



NEWLY ISSUED STAMPS.

BOLIVAR.

Bolivar, one of the states of the U. S. of Colombia, has issued a new 5 ct. stamp, which is probably the forerunner of a new series. The upper half is inscribed "Correos Del Estado Soverano De Bolivar." The lower half contains the arms of New Granada, with "E. E. U. U. De Colombia" beneath. Value, "Cinco Centavos," at bottom. Taken as a whole, the design is not bad. It is printed in pale blue, on white, and imperforate.

LAGOS.

Again we have use for one of the blank pages in our Albums. An emission of stamps for the British Settlement of Lagos has taken place. They are rectangular with Queen's profile in circle. *Lagos* above, *Postage* below, value in colored letters on lower margin. The spandrels are filled with a graceful flowing ornament confining the inscriptions. Colour on white paper, watermarked C. C. and crown, and perforated. They are characterized by the degree of sameness that runs through all the British Colonial stamps. The values are:

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| One penny, lilac. | Fourpence, carmine. |
| Twopence, blue. | Sixpence, green. |

SPAIN.

A third Spanish Carlist stamp has been issued. It bears the profile of Don Carlos to the right, in circle. A scroll inscribed "Espana" above, "Franqueo" below, the value, 1 ct., in each of the lower corners. It is printed on white paper, and imperforate.

HONDURAS.

It is stated that the 2 reales stamp for this Republic is now printed in lilac. (Ph.)

AUSTRIA.

We have seen Austrian Postal Cards with Bohemian inscription, with the 5 kr. impressed instead of the 2 kr. These cards have been circulated with the 2 kr. adhesive, stuck over the impressed stamps. They are likely to become scarce.

PERU.

We have just received some of the new Peruvian stamps, but only one value, the 2 centavos. This is a very handsome design and well executed, consisting of the Peruvian arms in a circle, "Correos del Peru" above in a scroll, the value, "Dos" on each side of the circle. "Dos Centavos" below in a straight line. Above this is the figure 2 on each side of the circle. It is also placed in each of the upper corners. The stamp is printed in a brilliant mauve color and bears rectangular embossing on back. They are engraved by the "Continental Bank Note Co.," of New York.

NORWAY.

The new Postal Card has come to hand, value 2 ek., blue. The design is the same as that used for the 2 sk. adhesive. The stamp, lettering and margin are printed in blue, on white card-board.

Post Cards an Eighteenth Century Idea.

It is odd that in a number of "The Rambler," Walpole proposes in just precisely our modern system of postal cards, only charging a penny instead of a half-penny.—*Cornhill Magazine.*

NOTICE.

As the cuts for the illustrations are not ready we are unable to illustrate this number. In future, every number will be illustrated by fac-simile cuts of newly issued stamps.

THE IMPERIAL ALBUMS,

acknowledged the best Albums published, sold at publishers prices, by HENRY LUEBKER, 157 Sheffield Ave., Chicago, Ill. Full descriptive List of them sent on receipt of stamp.

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It will be sent post-free to any part of the United States for one year on receipt of 15 cts. for postage and wrappers. Abroad, on receipt of sufficient postage for one year.

A Few Remarks on Turkish Stamps.

Finding that comparatively few American collectors have much knowledge of Turkish Stamps, I think that a few remarks would not be out of place.

There is a great difference of opinion among the stamp authorities, as to when the first Turkish stamps were issued. M. Rondot assigns January 1842 as the date. This opinion is also held by Messrs. Berger-Levrault and Maury in their catalogues. Mr. E. L. Pemberton, in his *Hand-book*, gives March 14th, 1862, but we are inclined to side with M. Moens, who says that they were issued on or about the 1st of January, 1863, by virtue of a firman of the present sultan, dated March 14th, 1862.

The design of this the first issue consists of the signature of the Sultan, (Abdul Aziz) above a lettered crescent, the inscription meaning "The Sublime Ottoman Empire." Below the centre of the crescent is the Turkish numeral, on each side of which is a small inscription, the one to the right being the value in words, while the one to the left is the denomination in money, paras or piastres as the the case may be. Below the lower line of the framing of the stamp is a counterfoil inscribed "Fiscal Control of the Sublime Empire." This inscription extends over three stamps, so in order to have it perfect one must have six stamps, three upper and three lower ones, as the dividing line between the upper and lower rows runs through the inscription.

M. Berger-Levrault considers these stamps to be typographed, while a writer in the "Philatelic Journal" who styles himself "A Parisian Col-

lector" and to whom we are indebted for much of our information regarding them, thinks that they are lithographed, and we must say that after a careful examination of the specimens in our possession, we cannot but agree with him, though we consider ourselves by no means an expert in such matters.

The impressions are in black on tracing paper. The values are: 20 paras, black, on yellow paper. 1 piastre, black, on violet paper. 2 piastres, black, on blue paper. 5 piastres, black, on crimson paper. There are great varieties of shades of all these stamps. At the same time as this, another series was issued similar to it in design and in value, but all the values printed in black on brown tracing paper. In the first series the bands between each alternate two rows of stamps is printed in red, except in the 5 pe., in which it is printed in blue. In the second series this is uniformly printed in blue.

In all the towns in Turkey, where there is a post office, the pre-payment is compulsory with stamps of the first series, which are the only ones furnished to the public.

In those localities where there are no postal agents, the public deliver their letters to the authorities of their place, without pre-paying them. These authorities, who are called *caimacans* or *mudirs*, have them conveyed to the nearest post-office. It is to these letters that the second series which are called "Unpaid Letter Stamps" are applied. By these stamps the parties to whom the letters are addressed can see what amount of postage they have to pay, and can satisfy themselves that they are not overcharged by the agents to whom the transportation of letters is entrusted.

In the latter part of 1863 some or perhaps all of the stamps of the first series were printed on ordinary white paper coloured similar to the corresponding values on tracing paper on one side only, except in the case of the 20 paras, which is sometimes coloured yellow on both sides. In the first issue there were only four values, viz:

20 paras, (•). 1 piastre, (1). 2 piastres, (••) 5 piastres (o). In subsequent issues the 10 paras (1•) and the 25 piastre, (••o) were added. From these signs it will be seen that it is very easy to tell Turkish values, the only signs used being (1=1) (•=2) (o=5) and (•=o).

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Monthly Price List of Stamps

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THE OCTOBER PACKET

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West Australia set of 4.....	10 "	*Spain (Amadeo) 2, 10, 20, 40, 50, c. d.,	
Italy, (Segnetasse) set of 4.....	10 "	p., set of 5.....	25 "
		*Montenegro set of 3.....	20cts.

Those marked * are unused, the rest are used.

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Value,	1 ct.	2 cts.	3 cts.	6 cts.	7 cts.	10 cts.	12 cts.	15 cts.	24 cts.	30 cts.	60 cts.
Agriculture,			3	3		10					
Executive,											
Interior,	3	2	1	1			4	4	75		
Justice,			5								
Navy,	5	3	2	3	10	5		5	10	6	
Post Office,	3	3	1	1				5	5	5	10
State,		10	10	10				15	12		
Treasury,	2	1	1	1	3	2	3	3	5	3	5
War,	3		2	2				5	10	5	

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Post Office,	3	2	3		
War,		5	5	10	

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Montenegro 2 soldi.....	5 "
" 3 ".....	7 "
" 5 ".....	10 "
Spain Amadeo, 10 c. d. p.....	5 "
" 20 ".....	10 "
" 40 ".....	10 "
" 50 ".....	15 "
" 1 peseta.....	25 "
" 10 pesetas.....	\$3.00
" Liberty, 1870 200 mils.....	25 "
" " 2 escudos.....	\$2.00
Italy, 1855, 5 cts., green.....	80 "
U. S. Carrier stamp (eagle), 1 ct., blue.....	25 "

Used Stamps.

Mauritius 10 d. marone.....	10 cts.
Naples, 5 grani arms.....	6 "
Switzerland 1 fr. lilac.....	5 "
Cuba, Amadeo, 25 c. d. p., lilac.....	5 "
Orange States, 6 d.....	6 "
Italy, Segnetasse 1 ct.....	2 "
" " 5 cts.....	3 "
" " 60 cts.....	5 "
Queensland, 3 d. brown.....	5 "
Ceylon, 1 d. 1869.....	3 "
St. Thomas, 3 ct., used obsolete.....	3 "
France, 5 francs rectangular.....	12 "
New Zealand, 2 d. vermilion.....	3 "
Portugal, 25 reis, rose, 1870.....	3 "
Finland, 1 mark, orange.....	15 "

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NO. II.

NEWLY ISSUED STAMPS.



ANTIOQUIA.

Antioquia one of the states of the "Granada Confederation" has issued a new stamp. It is somewhat similar in design to the Bolivar stamp described in our last.

It is cut in halves by a band inscribed with the value, "Un Centavo." The upper half contains the words, "Correos Del E. S. Antioquia." The lower half, the arms of New Granada partly surrounded by a semi-circular band inscribed, "E. E. U. U. De Colombia." The figure of value in each corner. The color is light green.

BAVARIA.

A new Bavarian stamp, value, 1 mark = 35 kr., has been issued. The design resembles that of the current series, but is a little larger. It is printed in violet and unperforated.

A reply-paid postal card has also been issued.

BRITISH EAST INDIES.

India has added another stamp, viz: one rupee, to the current series. The stamp is similar in design and colour to the 6 an. and 8 pies slate-gray.

BERMUDAS.

There are two varieties of the surcharged word *Threepence*, on the shilling stamp; on one it is printed in large upright capitals, and the other in italics. [S. C. M.]

GERMAN EMPIRE.

The 18 kr. stone corresponding to the 5 gr. stamp has just been issued. On the first of January the new stamps with values in reichsmark and pfenning (the mark is the unit of German money at present) will supersede those now in use.



NORWAY.

Two new Drammens (Norway local) stamps have made their appearance, values 2 and 4 skilling. They are both of the same design, and exceedingly plain looking stamp. The 2 sk. is printed in blue on white and the 4 sk. is blue on glazed yellow paper.

HELSINFORS.

A new try-coloured 10 penni stamp has appeared.

ST. VINCENT.

The one shilling is now of a dirty rose colour. [S. C. M.]

STAMPS FOR NEWSPAPER POSTAGE.

Third Asst. Postmaster General Barber, has perfected a system of stamps to apply to the payment of newspaper postage, from one pound to one ton, without using over four stamps. The basis of the system consists in the use of stamps of 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 9, 10 and 12 cents, which amounts are multiples of the two and three-cent rates. Above 12 cents the stamps will run in an increasing ratio of 12 until they reach 96 inclusive, which will be the greatest denomination of cent stamps. The next will be the \$2 stamp. The others will be \$3, \$6, \$12, \$24, \$36, and \$60. There will not be more than 23 denominations. The tables will be printed for the use of Postmasters. They will give the aggregate postage and denominations of stamps to be employed on every pound, from 1 to 2,000. The tables make over 100 pages of legal cap paper. It is believed that the revenue from the newspaper postage, under the new system, will approximate \$1,000,000 a year; this also is at a reduced rate of about one-half the present rate. The design of the new stamps have been received and determined upon.—*Western Postal Record.*

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A PLEA FOR REVENUE STAMPS!

BY SAX. DUQUOX.

Under the above title, an article appeared, some years ago, in a leading Philatelic paper, advocating and pleading for the collecting of revenue stamps. I like the title so much, that I want to adopt it as mine, for precisely what I wish to do, is to plead for revenue stamps. Why is it? What right have postage stamps to have the monopoly? Do you speak of beauty, of delicacy of engraving, of richness of color? Be careful, there are revenue stamps that cast far in the shade the most beautiful of postage stamps.

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Do you mention age? Revenue stamps were in use hundreds of years before postage stamps were ever dreamed of. As there are cheap, common, yet interesting stamps to fill up the postage stamp albums, so there are fine revenue stamps, easy to obtain, and fair to look upon. Do you want expensive, rare stamps? We have some so scarce, that not half a dozen collectors have ever beheld them. I have heard the remark made, that there are so many revenue stamps, that a complete collection can not be formed. I ask, in return, are you able to gather a complete collection of postage stamps? Completeness, though an essential aim of stamp collecting, should not be the sole aim. Compare the three or four thousand of revenue stamps, with the millions of coins, tried to be collected, and do not despair. Then what a chance for research, revenue stamps afford. The fields of postage stamps have been so ploughed and harrowed, so dug up and scraped over, that it is difficult to obtain entirely new information about them, but in revenue stamps what a glorious opportunity is offered for study. For those who have not the time or inclination to study deeply in revenue's, there are sets that can be ob-

tained with not rouble but that of paying for them, while for those who love a little difficulty in any pursuit, there are many countries of whose stamps we are either entirely ignorant, or at best, have but incomplete knowledge. In short, and to conclude, any objections that may be raised against revenue stamps, rebound with far greater force against postage stamps, and all arguments for postage stamps, apply with much more justice to revenue stamps. Moral and parting advice, *Collect Revenue Stamps.*

A SOUTHWESTERN man forwarded to Washington, eight mutilated 3 cent postage stamps, and modestly asked the Postmaster General to either send him good ones in return, or "make it right" by giving him an appointment of some kind.

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A few Remarks on Turkish Stamps.

(CONTINUED.)

In the order of issue, the Locals for Constantinople come next to the 1863 stamps, but we will consider all the adhesive for general circulation first.

On January 12th, 1865, stamps of an attractive design were issued. The design consisted of a rayed star above a crescent on solid ground in beaded oval, all within patterned oval, surcharged with Turkish inscription in black. Figure of value in Turkish numerals in each corner. They were printed in colour on white paper, rectangular and perforated. The values were 10 paras (1) green, 20 paras (♥) yellow; 1 piastre (1) lilac, 1 pe. green, 2 pe. (♥) blue, 5 pe. (o) rose, 25 pe. (♥o) vermilion.

At the same time "Unpaid Letter" stamps of the same design, but printed in brown with black or brown surcharge made their appearance. Values: 20 paras; 1, 2, 5 and 25 piastres.

These were superseded on Oct. 28th, 1868, by stamps of the same design as 1865, but with a somewhat different surcharge and very poorly printed. The impressions are in most cases very smeary and blotchy, and there is no end to the shades of color in them. The majority of them are perforated poorly and show a very ragged edge when separated. However, more recent specimens are perforated better.—*To be continued.*

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A few more October Packets left.

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Executive,											
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Justice,			5	5		10		10			
Navy,	5	3	2	3	10	5		5	10	6	
Post Office,	3	3	1	1			5	5	5	5	10
State,		10	10	10			15	12			
Treasury,	2	1	1	1	3	2	3	3	5	3	5
War,	3		2	2				5	10	5	

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 " " Interior " 50 "

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Montenegro 2 soldi.	5 "
" 3 "	7 "
" 5 "	10 "
Spain Amadeo, 10 c. d. p.	5 "
" 20 "	10 "
" 40 "	16 "
" 50 "	15 "
" 1 peseta	25 "
Japan, 1/2 sen.	3 "
" 1 "	6 "
" 2 "	12 "
" 4 "	20 "
Maderanerthal, 5 cts., blue.	3 "
Switzerland, 2 cts., brown.	2 cts.
Danish Indies, 1 ct., green and violet.	5 "
U. S. Carrier Stamp (eagle) 1 ct. blue.	25 "
Malta, 1/2 d. buff.	3 "
Servia, 2 p., black.	3 "

Used Stamps.

Naples, 5 grani arms.	6 cts.
Switzerland 1 fr. lilac.	5 "
Cuba, Amadeo, 25 c. d. p., lilac.	5 "
Orange States, 6 d.	6 "
Italy, Segnetasse 1 ct.	2 "
" 60 cts.	5 "
Queensland, 3 d. brown.	5 "
Ceylon, 1 d. 1869.	3 "
St. Thomas, 3 ct., used obsolete.	3 "
France, 5 francs rectangular.	12 "
New Zealand, 2 d. vermilion.	3 "
" 1 d. 1873.	3 "
Spain, 12 c. d. p. (Amadeo).	6 "
Sweden, 17 ore, lilac.	4 "
Victoria, 2 d. 1874.	3 "
Hawaii, 2 cts	5 "
Belgium, 8 cts., violet.	5 "
Luxembourg, 25 cts., blue.	5 "
Norway, 8 sk. red, (head).	5 "
Portugal, 25 reis rose, 1870.	3 "

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IN ordering stamps, remember that all orders must contain the necessary cash, and sufficient stamps for return postage.

NEVER enclose coin in letters, make change in unused 1 ct. stamps, and be careful to prepay letters sufficiently.

I do not hold myself responsible for letters lost in transit, but money may be sent at my risk, either by draft, money order or registered letter.

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