee .. ..	1½d.	2d.
1323 " Crete, 7, 10c., Jubilee .. ..	1½d.	2d.
1219 " Java " on D. E. Indies, complete 1c. to 2½g. (Blocks of four, mint 43/-) .. ..	9/0	10/9
1325 " Buiten Bezit " on D. E. Indies 1c. to 1g. .. ..	4/10	5/11
1324 " " 2½g. .. ..	4/2	4/10
201 Australian Commonwealth, Postage Dues, Melbourne paper (rare), 1d., 2d., 4d., 6d., mint .. ..	—	4/6
202 Barbados, 1d. on 2d. K.R.F. complete set of 6 varieties, (3 inverted surcharge) .. ..	—	7/6
203 Ceylon King, On Service, complete set of 6 .. ..	—	35/0
1331 Somaliland " Service " on India, error dropped E, ½, 1, 2as. mint .. ..	—	20/0
1334 " " wrong fount " Service, " ½, 1, 2as. mint .. ..	—	6/6
1335 " " no 1 in " British " ½, 1as. mint .. ..	—	10/0
204 Brunei, complete 1st Issue, used .. ..	—	50/0
205 " " " " mint blocks of four .. ..	—	200/0
206 " " " " 1st issue, used, 1c. to 50c. .. ..	—	35/0
207 Straits on Labuan, 3c. to \$1, used, fine .. ..	—	15/0
208 " " " " complete, 1c. to \$1 used .. ..	—	35/0
209 Morocco on G.B., 3, 6, 12 pes. on 2/6, 5/-, 10/-, K., used, v.f. ..	—	15/0
210 N.Z. Official, complete ½d. to 5/-, used, fine .. ..	—	60/0
211 Sudan, Army, entire pane of 30 with 3 errors .. ..	—	25/0
1165 Somali, Queen, ½a. surcharge at top, mint .. ..	—	2d.
1174 " " 1a. " " " .. ..	—	4d.
1270 Belgium, 1, 2, 5c., 1908 issue, mint .. ..	—	1d.
1323 Austrian Levant, Post Due, ½ pi. to 5 pi., set of 6, mint .. ..	—	2/0
1339 Luxemburg, 1908 issue, mint set of 14 .. ..	—	3/0
1349 " " 30, 87½c. 1fr., mint .. ..	—	2/2
1344 German Levant, 5, 10, 25, 50, 100c., mint .. ..	—	1/9
1345 Fr. Madagascar, 1908, 1c. to 1fr. set of 14 .. ..	—	4/2
1351 " " " " 2, 5fr., mint .. ..	—	6/7
1348 " " " " Post Due, mint set of 8 .. ..	—	2/2
1350 Switzerland, 30, 40c., new design, mint .. ..	—	8d.
1346 Italian Levant, 10, 20, 40, 80 para, mint .. ..	—	9d.
1359 Tunis, set of 4 surcharged (1908) .. ..	—	1/6

### DUTCH EAST INDIES.

1908, new value, used, 7½c. grey, 2d.

### BRITISH SOUTH AFRICA.

1905, Victoria Falls, postally used, fine, 1/- green 1 6, 2/6 black 3/9, 5/- lilac 7/6.

### BRITISH NEW GUINEA.

Surcharged "Papua." Very fine used, 1d. red and grey, 2½d.; 2d. lilac and grey, 6d.; 2½d. blue and grey, 9d.; 6d. green and grey, 3/-; and 1/- orange and grey, 3/6.

### PORTUGAL.

1894, Prince Henry commemorative issue used: 5r. yellow 2d., 10r. red 2½d., 15r. brown 3d., 20r. lilac 5d., 25r. green 3d., 50r. blue 6d., 75r. rose 1/-, 80r. green 1/-, 100r. brown 9d., 150r. rose 1/6, 300r. blue 2/-, 500r. lilac 3/-, 1000r. black, 4/-.

### HOLLAND.

1908, New value 1½c. blue, used, ½d.

### LUXEMBURG.

1906 to 1907, new designs, lightly cancelled, 1c. grey ½d., 2c. brown ½d., 4c. yellow 1d., 6c. lilac 1d., 10c. rose ½d., 12½c. green 2d., 15c. brown 2d., 20c. orange 3d., 30c. green 4d., 37½c. green 5d., 87½c. blue 1/-, 1f. lilac 1/3, 2½f. red 2/9, 5f. lilac 5/6.

### MONTSERRAT.

1903 Arms. Very fine used ½d. green 1d., 1d. rose and grey 1d., 2d. brown and grey 4d., 2½d. blue and grey 4d., 3d. lilac and orange 5d. The set of five 1/3.



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	Unused Per 12	Used Per 12												
G. Britain (93) 2/6 King ..	—	3/6	Falkland (15) 2½d. King ..	—	4/0	Morocco on Great Britain.		Sierra Leone (42) 1d. K., rose ..	—	5d.				
" (94) 5/- ..	—	4/9	" (301) KM ..	7d.	—	(325) 40c. on 4d. ..	—	" (315) 1d. KM ..	4/0	—				
Aitutaki (301) ½d. ..	7d.	—	" (302) KM ..	1/2	—	(326) 50c. on 5d. ..	—	" (313) £1 King single ..	£14	—				
" (307) 1/- bright red ..	14/0	—	Gambia (22) ½d. King ..	—	1/0	(327) 1p. on 10d. ..	—	Somaliland O.H.M.S.						
Antigua (9) ½d. Arms ..	—	9d.	" (23) 1d., King ..	—	1/6	(330) 2d. ..	—	(351) ½a. King single ..	45/0	—				
" (10) 1d. ..	—	1/0	" (24) 2d. ..	—	2/9	Nabha Service (324) 2a. King ..	6/0	(352) 1a. ..	36/0	—				
" (11) 2d. ..	—	4/0	" (25) 2½d. ..	—	4/0	Natal (18) ½d. King ..	—	Stellaland, 3d. yellow ..	6/0	—				
" (15) 1/- ..	—	18/0	" (26) 3d. ..	—	5/0	" (21) 2d. ..	—	S. Australia, (43) long 8d. ..	—	6/0				
Australian Commonwealth, Postage Due.			" (27) 4d. ..	—	6/0	" (23) 3d. ..	—	" (44) " 9d. ..	—	6/0				
(353) 1d. Melbourne p. ..	7/0	—	Gibraltar (23) ½d. King ..	—	6d.	" (24) 4d. ..	—	" (45) " 10d. ..	—	12/0				
(354) 2d. ..	14/0	—	" (24) 1d. on red ..	—	4d.	" (25) 5d. ..	—	" (46) " 1/- ..	—	5/0				
(356) 6d. ..	18/0	—	" (25) 1d. rose ..	—	6d.	" (32) 10/- (Fisc.) ..	—	S. Nigeria (10) ½d. K., bi-col. ..	—	1/0				
Bahamas (16) 1d., King ..	—	10d.	" (26) 2d. King ..	—	2/3	" (33) £1 " ( " ) ..	—	" (11) 1d. K. " ..	—	1/6				
" (300) 1d., Stair ..	1/2	—	" (29) 6d. ..	—	5/0	" (34) 30/- " ( " ) ..	—	" (12) ½d. K., green ..	—	1/0				
" (312) ½d., King ..	7d.	—	" (326) 6d. ..	—	7/0	Newfoundland Royal Family		" (316) 2d. brn & grey ..	2/4	—				
Barbados (31) ½d. Arms ..	—	4d.	Gold C. (27) ½d. K., lil. & gr. ..	—	1/0	(315) ½c. green ..	3½d.	" (329) 4d. mult. chal ..	4/8	—				
" (33) 1d. ..	—	2d.	" (31) 3d. King ..	—	2/6	(316) 1c. green ..	7d.	" (330) 6d. ..	7/0	—				
" (34) 2d. ..	—	2/0	Grenada (34) ½d. Ship ..	7d.	—	(317) 2c red ..	1/2	" (331) 1/0 ..	14/0	—				
" (35) 2½d. ..	—	1/0	" (35) 1d. ..	1/2	—	N.S.W. (34) 4d. brown ..	4d.	" (336) ½d. all green ..	7d.	—				
" (42) ½d. Nelson ..	—	9d.	Hongkong (29) 1c. King ..	—	—	" (38) 8d. lilac ..	3/0	" (337) 1d. all rose ..	1/2	—				
" (44) 1d. ..	—	1/0	" (30) 2c. ..	—	3d.	" (43) 1d. rose ..	—	" (340) 3d. lil. & red ..	3/6	—				
" (313) ½d. Arms ..	4d.	—	" (31) 4c. K., on red ..	—	6d.	" (44) 2d. blue ..	2d.	Straits, King, 1st type.						
Barbados, 1d. on 2d. K.R.F.			" (32) 4c. K., rose ..	—	3d.	" (45) 2½d. lilac ..	2/6	(28) 1c. green ..	—	4d.				
(338) Normal surch. ..	3/0	—	" (35) 8c. King ..	—	1/0	" (46) 2½d. blue ..	4d.	(29) 3c. lil. and or. ..	—	3d.				
(339) Inverted ..	6/0	—	" (37) 10c. K., blue ..	—	9d.	" (47) 9d. brn & blue ..	2/6	(30) 4c. on red ..	—	4d.				
Bechuanaland on G.B., King.			" (39) 20c. King ..	—	1/9	N.S.W., Crown A, perf. 12 x 11 (rare).		(31) 5c. lilac ..	—	9d.				
(304) ½d. dark green ..	7d.	—	" (40) 30c. " ..	—	2/9	(323) ½d. grn. (Cr. NSW) ..	20/0	(32) 8c. on blue ..	—	8d.				
(305) 1d. red ..	1/2	—	India (42) ½d. on 1a. K. ..	—	2d.	(317) 1d. rose (cat. 6d.) ..	4/0	(33) 10c. lil. and blk. ..	—	9d.				
Bermuda (1) ½d. on 1/- ..	—	6d.	" (43) ½a. King ..	—	1d.	(318) 2d. blud (cat. 1/-) ..	8/0	Straits, King, 2nd types.						
" (305) ½d. Dock ..	—	7d.	" (44) 1a. ..	—	1d.	(319) 6d. oran. (cat. 3/-) ..	24/0	(42) 1c. green ..	—	3d.				
" (15) 1d. ..	—	6d.	" (45) 2a. ..	—	2d.	(321) 2/6 grn. (cat. 15/-) ..	90/0	(43) 3c. lilac ..	—	3d.				
" (307) 2d. yel. & grey ..	2/4	—	" (46) 2½a. ..	—	10d.	N.S.W., Melbourne paper.		(319) " ..	—	1/0				
" (308) 2½d. blue & brn ..	2/11	—	" (47) 3a. ..	—	6d.	(326) ½d. green (cat. 3d.) ..	2/4	(45) 4c. on red ..	—	3d.				
" (304) 3d. grn. & lilac ..	3/6	—	" (48) 4a. ..	—	5d.	(327) 1d. rose (cat. 6d.) ..	4/8	(322) 8c. blue ..	—	1/0				
B.C.A. (27) 1d. King ..	—	8d.	" (49) 6a. ..	—	1/0	(328) 2d. blue (cat. 9d.) ..	8/6	Sudan, Camel.						
B. Honduras (27) 2c. King ..	—	10d.	" (50) 8a. ..	—	8d.	(334) 8d. lilac (cat. 3/-) ..	21/0	(1) 1m. rose and brn. ..	—	6d.				
" (28) 5c. ..	—	2/3	" (51) 12a. ..	—	1/0	N.S.W., Punctured OS-NSW.		(4) 5m. black and red ..	—	8d.				
Brunei on Labuan.			" (52) 1r. ..	—	1/0	(370) 1/- brown ..	5/0	(321) 4m. brn. and red ..	—	1/2				
(302) 1c. lilac and black ..	18/0	—	" (53) 2r. ..	—	5/6	N.Z. (36) 2d. lilac ..	—	(314) 2p. mult. wmk. ..	—	5/10				
(306) 4c. yellow & black ..	6/0	—	" (55) ½a. P & R ..	—	2d.	" (47) 1/- red (large) ..	2/0	(315) 5p. ..	—	14/7				
(307) 5c. brown & green ..	30/0	—	Jamaica (19) ½d. Arms ..	—	3d.	N.Z., pict., Comb perf. 14 x 13½.		Tasmania, Pictorial.						
(315) 2c. red and black ..	1/0	—	" (20) 1d. ..	—	2d.	(360) 3d. brown ..	3/6	(30) 1d. red (11d. 100) ..	—	2d.				
(317) 4c. lilac and black ..	1/6	—	" (21) 2½d. ..	—	1/0	(361) 4d. brn. and blue ..	4/8	(31) 2d. lilac (11d. 100) ..	—	2d.				
B.N.G. (302) 1d., wide wmk. ..	3/0	—	" (24) ½d. all green ..	—	4d.	(393) 6d. rose ..	7/0	(32) 2½d. blue ..	—	2/0				
B.S.A. (34) ½d. 1898 ..	—	6d.	" (25) 1d. all rose ..	—	2d.	(366) 1/0 red ..	14/0	(33) 3d. brown ..	—	2/0				
" (35) 1d. ..	—	4d.	" (308) green & black ..	7d.	—	N. Nigeria (10) ½d. King bi-c. ..	10d.	(34) 4d. yellow ..	—	2/0				
" (36) 2d. ..	—	9d.	" (310) blue and black ..	3/0	—	" (11) 1d. " bi-c. ..	1/0	(35) 5d. blue ..	—	4/6				
" (37) 2½d. ..	—	1/0	Labuan on Straits.			" (305) 5d. " single ..	8/0	(36) 6d. rose ..	—	4/6				
" (316) 3d. ..	—	3/6	(337) 4c. on 16c. ..	—	4/6	" (319) ½d. KN ..	7d.	(330) 6d. rose, A Cr 11 ..	—	7/0				
" (38) 4d. ..	—	3/0	(338) 4c. on 18c. ..	—	3/6	Nyasaland (301) ½d. King ..	7d.	Tonga (20) ½d. Pict. ..	—	9d.				
" (39) 6d. ..	—	2/3	(339) 8c. ... ..	—	6/0	" (302) 1d. " ..	1/2	Tasmania, Queen.						
" (40) 1/- ..	—	2/0	Lagos (31) 6d. King ..	—	5/0	O.R.C. (13) ½d. King ..	—	(314) 9d. blue, V Cr 11 ..	—	10/6				
" (329) 1d. V. Falls ..	—	—	Leeward Is. (11) 2d. King ..	—	4/0	" (14) 1d. " ..	—	(332) 8d. brown, A Cr 11 ..	—	10/0				
" (330) 2½d. ..	—	2/11	" (12) 2½d. " ..	—	4/0	" (17) 3d. " ..	—	Tasmania, punctured " T. " ..						
" (331) 5d. ..	—	5/10	" (13) 3d. " ..	—	5/0	Papua (1) ½d. ..	—	(342) 1d. pictorial ..	—	4d.				
" (332) 1/- ..	—	14/0	" (311) ½d. green ..	7d.	—	Papua on B.N.G., large surch.		(343) 2d. " ..	—	4d.				
Canada (71) 2c. King ..	—	1d.	Malay (2) 3c. brn. and blk. ..	—	4d.	(307) 1/- wide rosettes ..	30/0	(345) 3d. " ..	—	1/4				
" (72) 5c. ..	—	2d.	" (3) 4c. rose and blk. ..	—	6d.	Papua on B.N.G., small surch.		Transvaal, King						
" (310) ½c. Quebec ..	—	1/6	" (4) 5c. green and red ..	—	10d.	(320) 2½d. wide rosettes ..	7/6	(56) ½d. green ..	—	2d.				
" (311) 1c. ..	—	8d.	" (13) 1c. all green ..	—	4d.	(323) 1/- " ..	40/0	(59) 2d. lil. & blk. ..	—	—				
" (312) 2c. ..	—	1/2	" (14) 3c. all brown ..	—	5d.	(324) 2/6 " ..	45/0	(60) 2½d. blue & blk. ..	—	1/6				
" (313) 5c. ..	—	2/11	Malta (9) ½d. brown ..	—	5d.	(338) 2/6 narrow rosettes ..	50/0	(63) 4d. brn. & blk. ..	—	1/0				
" (314) 7c. ..	—	4/2	" (11) 5d. red ..	—	4/0	Papua, permanent issue.		(64) 6d. oran. & blk. ..	—	1/0				
Canada Postage Due.			" (14) ½d. green, K ..	—	3d.	(355) ½d. grn. and black ..	7d.	(67) 1/- brn. & blk. ..	—	2/9				
(307) 1c. lilac ..	7d.	—	" (15) 1d. red and blk. ..	—	5d.	(356) 1d. red and black ..	1/2	Trinidad, Britannia						
(308) 2c. ..	1/2	—	" (16) 2d. King ..	—	5d.	(359) 4d. brn. and black ..	4/8	(20) ½d. all green ..	—	3d.				
(309) 5c. ..	—	2/11	" (17) 2½d. " ..	—	1/6	Patiala (316) 8a. King, Service ..	11/0	(21) 1d. lil. and rose ..	—	2d.				
Cape (303) 2d. King ..	—	2/4	" (18) 3d. " ..	—	3/6	Queensland (42) 1d. red ..	—	(22) 1d. lil. on red ..	—	2d.				
" (304) 2½d. ..	—	2/11	" (19) 4d. " ..	—	4/8	" (43) 2d. blue ..	—	Turks Is. 1881, 2½d. brown ..	—	17/0				
" (30) 3d. ..	—	9d.	" (20) 1/- " ..	—	8/0	" (45) 2½d. on blue ..	—	Victoria, current designs.						
" (31) 4d. ..	—	9d.	" (21) 1d. all rose ..	—	5d.	" (49) 6d. green ..	—	(83) ½d. green ..	—	2d.				
" (32) 6d. ..	—	9d.	Mauritius (52) 2c. lilac ..	—	3d.	" (336) 2d., new die ..	2/4	(84) 1d. rose ..	—	1d.				
" (33) 1/- ..	—	9d.	" (57) 4c. on yellow ..	—	4d.	St. Helena (301) ½d. King ..	7d.	(85) 1½d. red on yell. ..	—	1/0				
Cayman (316) ½d. on 5/- ..	120/0	—	" (58) 4c. grn. and lil. ..	—	4d.	" (309) 2½d. " ..	2/11	(87) 2½d. blue ..	—	8d.				
" (12) ½d. King ..	—	1/0	" (59) 4c. on blue ..	—	4d.	" (310) 4d. " ..	4/8	(94) 2/- blue on rose ..	—	8/0				
" (13) 1d. ..	—	2/0	" (63) 6c. on red ..	—	6d.	" (311) 6d. " ..	7/0	Victoria, punctured " OS "						
" (14) 2½d. ..	—	4/0	" (67) 15c. on blue ..	—	1/6	" (312) 10/- " ..	140/0	(362) 1d. rose ..	—	2d.				
" (15) 3d. ..	—	5/0	Montserrat (6) ½d. green ..	—	9d.	" (303) ½d. pict. ..	7d.	Virgin Is., 1899, Virgin						
Ceylon (54) 2c. King ..	—	4d.	" (8) 2d. brn. & blk. ..	—	4/0	" (304) 1d. " ..	1/2	(15) ½d. green ..	—	1/0				
" (57) 5c. ..	—	2d.	" (9) 2½d. bl. & blk. ..	—	6/0	" (305) 2d. " ..	2/4	Virgin Is., King						



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## The Week's News.

The Editor is always pleased to receive Early Information of New Issues, or of Discoveries interesting to Stamp Collectors, and will acknowledge such contributions either by name in the journal or by the presentation of several interesting newly-issued stamps, as preferred. The index number and serial letter after the title of each paragraph indicate the issue of E.W.S.N. in which the last reference to that country appeared.

**ABYSSINIA (473 Y 477).**—The following notes are from the *Postage Stamp* (7.11.08/69).

Messrs. Whitfield King & Co. inform us that there are two types of the recently issued 1 piastre provisional. One has the surcharge in a pale faded blue with the letters rather blurred, and in the other the impression is clearer and the ink employed is bright ultramarine. Our correspondents inform us that "piastre" is practically the same as "guerche," and that the surcharge was necessary owing to the fact that the entire supply of 1 guerche stamps was exhausted, and there were not sufficient of the ½ guerche stamps to use in their place. This is the only provisional and the 7000 overprinted were distributed amongst all the Post Offices in Abyssinia. Messrs. King & Co. further state "Our correspondent's letter is dated September 17th, and he states that the few stamps of the 1 piastre sent us were all that were left, and that there were remaining in stock no stamps of ½, 1 or 2 guerches of any issue, surcharged or unsurcharged. In consequence of this shortage the Postage Due stamps overprinted 'TAXE A PERCEVOIR' were allowed to be used as ordinary postage stamps, and our consignment was franked with some of these stamps."

Abyssinia enters the Postal Union on November 1st, and on that date there will be a complete new issue, all the stamps of which will have the values engraved in piastres. On the same date all the stock in hand of the obsolete stamps will be burnt.

*Provisional.* No wmk., perf. 14 × 13½.  
1 pia. on ½g. red, surcharge pale blue.  
1 pia. on ½g. " " bright ultramarine.

**AUSTRALIAN COMMONWEALTH (469 R 477).**—Some months ago we were officially informed that the 1/-, 2/-, 5/-, 10/- and 20/- postage due stamps were in future to be printed from new plates with a bar after the figure, in order to distinguish the high from the low values. The *Australian Philatelist* (10.6.08/4) now chronicles the following:



*Postage Due Adhesive.* Wmk. Crown A, perf. 11½ × 11.  
5/- pale green.

We were also officially informed that the complete set up to 20/- in the old design was in use with Crown A watermark, but this was evidently a mistake.

**BRITISH SOLOMON ISLANDS (473 O 477).**—The new issue of stamps, expected to arrive at Tulagi in 8.08, did not turn up, but we are informed that they were officially expected about 1.10.08.

None of the values of the first set are yet obsolete (the ½d., 1d., 2d. and 2½d. have been reported as exhausted by several contemporaries) but the remaining stock is being husbanded till the new stamps arrive and in the meantime the execution of wholesale orders for the low values is suspended. The Colonial Stamp Market received a supply of some hundreds of each however by this mail.

**CAYMAN ISLANDS (476 Q 477).**—The following has now been issued.



*Adhesive.* Wmk. Crown CA multiple, chalk-surface paper.  
6d. lilac.

Earliest postmark seen, 9.10.08.  
We are informed that the Cayman Islands now have a Postmaster, Mr. MacCausland, the

Postmistress, Miss Parsons, having retired. We greatly regret to find that the Post Office Circular, in virtue of which dealers' orders for the ½d. stamps are refused, is being issued now with the Postmaster's signature.

**COLOMBIA (390 V 477).**—The *Philatelic Adviser* states that the contract with the postage stamp printers having run out, the Government has placed a fresh contract with the Litografia Nacional de Bogota. The new stamps will be similar to those now current but rather larger in size. The ½c., 2c. and 5c. are listed by *Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News* (24.10.08/360).

*Adhesives.* Design similar to last but larger.  
½c. orange. Perf. ?  
2c. carmine. (a) Perf. 13; (b) Perf. 10.  
5c. blue. (a) Perf. 13.

**CURACAO (446 S 477).**—The 60c. value—the last survival of the King's Head set—has been withdrawn from issue (9.08) and this value will probably not be stocked in future.

**DANISH WEST INDIES (474 E 477).**—In addition to the 5, 10, 20 and 25 bit, there are to be 15, 30, 40 and 50 bit stamps. The two highest values we chronicled three weeks ago on the authority of a foreign contemporary, but they had not been issued up to 10.08.

The following postcards are chronicled by *Nederlandsch Tijdschrift voor Postzegelkunde* (30.9.08/59).

*Postcards.* (Single and reply).  
5 bit, pale green.  
10 bit, vermilion.

The Colonial Stamp Market has shown us entire sheets of the four new stamps and we note that each sheet has a number roughly scratched in Roman figures on the left margin. The numbers are as follows and being printed in the colour of the head are presumably the numbers of the Head-plates.

5 bit	No. V.
10 "	No. II.
20 "	No. II.
25 "	No. I I (figures separated).

The sheets each contain 100 stamps in 10 rows of 10 and the numbers are on the margin opposite the 51st stamp (No. 1 in 6th row).

**DUTCH INDIES (471 D 477).**—There seems some likelihood of the 2½ gulden Buiten Bezit proving a very rare stamp. Although the Colonial Stamp Market cabled a large order immediately the issue was reported it only received one sheet of 50 of it. At the time we were in doubt whether the small quantity was due to a mistake on the part of our agents but we have now received their explanation to the effect "that this was all they could obtain" although they got full quantities of all the others. The Colonial Stamp Market has sold all it had, except one creased copy, at 8d. over face value!

In addition to the 10, 12½ and 25c. already reported with inverted "Java" surcharge, the *Monthly Circular* reports the ½c. and 5c.

**HOLLAND (472 Z 477).**—We are informed by Mr. Reinou Kingina that new stamps of 15 and 20 cents, printed in two colours, are in preparation, the object being to distinguish them more clearly from those of 3 and 7½ cents.

Later.—The following has now been issued.



*Adhesive.*  
20c. yellow-green and grey.

Issued 7.11.08.

The *Nederlandsch Tijdschrift voor Postzegelkunde* (10.08/144) chronicles the following:—

*Postage Due Adhesive.* Current design, not surcharged.  
6½c. blue, type III.

Issued 1.10.08.

**ITALIAN FOREIGN P.O. (474 P 477).**—The issue iii. chronicled in *E.W.S.N.*, No. 459, should be deleted and the list given in *E.W.S.N.* No. 471 substituted. Since 8.08 the printings

have been as follows, states *Gibbons Stamp Weekly* (7.11.08/294).

*Printing IV.*, 7.8.08. Local print.  
"30 PARA" in orange-red on 15c. slate.

*Printing V.*, 12.8.08. Local print.  
"4 PIASTRE 4" in 2 lines in blk. on 1l. brn. & grn.  
"20 PIASTRE 20" " " 5l. rose & blue.

NOTE.—The vertical stroke of the figure 4 is short at top and the figure 2 has a ball and serif.

*Printing VI.*, 1.9.08. Local print (plain figures).  
"4 PIASTRE 4" in 2 lines in blk. on 1l. brn. & grn.  
"20 PIASTRE 20" " " 5l. rose & blue.

*Printing VII.*, 21.9.08. Very similar to VI.  
"4 PIASTRE 4" in 2 lines in blk. on 1l. brn. & grn.  
"20 PIASTRE 20" " " 5l. rose & blue.

To the above must now be added those chronicled in *E.W.S.N.*, No. 474.

**NEW CALEDONIA (473 Q 477).**—*Alfred Smith & Son's Monthly Circular* (30.9.08/60) translates as follows from the *Revue Postale*.

The supply of 5c. and 15c. stamps having given out, the Governor requested the Director of Posts to send him a list of the stamps which remained in the reserve stock and were in little demand, in order to take some sheets of them for surcharging purposes. The Director sent to the Post Office printer one sheet of 2c. brown on straw, one sheet of 30c., and one sheet of 40c. (1893 type), each containing 150 stamps. The printer had two surcharges applied to the sheet of 2c. stamps namely 75 of 5c. on 2c. and 75 of 15c. on 2c. and then sent this sheet to the Governor, who, on the pretext that two surcharges on the same value were unsuitable, kept half the sheet for himself while the Director took the other half. The consequence is that these precious surcharges are only to be found in the hands of a few privileged persons and their friends.

**NEW SOUTH WALES (467 J 477).**—We quote as follows from the *Australian Philatelist* (10.9.08/4):—"A correspondent has sent us for inspection the 10d. current type and paper, perf. 12 all round. As the machine gauging 12 came to grief eighteen months ago and was replaced by the present 11½, this stamp is now obsolete; and, as it has not apparently been noticed before, it will most likely prove to be a scarce variety."



*Adhesive.* Wmk. Crown A, perf. 12.  
10d. violet.

Issued before 3.07.

**NORWAY (449 S 477).**—The permanent 15 öre has now superseded the provisional and we take the following from the *Nordisk Filatelistisk Tidsskrift* (22.10.08/189).



*Adhesive.*  
15 öre, violet-brown.

Issued 3.10.08 (sent out to Post Offices 9.08).

**PAPUA (476 P 477).**—Mr. W. H. Regan points out some more minor varieties in the current issue.

1d. No. 1 on sheet. Small coloured circle on white line over 1st P in Papua.  
1d. No. 23 on sheet. The top of the left horizontal stroke of U of Papua is concave.  
6d. No. 22 on sheet has no serif at top of second P of Papua.

**ROUMANIA (473 U 477).**—The colours of the two high values reported a month ago on the authority of a foreign contemporary were inaccurate. The following chronicle should be substituted.

*Adhesives.*  
40 bani, dark green.  
1 leu, grey-brown.  
2 lei, red on red paper.

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	Face Value.	Sale Price.		Face Value.	Sale Price.		
1 Aitutaki (on N.Z.), ½d., 1d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/- .. .. .	6	2/1	2/5½	150 Sarawak, 1, 2, 3, 4, 8, 10, 12, 16, 20, 25, 50c. .. .. .	11	3/6	4/1
2 Antigua (Arms), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/- .. .. .	7	2/3	2/7½	151 Seychelles (King), 2, 3, 6, 12, 15, 18, 30, 45, 75 .. .. .	9	2/9	3/2½
3 Austral. Cmnwlth, Postage Due, ½, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 10d., 1/- ..	10	4/3½	—	152 Sierra Leone (King), ½d., 1d., 1½d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 1/-	10	3/1½	—
6 Bahamas (Staircase), 1d., 5d. .. .. .	2	0/6	0/7	153 Solomon Is. (litho.), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 5d., 6d., 1/-	7	2/5	3/6
7 " (King), ½d., 1d., 2½d., 4d., 6d., 1/- .. .. .	6	2/2	2/6½	154 " (Engraved), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 5d., 6d., 1/-	7	2/5	—
8 Barbados (Arms), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 5d., 6d., 8d., 10d. ..	9	2/11½	3/5	155 Somaliland (King), ½, 1, 2, 2½, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12a. .. .. .	9	3/3	3/9½
9 " (Nelson), ½d., 1d., 2½d., 6d., 1/- .. .. .	6	1/10½	—	156 " (King, O.H.M.S.), ½, 1a. .. .. .	2	—	7/6
10 Bechuanaland (on G.B. King), ½d., 1d., 2½d. .. .. .	3	0/4	0/5	157 " (Official), complete except 2a. KS. .. .. .	14	—	£10
11 Bermuda (Dock), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d. .. .. .	5	0/9	0/10½	158 S. Australia (small), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 5d. .. .. .	5	0/11	1/1
13 British Guiana, 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 12, 24c. .. .. .	7	2/3	2/7½	159 " (large), 3d., 4d., 6d., 8d., 9d., 10d., 1/-	7	4/4	5/1
14 British Honduras (King), 1, 2, 5, 10, 20, 25c. .. .. .	6	2/7½	3/2	161 S. Nigeria (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 4d., 6d., 1/- ..	7	2/4	2/9
15 British New Guinea, ½, 1, 2, 2½, 4, 6d., 1/- .. .. .	7	—	15/0	162 Straits (King), 1, 3, 4, 5, 8, 10, 25, 30, 50c. .. .. .	9	3/3	—
16 B.S.A. (Arms), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 6d., 1/- ..	8	2/7	3/0	164 Sudan (Camel), 1, 2, 3, 4, 5m., 1, 2, 5pi. .. .. .	8	1/11½	2/3½
17 " (Victoria Falls), 1d., 2½d., 5d., 1/- .. .. .	4	1/8½	2/0	165 " (O.S.G.S.), 1, 3, 5m., 1, 2, 5pi. .. .. .	6	1/10½	2/2½
18 Brunei (on Labuan), complete set .. .. .	12	—	50/0	166 " (Army Service), 1, 2, 3, 5m., 2pi. .. .. .	5	—	14/0
19 " " set of ten, 1-30c. .. .. .	10	—	30/0	171 Tasmania (Pict.), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d. ..	8	2/0	—
20 " " set of seven, 1-10c. .. .. .	7	—	10/0	172 " (Queen), 1½d., 8d., 9d., 1/- .. .. .	4	2/6½	—
21 Brunei (View), 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 10, 25, 30, 50c. .. .. .	10	3/3	—	174 Tonga (Pict.), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 7½d., 10d., 1/-	11	4/5½	5/2½
27 Canada (King), 1, 2, 5, 7, 10, 20c. .. .. .	6	1/10½	2/2½	175 Transvaal (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 6d., 1/-	8	2/7	3/2
28 " (Dues) 1, 2, 5c. .. .. .	3	0/4	0/5	176 " (Dues), ½d., 1d., 2d., 3d., 5d., 6d., 1/- .. .. .	7	2/5½	2/10½
29 " (Quebec), ½, 1, 2, 5, 7, 10, 15, 20c. .. .. .	8	2/6½	—	177 Trinidad (Britannia), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 4d., 6d., 1/-	7	2/4	—
30 Cape Colony (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 6d., 1/-	8	2/7	3/0	178 " (Dues, used), 1d., 2d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 8d., 1/-	8	3/5	4/2
31 Cayman Islands, ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 1/- .. .. .	7	1/11½	—	179 Turks & Caicos Is. (Ship), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 6d., 1/-	8	2/7	3/0
32 Ceylon (King), 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 12, 15, 25, 30, 75c. .. .. .	10	2/4½	2/9½	185 Victoria, ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 9d., 1/-	10	3/9	4/4½
33 Chamba (on India King), ½, 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12a. .. .. .	9	3/0½	3/7	186 " (Dues), ½d., 1d., 2d. .. .. .	3	0/3½	6/1½
34 " (Service, King), ½, 1, 2, 4, 8a. .. .. .	6	1/3½	1/6½	187 Virgin Islands (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/-	7	2/3	2/7½
35 Cook Islands, ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 5d., 6d., 10d., 1/-	9	3/4½	3/11	190 W. Australia (Swan), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 8d.,	12	5/3	6/1½
36 Cyprus (King), ½, 1, 2, 4, 6, 9 pi. .. .. .	9	2/7½	3/1	9d., 10d., 1/- .. .. .	12	5/3	6/1½
41 Dominica (View), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/- ..	7	2/3	2/7½	195 Zanzibar, 3, 6, 12, 15, 25, 50c. .. .. .	6	1/7½	1/11
43 E. Africa and Ug. (King), 1, 3, 6, 10, 12, 15, 25, 50, 75c. ..	9	2/7½	3/1				
45 Falkland Islands (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 6d., 1/-	6	2/0	2/4				
40 Fiji Islands (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 1/-	9	3/0	3/6				
50 Gambia (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 7½d., 10d., 1/-	11	4/5½	5/2½				
51 Gibraltar (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 6d., 1/- .. .. .	6	2/0	2/4				
52 Gold Coast (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/- ..	7	2/3	—				
53 Grenada (Ship), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d. .. .. .	5	0/9	0/10½				
54 " (King), 6d., 1/- .. .. .	2	1/6	—				
55 " (Dues), 1d., 2d., 3d. .. .. .	3	0/6	—				
56 Gwalior (on India King), ½, 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12a. .. .. .	9	3/0½	3/7				
57 " (Service, King), ½, 1, 2, 4, 8a. .. .. .	6	—	3/9				
61 Hong Kong (King), 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 8, 10, 12, 20, 30, 50c. ..	11	3/0	—				
64 India (King), ½, 1, 2, 2½, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12a. .. .. .	10	3/3½	3/10				
65 " (King, On H.M.S.), ½, 1, 2, 4, 8a., 1r. .. .. .	7	—	6/6				
70 Jamaica (Queen), 3d., 4d., 6d., 1/- .. .. .	4	2/1	—				
71 " (Arms), ½d., 1d., 2½d., 5d. .. .. .	4	0/9	—				
72 Jhond (on India, King), ½, 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12a. .. .. .	9	3/0½	—				
74 Johore (1904 Sultan), 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 10, 25, 50c. .. .. .	9	2/11	3/4				
78 Labuan (Crown), 1, 2, 3, 4, 8, 10, 12, 16, 18, 25, 50c. ..	11	—	4/11				
79 " (surch. Straits), complete .. .. .	11	—	35/0				
80 " " without 2c. .. .. .	10	—	15/0				
81 " " " 1, 2c. .. .. .	9	—	10/0				
83 Leeward Is. (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/-	7	2/3	—				
84 Levant (on G.B., King), 1, 2, 4 pi. .. .. .	3	1/2	1/4½				
85 " ( " ), ½d., 1d., 1½d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 1/-	10	3/1½	3/8				
91 Malay States (Tiger), 1, 3, 4, 5, 8, 10, 20, 50c. .. .. .	8	2/4½	2/9½				
92 Maldives (Minaret), 2, 3, 5, 10c. .. .. .	4	0/6	—				
93 Malta (Pictorial), ½d., 4½d., 5d. .. .. .	3	0/9½	—				
94 " (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 1/- .. .. .	7	2/1	2/5½				
95 Mauritius (Arms), 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 12, 15, 25, 50c. ..	11	1/2	2/0½				
96 " (Express), 15, 18c. .. .. .	2	0/5½	0/6				
98 Montserrat (Arms), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/-	7	2/3	2/7½				
100 Morocco (on G.B. King), 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 40, 50c., 1p.	8	1/9	2/0½				
101 " " " ½d., 1d., 2d., 4d., 6d., 1/- .. .. .	6	2/1½	2/6				
105 Nabha (on India King), ½, 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12a. .. .. .	9	3/0½	3/7				
106 " (Service, King), ½, 1, 2, 4, 8a., 1r. .. .. .	6	—	11/6				
107 Natal (King), ½d., 1d., 1½d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 1/-	10	3/1½	—				
109 Newfoundland (Cabot), 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 15, 24c. .. .. .	7	3/1½	3/10½				
110 " (Royal Family), ½, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5c. .. .. .	6	0/7½	0/9				
111 N.S.W., ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 8d., 10d., 1/-	11	4/6	—				
115 N.Z., ½d., 1d., 1½d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 8d., 9d., 1/-	12	4/6½	5/3½				
116 " (Dues), ½d., 1d., 2d. .. .. .	3	0/3½	—				
117 Niue (on N.Z.), ½d., 1d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/- .. .. .	6	2/1	2/5½				
119 N. Borneo (Brit. Prot.), 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 10, 12, 16, 18, 24c. ..	12	2/7	3/0				
121 N. Nigeria (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 5d., 6d., 1/- ..	7	2/5	2/10				
123 Nyasaland (King), ½d., 1d., 3d., 4d., 6d., 1/- .. .. .	6	2/2½	2/7				
126 Orange River (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 6d., 1/-	8	2/7	3/0				
131 Papua (large surch.), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 4d., 6d., 1/-	7	—	25/0				
132 " (small surch.), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 4d., 6d., 1/-, 2/6	8	—	14/0				
133 " " " ½d., 1d., 2½d., 4d., 6d. .. .. .	5	1/2	1/4½				
134 Patiala (on India King), ½, 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12a. .. .. .	9	3/0½	3/7				
135 " (Service, King), ½, 1, 2, 3, 4, 8a., 1r. .. .. .	7	—	4/6				
136 Penrhyn (on N.Z.), ½d., 1d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/- .. .. .	6	2/1	2/5½				
140 Queensland, ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 9d., 1/-	10	3/9	—				
143 St. Helena (King), ½d., 2½d., 4d., 6d. .. .. .	4	1/1	1/3½				
144 " (Pictorial), ½d., 1d., 2d., 8d., 1/- .. .. .	5	1/11½	2/3½				
145 St. Kitts-Nevis (Pict.), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/-	7	2/3	2/7½				
146 St. Lucia (King), ½d., 1d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/- .. .. .	6	2/1	—				
147 St. Vincent (King), 6d., 1/- .. .. .	2	1/6	1/9				
148 " (Pict.), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d. .. .. .	5	0/9	0/10½				

## Miscellaneous Sets.

1285 Switzerland, new 5, 10c. .. .. .	1½d.	2d.
1412 " " 5c. .. .. .	½d.	1d.
1402 German Morocco, 1½, 2½, 3½, 6½ pes. used, v.f. .. .. .	8/6	9/11
1370 China, 16c. green, mint (block 1/8) .. .. .	4d.	5d.
1275 " 5c. lilac, mint ( " 6d.) .. .. .	1½d.	1d.
1221 Egypt OHMS, 1, 2, 3, 5m., 1 5 pi. .. .. .	—	3/6
1287 Nepal, New Issue, mint set of four .. .. .	—	9d.
1322 Austrian Levant, 10, 20 paras, Jubilee .. .. .	1½d.	2d.
1323 " Crete, 7, 10c., Jubilee .. .. .	1½d.	2d.
1219 " Java " on D. E. Indies, complete 1c. to 2½g. ..	9/0	10/9
(Blocks of four, mint 43/-)		
1325 " Buiten Beitz " on D. E. Indies 1c. to 1g. .. .. .	4/10	5/11
1324 " " " 2½g. .. .. .	4/2	4/10
201 Australian Commonwealth, Postage Dues, Melbourne paper	—	4/6
(rare), 1d., 2d., 4d., 6d., mint .. .. .	—	—
202 Barbados, 1d. on 2d. K.R.F. complete set of 6 varieties,	—	7/6
(3 inverted surcharge) .. .. .	—	—
203 Ceylon King, On Service, complete set of 6 .. .. .	—	35/0
1331 Somaliland " Service " on India, error dropped E, ½, 1, 2as. mint	—	20/0
1334 " wrong fount " Service," ½, 1, 2as. mint .. .. .	—	6/6
1335 " no I in " British " ½, 1as. mint .. .. .	—	10/0
204 Brunei, complete 1st issue, used .. .. .	—	50/0
205 " " " mint blocks of four .. .. .	—	200/0
206 " " " 1st issue, used, 1c. to 50c. .. .. .	—	35/0
207 Straits on Labuan, 3c. to 1r., used, fine .. .. .	—	15/0
208 " " " complete, 1c. to 1r. used .. .. .	—	35/0
209 Morocco on G.B., 3, 6, 12 pes. on 2/6, 5/-, 10/-, K., used, v.f. ..	—	15/0
210 N.Z. Official, complete ½d. to 5/-, used, fine .. .. .	—	60/0
211 Sudan, Army, entire pane of 30 with 3 errors .. .. .	—	25/0
1165 Somali, Queen, ½a. surcharge at top, mint .. .. .	—	2d.
1174 " " 1a. " " " " .. .. .	—	4d.
1270 Belgium, 1, 2, 5c., 1908 issue, mint .. .. .	—	1d.
1323 Austrian Levant, Post Due, ½ pi. to 5 pi., set of 6, mint .. .. .	—	2/0
1339 Luxemburg, 1908 issue, mint set of 14 .. .. .	—	3/0
1349 " " 30, 87½c. 1fr., mint .. .. .	—	2/2
1344 German Levant, 5, 10, 25, 50, 100c., mint .. .. .	—	1/9
1345 Fr. Madagascar, 1908, 1c. to 1fr. set of 14 .. .. .	—	4/2
1351 " " " 2, 5fr., mint .. .. .	—	6/7
1348 " " " Post Due, mint set of 8 .. .. .	—	2/2
1350 Switzerland, 30, 40c., new design, mint .. .. .	—	8d.
1346 Italian Levant, 10, 20, 40, 80 para, mint .. .. .	—	9d.
1359 Tunis, set of 4 surcharged (1908) .. .. .	—	1/6

### Special Offers.

#### CUBA (U.S.A.)

1899, complete mint set of six values, 1c. to 50c., only 3/9.  
 Used on piece of original, the 1, 2 and 10c. (2c. slightly torn), price 2d.  
 50c. grey, mint, 2/5 each.

#### CONFEDERATE STATES.

1861, mint, 2c. green 6/-, 5c. green 1/6, 5c. blue 1/6, 10c. blue 5/-, without postage, 5c. blue 4d.  
 1863, 2c. red 8d., 10c. blue 2d., 20c. green 4d., 10c. blue, very fine used (rare), only 8d.

#### DUTCH EAST INDIES.

1908, new value, used, 7½c. grey, 2d.

#### BRITISH SOUTH AFRICA.

1905, Victoria Falls, postally used, fine, 1/- green 1/6, 2/6 black 3/9, 5/- lilac 7/6.

#### BRITISH NEW GUINEA.

Surcharged " Papua." Very fine used, 1d. red and grey, 2½d. ; 2d. lilac and grey, 6d. ; 2½d. blue and grey, 9d. ; 6d. green and grey, 3/- ; and 1/- orange and grey, 3/6.



# Wholesale List : Unused and Used Colonial Stamps.

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	Unused Per 12	Used Per 12							
G. Britain (93) 2/6 King ..	—	3/6	Falkland (15) 2½d. King ..	—	4/0	Morocco on Great Britain.		Sierra Leone (42) 1d. K., rose ..	5d.
" (94) 5/- ..	—	4/9	" (301) KM ..	7d.	—	(325) 40c. on 4d. ..	—	" (315) 1d. KM ..	4/0
Aitutaki (301) ½d. ..	7d.	—	" (302) KM ..	1/2	—	(326) 50c. on 5d. ..	—	" (313) £1 King single ..	£14
" (307) 1/- bright red ..	14/0	—	Gambia (22) ½d. King ..	—	1/0	(327) 1p. on 5d. ..	—	Somaliland O.H.M.S.	
Antigua (9) ½d. Arms ..	—	9d.	" (23) 1d., King ..	—	1/6	(330) 2d. ..	—	(351) ½d. King single ..	45/0
" (10) 1d. ..	—	1/0	" (24) 2d. ..	—	2/9	Nabha Service (324) 2a. King ..	6/0	(352) 1a. ..	30/0
" (11) 2d. ..	—	4/0	" (45) 2½d. ..	—	4/0	Natal (18) ½d. King ..	—	Stellaland, 3d. yellow ..	6/0
" (15) 1/- ..	—	18/0	" (26) 3d. ..	—	5/0	" (21) 2d. ..	—	S. Australia, (43) long 8d. ..	6/0
Australian Commonwealth, Postage Due.			" (27) 4d. ..	—	6/0	" (23) 3d. ..	—	" (44) .. 9d. ..	6/0
(353) 1d. Melbourne p. ..	7/0	—	Gibraltar (23) ½d. King ..	—	6d.	" (24) 4d. ..	—	" (45) .. 10d. ..	12/0
(354) 2d. ..	14/0	—	" (24) 1d. on red ..	—	4d.	" (25) 5d. ..	—	" (46) .. 1/- ..	5/0
(356) 6d. ..	18/0	—	" (25) 1d. rose ..	—	6d.	" (32) 10/- (Fisc.) ..	—	S. Nigeria (10) ½d. K., bi-col. ..	1/0
Bahamas (16) 1d., King ..	—	10d.	" (26) 2d. King ..	—	2/3	" (33) £1 .. ( " ) ..	—	" (11) 1d. K. ..	1/6
" (300) 1d., Stair ..	1/2	—	" (29) 6d. ..	—	5/0	" (34) 30/- .. ( " ) ..	—	" (12) ½d. K., green ..	1/0
" (312) ½d., King ..	7d.	—	" (326) 6d. ..	—	7/0	Newfoundland Royal Family		" (316) 2d. brn & grey ..	2/4
Barbados (31) ½d. Arms ..	—	4d.	Gold C. (27) ½d. K., lil. & gr. ..	—	1/0	(315) ½c. green ..	—	" (329) 4d. mult. chal ..	4/8
" (33) 1d. ..	—	2d.	" (31) 3d. King ..	—	2/6	(316) 1c. green ..	—	" (330) 6d. ..	7/0
" (34) 2d. ..	—	2/0	Grenada (34) ½d. Ship ..	7d.	—	(317) 2c. red ..	—	" (331) 1/0 ..	14/0
" (35) 2½d. ..	—	1/0	" (35) 1d. ..	—	1/2	N.S.W. (34) 4d. brown ..	—	" (336) ½d. all green ..	7d.
" (42) ½d. Nelson ..	—	9d.	Hongkong (29) 1c. King ..	—	—	" (43) 1d. rose ..	—	" (337) 1d. all rose ..	1/2
" (44) 1d. ..	—	1/0	" (30) 2c. ..	—	3d.	" (44) 2d. blue ..	—	" (340) 3d. lil. & red ..	3/6
" (313) ½d. Arms ..	—	4d.	" (31) 4c. K., on red ..	—	6d.	" (45) 2½d. lilac ..	—	Straits, King, 1st type.	
Barbados, 1d. on 2d. K.R.F.			" (32) 4c. K., rose ..	—	3d.	" (46) 2½d. blue ..	—	(28) 1c. green ..	—
(338) Normal surch. ..	3/0	—	" (35) 8c. King ..	—	1/0	" (47) 9d. brn & blue ..	—	(29) 3c. lil. and or. ..	—
(339) Inverted ..	6/0	—	" (37) 10c. K., blue ..	—	9d.	N.S.W., Crown A, perf. 12 x 11 (rare).		(30) 4c. on red ..	—
Bechuanaland on G.B. King.			" (39) 20c. King ..	—	1/9	(323) ½d. grn. (Cr. NSW) ..	—	(31) 5c. lilac ..	—
(301) ½d. dark green ..	7d.	—	" (40) 30c. ..	—	2/9	(317) 1d. rose (cat. 6d.) ..	—	(32) 8c. on blue ..	—
(305) 1d. red ..	1/2	—	India (42) ½d. on 1a. K. ..	—	2d.	(318) 2d. blud (cat. 1/-) ..	—	(33) 10c. lil. and blk. ..	—
Bermuda ( ) ½d. on 1/- ..	—	6d.	" (43) ½a. King ..	—	1d.	(319) 6d. oran. (cat. 3/-) ..	—	Straits, King, 2nd types.	
" (305) ½d. Dock ..	—	7d.	" (44) 1a. ..	—	1d.	(321) 2/6 grn. (cat. 15/-) ..	—	(42) 1c. green ..	—
" (15) 1d. ..	—	6d.	" (45) 2a. ..	—	2d.	N.S.W., Melbourne paper.		(43) 3c. lilac ..	—
" (307) 2d. yel. & grey ..	—	2/4	" (46) 2½a. ..	—	10d.	(326) ½d. green (cat. 3d.) ..	—	(319) .. ..	—
" (308) 2½d. blue & brn ..	—	2/11	" (47) 3a. ..	—	6d.	(327) 1d. rose (cat. 6d.) ..	—	(45) 4c. on red ..	—
" (304) 3d. grn. & lilac ..	—	3/6	" (48) 4a. ..	—	5d.	(328) 2d. blue (cat. 9d.) ..	—	(322) 8c. blue ..	—
B.C.A. (27) 1d. King ..	—	8d.	" (49) 6a. ..	—	1/0	(334) 8d. lilac (cat. 3/-) ..	—	Sudan, Camel.	
B. Honduras (27) 2c. King ..	—	10d.	" (50) 8a. ..	—	8d.	N.S.W., Punctured OS-NSW.		(1) 1m. rose and brn. ..	—
" (28) 5c. ..	—	2/3	" (51) 12a. ..	—	1/9	(370) 1/- brown ..	—	(4) 5m. black and red ..	—
Brunei on Labuan.			" (52) 1r. ..	—	1/0	N.Z. (36) 2d. lilac ..	—	(321) 4m. brn. and red ..	—
(302) 1c. lilac and black ..	—	18/0	" (53) 2r. ..	—	5/6	" (47) 1/- red (large) ..	—	(314) 2p. mult. wmk. ..	—
(306) 4c. yellow & black ..	—	6/0	" (55) ½a. P & R ..	—	2d.	N.Z., pict., Comb perf. 14 x 13½.		(315) 5p. ..	—
(307) 5c. brown & green ..	—	30/0	Jamaica (19) ½d. Arms ..	—	3d.	(360) 3d. brown ..	—	Tasmania, Pictorial.	
Brunei, Pictorial.			" (20) 1d. ..	—	2d.	(361) 4d. brn. and blue ..	—	(30) 1d. red (11d. 100) ..	—
(315) 2c. red and black ..	—	1/0	" (21) 2½d. ..	—	1/0	(393) 6d. rose ..	—	(31) 2d. lilac (11d. 100) ..	—
(317) 4c. lilac and black ..	—	1/6	" (24) ½d. all green ..	—	4d.	(366) 1/0 red ..	—	(32) 2½d. blue ..	—
B.N.G. (302) 1d., wide wmk. ..	—	3/0	" (25) 1d. all rose ..	—	2d.	N. Nigeria (10) ½d. King bi-c. ..	—	(33) 3d. brown ..	—
B.S.A. (34) ½d. 1898 ..	—	6d.	" (308) green & black ..	—	7d.	" (11) 1d. .. bi-c. ..	—	(34) 4d. yellow ..	—
" (35) 1d. ..	—	4d.	" (310) blue and black ..	—	3/0	" (303) 2d. .. single ..	—	(35) 5d. blue ..	—
" (36) 2d. ..	—	9d.	Labuan on Straits.			" (305) 5d. .. single ..	—	(36) 6d. rose ..	—
" (37) 2½d. ..	—	1/0	(337) 4c. on 16c. ..	—	4/6	" (319) ½d. KN ..	—	(330) 6d. rose, A Cr 11 ..	—
" (316) 3d. ..	—	3/6	(338) 4c. on 18c. ..	—	3/6	Nyasaland (301) ½d. King ..	—	(32) 8d. rose ..	—
" (38) 4d. ..	—	3/0	(339) 8c. ... ..	—	6/0	" (302) 1d. ..	—	Tonga (20) ½d. Pict. ..	—
" (39) 6d. ..	—	2/3	Lagos (31) 6d. King ..	—	5/0	O.R.C. (13) ½d. King ..	—	Tasmania, Queen.	
" (40) 1/- ..	—	2/0	Leeward Is. (11) 2d. King ..	—	4/0	" (14) 1d. ..	—	(314) 9d. blue, V Cr 11 ..	—
" (329) 1d. V. Falls ..	—	1/2	" (12) 2½d. ..	—	4/0	" (17) 3d. ..	—	(332) 8d. brown, A Cr 11 ..	—
" (330) 2½d. ..	—	2/11	" (13) 3d. ..	—	5/0	Papua (1) ½d. ..	—	Tasmania, punctured "T." ..	—
" (331) 5d. ..	—	5/10	" (311) ½d. green ..	—	7d.	Papua on B.N.G., large surch.		(342) 1d. pictorial ..	—
" (332) 1/- ..	—	14/0	Malay (2) 3c. brn. and blk. ..	—	4d.	(307) 1/- wide rosettes ..	—	(343) 2d. ..	—
Canada (71) 2c. King ..	—	1d.	" (3) 4c. rose and blk. ..	—	6d.	Papua on B.N.G., small surch.		(345) 3d. ..	—
" (72) 5c. ..	—	2d.	" (4) 5c. green and red ..	—	10d.	(320) 2½d. wide rosettes ..	—	Transvaal, King	
" (310) ½c. Quebec ..	—	1/0	" (13) 1c. all green ..	—	4d.	(323) 1/- ..	—	(56) ½d. green ..	—
" (311) 1c. ..	—	8d.	" (14) 3c. all brown ..	—	5d.	(324) 2/6 ..	—	(59) 2d. lil. & blk. ..	—
" (312) 2c. ..	—	1/2	Malta (9) ½d. brown ..	—	5d.	(338) 2/6 narrow rosettes ..	—	(60) 2½d. blue & blk. ..	—
" (313) 5c. ..	—	2/11	" (11) 5d. red ..	—	4/0	Papua, permanent issue.		(63) 4d. brn. & blk. ..	—
" (314) 7c. ..	—	4/2	" (14) ½d. green, K ..	—	3d.	(355) ½d. grn. and black ..	—	(64) 6d. oran. & blk. ..	—
Canada Postage Due.			" (15) 1d. red and blk. ..	—	5d.	(356) 1d. red and black ..	—	(67) 1/1. brn. & blk. ..	—
(307) 1c. lilac ..	—	7d.	" (16) 2d. King ..	—	2/0	(359) 4d. brn. and black ..	—	Trinidad, Britannia	
(308) 2c. ..	—	1/2	" (17) 2½d. ..	—	1/6	Patiala (316) 8a. King, Service ..	—	(20) ½d. all green ..	—
(309) 5c. ..	—	2/11	" (18) 3d. ..	—	3/6	Queensland (42) 1d. red ..	—	(21) 1d. lil. and rose ..	—
Cape (303) 2d. King ..	—	2/4	" (19) 4d. ..	—	4/8	" (43) 2d. blue ..	—	(22) 1d. lil. on red ..	—
" (304) 2½d. ..	—	2/11	" (20) 1/- ..	—	8/0	" (45) 2½d. on blue ..	—	Turks Is. 1881, 2½d. brown ..	—
" (30) 3d. ..	—	9d.	" (21) 1d. all rose ..	—	5d.	" (49) 6d. green ..	—	Victoria, current designs.	
" (31) 4d. ..	—	9d.	Mauritius (52) 2c. lilac ..	—	3d.	" (336) 2d., new die ..	—	(83) ½d. green ..	—
" (32) 6d. ..	—	9d.	" (57) 4c. on yellow ..	—	4d.	St. Helena (301) ½d. King ..	—	(84) 1d. rose ..	—
" (33) 1/- ..	—	9d.	" (58) 4c. grn. and lil. ..	—	4d.	" (309) 2½d. ..	—	(85) 1½d. red on yell. ..	—
Cayman (316) ½d. on 5/- ..	—	120/0	" (59) 4c. on blue ..	—	4d.	" (310) 4d. ..	—	(87) 2½d. blue ..	—
" (12) ½d. King ..	—	1/0	" (63) 6c. on red ..	—	6d.	" (311) 6d. ..	—	(94) 2/- blue on rose ..	—
" (13) 1d. ..	—	2/0	" (67) 15c. on blue ..	—	1/6	" (312) 10/- ..	—	Victoria, punctured "OS" ..	—
" (14) 2½d. ..	—	4/0	Montserrat (6) ½d. green ..	—	9d.	" (303) ½d. pict. ..	—	(362) 1d. rose ..	—
" (15) 3d. ..	—	5/0	" (8) 2d. brn. & blk. ..	—	4/0	" (304) 1d. ..	—	Virgin Is., 1899, Virgin	
Ceylon (54) 2c. King ..	—	4d.	" (9) 2½d. bl. & blk. ..	—	6/0	" (305) 2d. ..	—	(15) ½d. green ..	—
" (57) 5c. ..	—	2d.	" (10) 3d. lil. & red ..	—	5/0	" (306) 8d. ..	—	Virgin Is., King	
" (327) 3c. K., On Service ..	—	30/0	" (310) 5/- Crown CC ..	—	70/0	" (307) 1/- ..	—	(301) ½d. lilac and green ..	—
" (333) 5c. figures ..	—	1/0	" (311) ½d. mult. ord. ..	—	9d.	St. Kitts-Nevis (2) 1d. bi-col. ..	—	(302) 1d. .. rose ..	—
" (334) 6c. ..	—	1/2	" (319) 2d. mult. chalk ..	—	2/4	St. Lucia (307) ½d. all green ..	—	(303) 1d. .. brn. ..	—
Cook Is. (311) ½d. green ..	—	7d.	" (321) 3d. ..	—	3/6	" (311) 6d. ..	—	(304) 2½d. .. blue ..	—
" (312) 1d. rose ..	—	1/2	" (322) 6d. ..	—	7/0	" (312) 10/- ..	—	(305) 3d. .. blk. ..	—
Cyprus (322) 5pa. King ..	—	3d.	" (323) 1/- ..	—	14/0	" (303) ½d. pict. ..	—	(306) 6d. .. brn. ..	—
Per 60, unused 1/1			Morocco on Gibraltar			" (304) 1d. ..	—	(307) 1/- grn. and car. ..	—
(311) 10pa. King ..	—	6d.	" (35) 5c. King ..	—	1/0	" (305) 2d. ..	—	W. Australia, current.	
Dominica (318) ½d. View ..	—	7d.	" (36) 10c. ..	—	1/0	" (306) 8d. ..	—	(27) 1d. rose ..	—
" (324) 1/- mult. chalky ..	—	14/0	" (38) 25c. ..	—	1/6	" (307) 1/- ..	—	(28) 2d. yellow ..	—
E. Africa (17) 1c. King ..	—	6d.	" (41) 2p. ..	—	30/0	St. Kitts-Nevis (2) 1d. bi-col. ..	—	(322) 1d. Cr A 11 (rare) ..	—
" (344) ..	—	3d.	" (305) 50c. K. sing. ..	—	180/0	St. Lucia (307) ½d. all green ..	—	(324) 2d. .. ( " ) ..	—
Per 100, 1/8			" (306) 1p. ..	—	25/0	" (311) 2½d. all blue ..	—	(326) 3d. .. ( " ) ..	—
" (352) 75c. King ..	—	14/0	Morocco on Great Britain.			" (320) 1/- mult. chalky ..	—	(329) 5d. .. ( " ) ..	—
Falkland (1) ½d. Queen ..	—	9d.	(320) 15c. on 1½d. ..	—	—	St. Vincent (322) ½d. pict. ..	—	Zululand, 1d. Queen ..	—
" (12) ½d. King ..	—	9d.	(321) 20c. on 2d. ..	—	—	" (323) 1d. ..	—	Zanzibar, (331) 3c. green ..	—
" (13) 1d. ..	—	1/6	(322) 25c. on 2½d. ..	—	—	" (324) 2d. ..	—	" (332) 6c. rose ..	—
" (14) 2d. ..	—	4/0				" (325) 2½d. ..	—	" (333) 12c. lilac ..	—

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**SALVADOR** (459 O 477).—The following provisionals are reported by *Gibbons Stamp Weekly*.



**Adhesives.** "UN CENTAVO" on 2c. blk. and rose.  
 (a) Var., surcharge inverted.  
 (b) Var. " double, one inverted.  
 6c. rose and black. Surcharged with shield in black.

**SIAM** (476 S 477).—The Colonial Stamp Market has shown us an entire sheet of 120, 10 rows of 12, of the new provisional.



**Adhesive.** Surcharge very similar to S.G. type 47 but Siamese characters are closer together and above the English surcharge.  
 2 atts on 24 atts, purple and blue of 1887.

Issued 7.10.08. This is we believe the first Siamese surcharge in which the Siamese characters are above the English.

**SWITZERLAND** (476 P 477).—Mr. E. Meyer informs us that the new values 35 and 70 centimes are issued mainly for the following purpose. The lower value prepays the postal charges on parcels weighing between 500 and 2500 grammes and with a cash on delivery payment of less than 10 francs, whilst the other prepays parcels of between 5 and 10 kilos. In Switzerland as in England, the postage stamps franking a parcel are attached to it and not to a form retained by the Post Office, as in some countries.

*Gibbons Stamp Weekly* (7.11.08/303) reports the issue of the following:—

**Postage Due Adhesives.** Granite paper, wmk. Cross, perf. 13.  
 5c. pale olive-green and pale vermilion.  
 10c. " " "  
 50c. " " "

We read as follows in the *Postage Stamp* (7.11.08/62).

Mr. T. W. Bates very kindly sends me the following extract from *Feuille d'Arts de Vevey*, of 26.10.08:—

"At last the artist Welter has finished his corrections. The Post Office is now in possession of his final design. It is expected that the new plates, obtained, as in the case of the new stamp of 40c. by photographic process, will be finished at the end of the month, and that next month the printing of the new stamps of 2c., 3c. and 5c. can be begun. They will be put into circulation as soon as the present stock is exhausted, probably at the beginning of next year.

"Welter's retouchings are rather important, and his stamp has taken a much better appearance. The little Tell has hardly been changed, but he is at any rate what the artist wanted, and not as altered by a Berlin engraver. He stands out with great clearness on a ground of uniform colour, similar to the new French stamps. The little Tell stands on a kind of pedestal.

"The value is shown once only, by an artistic figure, which stands out in white on the left side of the stamp."

**New Issues.**

DISTRIBUTION No. 404, 6.11.08.

Danish West Indies.

*DW ag\** 5, 10, 20, 25 bit. Although the other values have been chronicled, we are officially informed that they are not yet issued.

Ceylon.

*CE ap†* 5c. King, wmk. CA multiple, on ordinary paper, value in figures.

*aq‡* 6c. King, wmk. CA multiple, on ordinary paper, value in figures.

The distribution of the above stamps brings the country entirely up to date.

Straits Settlements.

*ST be\** 10c. King, multiple wmk., on chalky paper, lilac on yellow.

This distribution brings the country up to date.

Siam, Provisional.

*SM ao\** 2 atts on 24 atts.

New Zealand.

*NZ bh†* 3d., wmk. NZ and Star, small type, perf. 14.

Sierra Leone.

*SI au* 4d., King, multiple wmk., chalky paper, new shade.

West Australia.

*WA bp†* 5d., wmk. V and Cr. sideways, perf. 11.

Curacao.

*HCU ac\** 7½c. grey.

*ad\** 22½c. olive and brown.

We are daily expecting a full supply of Crete surcharged Greece and hope to send them out in the course of this or next week.

**Our Prize Competitions.**

Result week ending 7th November, 1908.

	NEW ISSUE COMPETITION		OLD ISSUE COMPETITION		
	I. Europe and Colonies.		II. Rest of World		III. Gt. Britain and Colonies
1st	FS *110	JL - 90	JW *100	GS *313	
2nd	Mrs. G 80	CM - 90	JW - 65	JO - 309	
3rd	WP - 70	FS - 84	PB - 63	JB - 298	
4th	JE - 70	AD - 53	RW - 59	JF - 196	
5th	CM - 47	JH - 36	ES - 56	JE - 179	
6th	JL - 32	FC - 25	ED - 52	GP - 86	
7th	Mrs. H 30	HW - 23	JF - 47	ES - 66	
8th	NC - 28	JB - 22	JP - 42	SR - 64	
9th	EM - 23	JL - 22	JD - 41	JR - 60	
10th	WP - 21	WM 22	WP - 19	CM - 57	

\* Prize albums were despatched on Monday last.

**CONDITIONS.**

1. The prizes are the following albums:—

"Our Own Times," specially arranged for King's Heads and current issues (sale price, 12/6).

"Good Old Times." Part I., Great Britain and Colonies; part II., Europe and Colonies; part III., Rest of the World. Arranged for collectors on simplified lines, without water-marks, perforations, etc. (The set of three albums can be supplied immediately for 37/6 cash, or 12/6 each, post free).

2. The prize in each of the four competitions is awarded to the competitor who has purchased from our approval sheets the most stamps up to the end of each week, non-winners' totals being carried forward. The minimum number entitling to a prize is 100.

3. Stamps purchased from our Current Issue Sheets count in the New Issue Competition only, whilst stamps purchased from our Old Issue Sheets count in the Old Issue Competition only.

4. The "Rest of World" Competition is only open to winners of "Europe and Colonies," and the "Great Britain and Colonies" to winners of the other two.

**EDITORIAL COMPETITION.**

The competitor who sends us the most interesting item of information for our New Issue column each week will be credited 2/6, which may be selected from any of our approval sheets. From time to time we shall voluntarily increase the prize.

*Award this week.*

FA for note on Crete (2/6).

**Cheap Sets of Foreign, Chiefly Used.**

These Sets contain good copies only, and are arranged according to our simplified catalogue. They are recommended to specialists of British Colonials who do not wish to entirely lose sight of the rest of the world.

Country	Description	Our Price	Cat. Price	
Argentine Republic—	1858, Confederation	3 1/5	11d.	
	1867, Arms	8 3/4	2/3	
	1884, Envelope	3 5d.	3d.	
	1888, Portraits	8 2/8	1/9	
	1889, Corr. y. Tel.	12 2/2	1/3	
	1892, Portraits	9 11d.	5½d.	
	" Peso values	4 5/4	3/4	
	1899, Seated figure	15 2/0	1/2	
	1902, Rosario	1 4d.	3d.	
	1908, Head	2 —	1½d.	
	Corrientes—	1864, Head	3 6/0	4/0
		Austria—		
	Austria—	1850, Arms	3 4d.	1½d.
		1858, Head	3 4d.	2½d.
		1861, "	3 3d.	2d.
1863, Arms		3 3d.	1½d.	
1867, Head		5 5d.	2d.	
1883, Figure		5 5d.	2d.	
1890, Head		13 1/10	7d.	
1891, "		4 4d.	1½d.	
1900, "		15 2/0	6d.	
1904, "		14 2/11	6d.	
Bavaria—	1849, Square	5 7d.	5d.	
	1874, Large	2 3d.	1½d.	
	" Small	15 1/4	7d.	
	Belgium—	1850, Head	2 2d.	1d.
1869, Figure		6 6d.	1½d.	
" Head		5 11d.	5d.	
1884, Head		6 11d.	7d.	
1893, Sunday		10 11d.	3d.	
1894, Antwerp		3 8d.	5d.	
1897, Brussels		2 3d.	1d.	
1905, Sunday		4 4d.	2d.	
Bolivia—		1866, Eagle	3 4/4	3/6
		1867, Arms	7 1/9	1/1
	1878, Open book	3 2/5	1/9	
	1894, Arms	7 1/9	9d.	
	1897, Large	7 4/8	2/4	
	1899, Portrait	6 9d.	7d.	
Bosnia—	1879, Arms	9 1/11	10d.	
	1900, "	11 2/7	9d.	
	" High Values	2 1/7	1/2	
	1901, Arms	5 1/7	8d.	
	1906, Pictorial	10 1/11	1/2	
	Brazil—	1844, Slanting fig.	3 7/6	4/6
		1850, Upright fig.	4 1/4	1/2
		1894, Correio diag.	10 1/7	9d.
		1906, Small heads	7 2/4	9d.
		" 2000,5000r.	2 6/0	2/11
Bulgaria—		1882, Lion	9 1/3	8d.
		1889, "	10 1/3	7d.
		1896, Dated	4 7d.	4d.
		1902, Head	8 9d.	4d.
		1907, Large	3 7d.	6d.
Chile—	1867, Chile over Head	5 1/7	1/1	
	1877, Cent. on fig.	4 9d.	7d.	
	1881, Cent. under fig.	10 2/7	1/6	
	1900, Large head	6 1/1	9d.	
	1902, Small head	5 6d.	4d.	
	1906, Bare head	4 4d.	2d.	
	" Black head	5 1/8	8½d.	
	China—	1871, Dragon	3 8/0	2/9
		1885, Smaller	3 11d.	7½d.
		1898, Ch. Imp.	9 1/9	1/4
Colombia—		1902, Arms	9 1/7	10d.
	1900/2, Control marked	8 10d.	8d.	
	Congo Free State—	1894, Pictorial	8 2/5	1/7
Cuba—		1900, Small	3 4d.	3½d.
		1903, Long	4 3/7	2/11
	Costa Rica—	1862, Two Oceans	2 2d.	2d.
1892, Arms		10 6/4	1/11	
1901, Bi-coloured		5 5d.	4d.	
Crete—	1899, Arms	2 4/6	2/9	
	" Trident	2 2/0	1/9	
	1900, Various	6 1/0	6d.	
	1905, "	6 1/3	10d.	
	Dominican Republic—	1885, Arms	3 6d.	4d.
		1899, ½c. blk.	2 8/0	3/6
		Dominican Republic—	1902, Oblong	7 2/2
	1901, Lilac centre		5 9d.	5d.
	1906, Black centre		4 8d.	5d.
	Denmark—		Small	2 2d.
1870, Figure			3 6d.	3½d.
1875, "			9 11d.	4d.
D.W.I.—	1882, Arms		6 7d.	2d.
	1904, Figure		5 5d.	2d.
	" Head		6 2/4	1/4
	1907, "		6 2/2	11d.
Finland—	1875, Arms	6 1/1	5½d.	
	1890, "	6 8d.	3d.	
	1891, Russian	6 1/7	10½d.	
	1900, "	5 6d.	3½d.	
	France—	1849, Ceres	11 1/3	7d.
1853, Head		5 1d.	2½d.	
1863, Laureated		7 11d.	4½d.	
1876, Figures		26 3/5	1/5	
1900, Figure		5 5d.	1d.	
" Droits		10 1/1	4d.	
" Large		5 10d.	4d.	
1903, Semeuse		5 5d.	1d.	
1906, "		6 10d.	3d.	
French F.P.O.—		1902, various	9 1/3	6d.
	Fr. Col.—	1881, Seated Fig.	9 1/1	7d.
		1892, Two Fig.	9 1/3	10d.
Diego Suarez—	1890, "	4 8/6	5/0	
	French Congo—	1900, Pictorial	11 2/10	2/3
Fr. Guiana—		1904, Pictorial	11 2/5	1/11
		1904, Pictorial	11 2/11	2/5
Fr. Somali—	1902, Pictorial	21 7/4	6/0	
	Fr. Senegal—	1906, Pictorial	14 5/0	3/11
Guadeloupe—	1905, Pictorial	11 3/2	2/1	
	Indo China—	1904, Pictorial	9 2/1	1/6
1907, "		3 3d.	2d.	
Fr. Madagascar—		1904, Pictorial	6 9d.	5d.
	Middle Congo—	1907, Pictorial	13 —	3/6
New Caledonia—		1905, Pictorial	4 5d.	3½d.
	Reunion—	1907, Pictorial	5 6d.	3d.
Tunis—		1888 Arms (lined)	8 1/1	7d.
	1906, Pictorial	11 4/5	2/3	
	Germany—	1875, Arms	8 8d.	2d.
1889, "		7 7d.	1½d.	
1900, Germania		10 10d.	2½d.	
" High Values		2 4d.	2d.	
German Col.—	1902, Germania	10 10d.	2d.	
	" High Values	3 7d.	3½d.	
	1901, Ship	11 4/9	2/11	
Greece—	1887, Large Head	7 9d.	5d.	
	1896, Olympic	5 6d.	3½d.	
	1901, Mercury	8 1/1	5d.	
	1906, Olympic	11 5/0	2/9	
Holland—	1869, Arms	3 6d.	3d.	
	1872, King	9 1/6	8½d.	
	1876, Figure	4 4d.	1d.	
Dutch Indies—	1891, Queen	11 2/2	11d.	
	" Large	2 6d.	4d.	
	1899, Figure & Queen	17 2/0	9d.	
Curacao—	1870, King	6 1/2	6½d.	
	1883, Figure	5 5d.	2½d.	
	1892, Queen	7 1/7	1/1	
Surinam—	1902, Oblong	5 5d.	3d.	
	" Queen	8 2/6	1/5	
Hungary—	1889, Figure	5 8d.	5d.	
	" Queen	5 3/3	11d.	
	1873, King	7 2/10	1/10	
Hungary—	1892, Type-set	1 2d.	1½d.	
	1891, Figure	5 6d.	5d.	
Hungary—	1874, Envelope	5 5d.	2d.	

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## The Week's News.

The Editor is always pleased to receive Early Information of New Issues, or of Discoveries interesting to Stamp Collectors, and will acknowledge such contributions either by name in the journal or by the presentation of several interesting newly-issued stamps, as preferred.

The index number and serial letter after the title of each paragraph indicate the issue of E.W.S.N. in which the last reference to that country appeared.

**GREAT BRITAIN.**—Surface printed stamps (475 Q 478).—Another error has been discovered in the Emblems watermark! The "three roses and thistle" on stamp TA is now well-known, and Mr. O. Spannocchia informs us that he has now found the 6d. plate 5, lettered TF, with watermark "three roses and shamrock." In addition to the list given in E.W.S.N. No. 372, our correspondent has found the 1865 issue with Emblems No. 1 on lettering FL and PC and Emblems No. 2 on PB.

**Railway Letter Stamps** (475 Q 478).—Mr. Shelley informs us that he has the following new printing.

London & North Western Railway, 8th printing, Nos. 220001 to 250000. It is already nearly half exhausted and does not differ in any important respect from the preceding issue.

**Railway Stamps** (421 H 478).—After over a year's silence, we have two novelties to chronicle in this department, shown us by Mr. P. Evans.

North Eastern Railway, with counterfoil at left; inscribed along left edge of stamp (which is otherwise similar to the late issue of parcel stamps with background of "North Eastern Railway" repeated) "Motor Omnibus Service." Three Pence, blue on green.  
Four Pence " " "

These two stamps are at present in use at both Beverley and Driffield stations and possibly others. Mr. Evans first saw them in 11.06.

Our correspondent also states that he has just (20.10.08) seen the 1/- red on rose (design V. in Ewen's Catalogue). There must evidently have been a big stock on hand of the 1/- brown on rose, rouletted, design IV., as on enquiry in 3.08 at Newcastle-on-Tyne, this old 1/- was then still in use, whilst all other values in the new set—1d., 4d., 5d., 6d. and 2/-—had then been in use nearly two years.

**AUSTRALIAN COMMONWEALTH** (477 S 478).—The *Australian Philatelist* (10.10.08/18) reports the discovery of the following:—



Postage Due Adhesive. Wmk. Crown NSW, perf. 11.  
5d. green.

**BRITISH NEW GUINEA** (473 B 478).—Mr. P. Bridge writes:—

"I am enclosing herewith for your inspection a copy of ½d. B.N. Guinea, wide rosette watermark on medium paper, a variety which has not yet been chronicled; this stamp is identical with the ½d. and 2½d. of Type II.

"Re 2½d.—No. 27—no shading to leaves. I have blocks of four with Plate Nos. 1 and 2 of this value unsurcharged, and the above variety occurs on both, so it must be caused by a flaw in the plate, don't you think?"

"Re 2/6 with vertical overprint. Can you tell me if these were actually purchased through one of the Papua Post-offices?"

We have examined the Colonial Stamp Market's stock of British New Guinea with wide rosettes (horizontal) watermark and find that of the values in stock (½d. to 1/-) we have all on the so-called thick opaque paper. When laid face downwards on a black surface the watermark is still difficult to see. We are not quite sure whether the extra thickness of the paper and its opaqueness is not due to a thicker coating of gum, which is of a yellowish tinge.

Mr. Bridge's ½d. stamp, when laid face downwards, allows the watermark to be seen clearly and the gum is of a much whiter tinge.

Between these two we have the 6d. and 1/- which almost resemble the "thick, opaque paper" variety but differ in that the watermark can be seen fairly distinctly and the paper appears a fraction thinner, but both differences are more likely due to less gum.

With regard to our correspondent's second point, we confess that we fail to understand his argument. The marginal plate-numbers are printed in black, and therefore only belong to that part of the stamp which is printed in black. There were two plates for the centre design, 1 and 2, and only one plate, we believe, for the frame of each value and this had no marginal plate-number.

No one has yet suggested even a possible explanation of how the ½d., 2d., and 2½d. duty plates show the same defects in the same place.

In regard to the 2/6 with vertical surcharge the sheet was one of a batch sold in the ordinary way at Port Moresby Post Office on 15.7.08, face value only being paid for it.

**CANADA** (476 X 478).—Mr. A. H. Stamford writes:—

CANADA QUEBEC ISSUE.

"In your issue of E.W.S.N. of the 17th ulto., you mention that the 2c. is now issued with plate 4. The plate 4 on these stamps appears of course normally on the top margin of the sheet, but I have just received a variety in this respect, viz.: strip of the 2c. with plate 4 (Ottawa, 11.4) at the bottom of the sheet inverted. Have you seen this variety?"

The end of the Tercentenary stamps is evidently near, as in reply to a correspondent the Head Department of the Canadian Office writes under date of 6.11.08:—

"I am to express regret that it is not practicable to meet your wishes, inasmuch as the entire stock of that series was exhausted some few weeks ago, so far as its issue from the Department is concerned, and that except at comparatively few post offices throughout the Dominion where they may still linger unsold, the Department is unable to say where any of these stamps may now be obtained. In any case it would be impossible for you to procure as many as 2,000 half-cent stamps of the series in question. At the Ottawa Post Office there are still unsold, I understand, a small quantity of Tercentenary stamps but not sufficient ½c. to fill such an order as yours."

**CRETE** (476 D 478).—We have seen the following new issue:—

Adhesive. Overprinted "Hellas" (or rather Ellas, as the vowel is not aspirated in the surcharge) in black.

10 lepta, new design (Hermes of Praxiteles).

Issued 15.10.08. We have not seen this stamp without surcharge.

We mentioned in E.W.S.N., No. 416, that this stamp was in preparation.

**DANISH WEST INDIES** (477 F 478).—The Colonial Stamp Market has shown us the following:—

Adhesives. New design.

15 bit, violet and brown.  
30 " red-lilac and black.  
50 " yellow and brown.

Issued 24.10.08. The stamps only arrived at St. Thomas on this date and were immediately placed in circulation.

The 30c. has marginal plate-number III. and the 50c. IIII.; in both cases the number is on the left margin opposite No. 51 as before. Our 15 bit unfortunately have no margin.

**FRENCH FOREIGN P.O.** (457 V 478).—We take the following notes from *Gibbons Stamp Weekly* (14.11.08/317).

RE-ISSUE OF FRENCH ZANZIBAR.

From information contained in *Le Postillon*, it would appear that the French Government are really making some sort of an attempt to suppress speculation in the stamps of the French Colonies. Not only are the recent issues of Indo-China to be put on sale again, but the same thing is to happen to the 1904 issue of Zanzibar, Nos. 265 to 274 in my publishers' Catalogue. Our contemporary rightly states that the French

Agency in Zanzibar is closed, and so the stamps cannot be sold on the spot; nevertheless they will be sold at face value to all comers in Paris by the Colonial authorities.

It is quite true that this issue was the result of local speculation among the officials of the Post Office and the Administration, and although the Government is endeavouring to spoil the market for these gentlemen, I think that it would be advantageous to all concerned if they turned their attention to the somewhat hypothetical honesty (?) of purpose exhibited by some of the present postal officials in charge of the French Offices in various countries and colonies. However, the authorities seem to be moving in the matter, and I can only hope that something will come of it.

It must not be imagined that all French Colonial stamps are speculative, and that the prices of all will go down. This is very far from the truth. Take these French offices in Zanzibar as an example: the first portion of them, Nos. 21 to 252, is beyond reproach. All these stamps are worth quite what they are catalogued, and in some cases rather more. Whatever happens they can never be reissued.

**LUXEMBURG** (462 S 478).—We quote as follows from *Gibbons Stamp Weekly* (14.11.08/316.)

Some of my readers may wonder what the overprint illustrated below means on certain issues of Luxemburg. A note in the *Deutsche Briefmarken-Zeitung* makes

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the matter clear, and I give it for what it is worth, although the information is by no means new.

It appears that it is the practice of the Luxemburg Postal Administration to provide publishers of newspapers, prospectuses, circulars, and printed matter in general with quantities of not less than two hundred stamps of a sort of the 1c., 2c., 5c. and 10c. incomplete sheets, *already cancelled*. Printed matter franked with these stamps must be posted in quantities of not less than a hundred in the town of Luxemburg or fifty in any other post office. Anything found in pillar-boxes franked with precancelled stamps is treated as unpaid but the tax payable by the consignee is the usual rate, *not double*.

The precancellation is naturally done in type in a printing press, and it sometimes happen that sheets of stamps get put into the machine the wrong way round, and so the cancellation is found inverted.

I want to make it quite clear that the above lettering is not a surcharge in the generally accepted sense of the term; I believe that a good many readers have thought that they had made a wonderful discovery at one time or another.

The precancellation used to have a frame-work round it, but lately it has appeared as illustrated above.

**SIERRA LEONE** (472 J 478).—The Colonial Stamp Market has shown us the following values of the lilac series in paler shades. The first printing of the King's Head stamps on chalk-surface paper was in dark lilac, except the 1d. which was like the values now chronicled.



Adhesive. Wmk. Crown CA multiple, chalk-surface paper.

2d. pale lilac and brown-orange.  
3d. " " grey.  
4d. " " carmine.  
5d. " " black.  
6d. " " purple.

Issued probably some considerable time before 11.08.

**VICTORIA** (474 X 478).—Our Melbourne correspondent informs us that the 2½d. has been issued at last with wmk. Crown A. Previous chronicles were premature.



Adhesive. Wmk. Crown A, perf. 12, 12½.  
2½d. blue.

Issued 5.10.08 or earlier.

# Sets of Current Colonial Stamps.

## THE BEST NUCLEUS FOR A COLLECTION OF NEW ISSUES.

THE very best way of starting a Collection of New Issues is to purchase these Sets, which contain all the stamps current in British Colonies at the date of our last importation. The list also includes a few other recent sets. Collectors requiring particular watermarks or perforations are referred to our Quotations Supplement. All Sets are guaranteed in mint well-centred condition.

	Face Value.	Sale Price.		Face Value.	Sale Price.	
1 Aitutaki (on N.Z.), 1/2d., 1d., 2 1/2d., 3d., 6d., 1/- .. ..	6	2/1	2/5 1/2	140 Queensland, 1/2d., 1d., 2d., 2 1/2d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 9d., 1/- ..	10	3/9
2 Antigua (Arms), 1/2d., 1d., 2d., 2 1/2d., 3 1/2d., 4d., 1/- .. ..	7	2/3	2/7 1/2	143 St. Helena (King), 1/2d., 2 1/2d., 4d., 6d. .. ..	4	1/1
3 Austral. Cmnwlth, Postage Due, 1/2, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 10d., 1/- ..	10	4/3 1/2	—	144 " (Pictorial), 1/2d., 1d., 2d., 8d., 1/- .. ..	5	1/11 1/2
6 Bahamas (Staircase), 1d., 5d. .. ..	2	0/6	0/7	145 St. Kitts-Nevis (Pict.), 1/2d., 1d., 2d., 2 1/2d., 3d., 6d., 1/- ..	7	2/3
7 " (King), 1/2d., 1d., 2 1/2d., 4d., 6d., 1/- .. ..	6	2/2	2/6 1/2	146 St. Lucia (King), 1/2d., 1d., 2 1/2d., 3d., 6d., 1/- .. ..	6	2/1
8 Barbados (Arms), 1/2d., 1d., 2d., 2 1/2d., 5d., 6d., 8d., 10d. ..	9	2/11 1/2	3/5	147 St. Vincent (King), 6d., 1/- .. ..	2	1/6
9 " (Nelson), 1/2d., 1d., 2 1/2d., 6d., 1/- .. ..	6	1/10 1/2	—	148 " (Pict.), 1/2d., 1d., 2d., 2 1/2d., 3d. .. ..	5	0/9
10 Bechuanaland (on G.B. King), 1/2d., 1d., 2 1/2d. .. ..	3	0/4	0/5	150 Sarawak, 1, 2, 3, 4, 8, 10, 12, 16, 20, 25, 50c. .. ..	11	3/6
11 Bermuda (Dock), 1/2d., 1d., 2d., 2 1/2d., 3d. .. ..	5	0/9	0/10 1/2	151 Seychelles (King), 2, 3, 6, 12, 15, 18, 30, 45, 75 .. ..	9	2/9
13 British Guiana, 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 12, 24c. .. ..	7	2/3	2/7 1/2	152 Sierra Leone (King), 1/2d., 1d., 1 1/2d., 2d., 2 1/2d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 1/- ..	10	3/1 1/2
14 British Honduras (King), 1, 2, 5, 10, 20, 25c. .. ..	6	2/7 1/2	3/2	153 Solomon Is. (litho.), 1/2d., 1d., 2d., 2 1/2d., 5d., 6d., 1/- .. ..	7	2/5
15 British New Guinea, 1/2, 1, 2, 2 1/2, 4, 6d., 1/- .. ..	7	—	15/0	154 " (Engraved), 1/2d., 1d., 2d., 2 1/2d., 5d., 6d., 1/- .. ..	7	2/5
16 B.S.A. (Arms), 1/2d., 1d., 2d., 2 1/2d., 3d., 4d., 6d., 1/- ..	8	2/7	3/0	155 Somaliland (King), 1/2, 1, 2, 2 1/2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12a. .. ..	9	3/3
17 " (Victoria Falls), 1d., 2 1/2d., 5d., 1/- .. ..	4	1/8 1/2	2/0	156 " (King, O.H.M.S.), 1/2, 1a. .. ..	2	—
18 Brunei (on Labuan), complete set .. ..	12	—	50/0	157 " (Official), complete except 2a. KS. .. ..	14	—
19 " " set of ten, 1-30c. .. ..	10	—	30/0	158 S. Australia (small), 1/2d., 1d., 2d., 2 1/2d., 5d. .. ..	5	0/11
20 " " set of seven, 1-10c. .. ..	7	—	10/0	159 " (large), 3d., 4d., 6d., 8d., 9d., 10d., 1/- .. ..	7	4/4
21 Brunei (View), 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 10, 25, 30, 50c. .. ..	10	3/3	—	161 S. Nigeria (King), 1/2d., 1d., 2d., 2 1/2d., 4d., 6d., 1/- .. ..	7	2/4
27 Canada (King), 1, 2, 5, 7, 10, 20c. .. ..	6	1/10 1/2	2/2 1/2	162 Straits (King), 1, 3, 4, 5, 8, 10, 25, 30, 50c. .. ..	9	3/3
28 " (Dues) 1, 2, 5c. .. ..	3	0/4	0/5	164 Sudan (Camel), 1, 2, 3, 4, 5m., 1, 2, 5pi. .. ..	8	1/11 1/2
29 " (Quebec), 1/2, 1, 2, 5, 7, 10, 15, 20c. .. ..	8	2/6 1/2	—	165 " (O.S.G.S.), 1, 3, 5m., 1, 2, 5pi. .. ..	6	1/10 1/2
30 Cape Colony (King), 1/2d., 1d., 2d., 2 1/2d., 3d., 4d., 6d., 1/- ..	8	2/7	3/0	166 " (Army Service), 1, 2, 3, 5m., 2pi. .. ..	5	—
31 Cayman Islands, 1/2d., 1d., 1d., 2 1/2d., 3d., 4d., 1/- .. ..	7	1/11 1/2	—	171 Tasmania (Pict.), 1/2d., 1d., 2d., 2 1/2d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d. ..	8	2/0
32 Ceylon (King), 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 12, 15, 25, 30, 75c. .. ..	10	2/4 1/2	2/9 1/2	172 " (Queen), 1 1/2d., 8d., 9d., 1/- .. ..	4	2/6 1/2
33 Chamba (on India King), 1/2, 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12a. .. ..	9	3/0 1/2	3/7	174 Tonga (Pict.), 1/2d., 1d., 2d., 2 1/2d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 7 1/2d., 10d., 1/- ..	11	4/5 1/2
34 " (Service, King), 1/2, 1, 2, 4, 8a. .. ..	6	1/3 1/2	1/6 1/2	175 Transvaal (King), 1/2d., 1d., 2d., 2 1/2d., 3d., 4d., 6d., 1/- .. ..	8	2/7
35 Cook Islands, 1/2d., 1d., 1 1/2d., 2d., 2 1/2d., 5d., 6d., 10d., 1/- ..	9	3/4 1/2	3/11	176 " (Dues), 1/2d., 1d., 2d., 3d., 5d., 6d., 1/- .. ..	7	2/5 1/2
36 Cyprus (King), 1/2, 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 9 pi. .. ..	9	2/7 1/2	3/1	177 Trinidad (Britannia), 1/2d., 1d., 2d., 2 1/2d., 4d., 6d., 1/- .. ..	7	2/4
41 Dominica (View), 1/2d., 1d., 2d., 2 1/2d., 3d., 6d., 1/- .. ..	7	2/3	2/7 1/2	178 " (Dues, used), 1d., 2d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 8d., 1/- .. ..	8	3/5
43 E. Africa and Ug. (King), 1, 3, 6, 10, 12, 15, 25, 50, 75c. ..	9	2/7 1/2	3/1	179 Turks & Caicos Is. (Ship), 1/2d., 1d., 2d., 2 1/2d., 3d., 4d., 6d., 1/- ..	8	2/7
45 Falkland Islands (King), 1/2d., 1d., 2d., 2 1/2d., 6d., 1/- .. ..	6	2/0	2/4	185 Victoria, 1/2d., 1d., 2d., 2 1/2d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 9d., 1/- ..	10	3/9
46 Fiji Islands (King), 1/2d., 1d., 2d., 2 1/2d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 1/- ..	9	3/0	3/6	186 " (Dues), 1/2d., 1d., 2d. .. ..	3	0/3 1/2
50 Gambia (King), 1/2d., 1d., 2d., 2 1/2d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 7 1/2d., 10d., 1/-	11	4/5 1/2	—	187 Virgin Islands (King), 1/2d., 1d., 2d., 2 1/2d., 3d., 6d., 1/- .. ..	7	2/3
51 Gibraltar (King), 1/2d., 1d., 2d., 2 1/2d., 6d., 1/- .. ..	6	2/0	2/4	190 W. Australia (Swan), 1/2d., 1d., 2d., 2 1/2d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 8d., ..	12	5/3
52 Gold Coast (King), 1/2d., 1d., 2d., 2 1/2d., 3d., 6d., 1/- .. ..	7	2/3	—	9d., 10d., 1/- .. ..	—	—
53 Grenada (Ship), 1/2d., 1d., 2d., 2 1/2d., 3d., 6d., 1/- .. ..	7	2/3	2/7 1/2	195 Zanzibar, 3, 6, 12, 15, 25, 50c. .. ..	6	1/7 1/2
55 " (Dues), 1d., 2d., 3d. .. ..	3	0/6	—			
56 Gwalior (on India King), 1/2, 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12a. .. ..	9	3/0 1/2	3/7			
57 " (Service, King), 1/2, 1, 2, 4, 8a. .. ..	6	—	3/9			
61 Hong Kong (King), 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 8, 10, 12, 20, 30, 50c. .. ..	11	3/0	—			
64 India (King), 1/2, 1, 2, 2 1/2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12a. .. ..	10	3/3 1/2	3/10			
65 " (King, On H.M.S.), 1/2, 1, 2, 4, 8a., 1r. .. ..	7	—	6/6			
70 Jamaica (Queen), 3d., 4d., 6d., 1/- .. ..	4	2/1	—			
71 " (Arms), 1/2d., 1d., 2 1/2d., 5d. .. ..	4	0/9	—			
72 Jhind (on India, King), 1/2, 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12a. .. ..	9	3/0 1/2	—			
74 Johore (1904 Sultan), 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 10, 12, 15, 50c. .. ..	9	2/11	3/4			
78 Labuan (Crown), 1, 2, 3, 4, 8, 10, 12, 16, 18, 25 50c. .. ..	11	—	4/11			
79 " (surch. Straits), complete .. ..	11	—	35/0			
80 " " without 2c. .. ..	10	—	15/0			
81 " " " 1, 2c. .. ..	9	—	10/0			
83 Leeward Is. (King), 1/2d., 1d., 2d., 2 1/2d., 3d., 6d., 1/- ..	7	2/3	2/7 1/2			
84 Levant (on G.B., King), 1, 2, 4 pi. .. ..	3	1/2	1/4 1/2			
85 " ( " ), 1/2d., 1d., 1 1/2d., 2d., 2 1/2d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 1/- ..	10	3/1 1/2	3/8			
91 Malay States (Tiger), 1, 3, 4, 5, 8, 10, 20, 50c. .. ..	8	2/4 1/2	2/9 1/2			
92 Maldives (Minaret), 2, 3, 5, 10c. .. ..	4	0/6	—			
93 Malta (Pictorial), 1/2d., 4 1/2d., 5d. .. ..	3	0/9 1/2	—			
94 " (King), 1/2d., 1d., 2d., 2 1/2d., 3d., 4d., 1/- .. ..	7	2/1	2/5 1/2			
95 Mauritius (Arms), 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 12, 15, 25, 50c. .. ..	11	1/9	2/0 1/2			
96 " (Express), 15, 18c. .. ..	2	0/5 1/2	0/6			
98 Montserrat (Arms), 1/2d., 1d., 2d., 2 1/2d., 3d., 6d., 1/- ..	7	2/3	2/7 1/2			
100 Morocco (on G.B. King), 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 40, 50c., 1p. ..	8	1/9	2/0 1/2			
101 " " " 1/2d., 1d., 2d., 4d., 6d., 1/- .. ..	6	2/1 1/2	2/6			
105 Nabha (on India King), 1/2, 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12a. .. ..	9	3/0 1/2	3/7			
106 " (Service, King), 1/2, 1, 2, 4, 8a., 1r. .. ..	6	—	11/6			
107 Natal (King), 1/2d., 1d., 1 1/2d., 2d., 2 1/2d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 1/- ..	10	3/1 1/2	3/10 1/2			
109 Newfoundland (Cabot), 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 15, 24c. .. ..	7	3/3 1/2	3/10 1/2			
110 " (Royal Family), 1/2, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5c. .. ..	6	0/7 1/2	0/9			
111 N.S.W., 1/2d., 1d., 2d., 2 1/2d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 8d., 10d., 1/- ..	11	4/6	—			
115 N.Z., 1/2d., 1d., 1 1/2d., 2d., 2 1/2d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 8d., 9d., 1/- ..	12	4/6 1/2	5/3 1/2			
116 " (Dues), 1/2d., 1d., 2d. .. ..	3	0/3 1/2	—			
117 Niue (on N.Z.), 1/2d., 1d., 2 1/2d., 3d., 6d., 1/- .. ..	6	2/1	2/5 1/2			
119 N. Borneo (Brit. Prot.), 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 10, 12, 16, 18, 24c. ..	12	2/7	3/0			
121 N. Nigeria (King), 1/2d., 1d., 2d., 2 1/2d., 5d., 6d., 1/- .. ..	7	2/5	2/10			
123 Nyasaland (King), 1/2d., 1d., 3d., 4d., 6d., 1/- .. ..	6	2/2 1/2	2/7			
126 Orange River (King), 1/2d., 1d., 2d., 2 1/2d., 3d., 4d., 6d., 1/- ..	8	2/7	3/0			
131 Papua (large surch.), 1/2d., 1d., 2d., 2 1/2d., 4d., 6d., 1/- ..	7	—	25/0			
132 " (small surch.), 1/2d., 1d., 2d., 2 1/2d., 4d., 6d., 1/-, 2/6 ..	8	—	14/0			
133 " " " 1/2d., 1d., 2 1/2d., 4d., 6d. .. ..	5	1/2	1/4 1/2			
134 Patiala (on India King), 1/2, 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12a. .. ..	9	3/0 1/2	3/7			
135 " (Service, King), 1/2, 1, 2, 3, 4, 8a., 1r. .. ..	7	—	4/6			
136 Penrhyn (on N.Z.), 1/2d., 1d., 2 1/2d., 3d., 6d., 1/- .. ..	6	2/1	2/5 1/2			

## Miscellaneous Sets.

1285 Switzerland, new 5, 10c. .. ..	1 1/2d.	2d.
1412 " " 5c. .. ..	1/2d.	1d.
1370 China, 16c. green. mint (block 1/8) .. ..	4d.	5d.
1275 " 5c. lilac, mint ( " 6d.) .. ..	1 1/2d.	1 1/2d.
1221 Egypt OHMS, 1, 2, 3, 5m., 1 5 pi. .. ..	—	3/6
1287 Nepal, New Issue, mint set of four .. ..	—	9d.
1322 Austrian Levant, 10, 20 paras, Jubilee .. ..	1 1/2d.	2d.
1219 " Java " on D. E. Indies, complete 1c. to 2 1/2g. ..	9/0	10/9
(Blocks of four, mint 43/-)		
1325 " Suiten Bezit " on D. E. Indies 1c. to 1g. .. ..	4/10	5/11
201 Australian Commonwealth, Postage Dues, Melbourne paper (rare), 1d., 2d., 4d., 6d., mint .. ..	—	4/6
202 Barbados, 1d. on 2d. K.R.F. complete set of 6 varieties, (3 inverted surcharge) .. ..	—	7/6
203 Ceylon King, On Service, complete set of 6 .. ..	—	35/0
1331 Somaliland " Service " on India, error dropped E, 1/2, 1, 2as. mint .. ..	—	20/0
1334 " wrong fount " Service, 1/2, 1, 2as. mint .. ..	—	6/6
1335 " no I in " British " 1/2, 1as. mint .. ..	—	10/0
204 Brunei, complete 1st Issue, used .. ..	—	50/0
205 " " " mint blocks of four .. ..	—	200/0
206 " 1st issue, used, 1c. to 50c. .. ..	—	35/0
207 Straits on Labuan, 3c. to \$1, used, fine .. ..	—	15/0
208 " complete, 1c. to \$1 used .. ..	—	35/0
209 Morocco on G.B., 3, 6, 12 pes. on 2/6, 5/-, 10/-, K., used, v.f. .. ..	—	15/0
210 N.Z. Official, complete 1/2d. to 5/-, used, fine .. ..	—	60/0
211 Sudan, Army, entire pane of 30 with 3 errors .. ..	—	25/0
1165 Somali, Queen, 1/2a. surcharge at top, mint .. ..	—	2d.
1174 " " 1a. " " " .. ..	—	4d.
1328 Austrian Levant, Post Due, 1/2 pi. to 5 pi., set of 6. mint .. ..	—	2/0
1339 Luxemburg, 1908 issue, mint set of 14 .. ..	—	3/0
1349 " 30, 87 1/2c. 1fr., mint .. ..	—	2/2
1344 German Levant, 5, 10, 25, 50, 100c., mint .. ..	—	1/9
1345 Fr. Madagascar, 1908, 1c. to 1fr. set of 14 .. ..	—	4/2
1351 " " 2, 5fr., mint .. ..	—	6/7
1348 " " Post Due, mint set of 8 .. ..	—	2/2
1346 Italian Levant, 10, 20, 40, 80 para, mint .. ..	—	9d.
1359 Tunis, set of 4 surcharged (1908) .. ..	—	1/6
1356 Italian Levant, 30 para, and 4 pi. .. ..	—	11d.
1357 " " 20 piastres .. ..	—	3/11
1361 Iceland, 15 aur, Ordinary, 15 aur, Official .. ..	—	5d.

### Special Offers.

#### BRITISH SOUTH AFRICA.

1905, Victoria Falls, postally used, fine 1d. red 2d., 2 1/2d. blue 4d., 5d. rose 8d., 1/- green 1/6, 2/6 black 3/9, 5/- lilac 7/6.

#### ANTIGUA.

1903, large Arms design:—1/2d. green and black 1d., 1d. red and black 1d., 2d. brown and lilac 4d., 3d. brown and green 5d., 6d. black and lilac 9d., 1/- lilac and blue 1/6, 2/- lilac and green 2/9, 2/6 lilac and black 3/6, 5/- lilac and green 7/6, and 2 1/2d. all blue 4d.

#### LEEWARD ISLANDS.

1902, King's Head, used, 2d. lilac and yellow 4d., 2 1/2d. lilac and blue 4d., 3d. lilac and black 5d., 6d. lilac and brown 9d., 1/- green and rose 1/6, 2/6 green and black 3/9, 5/- green and blue 7/-.

#### CUBA (U.S.A.)

1899, complete mint set of six values, 1c. to 50c., only 3/9. Used on piece of original, the 1, 2 and 10c. (2c. slightly torn), price 2d. 50c. grey, mint, 2/5 each.

#### DUTCH EAST INDIES.

1908, new value, used, 7 1/2c. grey, 2d.

#### CONFEDERATE STATES.

1861, mint, 2c. green 6/-, 5c. green 1/6, 5c. blue 1/6, 10c. blue 5/-, without postage, 5c. blue 4d.  
1863, 2c. red 8d., 10c. blue 2d., 20c. green 4d., 10c. blue, very fine used (rare), only 8d.

### Approval Sheets.

A Fine Selection of Approval Sheets of all Countries, both new and old issues, now ready. Complete list free on application.





**New Issues.**

DISTRIBUTION No. 404, 6.11.08.

Australian Commonwealth.

Postage Due.

AU av 1/4d. Melbourne paper, wmk. Crown, double-lined A.

(This is a very scarce stamp and as yet we have secured very few).

Papua on British N. Guinea.

Variety inverted "d."

PP bm 4d., small surcharge, wmk. narrow rosettes, on thin paper.

Holland.

HO ag\* 20c., yellow-green and grey.

Danish West Indies.

DW ah 15 bit, new design.

ai 30 " " We have a sufficient further supply of the 15 and 30 bit on order, in order to complete the service at an early date, also the 40 bit.

Ceylon.

CE ap† 5c. King, wmk. CA multiple, on ordinary paper, value in figures.

aq† 6c. King, wmk. CA multiple, on ordinary paper, value in figures.

Straits Settlements.

ST be† 10c. King, multiple wmk., on chalky paper, lilac on yellow.

Sierra Leone.

SI an† 4d. King, multiple wmk., chalky paper, new shade.

**Correspondence.**

Mr. H. H. Harland writes:—

"I will be greatly obliged if you will advise me the date of the last reference in your paper referring to the G.B. Crown Error of watermark, plate 92, &c. I have the paper complete, but unbound, and on looking through last evening, failed to find, and my memory does not serve me sufficiently to be sure of the latest find in the

variety which I am now anxious to fix. I remember several mentioned. One date or number will be quite sufficient, as the check letters will easily find the rest."

[The notes on the Crown error of watermark are not indexed separately. We find:—

Under Line-Engraved Stamps.

T 396 Discovery of 1d. plate 78, error, unused.

Under Errors of Watermark.

L 263 List to date.

K 258 " " and estimate of value.

J 232, I 229, H 227, G 226, F 225, etc.

—Ed., E.W.S.N.]

**LUXEMBURG.**

1c. to 1fr., 1908 issue, mint set of 14, 3/-; blocks, 12/-.

**CAYMAN Is.**

1/2, 1, 2 1/2, 6d., 1/-, King, single wmk., mint set of five, 13/-; blocks, 52/-.  
1/- bi-col., multiple wmk., mint, 5/-.

**HONG KONG.**

5c. King, multiple chalky, dark shade, mint 2d.  
8c. King, multiple chalky, pair with plate and sheet No. L095, mint 1/-.  
20c. KN, plate and sheet-number L759, and L160, mint pairs 1/6.

Surcharged Dutch Indies.

**"JAVA" and "BUITEN BEZIT."**

Complete set of 15 Java (1/2c. to 2 1/2gd.) and set of 14 Buiten Bezit (1/2c. to 1gd.), mint 16/8.

**INDIA.**

1a. King, O.H.M.S., Postage and Revenue, mint 3d.; block 1/-.

**ITALIAN LEVANT.**

10, 20, 40, 80 paras, 1908 issue, mint set 9d.  
30 para and 4pi., mint set of two, 11d.  
30pi., mint 3/11.

**BRITISH NEW GUINEA.**

1/2, 1, 2, 2 1/2, 4, 6d., 1/-, watermark, narrow rosettes, thick white paper, early impressions, mint set of seven, 15/-; blocks 60/-.

**Our Prize Competitions.**

Result week ending 14th November, 1908.

	NEW ISSUE COMPETITION		OLD ISSUE COMPETITION		
	I. Europe and Colonies		II. Rest of World	III. Gt. Britain and Colonies	
1st	JE - 88	WB *113	RW 102*	JO *329	
2nd	Mrs.G 86	JL - 90	JW - 80	JB - 310	
3rd	WP - 81	CM - 90	HS - 67	JF - 202	
4th	CM - 47	FS - 86	PB - 63	JE - 179	
5th	JL - 32	AD - 58	ES - 56	WB - 98	
6th	Mrs.H 30	WM 49	ED - 52	GP - 86	
7th	NC - 28	JH - 36	JF - 47	CM - 81	
8th	EM - 23	SH - 29	JP - 42	ES - 66	
9th	WJ - 22	FC - 26	JD - 41	SR - 64	
10th	WP - 21	HW - 25	WP - 19	JR - 60	

\* Prize albums were despatched on Monday last.

**CONDITIONS.**

- The prizes are the following albums:—  
"Our Own Times," specially arranged for King's Heads and current issues (sale price, 12/6).  
"Good Old Times." Part I., Great Britain and Colonies; part II., Europe and Colonies; part III., Rest of the World. Arranged for collectors on simplified lines, without watermarks, perforations, etc. (The set of three albums can be supplied immediately for 37/6 cash, or 12/6 each, post free).
- The prize in each of the four competitions is awarded to the competitor who has purchased from our approval sheets the most stamps up to the end of each week, non-winners' totals being carried forward. The minimum number entitling to a prize is 100.
- Stamps purchased from our Current Issue Sheets count in the New Issue Competition only, whilst stamps purchased from our Old Issue Sheets count in the Old Issue Competition only.
- The "Rest of World" Competition is only open to winners of "Europe and Colonies," and the "Great Britain and Colonies" to winners of the other two.

**EDITORIAL COMPETITION.**

The competitor who sends us the most interesting item of information for our New Issue column each week will be credited 2/6, which may be selected from any of our approval sheets. From time to time we shall voluntarily increase the prize.

Award this week.

RK for note on Holland (2/6).

**Cheap Sets of Foreign, Chiefly Used.**

These Sets contain good copies only, and are arranged according to our simplified catalogue. They are recommended to specialists of British Colonials who do not wish to entirely lose sight of the rest of the world.

Country	Cat.	Our Price	Country	Cat.	Our Price	Country	Cat.	Our Price
Argentine Republic—			Bosnia—			Dominican Republic—		
1858, Confederation .. 3	1/5	11d.	1879, Arms .. 9	1/11	10d.	1902, Oblong .. 7	2/2	1/1
1867, Arms .. 8	3/4	2/3	1900 .. 11	2/7	9d.	1901, Lilac centre .. 5	9d.	5d.
1884, Envelope .. 3	5d.	3d.	" High Values .. 2	1/7	1/2	1906, Black centre .. 4	8d.	5d.
1888, Portraits .. 8	2/8	1/9	1901, Arms .. 5	1/7	8d.	Denmark—		
1889, Corr. y. Tel. .. 12	2/2	1/3	1906, Pictorial .. 10	1/11	1/2	Small .. 2	2d.	1 1/2d.
1892, Portraits .. 9	11d.	5 1/2d.	Brazil—			1870, Figure .. 3	6d.	3 1/2d.
" Peso values .. 4	5/4	3/4	1844, Slanting fig. .. 3	7/6	4/6	1875, " .. 9	11d.	4d.
1899, Seated figure .. 15	2/0	1/2	1850, Upright fig. .. 4	1/4	1/2	1882, Arms .. 6	7d.	2d.
1902, Rosario .. 1	4d.	3d.	1894, Correio diag. .. 10	1/7	9d.	1904, Figure .. 5	5d.	2d.
1908, Head .. 2	—	1 1/2d.	1906, Small heads .. 7	2/4	9d.	" Head .. 6	2/4	1/4
Corrientes—			" 2000,5000r. .. 2	6/0	2/11	1907, " .. 6	2/2	11d.
1864, Head .. 3	6/0	4.0	Bulgaria—			D.W.I.—		
Austria—			1882, Lion .. 9	1/3	8d.	1855, Small .. 1	2/6	1/9
1850, Arms .. 3	4d.	1 1/2d.	1889, " .. 10	1/3	7d.	1873, Figure .. 5	1/4	11d.
1858, Head .. 3	4d.	2 1/2d.	1896, Dated .. 4	7d.	4d.	1901, Arms .. 3	9d.	3 1/2d.
1861, " .. 3	3d.	2d.	1902, Head .. 8	9d.	4d.	1905, Head .. 4	1/1	7d.
1863, Arms .. 3	3d.	1 1/2d.	1907, Large .. 3	7d.	6d.	Finland—		
1867, Head .. 5	5d.	2d.	Chile—			1875, Arms .. 6	1/1	5 1/2d.
1883, Figure .. 5	5d.	2d.	1867, Chile over Head 5	1/7	1/1	1890, " .. 6	8d.	3d.
1890, Head .. 13	1/10	7d.	1877, Cent. on fig. ... 4	9d.	7d.	1891, Russian .. 6	1/7	10 1/2d.
1891, " .. 4	4d.	1 1/2d.	1881, Cent. under fig. 10	2/7	1/6	1900, " .. 5	6d.	3 1/2d.
1900, " .. 15	2/0	6d.	1900, Large head .. 6	1/1	9d.	France—		
1904, " .. 14	2/11	6d.	1902, Small head .. 5	6d.	4d.	1849, Ceres .. 11	1/3	7d.
1906, " .. 4	4d.	2d.	1906, Bare head .. 4	4d.	2d.	1853, Head .. 5	6d.	2 1/2d.
1908 Jubilee .. 10	—	9d.	" Black head .. 5	1/8	8 1/2d.	1863, Laureated .. 7	11d.	4 1/2d.
Austr. F.P.O.—			China—			1876, Figures .. 26	3/5	1/5
1850, Arms .. 3	5d.	3d.	1871, Dragon .. 3	8/0	3/9	1900, Figure .. 5	5d.	1d.
1903, Head .. 5	1/3	5d.	1885, Smaller .. 3	11d.	7 1/2d.	" Droits .. 10	1/1	4d.
1908, Jubilee .. 2	—	2d.	1898, Ch. Imp. .. 9	1/9	1/4	" Large .. 5	10d.	4d.
Bavaria—			Colombia—			1903, Semeuse .. 5	5d.	1d.
1849, Square .. 5	7d.	5d.	1902, Arms .. 9	1/7	10d.	1906, " .. 6	10d.	3d.
1874, Large .. 2	3d.	1 1/2d.	1900/2, Control marked 8	10d.	8d.	French F.P.O.—		
" Small .. 15	1/4	7d.	Congo Free State—			1902, various .. 9	1/3	6d.
Belgium—			1894, Pictorial .. 8	2/5	1/7	Fr. Col.—		
1850, Head .. 2	2d.	1d.	Corea—			1881, Seated Fig. .. 9	1/1	7d.
1869, Figure .. 6	6d.	1 1/2d.	1900, Small .. 3	4d.	3 1/2d.	1892, Two Fig. .. 9	1/3	10d.
" Head .. 5	11d.	5d.	1903, Long .. 4	3/7	2/11	Diego Suarez—		
1884, Head .. 6	11d.	7d.	Costa Rica—			1890, " .. 4	8/6	5/0
1893, Sunday .. 10	11d.	3d.	1862, Two Oceans .. 2	2d.	2d.	French Congo—		
1894, Antwerp .. 3	8d.	5d.	1892, Arms .. 10	6/4	1/11	1900, Pictorial .. 11	2/10	2/3
1897, Brussels .. 2	3d.	1d.	1901, Bi-coloured .. 5	5d.	4d.	Fr. Guiana—		
1905, Sunday .. 4	4d.	2d.	Crete—			1904, Pictorial .. 11	2/5	1/11
Bolivia—			1899, Arms .. 2	4/6	2/9	Fr. Guinea—		
1866, Eagle .. 3	4/4	3/6	" Trident .. 2	2/0	1/9	1904, Pictorial .. 11	2/11	2/5
1867, Arms .. 7	1/9	1/1	1900, Various .. 6	1/0	6d.	Fr. Somali—		
1878, Open book .. 3	2/5	1/9	1905, " .. 6	1/3	10d.	1902, Pictorial .. 21	7/4	6/0
1894, Arms .. 7	1/9	9d.	Dominican Republic—			Fr. Senegal—		
1897, Large .. 7	4/8	2/4	1885, Arms .. 3	6d.	4d.	1906, Pictorial .. 14	5/0	3/11
1899, Portrait .. 6	9d.	7d.	1899, 1/2c. blk. .. 2	8/0	3/6	Guadeloupe—		
1901, " .. 3	6d.	2 1/2d.				1905, Pictorial .. 11	3/2	2/1



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	Face Value.	Sale Price.		Face Value.	Sale Price.
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2 Antigua (Arms), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/-	7	2/3	143 St. Helena (King), ½d., 2½d., 4d., 6d.	4	1/1
3 Austral. Cmnwlth, Postage Due, ½, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 10d., 1/-	10	4/3½	144 " (Pictorial), ½d., 1d., 2d., 8d., 1/-	5	1/11½
6 Bahamas (Staircase), 1d., 5d.	2	0/6	145 St. Kitts-Nevis (Pict.), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/-	7	2/3
7 " (King), ½d., 1d., 2½d., 4d., 6d., 1/-	6	2/2	146 St. Lucia (King), ½d., 1d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/-	6	2/1
8 Barbados (Arms), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 5d., 6d., 8d., 10d.	9	2/11½	147 St. Vincent (King), 6d., 1/-	2	1/6
9 " (Nelson), ½d., 1d., 2½d., 6d., 1/-	6	1/10½	148 " (Pict.), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d.	5	0/9
10 Bechuanaland (on G.B. King), ½d., 1d., 2½d.	3	0/4	150 Sarawak, 1, 2, 4, 8, 10, 12, 16, 20, 25, 50c.	10	3/5
11 Bermuda (Dock), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d.	5	0/9	151 Seychelles (King), 2, 3, 6, 12, 15, 18, 30, 45, 75	9	2/9
13 British Guiana, 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 12, 24c.	7	2/3	152 Sierra Leone (King), ½d., 1d., 1½d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 1/-	10	3/1½
14 British Honduras (King), 1, 2, 5, 10, 20, 25c.	6	2/7½	153 Solomon Is. (litho.), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 5d., 6d., 1/-	7	2/5
15 British New Guinea, ½, 1, 2, 2½, 4, 6d., 1/-	7	—	154 " (Engraved), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 5d., 6d., 1/-	7	2/5
16 B.S.A. (Arms), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 6d., 1/-	8	2/7	155 Somaliland (King), ½, 1, 2, 2½, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12a.	9	3/3
17 " (Victoria Falls), 1d., 2½d., 5d., 1/-	4	1/8½	156 " (King, O.H.M.S.), ½, 1a.	2	—
18 Brunei (on Labuan), complete set	12	—	157 " (Official), complete except 2a. KS.	14	—
19 " " set of ten, 1-30c.	10	—	158 S. Australia (small), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 5d.	5	0/11
20 " " set of seven, 1-10c.	7	—	159 " (large), 3d., 4d., 6d., 8d., 9d., 10d., 1/-	7	4/4
21 Brunei (View), 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 10, 25, 30, 50c.	10	3/3	161 S. Nigeria (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 4d., 6d., 1/-	7	2/4
27 Canada (King), 1, 2, 5, 7, 10, 20c.	6	1/10½	162 Straits (King), 1, 3, 4, 5, 8, 10, 25, 30, 50c.	9	3/3
28 " (Dues) 1, 2, 5c.	3	0/4	164 Sudan (Camel), 1, 2, 3, 4, 5m., 1, 2, 5pi.	8	1/11½
29 " (Quebec), ½, 1, 2, 5, 7, 10, 15, 20c.	8	2/6½	165 " (O.S.G.S.), 1, 3, 5m., 1, 2, 5pi.	6	1/10½
30 Cape Colony (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 6d., 1/-	8	2/7	166 " (Army Service), 1, 2, 3, 5m., 2pi.	5	—
31 Cayman Islands, ½d., 1d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 1/-	7	1/11½	171 Tasmania (Pict.), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d.	8	2/0
32 Ceylon (King), 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 12, 15, 25, 30, 75c.	10	2/4½	172 " (Queen), 1½d., 8d., 9d., 1/-	4	2/6½
33 Chamba (on India King), ½, 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12a.	9	3/0½	174 Tonga (Pict.), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 7½d., 10d., 1/-	11	4/5½
34 " (Service, King), ½, 1, 2, 4, 8a.	6	1/3½	175 Transvaal (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 6d., 1/-	8	2/7
35 Cook Islands, ½d., 1d., 1½d., 2d., 2½d., 5d., 6d., 10d., 1/-	9	3/4½	176 " (Dues), ½d., 1d., 2d., 3d., 5d., 6d., 1/-	7	2/5½
36 Cyprus (King), ½, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 9 pi.	9	2/7½	177 Trinidad (Britannia), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 4d., 6d., 1/-	7	2/4
41 Dominica (View), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/-	7	2/3	178 " (Dues, used), 1d., 2d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 8d., 1/-	8	3/5
43 E. Africa and Ug. (King), 1, 3, 6, 10, 12, 15, 25, 50, 75c.	9	2/7½	179 Turks & Caicos Is. (Ship), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 6d., 1/-	8	2/7
45 Falkland Islands (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 6d., 1/-	6	2/0	185 Victoria, ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 9d., 1/-	10	3/9
46 Fiji Islands (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 1/-	9	3/0	186 " (Dues), ½d., 1d., 2d.	3	0/3½
50 Gambia (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 7½d., 10d., 1/-	11	4/5½	187 Virgin Islands (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/-	7	2/3
51 Gibraltar (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 6d., 1/-	6	2/0	190 W. Australia (Swan), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 8d., 9d., 10d., 1/-	12	5/3
52 Gold Coast (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/-	7	2/3	195 Zanzibar, 3, 6, 12, 15, 25, 50c.	6	1/7½
53 Grenada (Ship), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/-	7	2/3			
55 " (Dues), 1d., 2d., 3d.	3	0/6			
56 Gwalior (on India King), ½, 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12a.	9	3/0½			
57 " (Service, King), ½, 1, 2, 4, 8a.	6	—			
61 Hong Kong (King), 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 8, 10, 12, 20, 30, 50c.	11	3/0			
64 India (King), ½, 1, 2, 2½, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12a.	10	3/3½			
65 " (King, On H.M.S.), ½, 1, 2, 4, 8a., 1r.	7	—			
70 Jamaica (Queen), 3d., 4d., 6d., 1/-	4	2/1			
71 " (Arms), ½d., 1d., 2½d., 5d.	4	0/9			
72 Jhind (on India King), ½, 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12a.	9	3/0½			
74 Johore (1904 Sultan), 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 10, 25, 50c.	9	2/11			
78 Labuan (Crown), 1, 2, 3, 4, 8, 10, 12, 16, 18, 25, 50c.	11	—			
79 " (surch. Straits), complete	11	—			
80 " " without 2c.	10	—			
81 " " 1, 2c.	9	—			
83 Leeward Is. (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/-	7	2/3			
84 Levant (on G.B., King), 1, 2, 4 pi.	3	1/2			
85 " ( ), ½d., 1d., 1½d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 1/-	10	3/1½			
91 Malay States (Tiger), 1, 3, 4, 5, 8, 10, 20, 50c.	8	2/4½			
92 Maldives (Minaret), 2, 3, 5, 10c.	4	0/6			
93 Malta (Pictorial), ½d., 4½d., 5d.	3	0/9½			
94 " (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 1/-	7	2/1			
95 Mauritius (Arms), 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 12, 15, 25, 50c.	11	1/9			
96 " (Express), 15, 18c.	2	0/5½			
98 Montserrat (Arms), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/-	7	2/3			
100 Morocco (on G.B. King), 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 40, 50c., 1p.	8	1/9			
101 " " ½d., 1d., 2d., 4d., 6d., 1/-	6	2/1½			
105 Nabha (on India King), ½, 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12a.	9	3/0½			
106 " (Service, King), ½, 1, 2, 4, 8a., 1r.	6	—			
107 Natal (King), ½d., 1d., 1½d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 1/-	10	3/1½			
109 Newfoundland (Cabot), 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 15, 24c.	7	3/1½			
110 " (Royal Family), ½, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5c.	6	0/7½			
111 N.S.W., ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 8d., 10d., 1/-	11	4/6			
115 N.Z., ½d., 1d., 1½d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 8d., 9d., 1/-	12	4/8½			
116 " (Dues), ½d., 1d., 2d.	3	0/3½			
117 Niue (on N.Z.), ½d., 1d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/-	6	2/1			
119 N. Borneo (Brit. Prot.), 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 10, 12, 16, 18, 24c.	12	2/7			
121 N. Nigeria (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 5d., 6d., 1/-	7	2/5			
123 Nyasaland (King), ½d., 1d., 3d., 4d., 6d., 1/-	6	2/2½			
126 Orange River (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 6d., 1/-	8	2/7			
131 Papua (large surch.), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 4d., 6d., 1/-	7	—			
132 " (small surch.), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 4d., 6d., 1/-, 2/6	8	—			
133 " " ½d., 1d., 2½d., 4d., 6d.	5	1/2			
134 Patiala (on India King), ½, 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12a.	9	3/0½			
135 " (Service, King), ½, 1, 2, 3, 4, 8a., 1r.	7	—			
136 Penrhyn (on N.Z.), ½d., 1d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/-	6	2/1			

## Miscellaneous Sets.

1285 Switzerland, new 5, 10c.	..	..	1½d.	2d.
1412 " " 5c.	..	..	½d.	1d.
1370 China, 16c. green, mint (block 1/8)	..	..	4d.	5d.
1275 " 5c. lilac, mint ( " 6d.)	..	..	1½d.	1½d.
1221 Egypt OHMS, 1, 2, 3, 5m., 1 5 pi.	..	..	—	3/6
1287 Nepal, New Issue, mint set of four	..	..	—	9d.
1322 Austrian Levant, 10, 20 paras, Jubilee	..	..	1½d.	2d.
1219 " Java " on D. E. Indies, complete 1c. to 2½g.	..	..	9/0	10/9
(Blocks of four, mint 43/-)				
1325 " Buiten Beitz " on D. E. Indies 1c. to 1g.	..	..	4/10	5/11
201 Australian Commonwealth, Postage Dues, Melbourne paper (rare), 1d., 2d., 4d., 6d., mint	..	..	—	4/6
202 Barbados, 1d. on 2d. K.R.F. complete set of 6 varieties, (3 inverted surcharge)	..	..	—	7/6
203 Ceylon King, On Service, complete set of 6	..	..	—	35/0
1331 Somaliland " Service " on India, error dropped E, ½, 1, 2as. mint	..	..	—	30/0
1334 " wrong fount " Service, " ½, 1, 2as. mint	..	..	—	15/0
1335 " no I in " British " ½, 1, 2as. mint	..	..	—	30/0
204 Brunei, complete 1st Issue, used	..	..	—	50/0
205 " " mint blocks of four	..	..	—	200/0
206 " 1st issue, used, 1c. to 50c.	..	..	—	35/0
207 Straits on Labuan, 3c. to 1r., used, fine	..	..	—	15/0
208 " complete, 1c. to 1r. used	..	..	—	35/0
209 Morocco on G.B., 3, 6, 12 pes. on 2/6, 5/-, 10/-, K., used, v.f.	..	..	—	15/0
210 N.Z. Official, complete 4d. to 5/-, used, fine	..	..	—	60/0
211 Sudan, Army, entire pane of 30 with 3 errors	..	..	—	25/0
1165 Somali, Queen, ½a. surcharge at top, mint	..	..	—	2d.
1174 " " 1a.	..	..	—	4d.
1328 Austrian Levant, Post Due, ½ pi. to 5 pi., set of 6, mint	..	..	—	2/0
1339 Luxemburg, 1908 issue, mint set of 14	..	..	—	3/0
1349 " 30, 87½c. 1fr., mint	..	..	—	2/2
1344 German Levant, 5, 10, 25, 50, 100c., mint	..	..	—	1/9
1345 Fr. Madagascar, 1908, 1c. to 1fr. set of 14	..	..	—	4/2
1351 " " 2, 5fr., mint	..	..	—	6/7
1348 " Post Due, mint set of 8	..	..	—	2/2
1346 Italian Levant, 10, 20, 40, 80 para, mint	..	..	—	9d.
1359 Tunis, set of 4 surcharged (1908)	..	..	—	1/6
1356 Italian Levant, 30 para, and 4 pi.	..	..	—	11d.
1357 " " 20 piastres	..	..	—	3/11
1361 Iceland, 15 aur, Ordinary, 15 aur, Official	..	..	—	5d.

## Special Offers.

### ANTIGUA.

1903, large Arms design:—½d. green and black 1d., 1d. red and black 1d., 2d. brown and lilac 4d., 3d. brown and green 5d., 6d. black and lilac 9d., 1/- lilac and blue 1/6, 2/- lilac and green 2/9, 2/6 lilac and black 3/6, 5/- lilac and green 7/6, and 2½d. all blue 4d.

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1901, Pictorial, Queen's Staircase, used, 1d. red, 2d.; 5d. orange and grey, 8d.; 2/- blue and grey, 2/8; 3/- green and grey, 4/-.

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1902, King's Head used, ½d. green, 1d.; 1d. red, 1d.; 4d. yellow, 6d.; 6d. brown, 9d.; 1/- grey and rose, 1/6; 5/- lilac and blue, 7/-.

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**FRENCH FOREIGN P.O.** (478 W 479).—Messrs. Th. Champion & Co. deny that the French Government has any intention of reprinting the French Zanzibar stamps and it would seem that the story was originated with the intention of injuring those holding the stamps.

**MARTINIQUE** (A 479).—The *Timbrophile de France* states that a pictorial issue is about to appear here.

**ST. PIERRE & MIQUELON** (A 479).—The *Timbrophile de France* states that a pictorial issue is about to appear here.

**SIAM** (477 T 479).—The Colonial Stamp Market has shown us the third of the three provisionals recently announced.



*Adhesive.*  
9 atts on 10 atts, blue (150,000 printed).  
Issued 21.10.08. There do not appear to be any minor varieties.

**Our Prize Competitions.**  
Result week ending 21st November, 1908.

NEW ISSUE COMPETITION		OLD ISSUE COMPETITION		
		I. Europe and Colonies	II. Rest of World	III. Gr. Britain and Colonies
1st	Mrs. G*104	CM *100	JW *100	JB *310
2nd	WP - 104	JL - 90	HS - 85	JF - 202
3rd	JE - 88	FS - 89	ES - 75	JE - 179
4th	CM - 56	WM - 64	ED - 75	CM - 161
5th	JL - 32	AD - 58	PB - 63	WB - 111
6th	NC - 30	HW - 38	JF - 47	GP - 92
7th	EM - 23	JH - 36	JP - 42	ES - 66
8th	WJ - 22	FC - 30	JD - 41	SR - 64
9th	WP - 21	SH - 29	WP - 19	JR - 60
10th	RH - 19	JL - 22	HB - 8	GA - 46

\* Prize albums were despatched on Monday last.

**CONDITIONS.**

- The prizes are the following albums:—  
"Our Own Times," specially arranged for King's Heads and current issues (sale price, 12/6).  
"Good Old Times." Part I., Great Britain and Colonies; part II., Europe and Colonies; part III., Rest of the World. Arranged for collectors on simplified lines, without water-marks, perforations, etc. (The set of three albums can be supplied immediately for 37/6 cash, or 12/6 each, post free).
- The prize in each of the four competitions is awarded to the competitor who has purchased from our approval sheets the most stamps up to the end of each week, non-winners' totals being carried forward. The minimum number entitling to a prize is 100.
- Stamps purchased from our Current Issue Sheets count in the New Issue Competition only, whilst stamps purchased from our Old Issue Sheets count in the Old Issue Competition only.
- The "Rest of World" Competition is only open to winners of "Europe and Colonies," and the "Great Britain and Colonies" to winners of the other two.

**EDITORIAL COMPETITION.**

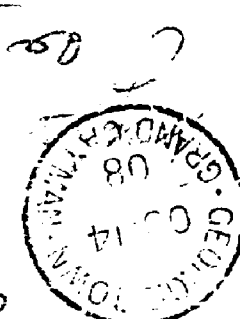
The competitor who sends us the most interesting item of information for our New Issue column each week will be credited 2/6, which may be selected from any of our approval sheets. From time to time we shall voluntarily increase the prize.

*Award this week.*

FA for note on Crete (2/6).

**Latest from the Cayman Islands!**

All the 1/4d. stamps having been bought up, the Postmaster writes "Pd. 1/4d." on the letters in red ink or blue chalk, with his initials, and then postmarks same.



*Mr Leslie Lee*  
*Georgetown*  
*Grand Cayman*

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<b>Austria—</b> 1850, Arms .. 3 4d. 1 1/2d. 1858, Head .. 3 4d. 2 1/2d. 1861 " .. 3 3d. 2d. 1863, Arms .. 3 3d. 1 1/2d. 1867, Head .. 5 5d. 2d. 1883, Figure .. 5 5d. 2d. 1890, Head .. 13 1/10 7d. 1891 " .. 4 4d. 1 1/2d. 1900 " .. 15 2/0 6d. 1904 " .. 14 2/11 6d. 1906 " .. 4 5d. 2d. 1908, Jubilee .. 10 — 9d.	<b>China—</b> 1871, Dragon .. 3 8/0 3/9 1885, Smaller .. 3 11d. 7 1/2d. 1898, Ch. Imp. .. 9 1/9 1/4	<b>France—</b> 1849, Ceres .. 11 1/3 7d. 1853, Head .. 5 6d. 2 1/2d. 1863, Laureated .. 7 11d. 4 1/2d. 1876, Figures .. 26 3/5 1/5 1900, Figure .. 5 5d. 1d. " Droits .. 10 1/1 4d. " Large .. 5 10d. 4d. 1903, Semeuse .. 5 5d. 1d. 1906 " .. 6 10d. 3d.	<b>Finland—</b> 1875, Arms .. 6 1/1 5 1/2d. 1890 " .. 6 8d. 3d. 1891, Russian .. 6 1/7 10 1/2d. 1900, " .. 5 6d. 3 1/2d.	<b>Germany—</b> 1875, Arms .. 8 8d. 2d. 1889 " .. 7 7d. 1 1/2d. 1900, Germania .. 10 10d. 2 1/2d. " High Values .. 2 4d. 2d. 1902, Germania .. 10 10d. 2d. " High Values .. 3 7d. 3 1/2d.
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		<b>France—</b> 1849, Ceres .. 11 1/3 7d. 1853, Head .. 5 6d. 2 1/2d. 1863, Laureated .. 7 11d. 4 1/2d. 1876, Figures .. 26 3/5 1/5 1900, Figure .. 5 5d. 1d. " Droits .. 10 1/1 4d. " Large .. 5 10d. 4d. 1903, Semeuse .. 5 5d. 1d. 1906 " .. 6 10d. 3d.	<b>Fr. Senegal—</b> 1906, Pictorial .. 14 5/0 3/11	<b>Hungary—</b> 1874, Envelope .. 5 5d. 2d.
		<b>France—</b> 1849, Ceres .. 11 1/3 7d. 1853, Head .. 5 6d. 2 1/2d. 1863, Laureated .. 7 11d. 4 1/2d. 1876, Figures .. 26 3/5 1/5 1900, Figure .. 5 5d. 1d. " Droits .. 10 1/1 4d. " Large .. 5 10d. 4d. 1903, Semeuse .. 5 5d. 1d. 1906 " .. 6 10d. 3d.	<b>Guadeloupe—</b> 1905, Pictorial .. 11 3/2 2/1	

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## The Week's News.

The Editor is always pleased to receive Early Information of New Issues, or of Discoveries interesting to Stamp Collectors, and will acknowledge such contributions either by name in the journal or by the presentation of several interesting newly-issued stamps, as preferred. The index number and serial letter after the title of each paragraph indicate the issue of E.W.S.N. in which the last reference to that country appeared.

**ABYSSINIA** (479 A 480).—We read in the *Deutsche Briefmarken Zeitung* (19.11.08/179) that 100,000 of each value, ¼ to 16 gairsh, have been surcharged. Our contemporary states that originally 200,000 of each value was sent out unsurcharged to Abyssinia and that half were delivered to the Treasury and half to the Post Office. The latter's supply have been doled out in small quantities from time to time with a new surcharge every year and as the stock of even the lowest value does not seem to have been exhausted, there must still remain the bulk of the 100,000 high values. On the other hand the Treasury is said to have kept its 100,000 sets intact and has now surcharged them to make the provisional issue of 11.08. If this is all correct, then there will be a huge stock of remainders when the permanent issue arrives. It has been stated that the stock will be destroyed, but we have our doubts!

**ARGENTINE REPUBLIC** (469 M 480).—We illustrate the design of the new issue.



The following postcards are chronicled by the *Nordisk Filatelistisk Tidsskrift* (22.11.08/213).

Postcards. Stamp of new design.  
4c. lilac.  
6c. blue.

**BOLIVIA** (294 J 480).—This country is following the annoying example set by Persia and Uruguay and reissuing stamps of obsolete design. *Gibbons Stamp Weekly* (28.11.08/351) is informed by a correspondent that two values, the 50 centavos and 1 bolivar are reverting to the 1867 design (2nd issue), but that the colours will be changed. Our contemporary has been shown a copy of the 50c. printed in vermilion (instead of blue) and is of opinion that the stamp was printed from the original plate of 1867.



Adhesive. Nine Stars. Re-issue in new colours.  
50c. vermilion.

So far as collectors on our Simplified System are concerned, this stamp constitutes an actual reissue of No. 16 in *Ewen's Stamp Quotations*, buying quotation 7d. We do not distinguish between the two issues with 9 and 11 stars, nor between shades of red, consequently we amalgamate the 1867, 1887, 1890 and 1893 as "second issue of 1867," and the above stamp becomes to all intents and purposes a reissue of S.G. No. 55, 50c. red, with 9 stars, perf. 12, cat. 3/3, used or unused (3/6, 2/6 by Senf, 1/8, 1/10 by Yvert and 7d. buying, 11d. selling by Ewen). Has there been some mistake? Can the stamps now being issued be only remainders of the 1890 50c. red?

**CANADA** (479 Z 480).—The Colonial Stamp Market has received a fresh supply of sheets of the 1 and 2 cent Quebec Centenary stamps. The 1 cent still have plate-number 3 or 4 on the top margin, but whilst some of the 2 cent sheets have plate-number 3 on the top margin, others have it inverted on the lower margin. This confirms the note we published a fortnight ago and would lead one to suppose that it is not due to error but denotes a regular and probably new printing.

**CHINA** (458, 469 V 480).—We read in *Koh and Co's Post Card Exchange Register* (10.08/ sup-

plement to p. 13) that "several, if not all, the present values of China Postage Stamps are to be altered in colour, so as to fall in with the colours in general use by countries which belong to the Universal Postal Union."

Mr. C. L. H. Lovelace informs the *Postage Stamp* (28.11.08/98) that he has seen the following:—



Adhesive.  
2c. green.

The 4c. and 10c. will probably follow in red and blue respectively.

**CHILI** (462 W 480).—We are shown a used copy of the 30c. of the current design by Dr. Crowley. The stamp has been chronicled some years but it is only just recently that it has been issued.



Adhesive.  
30c. dark green and black.

Issued 10.08 or earlier. The only value of this set now unissued is the 12 centavos.

**CRETE** (476 D 480).—The Colonial Stamp Market has shown us entire sheets of all the new stamps, except the 2, 3 and 5 drachmas, of which however we have large enough blocks to partially identify the settings of the surcharge.

The first setting of the overprint was used for the small-size stamps, the plates of which contain 100 stamps in 10 rows of 10. We believe the following were issued, but have not seen the three marked.\*

First setting of surcharge.

	Issue
* 11. red-brown	1900, Hermes
* 21. violet	1905, Diana
51. green	" Britomartis
* 101. rose-red	1900, Prince George
201. blue-green	1905, Triton
501. brown	1905, Ariadne

\*We have not seen these three values with surcharge of this setting.

This setting was carefully prepared, as there are no errors and only three examples of broken type of any importance.

Type a. No. 38 on sheet. First A of EAAA broken off at top.

Type b. No. 60 on sheet. E of EAAA has short foot.

Type c. No. 64 on sheet. Same as a but less marked.

This setting was used also for all the postage due stamps.

Second setting of surcharge.

To print the oblong 25c. and 1 drachma stamps the same type was used but merely rearranged.

Type a. This now occurs as No. 13 on sheet.

Type b, c. We unfortunately omitted to note these but trust to locate them when our next supply arrives.

This setting was also probably used for the 3 drachmai, but we did not have a large enough portion of the sheet to decide definitely.

Third setting of surcharge.

The 2 drachmai being a large upright design, the setting had again to be shifted, but apparently the same type was used, as on the portion of the sheet we received, we noted the following.

Type a. This is No. 70 on the sheet.

Type b. This is No. 38.

On No. 98 the surcharge was very feeble, whereas on the next stamp to it it was printed heavily enough to show embossing at the back of the stamp.

Fourth setting of surcharge

The 5 drachmai stamp being again larger than

any of the others, the type had to be re-set and we noted types a, b.

Type a. This is No. 13 (as in the 2nd setting).  
Type b. This is No. 51.

The 1 lepton and the 10 lepta with portrait of Prince George were quickly bought up, soon being followed by the 2 lepta, necessitating fresh printings of these values. For the 10 lepta the new "Hermes of Praxiteles" issue was requisitioned. The setting shows none of the above varieties and evidently new type was used. We have the following.

Fifth setting of surcharge.

	Issue
1 lepton, brown	1900, Hermes
2 lepta, violet	1906, Diana
10 " rose-red	1908, Hermes

The setting shows two important errors.

No. 35 on sheet The S of Hellas is reversed.

No. 48 on sheet The 4th letter is delta instead of A

Each variety only occurs once on each sheet of 100.

We understand that these surcharged stamps will only remain in use till the island is formally annexed to Greece, when Greek stamps will come into use.



The postcard surcharged is a new one, also in the "Hermes of Praxiteles" design (which we illustrate). The surcharge is roughly hand-stamped, the letters being a little larger and more spaced than in that of the adhesives.

**DANISH WEST INDIES** (478 G 480).—We illustrate the design of the new stamps.



**DUTCH INDIES** (477 E 480).—We are shown two copies of the 25c. Java, with surcharges of slightly different design, but the difference may be due to light and heavy printing. The J's are however very distinct, one having a round foot and the other a heavy straight foot.

**GREENLAND** (224 B 480).—*Der Deutsche Philatelist* (11.08/114) chronicles and illustrates three stamps, on the authority of Mr. Rudolf Kronmann.

Adhesives. Rectangular design; bear in centre; value "5 ÖRE 5" at foot; "PAKKE-PORTO" and Crown at top.

1 öre, olive-green.

5 öre, brown.

10 öre, blue.

The stamps are said to be parcel stamps and to be issued by the Danish Government authorities, but the low face value of the stamps seems to be against this explanation. "Pakke-post" means parcel-post it is true, but "pakke" alone has the signification of packet as well as parcel, and packet is a word which is often used in this country as a general name for everything sent through the post. In Greenland "pakke-post" may possibly have a wider meaning than in Denmark.

**JAIPUR** (441 K 480).—We are informed by Mr. W. E. Raper that on 31.12.08 this Indian state will cease to issue its own stamps. The current issue (Chariot of the Sun design) has only been in use about 3 years.

**MALTA** (459, 461 V 480).—We are shown the 4d. Malta, single watermark, by Mr. Petre, in two distinct shades of brown.

**NYASALAND** (475 I 480).—All the 4d. Nyasaland stamps received by the Colonial Stamp Market in its large consignment of a few weeks ago had inverted watermark. Does this stamp exist with normal watermark?

# Sets of Current Colonial Stamps.

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	Face Value.	Sale Price.		Face Value.	Sale Price.
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2 Antigua (Arms), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/-	7	2/3	143 St. Helena (King), ½d., 2½d., 4d., 6d.	4	1/1
3 Austral. Cmnwlth, Postage Due, ½, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 10d., 1/-	10	4/3½	144 " (Pictorial), ½d., 1d., 2d., 8d., 1/-	5	1/11½
6 Bahamas (Staircase), 1d., 5d.	2	0/6	145 St. Kitts-Nevis (Pict.), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/-	7	2/3
7 " (King), ½d., 1d., 2½d., 4d., 6d., 1/-	6	2/2	146 St. Lucia (King), ½d., 1d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/-	6	2/1
8 Barbados (Arms), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 5d., 6d., 8d., 10d.	9	2/11½	147 St. Vincent (King), 6d., 1/-	2	1/6
9 " (Nelson), ½d., 1d., 2½d., 6d., 1/-	6	1/10½	148 " (Pict.), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d.	5	0/9
10 Bechuanaland (on G.B. King), ½d., 1d., 2½d.	3	0/4	150 Sarawak, 1, 2, 4, 8, 10, 12, 16, 20, 25, 50c.	10	3/5
11 Bermuda (Dock), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d.	5	0/9	151 Seychelles (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 1/-	9	2/9
13 British Guiana, 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 12, 24c.	7	2/3	152 Sierra Leone (King), ½d., 1d., 1½d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 1/-	10	3/1½
14 British Honduras (King), 1, 2, 5, 10, 20, 25c.	6	2/7½	153 Solomon Is. (litho.), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 5d., 6d., 1/-	7	2/5
15 British New Guinea, ½, 1, 2, 2½, 4, 6d., 1/-	7	—	154 " (Engraved), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 5d., 6d., 1/-	7	2/5
16 B.S.A. (Arms), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 6d., 1/-	8	2/7	155 Somaliland (King), ½, 1, 2, 2½, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12a.	9	3/3
17 " (Victoria Falls), 1d., 2½d., 5d., 1/-	4	1/8½	156 " (King, O.H.M.S.), ½, 1a.	2	—
18 Brunei (on Labuan), complete set	12	—	157 " (Official), complete except 2a. KS.	14	—
19 " " set of ten, 1-30c.	10	—	158 S. Australia (small), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 5d.	5	0/11
20 " " set of seven, 1-10c.	7	—	159 " (large), 3d., 4d., 6d., 8d., 9d., 10d., 1/-	7	4/4
21 Brunei (View), 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 10, 25, 30, 50c.	10	3/3	161 S. Nigeria (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 4d., 6d., 1/-	7	2/4
27 Canada (King), 1, 2, 5, 7, 10, 20c.	6	1/10½	162 Straits (King), 1, 3, 4, 5, 8, 10, 25, 30, 50c.	9	3/3
28 " (Dues) 1, 2, 5c.	3	0/4	164 Sudan (Camel), 1, 2, 3, 4, 5m., 1, 2, 5pi.	8	1/11½
29 " (Quebec), ½, 1, 2, 5, 7, 10, 15, 20c.	8	2/6½	165 " (O.S.G.S.), 1, 3, 5m., 1, 2, 5pi.	6	1/10½
30 Cape Colony (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 6d., 1/-	8	2/7	166 " (Army Service), 1, 2, 3, 5m., 2pi.	5	—
31 Cayman Islands, ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 1/-	7	1/11½	171 Tasmania (Pict.), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d.	8	2/0
32 Ceylon (King), 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 12, 15, 25, 30, 75c.	10	2/4½	172 " (Queen), 1½d., 8d., 9d., 1/-	4	2/6½
33 Chamba (on India King), ½, 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12a.	9	3/0½	174 Tonga (Pict.), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 7½d., 10d., 1/-	11	4/5½
34 " (Service, King), ½, 1, 2, 4, 8a.	6	1/3½	175 Transvaal (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 6d., 1/-	8	2/7
35 Cook Islands, ½d., 1d., 1½d., 2d., 2½d., 5d., 6d., 10d., 1/-	9	3/4½	176 " (Dues), ½d., 1d., 2d., 3d., 5d., 6d., 1/-	7	2/5½
36 Cyprus (King), ½, 1, 2, 4, 6, 9 pias	9	2/7½	177 Trinidad (Britannia), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 4d., 6d., 1/-	7	2/4
41 Dominica (View), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/-	7	2/3	178 " (Dues, used), 1d., 2d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 8d., 1/-	8	3/5
43 E. Africa and Ug. (King), 1, 3, 6, 10, 12, 15, 25, 50, 75c.	9	2/7½	179 Turks & Caicos Is. (Ship), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 6d., 1/-	8	2/7
45 Falkland Islands (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 6d., 1/-	6	2/0	185 Victoria, ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 9d., 1/-	10	3/9
46 Fiji Islands (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 1/-	9	3/0	186 " (Dues), ½d., 1d., 2d.	3	0/3½
50 Gambia (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 7½d., 10d., 1/-	11	4/5½	187 Virgin Islands (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/-	7	2/3
51 Gibraltar (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 6d., 1/-	6	2/0	190 W. Australia (Swan), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 8d., 9d., 10d., 1/-	12	5/3
52 Gold Coast (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/-	7	2/3	195 Zanzibar, 3, 6, 12, 15, 25, 50c.	6	1/7½
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56 Gwalior (on India King), ½, 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12a.	9	3/0½			
57 " (Service, King), ½, 1, 2, 4, 8a.	6	—			
61 Hong Kong (King), 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 8, 10, 12, 20, 30, 50c.	11	3/0			
64 India (King), ½, 1, 2, 2½, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12a.	10	3/3½			
65 " (King, On H.M.S.), ½, 1, 2, 4, 8a., 1r.	7	—			
70 Jamaica (Queen), 3d., 4d., 6d., 1/-	4	2/1			
71 " (Arms), ½d., 1d., 2½d., 5d.	4	0/9			
72 Jhind (on India, King), ½, 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12a.	9	3/0½			
74 Johore (1904 Sultan), 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 10, 25, 50c.	9	2/11			
78 Labuan (Crown), 1, 2, 3, 4, 8, 10, 12, 16, 18, 25 50c.	11	—			
79 " (surch. Straits), complete	11	—			
80 " " without 2c.	10	—			
81 " " 1, 2c.	9	—			
83 Leeward Is. (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/-	7	2/3			
84 Levant (on G.B., King), 1, 2, 4 pias	3	1/2			
85 " ( " ), ½d., 1d., 1½d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 1/-	10	3/1½			
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92 Maldives (Minaret), 2, 3, 5, 10c.	4	0/6			
93 Malta (Pictorial), ½d., 4½d., 5d.	3	0/9½			
94 " (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 1/-	7	2/1			
95 Mauritius (Arms), 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 12, 15, 25, 50c.	11	1/9			
96 " (Express), 15, 18c.	2	0/5½			
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100 Morocco (on G.B. King), 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 40, 50c., 1p.	8	1/9			
101 " " ½d., 1d., 2d., 4d., 6d., 1/-	6	2/1½			
105 Nabha (on India King), ½, 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12a.	9	3/0½			
106 " (Service, King), ½, 1, 2, 4, 8a., 1r.	6	—			
107 Natal (King), ½d., 1d., 1½d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 1/-	10	3/1½			
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116 " (Dues), ½d., 1d., 2d.	3	0/3½			
117 Niue (on N.Z.), ½d., 1d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/-	6	2/1			
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121 N. Nigeria (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 5d., 6d., 1/-	7	2/5			
123 Nyasaland (King), ½d., 1d., 3d., 4d., 6d., 1/-	6	2/2½			
126 Orange River (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 6d., 1/-	8	2/7			
131 Papua (large surch.), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 4d., 6d., 1/-	7	—			
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133 " ½d., 1d., 2½d., 4d., 6d.	5	1/2			
134 Patiala (on India King), ½, 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12a.	9	3/0½			
135 " (Service, King), ½, 1, 2, 3, 4, 8a., 1r.	7	—			
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" (57) 5c.	—	2d.	" (59) 4c. on blue	—	4d.	" (307) 1/-	—	Virgin Is., King	
" (327) 3c. K., On Service	30/0	—	" (63) 6c. on red	—	6d.	" (308) 1/2d. King	—	(301) 1/2d. lilac and green	7d.
" (333) 5c. figures	1/0	—	" (67) 15c. on blue	—	1/6	" (309) 2 1/2d.	—	(302) 1d. " rose	1/2
" (334) 6c.	—	1/2	Montserrat (6) 1/2d. green	—	9d.	" (310) 4d.	—	(303) 1d. " brn.	2/4
Cook Is. (311) 1/2d. green	7d.	—	" (8) 2d. brn. & blk.	—	4/0	" (311) 6d.	—	(304) 2 1/2d. " blue	2/11
" (312) 1d. rose	1/2	—	" (9) 2 1/2d. bl. & blk.	—	6/0	" (312) 10/-	—	(305) 3d. " blk.	3/6
Cyprus (322) 5pa. King	—	3d.	" (10) 3d. lil. & red	—	5/0	" (303) 1/2d. pict.	7d.	(306) 6d. " brn.	7/0
Per 60, unused 1/1	—	5d.	" (310) 5/- Crown CC	70/0	—	" (304) 1d.	—	(307) 1/- grn. and car.	14/0
" (311) 10pa King	—	6d.	" (311) 1/2d. mult. ord.	9d.	—	" (305) 2d.	—	W. Australia, current.	
Dominica (328) 1d. red	—	1/2	" (319) 2d. mult. chalk	2/4	—	" (306) 8d.	—	(27) 1d. rose	—
" (329) 2 1/2d. blue	—	2/11	" (321) 3d.	—	3/6	" (307) 1/-	—	(28) 2d. yellow	—
" (324) 1/- mult. chalky	14/0	—	" (322) 6d.	—	7/0	" (325) 2 1/2d.	—	(322) 1d. Cr A 11 (rare)	2/0
E. Africa (17) 1c. King	—	6d.	" (323) 1/-	—	14/0	" (326) 3d.	—	(324) 2d. " ( " )	6/0
" (344) " "	—	3d.	Morocco on Gibraltar			" (326) 3d.	—	(326) 3d. " ( " )	8/0
Per 100, 1/8	—	—	" (35) 5c. King	—	1/0	" (41) 2d.	—	(329) 5d. " ( " )	10/0
" (352) 75c. King	—	14/0	" (36) 10c.	—	1/0	Selangor (1) 1c. Tiger	—	Zululand, 1d. Queen	1/3
Falkland (1) 1/2d. Queen	—	9d.	" (38) 25c.	—	1/6	" (3) 2c.	—	Zanzibar, (331) 3c. green	7d.
" (12) 1/2d. King	—	9d.	" (41) 2p.	—	30/0	Seychelles (King).		" (332) 6c. rose	1/2
			" (305) 50c. K. sing.	180/0	—	(315) 2c. mult.	—	" (333) 12c. lilac	2/4
			" (306) 1p.						

**New Issues.**

DISTRIBUTION No. 406, 19.11.08.

Grenada.

*Ship Design.*

GR ap\* 6d. and 1/-, the 6d. value is wmk. Crown CA multiple on chalky paper, and the 1/- is single wmk on chalky paper.  
 aq\* 2/- wmk. Cr. CA mult., on chalky paper.  
 ar\* 5/- " " " "  
 us\* 10/- " " " "

This distribution brings the country up to date.

Cayman Islands.

*Postage and Revenue.*

CY au\* 6d. King, wmk. Crown CA multiple, on chalky paper.

Leeward Islands.

LE an† ½d., 6d., 1/- King, multiple wmk., on chalky paper.

ao† ½d. " " "  
 aj† 6d. " " "  
 ak† 1/- " " "

This country is now brought entirely up to date. The ½d. bi-coloured on chalky paper may probably become scarce.

Dominica.

*Pictorial.*

DO au† 1d., 2½d., wmk. Crown CA multiple, on ordinary paper, 1d. all rose and 2½d. all blue. This country is now up to date.

British Guiana.

BG bc\* 4c. wmk. Crown CA multiple, on ordinary paper, new pale shade.

Jhind.

*King, Service.*

JH au† ½a., Postage and Revenue.  
 al† 1a. " " "  
 an† 4a. " " "  
 ao† 8a. " " "  
 ap† 1R. " " "

Ceylon.

CE ap† 5c. King, wmk. CA multiple, on ordinary paper, value in figures.

aq† 6c. King, wmk. CA multiple, on ordinary paper, value in figures.

Straits Settlements.

ST be† 10c. King, multiple wmk., on ordinary paper, lilac on yellow.

DISTRIBUTION No. 407, 26.11.08.

Crete.

*Surcharged Greece.*

CT ah\* 1, 2, 5, 10, 25, 50l., 1dr.  
 ai\* 2, 3, 5dr.

*Postage Dues.*

aj\* 1, 5, 10, 20, 40, 50l.  
 ak 1dr.

Bahamas.

BA ag\* 1d. Pictorial, wmk. Crown CC multiple, grey and black, on thin paper.

Gwalior on India.

*Surcharge 8mm. apart.*

GW bc ½a. Official, King.  
 bd 1a. " "

Nabha on India.

*Postage and Revenue.*

NA ay† ½ and 1a., King.  
 az† ½ and 1a., Official, King.  
 bb† ½a. " "

Switzerland.

SZ al\* 3fr., new design.

Siam Provisional.

SM ap\* 9 atts on 10 atts. This completes the distribution of the three provisionals recently chronicled.

Abyssinia.

*Provisional Issue of November, 1908.*

AB aj\* ½, 1, 2, 4, 8 piastres.  
 ak\* 16 piastres.

Southern Nigeria.

SN ay\* 10/-, King, wmk. Crown CA multiple, on chalk-surfaced paper. This distribution brings the country entirely up to date.

Hayti.

*1907 Issue.*

HA ai\* 1 on 5c., 1 on 20c., 2 on 50c. Sent out at 2d. per set.

**Our Prize Competitions.**

Result week ending 28th November, 1908.

	NEW ISSUE COMPETITION.		OLD ISSUE COMPETITION.		
			I. Europe and Colonies	II. Rest of World	III. Gr. Britain and Colonies
1st	JE *111	JL - 90	HS - 98	CM *224	
2nd	WP - 110	FS - 89	ES - 75	JF - 202	
3rd	CM - 71	WM 80	ED - 75	JE - 179	
4th	JL - 32	AD - 58	PB - 63	WB - 119	
5th	FP - 31	HW - 38	JP - 57	GP - 112	
6th	NC - 30	JH - 36	JD - 43	JW - 75	
7th	EM - 23	FC - 30	WP - 19	ES - 66	
8th	WJ - 22	SH - 29	HB - 8	SR - 64	
9th	RH - 19	JL - 22	CM - 2	JR - 60	
10th	HN - 19	AE - 19		GA - 46	

\* Prize albums were despatched on Monday last.

**CONDITIONS.**

- The prizes are the following albums:—  
 "Our Own Times," specially arranged for King's Heads and current issues (sale price, 12/6).  
 "Good Old Times." Part I., Great Britain and Colonies; part II., Europe and Colonies; part III., Rest of the World. Arranged for collectors on simplified lines, without water-marks, perforations, etc. (The set of three albums can be supplied immediately for 37/6 cash, or 12/6 each, post free).
- The prize in each of the four competitions is awarded to the competitor who has purchased from our approval sheets the most stamps up to the end of each week, non-winners' totals being carried forward. The minimum number entitling to a prize is 100.
- Stamps purchased from our Current Issue Sheets count in the New Issue Competition only, whilst stamps purchased from our Old Issue Sheets count in the Old Issue Competition only.
- The "Rest of World" Competition is only open to winners of "Europe and Colonies," and the "Great Britain and Colonies" to winners of the other two.

**EDITORIAL COMPETITION.**

The competitor who sends us the most interesting item of information for our New Issue column each week will be credited 2/6, which may be selected from any of our approval sheets. From time to time we shall voluntarily increase the prize.

*Award this week.*

No entry.

**Cheap Sets of Foreign, Chiefly Used.**

These Sets contain good copies only, and are arranged according to our simplified catalogue. They are recommended to specialists of British Colonials who do not wish to entirely lose sight of the rest of the world.

Country	Year	Description	Our Price	Cat.	
Argentine Republic—	1858	Confederation	11d.	3 1/5	
	1867	Arms	2/3	8 3/4	
	1884	Envelope	3d.	3 5d.	
	1888	Portraits	1/9	8 2/8	
	1889	Corr. y. Tel.	1/3	12 2/2	
	1892	Portraits	5½d.	9 11d.	
		Peso values	3/4	4 5/4	
	1899	Seated figure	1/2	15 2/0	
	1902	Rosario	3d.	1 4d.	
	Corrientes—	1864	Head	4/0	3 6/0
Austria—	1850	Arms	1½d.	3 4d.	
	1858	Head	2½d.	3 4d.	
	1861	"	2d.	3 3d.	
	1863	Arms	1½d.	3 3d.	
	1867	Head	2d.	5 5d.	
	1883	Figure	2d.	5 5d.	
	1890	Head	7d.	13 1/10	
	1891	"	1½d.	4 4d.	
	1900	"	6d.	15 2/0	
	1904	"	6d.	13 2/11	
Austr. F.P.O.—	1850	Arms	3d.	3 5d.	
	1903	Head	5d.	5 1/3	
	1908	Jubilee	9d.	6 —	
Bavaria—	1849	Square	5d.	5 7d.	
	1874	Large	1½d.	2 3d.	
		Small	7d.	15 1/4	
Belgium—	1850	Head	1d.	2 2d.	
	1869	Figure	1½d.	6 6d.	
		Head	5d.	5 11d.	
	1884	Head	7d.	6 11d.	
	1893	Sunday	3d.	10 11d.	
	1894	Antwerp	5d.	3 8d.	
	1897	Brussels	1d.	2 3d.	
Bolivia—	1866	Eagle	3/6	3 4/4	
	1867	Arms	1/1	7 1/9	
	1878	Open book	1/9	3 2/5	
	1894	Arms	9d.	7 1/9	
Bosnia—	1879	Arms	10d.	9 1/11	
	1900	"	9d.	11 2/7	
		High Values	1/2	2 1/7	
Brazil—	1844	Slanting fig.	4/6	3 7/6	
	1850	Upright fig.	1/2	4 1/4	
	1894	Correio diag.	9d.	10 1/7	
	1906	Small heads	9d.	7 2/4	
		2000,5000r.	2/11	2 6/0	
	Bulgaria—	1882	Lion	8d.	9 1/3
		1889	"	7d.	10 1/3
		1896	Dated	4d.	4 7d.
		1902	Head	4d.	8 9d.
		1907	Large	6d.	3 7d.
Chile—	1867	Chile over Head	1/1	5 1/7	
	1877	Cent. on fig.	7d.	4 9d.	
	1881	Cent. under fig.	1/6	10 2/7	
	1900	Large head	9d.	6 1/1	
	1902	Small head	4d.	5 6d.	
	1906	Bare head	2d.	4 4d.	
		Black head	8½d.	5 1/8	
	China—	1871	Dragon	3/9	3 8/0
		1885	Smaller	7½d.	3 11d.
		1898	Ch. Imp.	1/4	9 1/9
Colombia—	1902	Arms	10d.	9 1/7	
	1900/2	Control marked	8d.	8 10d.	
Congo Free State—	1894	Pictorial	1/7	8 2/5	
Corea—	1900	Small	3½d.	3 4d.	
	1903	Long	2/11	4 3/7	
Costa Rica—	1862	Two Oceans	2d.	2 2d.	
	1892	Arms	1/11	10 6/4	
	1901	Bi-coloured	4d.	5 5d.	
Crete	1899	Arms	2/9	2 4/6	
		Trident	1/9	2 2/0	
	1900	Various	6d.	6 1/0	
	1905	"	10d.	6 1/3	
Dominican Republic—	1885	Arms	4d.	3 6d.	
	1899	½, ¾c. blk.	3/6	2 8/0	
Dominican Republic—	1902	Oblong	1/1	7 2/2	
	1901	Lilac centre	5d.	5 9d.	
	1906	Black centre	5d.	4 8d.	
Denmark—	Small	1½d.	2 2d.		
	1870	Figure	3½d.	3 6d.	
	1875	"	4d.	9 11d.	
D.W.I.—	1882	Arms	2d.	6 7d.	
	1904	Figure	2d.	5 5d.	
		Head	1/4	6 2/4	
	1907	"	11d.	6 2/2	
Finland—	1875	Arms	5½d.	6 1/1	
	1890	"	3d.	6 8d.	
	1891	Russian	10½d.	6 1/7	
France—	1849	Ceres	7d.	11 1/3	
	1853	Head	2½d.	5 6d.	
	1863	Laureated	4½d.	7 11d.	
	1876	Figures	1/5	26 3/5	
	1900	Figure	1d.	5 5d.	
		Droits	4d.	10 1/1	
		Large	4d.	5 10d.	
	1903	Semeuse	1d.	5 5d.	
	1906	"	3d.	6 10d.	
	French F.P.O.—	1902	various	6d.	9 1/3
Fr. Col.—	1881	Seated Fig.	7d.	9 1/1	
	1892	Two Fig.	10d.	9 1/3	
Diego Suarez—	1890	"	5/0	4 8/6	
French Congo—	1900	Pictorial	2/3	11 2/10	
Fr. Guiana—	1904	Pictorial	1/11	11 2/5	
Fr. Guinea—	1904	Pictorial	2/5	11 2/11	
Fr. Somali—	1902	Pictorial	6/0	21 7/4	
Fr. Senegal—	1906	Pictorial	3/11	14 5/0	
Guadeloupe—	1905	Pictorial	2/1	11 3/2	
Indo China—	1904	Pictorial	1/6	9 2/1	
	1907	"	10d.	6 3d.	
Fr. Madagascar—	1904	Pictorial	5d.	6 9d.	
Middle Congo—	1907	Pictorial	3/6	13 —	
New Caledonia—	1905	Pictorial	3½d.	4 5d.	
Reunion—	1907	Pictorial	3d.	5 6d.	
Tunis—	1888	Arms (lined)	7d.	8 1/1	
	1906	Pictorial	2/3	11 4/5	
Germany—	1875	Arms	2d.	8 8d.	
	1889	"	1½d.	7 7d.	
	1900	Germania	2½d.	10 10d.	
		High Values	2d.	2 4d.	
German Col.—	1902	Germania	2d.	10 10d.	
		High Values	3½d.	3 7d.	
German Col.—	1901	Ship	2/11	11 4/9	
Greece—	1887	Large Head	5d.	7 9d.	
	1896	Olympic	3½d.	5 6d.	
	1901	Mercury	5d.	8 1/1	
	1906	Olympic	2/9	11 5/0	
Holland—	1869	Arms	3d.	3 6d.	
	1872	King	8½d.	9 1/6	
	1876	Figure	1d.	4 4d.	
	1891	Queen	11d.	11 2/2	
Dutch Indies—	1870	King	6½d.	6 1/2	
	1883	Figure	2½d.	5 5d.	
	1892	Queen	1/1	7 1/7	
	1902	Oblong	3d.	5 5d.	
Curacao—	1889	Figure	5d.	5 8d.	
		Queen	11d.	5 3/3	
Surinam—	1873	King	1/10	7 2/10	
	1892	Type-set	1½d.	1 2d.	
	1891	Figure	5d.	5 6d.	
Hungary—	1874	Envelope	2d.	5 5d.	

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## The Week's News.

The Editor is always pleased to receive Early Information of New Issues, or of Discoveries interesting to Stamp Collectors, and will acknowledge such contributions either by name in the journal or by the presentation of several interesting newly-issued stamps, as preferred. The index number and serial letter after the title of each paragraph indicate the issue of E.W.S.N. in which the last reference to that country appeared.

**GREAT BRITAIN.**—Record Dates of Use (473 H 481).—The following new record is shown us by Mr. J. A. Limpus.

1d. red, plate 205 Chester, 28.10.1877.

**CUSTOMS DUTY STAMPS** (A 481).—We are indebted to Mr. R. J. Kingsley for a copy of a Customs Duty stamp, inscribed "Australia" at top and "London" at foot. It will be remembered that some time ago a duty was placed on illustrated trade catalogues imported into Australia, those sent through the post having to be stamped with an ordinary postage due stamp, value of which was collected by the postman on delivery and ultimately remitted through the Post Office to the Customs authority. This procedure no doubt entailed a lot of account keeping and in order to draw a clearer line between unpaid postage and customs duty charges, separate stamps have now been provided for the latter. We note:—

For use in Australia on Circulars from London. 1d. brown and blue.

There are probably others of the set.

The Agent General for Natal sends us the following circular relating to that colony:

### NATAL.

#### CUSTOMS DUTY ON CATALOGUES.

Arrangements have now been completed whereby prepayment can be made of the Customs charges payable upon the importation into Natal of Catalogues and Price Lists sent through the post. This can be done by means of Natal Postage and Revenue stamps, which can be purchased from the Agent General for Natal. These stamps must be affixed by the senders to the front of the packet (left-hand top corner), by means of a special Customs label supplied by the Agent General.

The duty payable under the Customs Convention Tariff is 25% *ad valorem* or 2d. per lb., whichever shall be the greater.

Catalogues and Price Lists sent through the post to Natal, which weigh less than 8 oz., will not be charged with duty, except in the case of South African firms sending large quantities of catalogues and advertisements through the post, when duty will be charged upon them, even if weighing less than 8 oz., at a 1d. for the 8 oz.

Natal Government Agency,  
26, Victoria Street,  
London, S.W.

It appears from this that ordinary stamps are to be used, supplemented by a special label, but we should not be surprised if this arrangement were soon altered. Anyone who has had charge of despatching a large number of catalogues or circulars knows what a bother the stamping is (and to obviate this most countries supply wrappers with stamps already embossed or impressed). This trouble of stamping is apparently now to be triplicated. In addition to the postage stamp, if we read aright, a label has to be attached and then a second stamping for Customs purposes is required. As Customs stamps would do away with the necessity for a label, they will probably not be long in coming.

The Agent General for Cape Colony sends us the following circular (to which the same remarks apply):

The Government of the Colony of the Cape of Good Hope have notified, in connection with the Tariff of Customs Duty on advertising matter, including Catalogues, Price Lists, Almanacs, Calendars, Labels, Posters and Show Cards, that when any of the above-named items are sent to any person or firm in the Colony of the Cape of Good Hope from the United Kingdom, through the medium of the Post Office, the duty payable thereon may be prepaid by means of Cape stamps affixed to each separate letter, packet or parcel. Stamps of various denominations may be purchased at the Office of the Agent General for the Cape of Good Hope, 100, Victoria Street, Westminster, London.

The duty on the articles enumerated above is 2d.

per lb. or 25 per cent. *ad valorem*, whichever shall be the greater. In connection with the above it is well to remind senders that a certain differentiation is made between catalogues, etc., posted to persons or firms in the Cape Colony by the order of a South African firm, and those sent by other than South African firms.

In the former case the duty is levied on all catalogues, etc., but in the latter only when such catalogues, etc., weigh 8 ozs. or over.

The minimum duty payable by means of postage stamps is 1d. The stamps must be affixed to the top left-hand corner of the packets.

The Agent General for the Transvaal writes us:

"With reference to your letter of the 27th instant, enquiring as to the duty chargeable on catalogues entering the Transvaal, I am directed by the Agent General to inform you that the duty is at the rate of 2d. per pound or 25%, whichever is the greater, and that a duty of 1d. is payable on catalogues of South African firms which do not exceed 8 oz. in weight."

The following denominations are supplied: 1d., 2d., 4d., and 6d.

**CHINA** (480 W 481).—The issue of the following is now reported by Alfred Smith & Son's *Monthly Circular* (31.10.08/67).



Adhesive. New colour.  
10c. blue.

**CRETE** (480 E 481).—We are informed by Mr. L. S. Wells that he has sheets of the 10 lepta surcharged Greece which do not contain the "D" and inverted S errors.

The 1 drachme Postage Due surcharged is S.G. No. 209, already overprinted "I APAXMH."

The two official stamps issued on 14.1.08 and chronicled in E.W.S.N. No. 438 have also been overprinted.

Official adhesives. Large figures of value in centre.  
10 lepta, dull claret.  
30 " slate-blue.

*L'Echo de la Timbrologie* (30.11.08/733) states that the quantities surcharged "Hellas" are as follows:—

Postage Stamps.			
1 lepton	..	..	150,000
2 lepta	..	..	100,000
5 "	..	..	150,000
10 "	..	Prince George	50,000
10 "	..	Hermes	100,000
20 "	..	..	50,000
25 "	..	..	100,000
50 "	..	..	50,000
1 drachme	..	..	10,000
2 drachmai	..	..	10,000
3 "	..	..	10,000
5 "	..	..	5,000
Postage Due Stamps.			
1 lepton	..	..	50,000
5 lepta	..	..	20,000
10 "	..	..	20,000
20 "	..	..	20,000
40 "	..	..	1,000
50 "	..	..	2,000
1 drachme	..	..	2,000
2 drachmai	..	..	2,000

It is not quite clear why there should be fewest of the 40 lepta Postage Due; is this figure by chance a misprint for 10,000?

**GERMAN COLONIES** (474 C 481).—*Der Deutsche Philatelist* (20.10.08) chronicles the 3 rupees on watermarked paper. The list of varieties known now stands as follows:—

#### On Watermarked Paper.

East Africa, 2½, 4, 7½, 15, 45, 60h., 3rs.  
S.W. Africa, 3, 5, 10pf., 5mk.  
China, 1c., ½, \$1, \$2½.  
Kamerun, 5, 10pf.  
Kiautschou, 1c., 2c., 4c., ½, \$1, \$1½, \$2½.  
Levant, ½, 1, 1½, 2, 2½, 4, 5, 10, 25 piastre.  
(complete except 15pi. on 3mk.)  
Morocco, 3, 5, 10, 15, 30, 40c., 1½p., 2½p., 6½p.  
New Guinea, Karolinen, Marianen, Marshall Is., Samoa, Togo—none yet

**GREECE** (445 S 481).—*Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News* chronicles a new postcard.

Postcard. Head and shoulders of Hermes.  
10 lep. brown on buff.

**PAPUA** (477 Q 481).—We are informed by Mr. H. Firth that the following has now been issued.



Adhesive. Wmk. Crown A. Same design as 1d.  
1/- orange and black, perf. 11.

Issued 12.10.08 or earlier.

Mr. F. Bernard points out that on No. 23 of sheets of the current permanent issue, there is a white crescent in the clouds, below the name "Papua." The variety does not exist in the sheets of ½d.

In some sheets of the 1d. (but not all) our correspondent has found on No. 11 a variety with defective second P in "Papua."

**PARAGUAY** (476 I 481).—A Buenos Aires correspondent writes us under date of 10.10.08.

"Not having seen in your valued paper, E.W.S.N., a full list of the Paraguayan surcharged stamps of 1907/08, I beg to enclose a list which I believe to be complete to this date, in the hope that it will be of interest to you. The figures in brackets denote the date of issue of the original unsurcharged stamps according to Senf's 1907 catalogue. There are a good many varieties of the surcharge, such as inverted surcharge, double surcharge, missing letters and figures of value, etc., but as I have not all these in my possession I am sorry not to be able to give you a complete list. Very small quantities were issued of some of these stamps, and some are being sold by the dealers here at fairly high prices, especially Nos. 1, 11, 12, 15, 20, 18 of my list, then follow No. 2, 9, 13, 19, and 24."



#### LIST OF PARAGUAYAN SURCHARGED STAMPS OF 1907-08.

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8.	" 60c. orange-brown	( " )
9.	" 60c. light red	( " )
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13.	" 60c. purple	(1903).
14.	" 10c. bright green	(1904/6).
15.	" 10c. dark purple	( " )
16.	" 10c. lilac	( " )
17.	" 10c. bistre	( " )
18.	" 20c. light red	( " )
19.	" 20c. bistre	( " )
20.	" 20c. dark purple	( " )
21.	" 20c. bright green	( " )
22.	" 30c. light grey	( " )
23.	" 30c. blue	( " )
24.	" 30c. blue-green	( " )
25.	" 30c. yellow	( " )
26.	" 60c. orange-brown	( " )
27.	" 60c. dark blue	( " )
28.	" 60c. dark brown	( " )
29.	" 60c. dull salmon	( " )

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# Approval Sheets of New Issues.

BRITISH COLONIES ONLY, CHIEFLY KING SINGLES AND MULTIPLES, USED AND UNUSED.

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703 " "	726 " "	749 Gambia	771 " "	794 " "	817 St. Helena	840 " "	862 Somali King
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709 " "	732 " "	755 " "	777 Leeward Islands	800 N.S. Wales	823 " "	846 " "	868 B.N. Guinea & Pap.
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717 B. Honduras	740 Dominica	763 " "	785 " "	808 Nyasaland	831 Sierra Leone	854 Turks Islands	876 " "
718 " "	741 " "	764 " "	786 Mauritius	809 " "	832 " "	855 " "	877 Labuan, sur. 'Straits'
719 B. N. Guinea & Pap.	742 " "	765 India	787 " "	810 " "	833 Somali K. & Q. sur.	856 Victoria	
720 " "	743 East Africa	766 " "	788 Montserrat	811 O.R. Colony	834 S. Australia	857 " "	
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722 " "	745 " "		790 " "	813 " "			

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603 " 1840	617 " " " "	630 " " " "	643 " " 2 1/2d. blue pl. Nos.	656 " " 1 1/2d., 2d. & 2 1/2d. lil.
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605 " 1840	619 " 1862 & 1865, 9d. brn., 6d. yellow & 5/- rose	632 Gt. Britain, 1870, 1/2d. and 1 1/2d. red	645 " " " "	658 " " " "
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607 " 1840/57, 2d. blue	621 " " " "	634 " 1870, 1d. red	647 " " 3d. rose pl. Nos.	660 " 1884, 2 1/2d. lilac and 5d. and 6d. green
608 " 1840	622 " " " "	635 " 1864	648 " " " "	661 " unused; Army and Telegraphs, etc.
609 " 1840	623 " 1865, 4d. orange	636 " 1870, 1 1/2d. red	649 " " " "	662 " "Specimen" stamps
610 " 1847/54, 6d., 10d. & 1/-	624 " " " "	637 " 1870, 2d. blue	650 " " " "	663 " Used Abroad
611 " 1855, 4d. rose	625 " " " "	638 " " " "	651 " 1870, 4d. grn. & brn., and 1/- red	664 Used British Levant
612 " 1855, 4d. rose in pairs	626 " 1873 & 1874, 6d. grey	639 " " " "	652 " 1870, 6d. grey and 1/- green	
613 " 1855, 1862 and 1865, 6d. lilac				

UNITED STATES (475 J 481).—The following note on the new issue is from the *Pall Mall Gazette* (27.11.08):

THE NEW POSTAGE STAMPS.

A fresh departure is being also made in the new issue of United States postage stamps. The present Postmaster-General, Mr. Meyer, considers that the national or patriotic idea as expressed in stamps does not need the multiplicity of heads now appearing in the various issues. In the process of simplification it has been decided to limit the designs to two, the portraits of Washington and Franklin. Washington, typifying the national idea, and regarded as "pater patriæ," will appear on all denominations, with one exception, the one cent stamp. For this Franklin is to be retained, the favour being shown to him alone by reason of the peculiar and unique place which he holds in the memory and affection of the American people.

The only decoration is a few laurel leaves with "U.S. Postage" at the top and the value at the bottom. The portraits will appear in direct profile, though hitherto the faces of both Washington and Franklin have appeared in a three-quarter aspect. This change is made partly for economy's sake, effecting a saving of £4,000 a year, as the steel plates from which the stamps are printed will not need to be replaced so often. The fine lines of the three-quarter face soon became indistinct. The United States is thus following the custom of other nations in using the same head of the ruler through all the denominations, and is giving up the variety which has almost run riot in special issues.

There is a strong sentiment against any innovation which would put the portrait of the actual President upon the national postage stamp as in the case of a monarch, and apparently the plan of issuing those of past Presidents in regular sequence has been abandoned. For the new stamps it has been possible to obtain the most authentic likenesses of both Washington and Franklin by copying the original busts made by Houdon. When Franklin returned from abroad he brought with him the famous French sculptor, who made a cast in plaster of the head of the living Washington, and followed this up with a companion bust of the printer-philosopher.

The original Houdon bust of Washington is in the possession of the Bureau of Engraving at Washington, and the other is the most valued memorial in the Franklin Institute at Philadelphia. If a life mask is more satisfactory for such purposes than a death mask, it is worth remembering that the National Museum at Washington preserves one of Abraham Lincoln.

Later.—Mr. F. P. Brown is first in sending us the new 2c. stamp, issued in booklet form on 25.11.08. It is not yet obtainable in sheets and consequently cannot be had perforated all round.

Adhesives. New design (illustration to follow). 2c. rose.

We quote as follows from the *Daily Philatelic World* (24.11.08/1).

NEW ISSUE WITHDRAWN.

After being in use a few days only we understand that the new stamps are to be withdrawn because they do not conform to the regulation of the Universal Postal Union which provides that all values shall be expressed in Arabic numerals. The stamps will be withdrawn and destroyed unless the department decides that this ruling of the Berne conference is suggestive and not obligatory. In any event it will be well for collectors to obtain some of the stamps at once as no doubt there will be a chance at an early date.

New Issues.

DISTRIBUTION No. 408, 4.12.08.

Brunei.

BI aj 8c., new colour, all blue.

Papua on B.N. Guinea.

Large Surcharge.

PP bn 4d., wmk. narrow rosettes, on thick paper.

Italy. Express Delivery.

IT aj 30c.

Falkland Islands.

FA af 1d. King, wmk. Crown CA multiple, new bright shade.

Bermuda. Dockyard Design.

BM af\* ½d., wmk Crown CA multiple, lilac and brown.

ac\* 1d., wmk. Crown CA multiple, all rose.

Bahamas.

BA ag† 1d., pictorial, multiple wmk., grey and black, on thin paper.

Roumania.

RO ak\* 5, 10, 15, 25, 50b., new designs.

New South Wales.

Punctured Officials (used).

NSW ak† 1d., O.S. cc 6d., O.S.  
am† 2d. " cd 1/- "  
ca 3d. " bc† 8d., O.S., N.S.W.  
cb 4d. " bz 1/- " "

Our Prize Competitions.

Result week ending 5th December, 1908.

	NEW ISSUE COMPETITION.		OLD ISSUE COMPETITION.		
	I. Europe and Colonies.		II. Rest of World.	III. Gt. Britain and Colonies.	
1st	WP *110	Miss S*100	HS *121	JF *202	
2nd	CM - 76	JL - 90	ED - 100	JE - 179	
3rd	NC - 35	FS - 90	ES - 75	GP - 176	
4th	JL - 32	WM 80	PB - 64	WB - 119	
5th	FP - 31	AD - 58	JP - 57	JW - 75	
6th	EB - 29	HW - 38	JD - 45	JR - 69	
7th	EM - 23	JH - 36	WP - 19	ES - 66	
8th	WJ - 22	FC - 30	HB - 8	SR - 64	
9th	JO - 22	SH - 29	CM - 2	RW - 64	
10th	AE - 20	JL - 22		GA - 52	

\* Prize albums were despatched on Monday last.

CONDITIONS.

- The prizes are the following albums:—  
"Our Own Times," specially arranged for King's Heads and current issues (sale price, 12/6).  
"Good Old Times." Part I., Great Britain and Colonies; part II., Europe and Colonies; part III., Rest of the World. Arranged for collectors on simplified lines, without water-marks, perforations, etc. (The set of three albums can be supplied immediately for 37/6 cash, or 12/6 each, post free).
- The prize in each of the four competitions is awarded to the competitor who has purchased from our approval sheets the most stamps up to the end of each week, non-winners' totals being carried forward. The minimum number entitling to a prize is 100.
- Stamps purchased from our Current Issue Sheets count in the New Issue Competition only, whilst stamps purchased from our Old Issue Sheets count in the Old Issue Competition only.
- The "Rest of World" Competition is only open to winners of "Europe and Colonies," and the "Great Britain and Colonies" to winners of the other two.

EDITORIAL COMPETITION.

The competitor who sends us the most interesting item of information for our New Issue column each week will be credited 2/6, which may be selected from any of our approval sheets. From time to time we shall voluntarily increase the prize.

Award this week.

W.E.R. for note on Jaipur (2/6).

Cheap Sets of Foreign, Chiefly Used.

These Sets contain good copies only, and are arranged according to our simplified catalogue. They are recommended to specialists of British Colonials who do not wish to entirely lose sight of the rest of the world.

Argentine Republic— 1858, Confederation .. 3 1/5 11d. 1867, Arms .. 8 3/4 2/3 1884, Envelope .. 3 5d. 3d. 1888, Portraits .. 8 2/8 1/9 1889, Corr. y. Tel. .. 12 2/2 1/3 1892, Portraits .. 9 11d. 5½d. " Peso values .. 4 5/4 3/4 1899, Seated figure .. 15 2/0 1/2	Corrientes— 1864, Head .. 3 6/0 4/0	Austria— 1850, Arms .. 3 4d. 1½d. 1858, Head .. 3 4d. 2½d. 1861 " .. 3 3d. 2d. 1863, Arms .. 3 3d. 1½d. 1867, Head .. 5 5d. 2d. 1883, Figure .. 5 5d. 2d. 1890, Head .. 13 1/10 7d. 1891 " .. 4 4d. 1½d. 1900 " .. 15 2/0 6d. 1904 " .. 14 2/11 6d. 1906 " .. 4 5d. 2d. 1908, Jubilee .. 10 — 9d.	Austr. F.P.O.— 1850, Arms .. 3 5d. 3d. 1903, Head .. 5 1/3 5d. 1908, Jubilee .. 6 — 9d.	Bavaria— 1849, Square .. 5 7d. 5d. 1874, Large .. 2 3d. 1½d. " Small .. 15 1/4 7d.	Belgium— 1850, Head .. 2 2d. 1d. 1869, Figure .. 6 6d. 1½d. " Head .. 5 11d. 5d. 1884, Head .. 6 11d. 7d. 1893, Sunday .. 10 11d. 3d. 1894, Antwerp .. 3 8d. 5d. 1897, Brussels .. 2 3d. 1d. 1905, Sunday .. 4 4d. 2d.	Bolivia— 1866, Eagle .. 3 4/4 3/6 1867, Arms .. 7 1/9 1/1 1878, Open book .. 3 2/5 1/9 1894, Arms .. 7 1/9 9d. 1897, Large .. 7 4/8 2/4 1899, Portrait .. 6 9d. 7d. 1901 " .. 3 6d. 2½d.	Bosnia— 1879, Arms .. 9 1/11 10d. 1900 " .. 11 2/7 9d. " High Values .. 2 1/7 1/2 1901, Arms .. 5 1/7 8d. 1906, Pictorial .. 10 1/11 1/2	Brazil— 1844, Slanting fig. .. 3 7/6 4/6 1850, Upright fig. .. 4 1/4 1/2 1894, Correio diag. .. 10 1/7 9d. 1906, Small heads .. 7 2/4 9d. " 2000,5000r. .. 2 6/0 2/11	Bulgaria— 1882, Lion .. 9 1/3 8d. 1889 " .. 10 1/3 7d. 1896, Dated .. 4 7d. 4d. 1902, Head .. 8 9d. 4d. 1907, Large .. 3 7d. 6d.	Chile— 1867, Chile over Head 5 1/7 1/1 1877, Cent. on fig. ... 4 9d. 7d. 1881, Cent. under fig. 10 2/7 1/6 1900, Large head .. 6 1/1 9d. 1902, Small head .. 5 6d. 4d. 1906, Bare head .. 4 4d. 2d. " Black head .. 5 1/8 8½d.	China— 1871, Dragon .. 3 8/0 3/9 1885, Smaller .. 3 11d. 7½d. 1898, Ch. Imp. .. 9 1/9 1/4	Colombia— 1902, Arms .. 9 1/7 10d. 1900/2, Control marked 8 10d. 8d.	Congo Free State— 1894, Pictorial .. 8 2/5 1/7	Corea— 1900, Small .. 3 4d. 3½d. 1903, Long .. 4 3/7 2/11	Costa Rica— 1862, Two Oceans .. 2 2d. 2d. 1892, Arms .. 10 6/4 1/11 1901, Bi-coloured .. 5 5d. 4d.	Crete— 1899, Arms .. 2 4/6 2/9 " Trident .. 2 2/0 1/9 1900, Various .. 6 1/0 6d. 1905 " .. 6 1/3 10d.	Dominican Republic— 1885, Arms .. 3 6d. 4d. 1899, ¼, ½c. blk. .. 2 8/0 3/6	Dominican Republic— 1902, Oblong .. 7 2/2 1/1 1901, Lilac centre .. 5 9d. 5d. 1906, Black centre .. 4 8d. 5d.	Denmark— Small .. 2 2d. 1½d. 1870, Figure .. 3 6d. 3½d. 1875, " .. 9 11d. 4d. 1882, Arms .. 6 7d. 2d. 1904, Figure .. 5 5d. 2d. " Head .. 6 2/4 1/4 1907, " .. 6 2/2 11d.	D.W.I.— 1873, Figure .. 5 1/4 11d. 1901, Arms .. 3 9d. 3½d.	Finland— 1875, Arms .. 6 1/1 5½d. 1890 " .. 6 8d. 3d. 1891, Russian .. 6 1/7 10½d. 1900, " .. 5 6d. 3½d.	France— 1849, Ceres .. 11 1/3 7d. 1853, Head .. 5 6d. 2½d. 1863, Laureated .. 7 11d. 4½d. 1876, Figures .. 26 3/5 1/5 1900, Figure .. 5 5d. 1d. " Droits .. 10 1/1 4d. " Large .. 5 10d. 4d. 1903, Semeuse .. 5 5d. 1d. 1906 " .. 6 10d. 3d.	French F.P.O.— 1902, various .. 9 1/3 6d.	Fr. Col.— 1881, Seated Fig. .. 9 1/1 7d. 1892, Two Fig. .. 9 1/3 10d.	Diego Suarez— 1890 .. 4 8/6 5/0	French Congo— 1900, Pictorial .. 11 2/10 2/3	Fr. Guiana— 1904, Pictorial .. 11 2/5 1/11	Fr. Guinea— 1904, Pictorial .. 11 2/11 2/5	Fr. Somali— 1902, Pictorial .. 21 7/4 6/0	Fr. Senegal— 1906, Pictorial .. 14 5/0 3/11	Guadeloupe— 1905, Pictorial .. 11 3/2 2/1	Indo China— 1904, Pictorial .. 9 2/1 1/6 1907 " .. 6 3d. 10d.	Fr. Madagascar— 1904, Pictorial .. 6 9d. 5d.	Middle Congo— 1907, Pictorial .. 13 — 3/6	New Caledonia— 1905, Pictorial .. 4 5d. 3½d.	Reunion— 1907, Pictorial .. 5 6d. 3d.	Tunis— 1888, Arms (lined) .. 10 1/5 9d. 1906, Pictorial .. 11 4/5 2/3	Germany— 1875, Arms .. 8 8d. 2d. 1889 " .. 7 7d. 1½d. 1900, Germania .. 10 10d. 2½d. " High Values .. 2 4d. 2d. 1902, Germania .. 10 10d. 2d. " High Values .. 3 7d. 3½d.	German Col.— 1901, Ship .. 11 4/9 2/11	Greece— 1887, Large Head .. 7 9d. 5d. 1896, Olympic .. 5 6d. 3½d. 1901, Mercury .. 8 1/1 5d. 1906, Olympic .. 11 5/0 2/9	Holland— 1869, Arms .. 3 6d. 3d. 1872, King .. 9 1/6 8½d. 1876, Figure .. 4 4d. 1d. 1891, Queen .. 11 2/2 11d. " Large .. 2 6d. 4d. 1899, Figure & Queen 17 2/0 9d.	Dutch Indies— 1870, King .. 6 1/2 6½d. 1883, Figure .. 5 5d. 2½d. 1892, Queen .. 7 1/7 1/1 1902, Oblong .. 5 5d. 3d. " Queen .. 8 2/6 1/5	Curacao— 1889, Figure .. 5 8d. 5d. " Queen .. 5 3/3 11d.	Surinam— 1873, King .. 7 2/10 1/10 1892, Type-set .. 1 2d. 1½d. 1891, Figure .. 5 6d. 5d.	Hungary— 1874, Envelope .. 5 5d. 2d. 1900, Crown and Eagle 16 1/7 6d. " High values .. 2 1/5 6d.
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## The Week's News.

The Editor is always pleased to receive Early Information of New Issues, or of Discoveries interesting to Stamp Collectors, and will acknowledge such contributions either by name in the journal or by the presentation of several interesting newly-issued stamps, as preferred. The index number and serial letter after the title of each paragraph indicate the issue of E.W.S.N. in which the last reference to that country appeared.

**GREAT BRITAIN.**—Record Dates of Use.—(481 I 482).—The following new records are shown us by Mr. O. Spannocchia.

3d. rose, plate 11 London, E.C., 5.7.73.  
6d. lilac, plate 3 Sheffield, 12.12.62.

**Surface Printed Stamps** (478 R 482).—in our note under this heading in No. 478 we inadvertently transposed the two errors of the Emblems watermarks. It is of course the error "Three Roses and Shamrock" which was previously known on stamps lettered TA and the error just discovered on the 6d., plate 5, lettered TF, has "Three Roses and Thistle."

**ARGENTINE REPUBLIC** (480 N 482).—Gibbons Stamp Weekly translates from L'Echo de la Timbrologie:—

At the request of the Argentine Philatelic Society the Administration of Posts has decided to issue a special set of stamps (as was mentioned in G.S.W. of 24th October) in 1910 to commemorate the centenary of the independence of the Argentine, which was declared on 25th May, 1810. The celebrations committee has nominated a sub-committee to take charge of the new set of stamps; the members of this philatelic committee are M. Marco del Pont, one of the most prominent philatelists in South America, and Messrs. Gregorio F. Rodriguez and Miguel Gambin, who are the President and Vice-President of the Argentine Philatelic Society respectively.

This is all very well, but in spite of the high standing of this Society in Buenos Aires, we take the liberty of informing it that one of the duties of such societies is to discourage commemorative issues rather than to use their influence in favour of them.

**AUSTRALIAN COMMONWEALTH** (478 T 482).—The following variety has been discovered by Gibbons' Stamp Weekly (5.12.08/367).



Adhesive. Wmk. Crown NSW, perf. 11.  
1/- green.

Earliest postmark seen, 21.8.08.

**AUSTRIA** (468 M 482).—The following stationery is chronicled in Der Deutsche Philatelist (11.08/115):—



Envelope Stamps. All in design of 5 heller adhesive.

3 heller, red-lilac on white.

5 " green "

5+5 heller, green "

10 heller, rose "

20 " dark brown "

25 " blue "

Printed-Matter Card.

3 heller, red-lilac on buff.

News-wrapper.

3 heller, red-lilac on yellowish.

**BOLIVIA** (480 K 482).—Our expectation that the new 50c. recently chronicled by a contemporary was merely a reissue of old stock has been verified by Le Timbre-poste (10.12.08/286).



It appears that there were considerable remainders of the 1891 50c. red and 100c. yellow

on hand and these have been brought back into use.

A new issue is to be made in 1909.

**CRETE** (481 F 482).—The following errors are noted in Le Timbre-poste (10.12.08/282).



5 lepta, green, surch. "E AAS" (the first A being omitted).

Same surch. EAAAS (AA being transposed).

10 lepta, Prince George, same error as last.

25 lepta, surch. twice, once at top and once at bottom.

The same journal (10.12.08/285) illustrates a used copy of the following without surcharge and states that several sheets escaped being overprinted.



Adhesive. Without surcharge.  
10 lepta, Hermes.

From the same source we learn that the 1 drachma of 1907, surcharged, has been exhausted. The supply surcharged was 10,000.

**GREENLAND** (480 C 482).—Dr. J. G. McNaughtan has received the following postcard from the Postmaster-General, Copenhagen.

"G.P.O., Copenhagen, 9.12.08.

"Sir,—In reply to your est. of 6th inst., I beg to inform you that no stamps for Greenland have been issued. Letters from Greenland are by care of 'The Royal Danish Greenland Trading Company' forwarded to Copenhagen, and in this city the letters are furnished with Danish stamps. I am, etc. [Signature illegible]."

**MOROCCO, BRITISH POST OFFICES** (457 M 482).—We are informed by Mr. J. Copland that he has the current 10c. on 1d. with control letter G8 (issued 11.08 or earlier). Previous control letters were G7 (10c.), chronicled in E.W.S.N. No. 457; F6 (5c., 10c., 1/4d. and 1d.), chronicled in E.W.S.N. No. 383 and 403.

**PAPUA** (481 R 482).—The issue of the 2d. of the permanent series is now reported in Whitfield King's Weekly Trade Circular (30.11.08).



Adhesive. Wmk. Crown A, perf. 11.  
2d. violet and black.

**SWITZERLAND** (477 Q 482).—The Colonial Stamp Market has now shown us the following:—

Adhesive. New design.  
3 fr. orange.

Issued 19.11.08 or earlier.

The new 40c. design has now been altered to bring it into line with that of the other values, although the initials C.L. in place of "C. L'Ep-plateunier" are very indistinct.

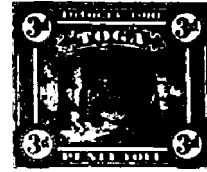


Adhesive. Modified design, initials CL only.  
40c. violet and light yellow.

Earliest postmark seen 19.11.08 (noted by Mr. F. Reinhard).

**TASMANIA** (468 O 482).—The 6d. bi-coloured has been brought into use as an official stamp with the T puncture.

**TONGA** (469 I 482).—We are informed by Mr. A. Sargeant that he has the 3d. with alternate turtles-head watermark.



Adhesive. Wmk. turtles' heads pointing alternately up and down. 3d. green and black.

The 1/4d., 1d., 2d. and 2 1/4d. have already been found.

**UNITED STATES** (481 K 482).—We illustrate the design of the new 2c. stamps.



The following paragraph is from the Philadelphia Public Ledger (4.12.08):—

**NEW SPECIAL DELIVERY STAMP.**  
OLIVE BRANCH AND MERCURY HAT SYMBOLIC OF PEACE AND HASTE.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.—Approval was given by Postmaster-General Meyer to-day to the new special delivery stamp, which will be placed on sale within the next ten days. It measures about one inch square and is of a dark green colour.

Running diagonally across its face is an illustration of an olive branch, the leaves of which entwine a Mercury hat, symbolic of peace and haste. In the upper left-hand corner is the inscription, "roc.," while in the lower right-hand corner in bold letters are the words "U.S. Postage, Special Delivery."

Mr. W. O. Wylie informs us that the following was issued on 3.12.08.

Adhesive. New design.  
1c. green. Value in words.

The Colonial Stamp Market has shown us the new 2c. in entire sheets of 100 with marginal plate-numbers 4829, 4830 and 4833.

## Stationery.

The following statistics relating to stamped stationery during the years 1900 to 1907 are published by the Deutsche Briefmarken Zeitung (19.11.08/181). They are based on the new Senf catalogue. New issues were as follows:—

NEW ISSUES OF STAMPED STATIONERY.									
	1900	1901	1902	1903	1904	1905	1906	1907	Totals
Postcards	220	78	166	181	129	122	139	163	1238
Envelopes	52	70	105	63	40	36	48	56	470
Letter Cards	41	57	50	52	31	43	44	33	351
News Wrappers	13	20	32	32	13	15	14	11	150
Sundries	21	20	37	17	6	37	18	23	179
Totals	347	285	390	345	219	253	263	286	2388

Divided according to countries, the new issues arrange themselves as follows:—

	1900	1901	1902	1903	1904	1905	1906	1907	Totals
Germany & Col.	91	21	23	14	3	30	39	20	241
France & Col.	14	93	83	11	47	15	63	49	375
Gt. Britn. & Col.	54	56	144	122	43	32	30	33	514
Spain & Col.	8	7	1	6	2	8	1	6	39
Portugal & Col.	5	1	4	66	17	32	11	6	142
Rest of Europe	114	71	86	60	50	105	76	115	677
Asia	13	8	18	8	7	4	4	5	67
Africa	4	1	1	—	10	4	1	5	26
America	44	27	30	58	40	23	38	47	307

It goes without saying that many of these new issues will prove extremely rare in the future, since hardly any are imported now-a-days. But rarity, as a factor in raising the value of a stamp, is of little importance in itself; there are so few collectors of stamped stationery that it is doubtful if there will ever be enough collectors to render the rarity of many of the varieties apparent.

## The Tiffany Collection.

We are informed that the famous American Collection of the late Mr. John K. Tiffany, first president of the American Philatelic Association, has finally been disposed of to Mr. Frank P. Brown, of Boston, U.S.A. Mr. Tiffany was the discoverer of the Alexandria Postmaster's stamp and for years had the only known copy. Another specimen however recently turned up and was sold for £700. It will be remembered that a year or two ago Mr. Tiffany's philatelic library was purchased by the Earl of Crawford, K.T., for a sum reported to be no less than £2,000.

# Sets of Current Colonial Stamps.

THE BEST NUCLEUS FOR A COLLECTION OF NEW ISSUES.

THE very best way of starting a Collection of New Issues is to purchase these Sets, which contain all the stamps current in British Colonies at the date of our last importation. The list also includes a few other recent sets. Collectors requiring particular watermarks or perforations are referred to our Quotations Supplement. All Sets are guaranteed in mint well-centred condition.

	Face Value.	Sale Price.		Face Value.	Sale Price.
1 Aitutaki (on N.Z.), ½d., 1d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/- ..	6	2/1	140 Queensland, ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 9d., 1/- ..	10	3/9
2 Antigua (Arms), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/- ..	7	2/3	143 St. Helena (King), ½d., 2½d., 4d., 6d. ..	4	1/1
3 Austral. Cmnwlth, Postage Due, ½, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 10d., 1/- ..	10	4/3½	144 " (Pictorial), ½d., 1d., 2d., 8d., 1/- ..	5	1/11½
6 Bahamas (Staircase), 1d., 5d. ..	2	0/6	145 St. Kitts-Nevis (Pict.), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/- ..	7	2/3
7 " (King), ½d., 1d., 2½d., 4d., 6d., 1/- ..	6	2/2	146 St. Lucia (King), ½d., 1d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/- ..	6	2/1
8 Barbados (Arms), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 5d., 6d., 8d., 10d. ..	9	2/11½	147 St. Vincent (King), 6d., 1/- ..	2	1/6
9 " (Nelson), ½d., 1d., 2½d., 6d., 1/- ..	6	1/10½	148 " (Pict.), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d. ..	5	0/9
10 Bechuanaland (on G.B. King), ½d., 1d., 2½d. ..	3	0/4	150 Sarawak, 1, 2, 4, 8, 10, 12, 16, 20, 25, 50c. ..	10	3/5
11 Bermuda (Dock), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d. ..	5	0/9	151 Seychelles (King), 2, 3, 6, 12, 15, 18, 30, 45, 75 ..	9	2/9
13 British Guiana, 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 12, 24c. ..	7	2/3	151a " " Sur., 3 on 15, 3 on 18, 3 on 45c. ..	3	—
14 British Honduras (King), 1, 2, 5, 10, 20, 25c. ..	6	2/7½	152 Sierra Leone (King), ½d., 1d., 1½d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 1/- ..	10	3/1½
15 British New Guinea, ½, 1, 2, 2½, 4, 6d., 1/- ..	7	—	153 Solomon Is. (litho.), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 5d., 6d., 1/- ..	7	2/5
16 B.S.A. (Arms), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 6d., 1/- ..	8	2/7	154 " (Engraved), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 5d., 6d., 1/- ..	7	2/5
17 " (Victoria Falls), 1d., 2½d., 5d., 1/- ..	4	1/8½	155 Somaliland (King), ½, 1, 2, 2½, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12a. ..	9	3/3
18 Brunei (on Labuan), complete set ..	12	—	156 " (King, O.H.M.S.), ½, 1a. ..	2	—
19 " " set of ten, 1-30c. ..	10	—	157 " (Official), complete except 2a. KS. ..	14	—
20 " " set of seven, 1-10c. ..	7	—	158 S. Australia (small), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 5d. ..	5	0/11
21 Brunei (View), 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 10, 25, 30, 50c. ..	10	3/3	159 " (large), 3d., 4d., 6d., 8d., 9d., 10d., 1/- ..	7	4/4
27 Canada (King), 1, 2, 5, 7, 10, 20c. ..	6	1/10½	161 S. Nigeria (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 4d., 6d., 1/- ..	7	2/4
28 " (Dues) 1, 2, 5c. ..	3	0/4	162 Straits (King), 1, 3, 4, 5, 8, 10, 25, 30, 50c. ..	9	3/3
29 " (Quebec), ½, 1, 2, 5, 7, 10, 15, 20c. ..	8	2/6½	164 Sudan (Camel), 1, 2, 3, 4, 5m., 1, 2, 5pi. ..	8	1/11½
30 Cape Colony (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 6d., 1/- ..	8	2/7	165 " (O.S.G.S.), 1, 3, 5m., 1, 2, 5pi. ..	6	1/10½
31 Cayman Islands, ½d., 1d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 1/- ..	7	1/11½	166 " (Army Service), 1, 2, 3, 5m., 2pi. ..	5	—
32 Ceylon (King), 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 12, 15, 25, 30, 75c. ..	10	2/4½	171 Tasmania (Pict.), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d. ..	8	2/0
33 Chamba (on India King), ½, 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12a. ..	9	3/0½	172 " (Queen), 1½d., 8d., 9d., 1/- ..	4	2/6½
34 " (Service, King), ½, 1, 2, 4, 8a. ..	6	1/3½	174 Tonga (Pict.), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 7½d., 10d., 1/- ..	11	4/5½
35 Cook Islands, ½d., 1d., 1½d., 2d., 2½d., 5d., 6d., 10d., 1/- ..	9	3/4½	175 Transvaal (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 6d., 1/- ..	8	2/7
36 Cyprus (King), ½, 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 9 pias ..	9	2/7½	176 " (Dues), ½d., 1d., 2d., 3d., 5d., 6d., 1/- ..	7	2/5½
41 Dominica (View), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/- ..	7	2/3	177 Trinidad (Britannia), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 4d., 6d., 1/- ..	7	2/4
43 E. Africa and Ug. (King), 1, 3, 6, 10, 12, 15, 25, 50, 75c. ..	9	2/7½	178 " (Dues, used), 1d., 2d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 8d., 1/- ..	8	3/5
45 Falkland Islands (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 6d., 1/- ..	6	2/0	179 Turks & Caicos Is. (Ship), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 6d., 1/- ..	8	2/7
46 Fiji Islands (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 1/- ..	9	3/0	185 Victoria, ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 9d., 1/- ..	10	3/9
50 Gambia (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 7½d., 10d., 1/- ..	11	4/5½	186 " (Dues), ½d., 1d., 2d. ..	3	0/3½
51 Gibraltar (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 6d., 1/- ..	6	2/0	187 Virgin Islands (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/- ..	7	2/3
52 Gold Coast (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/- ..	7	2/3	190 W. Australia (Swan), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 8d., 9d., 10d., 1/- ..	12	5/3
53 Grenada (Ship), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/- ..	7	2/3	195 Zanzibar, 3, 6, 12, 15, 25, 50c. ..	6	1/7½
55 " (Dues), 1d., 2d., 3d. ..	3	0/6			
56 Gwalior (on India King), ½, 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12a. ..	9	3/0½			
57 " (Service, King), ½, 1, 2, 4, 8a. ..	6	—			
61 Hong Kong (King), 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 8, 10, 12, 20, 30, 50c. ..	11	3/0			
64 India (King), ½, 1, 2, 2½, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12a. ..	10	3/3½			
65 " (King, On H.M.S.), ½, 1, 2, 4, 8a., 1r. ..	7	—			
70 Jamaica (Queen), 3d., 4d., 6d., 1/- ..	4	2/1			
71 " (Arms), ½d., 1d., 2½d., 5d. ..	4	0/9			
72 Jhind (on India, King), ½, 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12a. ..	9	3/0½			
74 Johore (1904 Sultan), 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 10, 25, 50c. ..	9	2/11			
78 Labuan (Crown), 1, 2, 3, 4, 8, 10, 12, 16, 18, 25 50c. ..	11	—			
79 " (surch. Straits), complete ..	11	—			
80 " " without 2c. ..	10	—			
81 " " 1, 2c. ..	9	—			
83 Leeward Is. (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/- ..	7	2/3			
84 Levant (on G.B., King), 1, 2, 4 pias ..	3	1/2			
85 " ( " ), ½d., 1d., 1½d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 1/- ..	10	3/1½			
91 Malay States (Tiger), 1, 3, 4, 5, 8, 10, 20, 50c. ..	8	2/4½			
92 Maldives (Minaret), 2, 3, 5, 10c. ..	4	0/6			
93 Malta (Pictorial), ½d., 4½d., 5d. ..	3	0/9½			
94 " (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 1/- ..	7	2/1			
95 Mauritius (Arms), 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 12, 15, 25, 50c. ..	11	1/9			
96 " (Express), 15, 18c. ..	2	0/5½			
98 Montserrat (Arms), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/- ..	7	2/3			
100 Morocco (on G.B. King), 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 40, 50c., 1p. ..	8	1/9			
101 " " ½d., 1d., 2d., 4d., 6d., 1/- ..	6	2/1½			
105 Nabha (on India King), ½, 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12a. ..	9	3/0½			
106 " (Service, King), ½, 1, 2, 4, 8a., 1r. ..	6	—			
107 Natal (King), ½d., 1d., 1½d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 1/- ..	10	3/1½			
109 Newfoundland (Cabot), 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 15, 24c. ..	7	3/10½			
110 " (Royal Family), ½, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5c. ..	6	0/7½			
111 N.S.W., ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 8d., 10d., 1/- ..	11	4/6			
115 N.Z., ½d., 1d., 1½d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 5d., 6d., 8d., 9d., 1/- ..	12	4/6½			
116 " (Dues), ½d., 1d., 2d. ..	3	0/3½			
117 Niue (on N.Z.), ½d., 1d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/- ..	6	2/1			
119 N. Borneo (Brit. Prot.), 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 10, 12, 16, 18, 24c. ..	12	2/7			
121 N. Nigeria (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 5d., 6d., 1/- ..	7	2/5			
123 Nyasaland (King), ½d., 1d., 3d., 4d., 6d., 1/- ..	6	2/2½			
126 Orange River (King), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 3d., 4d., 6d., 1/- ..	8	2/7			
131 Papua (large surch.), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 4d., 6d., 1/- ..	7	—			
132 " (small surch.), ½d., 1d., 2d., 2½d., 4d., 6d., 1/-, 2/6 ..	8	—			
133 " ½d., 1d., 2½d., 4d., 6d. ..	5	1/2			
134 Patiala (on India King), ½, 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12a. ..	9	3/0½			
135 " (Service, King), ½, 1, 2, 3, 4, 8a., 1r. ..	7	—			
136 Penrhyn (on N.Z.), ½d., 1d., 2½d., 3d., 6d., 1/- ..	6	2/1			

## Miscellaneous Sets.

1285 Switzerland, new 5, 10c. ..	1½d.	2d.
1412 " " 5c. ..	½d.	1d.
1221 Egypt OHMS, 1, 2, 3, 5m., 1 5 pi. ..	—	3/6
1287 Nepal, New Issue, mint set of four ..	—	9d.
1322 Austrian Levant, 10, 20 paras, Jubilee ..	1½d.	2d.
201 Australian Commonwealth, Postage Dues, Melbourne paper (rare), 1d., 2d., 4d., 6d., mint ..	—	4/6
202 Barbados, 1d. on 2d. K.R.F. complete set of 6 varieties, (3 inverted surcharge) ..	—	7/6
203 Ceylon King, On Service, complete set of 6 ..	—	35/0
1331 Somaliland " Service" on India, error dropped E, ½, 1, 2as. mint ..	—	30/0
1334 " wrong fount " Service," ½, 1, 2as. mint ..	—	15/0
1335 " no I in " British " ½, 1, 2as. mint ..	—	30/0
204 Brunei, complete 1st Issue, used ..	—	50/0
205 " " mint blocks of four ..	—	200/0
206 " 1st issue, used, 1c. to 50c. ..	—	35/0
207 Straits on Labuan, 3c. to 51, used, fine ..	—	15/0
208 " complete, 1c. to 51 used ..	—	35/0
209 Morocco on G.B., 3, 6, 12 pes. on 2/6, 5/-, 10/-, K., used, v.f. ..	—	15/0
210 N.Z. Official, complete ½d. to 5/-, used, fine ..	—	60/0
211 Sudan, Army, entire pane of 30 with 3 errors ..	—	25/0
1165 Somali, Queen, ½a. surcharge at top, mint ..	—	2d.
1174 " " 1a. ..	—	4d.
1328 Austrian Levant, Post Due, ½ pi. to 5 pi., set of 6, mint ..	—	2/0
1339 Luxemburg, 1908 issue, mint set of 14 ..	—	3/0
1349 " 30, 87½c. 1fr., mint ..	—	2/2
1344 German Levant, 5, 10, 25, 50, 100c., mint ..	—	1/9
1345 Fr. Madagascar, 1908, 1c. to 1fr. set of 14 ..	—	4/2
1351 " " 2, 5fr., mint ..	—	6/7
1348 " Post Due, mint set of 8 ..	—	2/2
1346 Italian Levant, 10, 20, 40, 80 para, mint ..	—	9d.
1350 Tunis, set of 4 surcharged (1908) ..	—	1/6
1356 Italian Levant, 30 para, and 4 pi. ..	—	11d.
1357 " " 20 piastres ..	—	3/11
1361 Iceland, 15 aur, Ordinary, 15 aur, Official ..	—	5d.

### Special Offers.

#### ANTIGUA.

1903, large Arms design:—½d. green and black 1d., 1d. red and black 1d., 2d. brown and lilac 4d., 3d. brown and green 5d., 6d. black and lilac 9d., 1/- lilac and blue 1/6, 2/- lilac and green 2/9, 2/6 lilac and black 3/6, 5/- lilac and green 7/6, and 2½d. all blue 4d.

#### LEEWARD ISLANDS.

1902, King's Head, used, 2d. lilac and yellow 4d., 2½d. lilac and blue 4d., 3d. lilac and black 5d., 6d. lilac and brown 9d., 1/- green and rose 1/6, 2/6 green and black 3/9, 5/- green and blue 7/-.

#### CANADA.

1908, Quebec Centenary Issue, used ¼c. brown 1½d., 1c. green 1d., 2c. red ½d., 5c. blue 4d., 10c. violet 9d., 20c. brown 1/3.

#### LAGOS.

1903, King's Head, used ½d. green 1d., 1d. on red 1d., 2d. lilac and blue 4d., 2½d. on blue 5d., 3d. lilac and brown 6d., 6d. lilac 5d., 1/- green and black 8d., 2/6 green and rose 4/6.

#### HAYTI.

1904, Head of President Nord in colour, unsurcharged, 20c. orange (used and unused), and 50c. lilac (unused), the set of two only 4d.

#### PARAGUAY.

1904, dated "1904" at foot, used and unused, 1c. rose 1d., 1c. blue-green 1d., 5c. blue 1d., 10c. yellow 1d., 10c. green 1d., 10c. blue 1d., 20c. lilac 2½d., 20c. brown 2½d., 30c. blue 3d., 30c. grey 3d., 30c. lilac 3d., 60c. brown 5d., or 2/- the set.

#### BERMUDA.

1902, Dockyard, used:—½d. green and black 1d., 1d. rose and brown ½d., 2d. orange and grey 4d., 2½d. blue and brown 4d., 3d. green and lilac 4d.

### Approval Sheets.

Approval Sheets of any Countries can be made up to allow 25% discount.



# Wholesale List: Unused and Used Colonial Stamps.

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In ordering, it is only necessary to give the country, Index No., quantity required and price.

	Unused Per 12	Used Per 12							
G. Britain (93) 2/6 King ..	—	3/6	Falkland (1) 1/2d. Queen ..	9d.	9d.	Moreocco on Great Britain.		Seychelles (King).	
" (94) 5/- ..	—	4/9	" (12) 1/2d. King ..	—	9d.	(320) 15c. on 1 1/2d. ..	—	(303) 6c. single ..	1/9
Aitutaki (301) 1/2d. ..	7d.	—	" (13) 1d. ..	—	1/6	(321) 20c. on 2d. ..	—	Sierra Leone (41) 1/2d. K., grn. ..	9d.
" (307) 1/- bright red ..	14/0	—	" (14) 2d. ..	—	4/0	(322) 25c. on 2 1/2d. ..	—	" (42) 1d. K., rose ..	5d.
Antigua (9) 1/2d. Arms ..	—	9d.	" (15) 2 1/2d. King ..	—	4/0	(325) 40c. on 4d. ..	—	" (315) 1d. KM ..	4/0
" (10) 1d. ..	—	1/0	" (301) 1/2d. KM ..	7d.	—	(326) 50c. on 5d. ..	—	" (313) 1/2 King single ..	1/4
" (11) 2d. ..	—	4/0	" (302) 1d. KM ..	1/2	—	(327) 1p. on 10d. ..	—	Somaliland O.H.M.S.	
" (13) 3d. ..	—	5/0	Gambia (22) 1/2d. King ..	—	1/0	(330) 2d. ..	—	(351) 1/2a. King single ..	45/0
" (14) 6d. ..	—	9/0	" (23) 1d., King ..	—	1/6	Nabha Service (324) 2a. King ..	6/0	(352) 1a. ..	36/0
" (15) 1/- ..	—	18/0	" (24) 2d. ..	—	2/9	Natal (18) 1/2d. King ..	—	Stellaland, 3d. yellow ..	6/0
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" (28) 5c. ..	—	2/3	" (48) 4a. ..	—	5d.	N.Z., pict., Comb perf. 14 x 13 1/2.		(360) 3d. brown ..	3/6
Brunei on Labuan.			" (49) 6a. ..	—	1/0	(361) 4d. brn. and blue ..	—	(361) 4d. brn. and blue ..	4/8
(302) 1c. lilac and black ..	18/0	—	" (50) 8a. ..	—	8d.	(366) 1/0 red ..	—	(366) 1/0 red ..	14/0
(306) 4c. yellow & black ..	6/0	—	" (51) 12a. ..	—	1/9	N. Nigeria (10) 1/2d. King bi-c. ..	—	(366) 1/0 red ..	14/0
(307) 5c. brown & green ..	30/0	—	" (52) 1r. ..	—	1/0	" (11) 1d. .. bi-c. ..	—	(366) 1/0 red ..	14/0
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(315) 2c. red and black ..	1/0	—	" (55) 1/2a. P & R ..	—	2d.	" (305) 5d. .. single 8/0	—	(366) 1/0 red ..	14/0
(317) 4c. lilac and black ..	1/6	—	Jamaica (19) 1/2d. Arms ..	—	3d.	" (319) 1/2d. KN ..	—	(366) 1/0 red ..	14/0
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(327) 3c. rose ..	—	1/-	" (21) 2 1/2d. ..	—	1/0	" (302) 1d. ..	—	(366) 1/0 red ..	14/0
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" (35) 1d. ..	—	4d.	Johore (9) 2c. full-face ..	—	1/6	Papua on B.N.G., large surch.		(366) 1/0 red ..	14/0
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" (316) 3d. ..	—	3/6	(337) 4c. on 16c. ..	—	4/6	(320) 2 1/2d. wide rosettes ..	—	(366) 1/0 red ..	14/0
" (38) 4d. ..	—	3/0	(338) 4c. on 18c. ..	—	3/6	(323) 1/- ..	—	(366) 1/0 red ..	14/0
" (39) 6d. ..	—	2/3	(339) 8c. ..	—	6/0	(324) 2/6 ..	—	(366) 1/0 red ..	14/0
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" (13) 1d. ..	—	1/0	" (9) 2 1/2d. bl. & blk. ..	—	6/0	" (311) 2 1/2d. all blue ..	—	(366) 1/0 red ..	14/0
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" (54) 2c. King ..	—	4d.	" (319) 2d. mult. chalk ..	—	2/4	" (324) 2d. ..	—	(366) 1/0 red ..	14/0
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**Cheap Sets of Foreign, Chiefly Used.**

These Sets contain good copies only, and are arranged according to our simplified catalogue. They are recommended to specialists of British Colonials who do not wish to entirely lose sight of the rest of the world.

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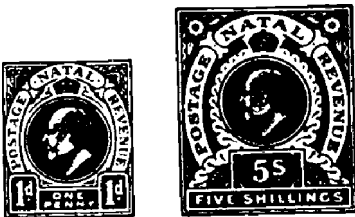
## The Week's News.

The Editor is always pleased to receive Early Information of New Issues, or of Discoveries interesting to Stamp Collectors, and will acknowledge such contributions either by name in the journal or by the presentation of several interesting newly-issued stamps, as preferred.

The index number and serial letter after the title of each paragraph indicate the issue of E.W.S.N. in which the last reference to that country appeared.

**NATAL** (472 S 483).—The "Postage and Revenue" stamps of all values from 6d. to £1, namely 6d., 1/-, 2/-, 2/6, 4/-, 5/-, 10/-, £1, were withdrawn from sale at Post Offices on 30.11.08 and the remainders are to be destroyed.

We are informed by Mr. O. Marsh that Revenue stamps of 6d., 1/-, 2/-, 2/6, 5/-, 10/- and £1 were to be issued on 1.12.08, together with new postage stamps, inscribed "Postage Only," of the values of 2/-, 5/- and £1. We can therefore now chronicle the following as actually issued.



**Adhesives.** Wmk. Crown CA multiple, —? paper.  
2/- dull green and violet (?).  
5/- doubly fugitive purple and carmine.  
£1 " " " blue.

New postage stamps of 6d., 1/-, 2/6 and 10/- inscribed "Postage" only will also be issued as soon as received from London.

**NEW ZEALAND** (471 L 483).—The New Zealand Post Office Report is quoted by Alfred Smith & Son's Monthly Circular (31.10.08/67) to the effect there has been an issue of telegram forms "embossed with a 6d. stamp." As no record appears to exist of the previous use of such a die, the design is probably a novelty.

The ½d. letter-card was issued on 16.12.07, on which date the postage on inland postcards was reduced to a halfpenny. 2,500,000 were printed "from a die obtained from Messrs. Perkins, Bacon & Co., London." On the same date ½d. + ½d. cards were issued, but of these only 10,000 were printed.

The small-size 3d. and 1/- stamps are printed from plates made in London.

**NYASALAND** (480 J 483).—Several correspondents write to inform us that they have the ½d. with normal watermark.

**PAPUA** (481 R 483).—The following is reported by the Australian Philatelist (10.11.08/29).



**Adhesive.** Wmk. Crown A, perf. 12½.  
2d. violet and black.

**SPANISH F.P.O. AND COLONIES** (469 T 483).—Three values of the current set are reported by Le Timbre-poste (10.12.08/286) to have been surcharged "TETUAN." We should like to have further particulars of these before formally accepting them as a new issue.



TETUAN

**Adhesives.** Overprinted approximately as above.  
5 cent green.  
10 " rose.  
25 " blue.

**ST. KITTS-NEVIS** (474 Y 483).—The issue of the single-colour ½d. is now reported by Gibbons Stamp Weekly (14.11.08/81).



**Adhesive.** Wmk. Crown CA multiple, ordinary paper.  
½d. all green.

**TRAVANCORE** (364 D 483).—The following novelty is shown us by the Colonial Stamp Market.



**Adhesive.** New value.  
4 cash, pink. (Sheets of 80).

Issued 11.08. We are not quite certain but believe that 16 cash make 1 chuckram (28 of which make a rupee value 1/4) so that this stamp takes the place of the recent provisional ½ on ½ chuckram and has a face value of about one-seventh of a penny.

**WESTERN AUSTRALIA** (430 C 483).—The following variety is noted in the Australian Philatelist (10.10.08/19).



**Adhesive.** Wmk. Crown A, perf. 12½ x 11.  
2d. yellow.

Earliest postmark seen, 2.05.

## Great Britain, 4d. rose, 1855-57.

(Extract from an unpublished catalogue, compiled some years ago.)



July, 1855, to April, 1856. Without corner letters. Wmk. small Garter, perf. 14.

451 4d. carmine (31.7.55).  
(a) paper blued ... £15 4 0  
(b) " white ... £25 5 0

**NOTE.**—The bluing is said to have been caused by the decomposition of prussiate of potash which was mixed in the paper whilst in the vat. The paper can be bleached by chemical means and most if not all specimens on quite white paper have been treated in this way for the exploitation of collectors.

The official dates are as follows:—

Plate No.	Approved.	Put to press.	Taken from press.
1	13.7.55	?	See below.
2	29.10.55	See I.G. issue.	

The two plates are undistinguishable, except for the marginal plate-numbers. The printings were as follows:

(1st) —? pl. 1, one sheet for the imprimatur.  
(2nd) 10.7.55, pl. 1, 3000 sheets.  
(3rd) 23.7.55, pl. 1, 3000 sheets.  
(4th) 31.7.55, pl. 1, 2500 sheets.  
(5th) 7.8.55, pl. 1, 3000 sheets.  
(6th) 20.10.55, pl. 2, 45 sheets, including imprimatur sheet.

The dates are those of the creation warrants.

**Watermark Variety.**

452 Wmk. inverted, 4d. small Garter ... £15 10 0

**NOTE.**—The normal position of the garter is with buckle at bottom.

**Variety of Perforation.**

453 Imperf., wmk. small Garter £15 —

Overprinted "Specimen."

With type 1 (22mm.) machine-printed vertically in black.

453a 4d. carmine, wmk. small Garter ... 10 0 —  
With type 2 (18mm.) machine-printed horizontally in black.

454 4d. carmine, wmk. small Garter ... 30 0 —

**NOTE.**—A notice dated 24.7.55 was issued from Somerset House announcing the issue for 31.7.55 and 4000 stamps were sent to the Postmaster-General for distribution to postmasters as specimens (Wright & Creeke, pp. 86, 87).

February, 1856, to May, 1857. Same but wmk. medium Garter.

455 4d. carmine, thick blued paper (25.2.56) ... £40 7 6

456 4d. carmine, thin blued paper (—56) ... £30 7 6

457 4d. pink, thin white paper (14.11.56?) ... £15 3 6

**NOTE.**—The above were all printed from plate 1. The printings were as follows:—

(7th) 26.1.56, 2500 sheets (No. 455?).  
(8th) 4.2.56, 3000 sheets (No. 455?).  
(9th) 4.8.56, 2000 sheets (No. 456?).  
(10th) 23.10.56, 3000 sheets (No. 457).  
(11th) 30.10.56, 3000 sheets (No. 457).  
(12th) —.12.56, 1000 sheets (No. 457).  
(13th) 5.2.57, 500 sheets (No. 457).

At the same time as the last lot there were printed 1000 sheets on large Garter paper. Wright & Creeke (page 94) states that the 9th printing was on white paper, but we are inclined to doubt it.

In a letter dated 7.2.59 referring to fiscal "VR" paper, Mr. Warren De La Rue says: "We put prussiate of potash into the white colour we use in preparing the paper," a remark which is not explained in Wright and Creeke, although the letter is reproduced in full (page 88). It seems likely that the apparent thickness of the paper of the first eight printings was due to a coating of this "white colour" (cf. the chalk-surface of Colonial stamps) and that as it was not found to be efficacious, it was omitted from the 9th printing, which was of a provisional nature, the new fugitive ink used for the first time for the 10th printing not being then ready.

**Varieties of Paper and Watermark.**

458 Wmk. inverted, 4d. blued paper ... £30 15 0

459 Wmk. inverted, 4d. white paper ... £15 5 0

Overprinted "Specimen."

With type 2 machine-printed in black.

460 4d. medium garter, white paper ... 20 0 —

May? 1857 to January 1862. Same, but wmk. Large Garter.

461 4d. pink, rose, white paper (18.5.57) ... 30 0 0 2

**NOTE.**—The first printing was in the pink shade of the medium Garter issue, the earliest printings being as follows according to Wright and Creeke (p. 90).

(13th part of) 5.2.57, 1000 sheets.  
(14th) 13.2.57, 4500 sheets.  
(15th) 15.5.57, 5000 sheets.  
(16th) 20.8.57, 5000 sheets.  
(17th) 7.11.57, 5000 sheets, etc.

The other official dates are as follows:—

Plate No.	Approved.	Put to Press.	Taken from Press.
1	(see above)	(see above)	6.6.61.
2	"	7.6.57	31.10.62.

This stamp was never printed on bluish paper; but specimens may be met with which have been blued chemically for the exploitation of collectors.

**Varieties of Watermark.**

462 Wmk. large Garter inverted 30 0 2 0  
463 No wmk., 4d. pink (essay) ... (Unknown)

**NOTE.**—A sheet of the latter is mentioned in Wright & Creeke, p. 93, as having been printed.

Overprinted "Specimen."

With type i. handstamped vertically in black.

464 4d. rose, wmk. large Garter 20 0 —

With type 2 machine-printed horiz. in black.

465 4d. rose, wmk. large Garter 7 6 —

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**CRETE surcharged "GREECE."**

Used 1900, 2d. brown, 1905, 3dr. orange and black and 5dr. green and black, the set of three, only 10/-.

**AUSTRIAN F.P. OFFICE.**

1908, new set for Crete. Mint, 5c. green, 1d.; 10c. red, 2d.  
For Levant, mint, 10 pa. green, 1d.; 20 pa. red, 1d.; 30 pa. brown, 1d.; 1 pi. blue, 1d.; 2 pi. red, 4d.

**SIAM.**

1905, King's Head and View of Grand Mosque, very fine used, 3a. green, 1d.; 4a. red and brown, 1d.; 5a. rose, 1½d.; 8a. brown and black, 2d.; 12a. blue, 1½d.; 24a. brown, 2d.; 1t. brown and blue, 8d.  
New colours, 9a. blue, 2d.; and 18a. brown, 3d.

**AUSTRIA.**

1908, various large designs. Fine used, 1h. grey, ½d.; 2h. lilac, mint, ½d.; 5h. green, ½d.; 6h. yellow, 1d.; 10h. red, ½d.; 12h. red, 2d.; 20h. brown, 2d.; 25h. blue, 1d.; 35h. blue, 3d.

**MONTSERRAT.**

1903, Arms. Very fine used ½d. green, 1d.; 2d. brown and grey, 4d.; 2½d. blue and grey, 4d.; 3d. lilac and orange, 5d.

**NEWFOUNDLAND.**

1897, Cabot series, used and unused, 1c. green, 3d.; 2c. rose, 3d.; 3c. blue, 1½d.; 4c. green, 3d.; 5c. lilac, 4d.; 6c. brown, 4d.; 8c. orange, 6d.; 10c. brown, 6d.; 12c. blue, 9d.; 15c. red, 10d.; 24c. lilac, 1/4; 30c. blue, 1/9; and 35c. red, 2/-.

**DENMARK.**

1904, King's Head to right:—used 5ö. green ½d., 10ö. red ½d., 20ö. blue ½d., 25ö. brown 1½d., 50ö. lilac 5d., 100ö. yellow 9d.  
1907, King's Head, full face:—used 5ö. green ½d., 10ö. rose ½d., 20ö. blue ½d., 25ö. brown 1½d., 50ö. lilac 3d., 100ö. yellow 5d.

**SWITZERLAND.**

1908, new issue, used, 2c. yellow, ½d.; 3c. brown, ½d.; 5c. green, ½d.; 10c. rose, 1d.; 12c. orange, 1d.; 15c. lilac, 1d.; 20c. red, ½d.; 30c. brown, ½d.; 35c. green, 1d.; 40c. lilac, ½d.; 50c. green, ½d.; 70c. brown, 3d.

**PARAGUAY.**

1904, Pictorial design. Very fine used copies of the 1 peso brown and black, 9d. each; also the new 1 peso fuerte, grey and black, lithographed, 9d. each.

**TURKEY.**

1908, new designs, used, 5pa. brown ½d., 10pa. green ½d., 20pa. rose ½d., 1pi. blue ½d., 2pi. grey 1d., 3pi. brown 4d., 5pi. lilac 6d. and 10pi. red 1/3.

**SERVIA.**

1905, Head of King Peter in black, used, 10p. rose ½d., 20p. yellow 1d., 25p. blue 1d., 30p. grey 1d., 1d. brown 7d., 3d. green 2/- and 5d. lilac 2/9.

**New Issues.**

DISTRIBUTION No. 410, 17.12.08.

Crete.

*Surcharged Greece.*

CT ak† 1dr., Postage Due. This completes the distribution of the Crete surcharged Greece, both postage and postage due stamps.

U. S. America.

US ad\* 2c. rose, new design.

Roumania.

RO al\* 40 bani, dark green, new design.

am\* 1 leu, grey-brown.

an\* 2 lei, red on red paper.

Siam.

*Surcharged "Jubilee."*

SM aq\* 1, 3, 18 atts.

an 8 atts (now obsolete).

**Our Prize Competitions.**

Result week ending 19th December, 1908.

	NEW ISSUE COMPETITION		OLD ISSUE COMPETITION		
	I. Europe and Colonies		II. Rest of World		III. Gr. Britain and Colonies
1st	EB - 51	FS - 95	ES *101	JE *192	
2nd	AK - 50	JL - 90	PB - 64	WB - 130	
3rd	NC - 40	AD - 58	JP - 57	SR - 114	
4th	CG - 40	HW - 38	JD - 48	JW - 99	
5th	JL - 32	JH - 36	WP - 19	JR - 87	
6th	FP - 31	FC - 30	WM - 19	GA - 81	
7th	EM - 23	SH - 29	HB - 8	ES - 66	
8th	WJ - 22	JL - 22	CM - 2	RW - 64	
9th	JO - 22	AE - 19		CG - 57	
10th	AE - 20	JC - 15		SG - 54	

\* Prize albums were despatched on Monday last.

**CONDITIONS.**

- The prizes are the following albums:—  
"Our Own Times," specially arranged for King's Heads and current issues (sale price, 12/6).  
"Good Old Times." Part I., Great Britain and Colonies; part II., Europe and Colonies; part III., Rest of the World. Arranged for collectors on simplified lines, without water-marks, perforations, etc. (The set of three albums can be supplied immediately for 37/6 cash, or 12/6 each, post free).
- The prize in each of the four competitions is awarded to the competitor who has purchased from our approval sheets the most stamps up to the end of each week, non-winners' totals being carried forward. The minimum number entitling to a prize is 100.
- Stamps purchased from our Current Issue Sheets count in the New Issue Competition only, whilst stamps purchased from our Old Issue Sheets count in the Old Issue Competition only.
- The "Rest of World" Competition is only open to winners of "Europe and Colonies," and the "Great Britain and Colonies" to winners of the other two.

**EDITORIAL COMPETITION.**

The competitor who sends us the most interesting item of information for our New Issue column each week will be credited 2/6, which may be selected from any of our approval sheets. From time to time we shall voluntarily increase the prize.

*Award this week.*  
No entry.

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Country	Description	Our Price	Cat.							
Argentine Republic—	1858, Confederation	11d.	3 1/5							
	1867, Arms	2/3	8 3/4							
	1884, Envelope	3d.	3 5d.							
	1888, Portraits	1/9	8 2/8							
	1889, Corr. y. Tel.	1/3	12 2/2							
	1892, Portraits	5½d.	9 11d.							
	" Peso values	3/4	4 5/4							
	1899, Seated figure	1/2	15 2/0							
	Corrientes—	4/0	3 6/0							
	1864, Head	4/0	3 6/0							
Austria—	1850, Arms	1½d.	3 4d.							
	1858, Head	2½d.	3 4d.							
	1861, "	2d.	3 3d.							
	1863, Arms	1½d.	3 3d.							
	1867, Head	2d.	5 5d.							
	1883, Figure	2d.	5 5d.							
	1890, Head	7d.	13 1/10							
	1891, "	1½d.	4 4d.							
	1900, "	6d.	15 2/0							
	1904, "	6d.	14 2/11							
1906, "	2d.	4 5d.								
1908, Jubilee	9d.	10 —								
Austr. F.P.O.—	1850, Arms	3d.	3 5d.							
	1903, Head	5d.	5 1/3							
	1908, Jubilee	9d.	6 —							
	Bavaria—	1849, Square	5d.	5 7d.						
		1874, Large	1½d.	2 3d.						
		" Small	7d.	15 1/4						
	Belgium—	1850, Head	1d.	2 2d.						
		1869, Figure	1½d.	6 6d.						
		" Head	5d.	5 11d.						
		1884, Head	7d.	6 11d.						
1893, Sunday		3d.	10 11d.							
1894, Antwerp		5d.	3 8d.							
1897, Brussels		1d.	2 3d.							
1905, Sunday		2d.	4 4d.							
Bolivia—		1866, Eagle	3/6	3 4/4						
		1867, Arms	1/1	7 1/9						
	1878, Open book	1/9	3 2/5							
	1894, Arms	9d.	7 1/9							
	1897, Large	2/4	7 4/8							
	1899, Portrait	7d.	6 9d.							
	1901, "	2½d.	3 6d.							
	Bosnia—	1879, Arms	10d.	9 1/11						
		1900, "	9d.	11 2/7						
		" High Values	1/2	2 1/7						
1901, Arms		8d.	5 1/7							
1906, Pictorial		1/2	10 1/11							
Brazil—		1844, Slanting fig.	4/6	3 7/6						
		1850, Upright fig.	1/2	4 1/4						
		1894, Correo diag.	9d.	10 1/7						
		1906, Small heads	9d.	7 2/4						
		" 2000,5000r.	2/11	2 6/0						
	Bulgaria—	1882, Lion	8d.	9 1/3						
		1889, "	7d.	10 1/3						
		1896, Dated	4d.	4 7d.						
		1902, Head	4d.	8 9d.						
		1907, Large	6d.	3 7d.						
Chile—		1867, Chile over Head	1/1	5 1/7						
		1877, Cent. on fig.	7d.	4 9d.						
		1881, Cent. under fig.	1/6	10 2/7						
		1900, Large head	9d.	6 1/1						
		1902, Small head	4d.	5 6d.						
	1906, Bare head	2d.	4 4d.							
	" Black head	8½d.	5 1/8							
	China—	1871, Dragon	3/9	3 8/0						
		1885, Smaller	7½d.	3 11d.						
		1898, Ch. Imp.	1/4	9 1/9						
Colombia—		1902, Arms	10d.	9 1/7						
		1900/2, Control marked	8d.	8 10d.						
		Congo Free State—	1894, Pictorial	1/7	8 2/5					
			Corea—	1900, Small	3½d.	3 4d.				
				1903, Long	2/11	4 3/7				
				Costa Rica—	1862, Two Oceans	2d.	2 2d.			
					1892, Arms	1/11	10 6/4			
	1901, Bi-coloured				4d.	5 5d.				
	Crete—				1899, Arms	2/9	2 4/6			
					" Trident	1/9	2 2/0			
1900, Various					6d.	6 1/0				
1905, "					10d.	6 1/3				
Dominican Republic—		1885, Arms			4d.	3 6d.				
		1899, ½, ¾c. blk.	3/6		2 8/0					
		Dominican Republic—	1902, Oblong		1/1	7 2/2				
			1901, Lilac centre	5d.	5 9d.					
			1906, Black centre	5d.	4 8d.					
			Denmark—	Small	1½d.	2 2d.				
	1870, Figure			3½d.	3 6d.					
	1875, "			4d.	9 11d.					
	1882, Arms			2d.	6 7d.					
	1904, Figure			2d.	5 5d.					
" Head	1/4			6 2/4						
1907, "	11d.			6 2/2						
Finland—	1875, Arms	5½d.		6 1/1						
	1890, "	3d.		6 8d.						
	1891, Russian	10½d.		6 1/7						
	1900, "	3½d.	5 6d.							
	France—	1849, Ceres	7d.	11 1/3						
		1853, Head	2½d.	5 6d.						
		1863, Laureated	4½d.	7 11d.						
		1876, Figures	1/5	26 3/5						
		1900, Figure	1d.	5 5d.						
		" Droits	4d.	10 1/1						
" Large		4d.	5 10d.							
1903, Semeuse		1d.	5 5d.							
1906, "		3d.	6 10d.							
French F.P.O.—		1902, various	6d.	9 1/3						
	Fr. Col.—	1881, Seated Fig.	7d.	9 1/1						
		1892, Two Fig.	10d.	9 1/3						
		Diego Suarez—	1890, "	5/0	4 8/6					
			French Congo—	1900, Pictorial	2/3	11 2/10				
				Fr. Guiana—	1904, Pictorial	1/11	11 2/5			
					Fr. Guinea—	1904, Pictorial	2/5	11 2/11		
						Fr. Somali—	1902, Pictorial	6/0	21 7/4	
							Fr. Senegal—	1906, Pictorial	3/11	14 5/0
								Guadeloupe—	1905, Pictorial	2/1
Indo China—									1904, Pictorial	1/6
	1907, "								10d.	6 3d.
	Fr. Madagascar—								1904, Pictorial	5d.
		Middle Congo—							1907, Pictorial	3/6
			New Caledonia—						1905, Pictorial	3½d.
				Reunion—					1907, Pictorial	3d.
					Tunis—				1888, Arms (lined)	9d.
						1906, Pictorial			2/3	11 4/5
						Germany—	1875, Arms		2d.	8 8d.
							1889, "	1½d.	7 7d.	
1900, Germania							2½d.	10 10d.		
" High Values							2d.	2 4d.		
1902, Germania	2d.						10 10d.			
" High Values	3½d.	3 7d.								
German Col.—	1901, Ship	2/11	11 4/9							
	Greece—	1887, Large Head	5d.	7 9d.						
		1896, Olympic	3½d.	5 6d.						
		1901, Mercury	5d.	8 1/1						
		1906, Olympic	2/9	11 5/0						
		Holland—	1869, Arms	3d.	3 6d.					
			1872, King	8½d.	9 1/6					
			1876, Figure	1d.	4 4d.					
			1891, Queen	11d.	11 2/2					
			" Large	4d.	2 6d.					
1899, Figure & Queen			9d.	17 2/0						
Dutch Indies—	1870, King		6½d.	6 1/2						
	1883, Figure		2½d.	5 5d.						
	1892, Queen		1/1	7 1/7						
	1902, Oblong		3d.	5 5d.						
	" Queen	1/5	8 2/6							
	Curacao—	1889, Figure	5d.	5 8d.						
		" Queen	11d.	5 3/3						
		Surinam—	1873, King	1/10	7 2/10					
			1892, Type-set	1½d.	1 2d.					
			1891, Figure	5d.	5 6d.					
Hungary—			1874, Envelope	2d.	5 5d.					
			1900, Crown and Eagle	6d.	16 1/7					
			" High values	6d.	2 1/5					