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NEW ISSUES.

BRAZIL.—We notice a stamp issued by this country bearing a nearly full-face portrait of the Emperor, in ornamental frame, with "Brazil" in arch at top, "Dez reis" at bottom, "10" in each corner.

CAPE OF GOOD HOPE.—The *Bazaar* notes a new stamp for this colony, formed by the halfpenny stamp surcharged "Too Late" in red.

NATAL.—The penny yellow fiscal is now surcharged "Postage Halfpenny" in black, with a thick and thin bar.

TRANSVAAL.—The following surcharges are now in use: 1d., red on blue; 1d., red on orange; 3d., lilac on buff.

ORANGE FREE STATE.—The sixpenny stamp is now surcharged with the numeral "4."

UNITED STATES.—The *Bath Circular* says a label is now used in the returned letter office for re-fastening all

letters which have been opened to ascertain the sender's name. It is an oblong stamp, measuring nearly $1\frac{1}{2}$ in. by 1 in., with bust of Liberty in a small central oval, from which a straight inscribed label branches off on either side. The remaining inscriptions appear on the ground work; the whole in a broad frame with rounded corners. The legend reads: "POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT" (above), "OFFICIALLY SEALED" (in centre), "UNITED STATES OF AMERICA" (below) No value; reddish brown, rouletted.

MAURITIUS.—A new set of provisionals has just appeared in this island, consisting of 1d., brown, surcharged 4 cents; 2d., blue, 8 cents; 4d., rose, 17 cents; 6d., blue, 25 cents; 9d., lilac, 38 cents; 1s., green, 50 cents; 5s., mauve, 2 rupees 50 cents.

HELGOLAND.—This island has issued some bands. The design is a shield, surmounted by a crown, with the word "Heligoland" in a semi-circular form above; below

a scroll bearing the value. 3 pfennige (2 farthings) green
5 pfennige (3 farthings) red.

PHILIPPINE ISLES.—A new surcharge has appeared, viz., the 2 cent stamp surcharged "Habilitado, 12 Cs. Pta," black and pink.

NORWAY.—Some new locals have just appeared for Drontheim, consisting of 2, 4, and 8 ore stamps. The design is—the value in coloured oval, surrounded by a garter, having on it "Brœkstad & Co.," "Throndjeim" in arch above; "By-Post" in a bend at bottom.

NOTES.

We have much pleasure in laying before you the first number of *The Stamp Chronicle* and trust our earnest endeavours will meet your approval.

In our notice we stated we required 250 subscribers before starting it. We have not received nearly that number, and trust that every collector and dealer will no longer delay in sending in his subscription. As soon as we get 1000 subscribers we will further enlarge the paper to 12 pages. We feel sure no one will regret subscribing as we shall furnish them with reliable information respecting new issues, also notes on all passing events of any interest to Philatilists. We also shall give gratis advertisements to dealers in forgeries and thus seek to preserve the community from trash. We therefore appeal to every true lover of stamps to send his subscription as soon as possible. It also forms an excellent medium for advertising, as the rates are so low, and copies are sent gratuitously into all parts. We shall always be thankful for all information, especially about new issues.

We caution anyone against Percy Emery, 1, Violet-street, Liverpool, as a dealer in forgeries. He states in

his letters he has bought the goodwill, stock, &c., of W. E. Norway, of forged Cabul and Shanghai notoriety.

TO CORRESPONDENTS.

A.R.—*Thanks for information.*

J.M. (London)—*Will send the stamps in a day or two.*

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