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1881.

CORRESPONDENTS

Please Take Notice.

Do not use coin in payment, when sending by mail. All amounts under \$1.00 should be sent in one, two or three cent stamps. Amounts over one dollar should be sent by draft or P. O. Money Order.

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When writing about stamps or wishing information, you should not forget to enclose stamp for reply.

Always give full name and address, as it is almost an impossibility to keep track of every one's address.

Rare stamps are always in demand, parties having such and desiring to dispose of them should write to me, giving number of each and prices they expect to get—but do not forget to put in a stamp for reply, else you may never hear from me.

NOTES.

Picked up, here and there.

It is said Post Masters have been known to "stamp" their feet. This might be termed a stamp-pede.

Did you ever think that the post-man wears a coat of mail?

Stamp collectors first made their appearance in New York during 1860 and 1861, when some proprietors of corner stands collected several from foreign letters and sold them to whoever would buy, for 5, 6 and 10 cents apiece. This may be termed the origin of stamp collecting in the United States.—*Boston Globe*.

Men may learn wisdom even from a postage stamp. It sticks to its legitimate business.

It is stated on good authority that it took an European dealer nine years to fill an order for a Swiss stamp.

A letter carrier—the envelope.

What is the difference between a postage stamp and a poet? One is always stuck up and the other is always stuck down.

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The following are

A FEW LATE ISSUES.

British Guiana—a registered Envelope is in use; White paper, Vermilion stamp.

Bulgaria—a 5 s. post. card is announced.

Cyprus—New series, $\frac{1}{2}$, $\frac{3}{4}$, 1, 2, 4, and 6 piastres; adhesive stamps. $\frac{1}{2}$, 1, 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ piastres, postal cards. 1 p. envelope; and 1 p. news wrapper.

Great Britain—an entirely new set has appeared, which we soon hope to place before our readers.

Jamaica—a provincial 3d card is reported.

Orange States—the 5 shilling stamp is now surcharged "1d."

Sweden—the 6 ore official card is reported as printed Lilac on White.

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Argentina, Newsband, 1878, 8c, Carmine	3
Bermuda, 1865, 1 penny, Red	2
Canada, 1874, 10c, Rose	2
Ceylon, 1872, 4c, Gray	2
Denmark, 1877, 100 ore, Orange	5
Dominica, 1874, 1c, Lilac	4
Egypt, 1872 or 1879, 1 piastre, Red	1
Egypt, 1879, 5 paras, brown, 10 paras Lilac	2
France, 1876, 75 centimes, Carmine	2
Grenada, 1860, 1c, Green	3
Hong Kong, 1862, 2c, Brown	1
Hong Kong, 1862, 12, Blue	2
Hong Kong, 1880, 2c, Rose	4
India, 1860, 1 rupee, Slate	2
India, 1860-65, 1/2 anna Blue, 1 anna Brown	3
India, 1860-65, 2 anna, Yellow, 4 anna, Green	1
Mexico, 1874, 10c, Orange	3
Mexico, 1874, 25c, Blue	2
Monsterrat, 1876, 1 penny, Red	4
Natal, 1874, 1 penny, Red	2
New Foundland, 1866-69, 3c, Blue	3
New Foundland, 1876-80, 3c, Blue	3
New South Wales, 1862-74, 4 pence, Brown	2
New South Wales, 1862-74, 6 pence Violet	3
New South Wales, Official, 1 penny Red	3
New South Wales, Official, 2 pence, Blue	2
New Zealand, 1873-8, 1 penny, Lilac	1
New Zealand, 1873-8, 2 pence, Rose	1
Persia, 1876, 2 shahi, Green	2
Persia, 1878, 10 shahi, Blue	8
Peru, 1874-77, 10c, Green	3
Peru, 1874-77, 5c, Blue	3
Queensland, 1862 1 penny, Orange	1
Queensland, 1862, 2 pence, Blue	1
Queensland, 1879-80, 1 penny, Orange	2
Queensland, 1879-80, 2 penny, Blue	1
Servia, 1880, 10 paras, Carmine	3
Servia, 1880, 20 Orange	5
South Australia, 1866, 2 pence, Orange	1
St. Christopher, 1870, 1 penny, Rose	3
Switzerland, 1865, 1 franc, Gold	3

Tasmania, 1864, 1 shilling, Red	6
Tasmania, 1870-6, 1 penny, Red	1
Tasmania, 1870-6, 2 pence, Green	1
Two Sicilies, Naples, 2 grani, Lake	3
United States, 1870, 90c, Carmine	5
Venezuela, (provisional) 1879, 1c, Orange	5
Venezuela, (provisional) 1879, 5c, Orange	8
Victoria, 1873, 1/2 penny, Red	2
Victoria, 1877, 1 penny, Green	1
Victoria, 1877, 2 pence, Violet	1
Victoria, 1881, 2 pence, Brown	2

This List are All Unused.

Azores, 1879, 10 reis, Green	5
Azores, 1880, 5 reis, Gray	3
Bahamas, 1850, 1 penny,	5
Bermuda, 1880, 1/2 penny, Brown	3
Curacao, 1873, 2 1/2 cents, Green	3
Cuba, 1880, 5c, Green	3
Cuba, 1881, 1c, Green	3
Denmark, Official, 1874, 3 ore, Violet	3
Dutch Indies, 1876, 1c, Olive	2
Dutch Indies, 1876, 2 c, Lilac	3
Dutch Indies, 1876, 2 1/2c, Yellow	3
Egypt, 1879, 5 paras, Brown	3
Egypt, 1879, 10 paras, Purple	4
Gambia, 1880, 1/2 penny, Orange	3
Greece, 1861, 1 lepton, Brown	2
Greece, 1861, 2 lepta, Bistre	2
Greece, Unpaid, 1875, 1 lepton, Green	2
Greece, Unpaid 1875, 2 lepta, Green	2
Japan, '75, 1/2 sen, Brown or Slate	3
Japan, '76, 5 rins	3
Liberia, 1880, 1 cent, Blue	4
Liberia, 1880, 2 cents, Red	8
Mauritus, '80, 2 cents, Brown	4
Norway, local-Drontheim, '78, 2 ore Blue	3
Peru, '74, 2 centavos, Purple	4
Peru, '77, 1 centavo, Yellow	3
Peru, Unpaid, '80, 1 centavo, Brown	5
Salvador, '70, 1 centavo, Green	3
Servia, '66, 20 para, Rose	8
St. Thomas and Prince Isle, '70, 10 reis	5
Transvaal, '79, 1 penny, Brown	6
Uruguay, '77, 1 centavo, Brown	4
United States, unpaid, '79, 1c, Brown	2

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NEW ISSUES.

CAPE OF GOOD HOPE.—Mr. McDonald writes that the 3 d. stamp no longer bears the surcharge "3" but the color is considerably darker.

COSTA RICA.—A new series is announced as follows: 1, 5, 10, 25, 50 cents; 1, 2 3 dollars.



HAYT.—We learn from Mr. Bogert that this country has finally issued stamps of the design here shown.

- 1 cent, vermilion.
- 2 cent, purple.
- 3 cents brown.
- 5 cent, green.

7 cent blue and 20 cent red brown.

There is also a 3 cent card.

INDIA.—It is said the colors of the 6 pies and 2 annas are to be changed to blue and green respectively, and two new values, $1\frac{1}{2}$ and $3\frac{1}{2}$ annas will be prepared.

NORWAY.—The local post at Throndhjem has issued a postal card of the value of 3 ore, blue on white.

PORTUGUESE INDIES.—Le Timbre Post states that owing to a change in the currency, sundry stamps have been surcharged with new values. They are as follows: 10 reis of the obsolete types surcharged 5 in black and $1\frac{1}{2}$ real in red. Of the last type there are the following:

$4\frac{1}{2}$ reis on 20 reis; 2 tanga on 200 reis; 6 reis on 20 reis; 4 tanga on 50 reis; 1 tanga on 200 reis; 8 tanga on 200 reis.

Of the type with star over value the 10 reis comes surcharged "5" and the 20 reis "5" and "10." Of the latest type, the 25 reis, gray is surcharged "6 tangas" and the 20 reis "8 tangas."

TRANSVALL.—A series of stamps is said to have been prepared by the Boer government but we have as yet seen none of them and think the announcement rather premature.

TURKEY.—Unperforated specimens of the 10 and 20 paras stamp of the 1876 issue have found their way into circulation.

U. S. OF COLUMBIA.—Stamped postal cards are in use: 2 Centavos Vermilion and 5 Centavos, Brown on White.

The 50 centavos and 1 peso have appeared on blue paper.



A new series has been prepared for internal use. A cut of the 1 centavo, black on light blue is here shown. Mr. Bogert informs us that he has seen a 5 centavos and heard of a 10 centavos.



URUGUAY.—An envelope stamp of the annexed design is in use.—It is printed green on white.

Stamps that are not Stamps.

The Postmaster General of the U. S. of Columbia once officially declared that the Stamps issued in that country, in 1860 and 1861 were unauthorized, being issued by the "rebels" and therefore "Not stamps in the meaning of the word."—*The Philatelic Monthly.*

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The Universal Postal Union.

We give below, a list of the countries and colonies comprising the Unused Postal Union also the time when admitted.

British India, July 1, '76.
French Colonies (except Bassam and Assinie) July 1, '76.
Bermuda, islands of, April 1, '77
British Guiana, April 1, '77.
Ceylon April 1, '77.
Hong Kong April 1, '77.
Jamaica April 1, '77.
Labuan April 1, '77.
Mauritius and Dependencies April 1, '79.
Straits Settlements April 1, '77.
Trinidad April 1, '77.
Tunis, Italian post-office at., April 1, '77.
United States April 1, '77.
Netherlands colonies in Asia
Oceanica and America May 1, '77.
Spanish colonies in Asia,
Oceanica and America May 1, '77.
Tunis, French post-office at May 1, '77.
Tangier, French post-office at May 1, '77.
Japan June 1, '77.
Portugese colonies June 1, '77.
Brazil July 1, '77.
Hong Kong post-offices at
Canton, Swatow, Amoy,
Foo-Chow, Ningpo, Shang-
hi, and Hankow (China) Aug. 18, '77.
Spanish colonies of St. Thomas, St. Croix,
and St. Jean. Sept. 1, '77.
Greenland, Sept. 1, '77.
Persia, Sept. 1, '77.
Shanghai. French post-office at Oct. 1, '77.
Cambodia, French post-office at Jan. 1, '78
Tonquin, French post-office at Jan. 1, '78.
Argentine Republic Jan. 1 '78.
Canada Aug. 14, '78.
Soodan Aug. 1. '78.
Cyprus, Islands of Dec. 20, '78.
British colonies on the west coast of
Africa Jan. 1, '79.
Falkland Islands Jan. 1, '79.
Honduras, British Jan. 1, '79.

Newfoundland, Jan. 1, '79.
Andorra, Republic of April 1, '79.
Ionian Isles April 1, '79.
Great Britain and Ireland April 1, '79.
Liberia April 1, '79.
Lichenstein, Principality of April 1, '79.
Mexico April 1, '79,
Monaco, Principality of April 1, '79.
Nubia April 1, '79.
Peru April 1, '79.
San Marino, Republic of April 1, '79.
Tripoli, Italian post-office April 1, '79.
Bulgaria July 1, '79.
Leeward Islands (British) July 1, '79.
Honduras, Republic of Oct. 1, '79.
Venezuela Jan. 1, '80.
Bahama Islands July 1, '80.
Ecuador July 1, '80.
French colonies of Grand Bassam and
Assinie (dependencies of Gaboon
July 1, '80.
Uruguay July 1, '80.
Dominica, Republic of Oct. 1, '80.
Chili April 1, '81.
Hayti, Republic of April 1, '81.

All of the above countries are governed by the same rules and regulations and the Postal rates are uniform, being 5c for single letters and 1c. for papers, and 2c. for Postal Cards.

Postal Cards were first introduced by Prof. Emanuel Herman, of Vienna; and first used in England, Switzerland and Germany in 1870. Belgium and Denmark in 1871. Norway, Russia and the United States emitted theirs in 1872 3.—*Philatelic Star*.

—Good for the Government but bad for Stamp collectors

The Post Office department of the Sandwich Islands propose to cancel stamps by means of small punctures, which do not injure the contents of the envelope. A most effective plan, if it proves successful, of checkmating the scamps who make a practice of cleaning stamps for use a second time.—*Philatelic Monthly*.

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New South Wales, 1862-74, 6 pence Violet	3
New South Wales, Official, 1 penny Red	3
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New Zealand, 1873-8, 2 pence, Rose	1
Persia, 1876, 2 shahi, Green	2
Persia, 1878, 10 shahi, Blue	8
Peru, 1874-77, 10c, Green	3
Peru, 1874-77, 5c, Blue	3
Queensland, 1862 1 penny, Orange	1
Queensland, 1862, 2 pence, Blue	1
Queensland, 1879-80, 1 penny, Orange	2
Queensland, 1879-80, 2 penny, Blue	1
Servia, 1880, 10 paras, Carmine	3
Servia, 1880, 20 Orange	5
South Australia, 1866, 2 pence, Orange	1
St. Christopher, 1870, 1 penny, Rose	3
Switzerland, 1865, 1 franc, Gold	3
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New Issues.

Argentine Republic.—From Mr. Durbin we learn that Mr. Ackerman has sent him a specimen of one half of a double card with 1 centavo stamp attached. The double cards are sold for 7 cents., and as the supply of the 4 centavo cards has run out, the double ones are cut into 2 cards and the 1 centavo stamp attached to one.

Cyprus—Post Cards.— $\frac{1}{2}$, 1 and $1\frac{1}{2}$ piastres, have been issued.

Greece.—The 40 lepta is now without numerals on the back.

Guatemala.—Of the surcharged stamps, another value has been added: 5 centavos on $\frac{1}{2}$ real.

Hayti.—Foreign journals mention a 10 centimee.

India.—A registered letter envelope has just been issued: 4 annas, and 6 pies, orange.

New Zealand.—The Auckland (N. A.) Philatic Times, states that a 1d. stamp will shortly be issued with the inscription, "For Postage on Receipt."

Paraguay.—A 10 centavo, green, is out and has already been surcharged "1," "2" and "4".

Peru.—The 1, 5 and 10c, unpaid letter stamps have the surcharge, "Union Postal Universal Plata Lima," put on in the usual way.

Tobago.—Of the new type, the following have been emitted: $\frac{1}{2}$ penny, brown violet; 1 shilling, yellow brown. There is also a $1\frac{1}{2}$ d. post card.

Uruguay.—We have received specimens of the 7 centavo stamp; blue on white, perforated. The portrait reminds one very strongly of the cadaverous looking chap shown in patent medicine advertisements, "before taking." We are sorry not to be able to give our readers an illustration of this stamp, but you may take our word for it that it is the ugliest stamp ever issued by any country.

Victoria.—Another registered letter stamp has made its appearance; 4 pence, purple.

Just before going to press we receive the initial number of *The Baltimore Philatelist*, a four page journal the size of this one. The publisher expects to meet a long felt want in Baltimore, as he feels assured there are many who need a journal of this kind, and we wish him success.

Stamp collecting commenced just as soon as there were enough varieties of stamps to collect.

An Appropriate Tribute.

We see it stated that the portrait of Taylor on the 5 cent stamp will be replaced by that of Garfield. We hope it will be done as a fitting tribute to the memory of our departed President. It will be remembered that after Lincoln's death, a 15 cent stamp, printed in black was issued bearing his portrait. The 5 cent stamp should also be changed to a more sombre color, if the portrait is altered as anticipated.—*The Philatelic Monthly*.

We are inclined to think that if there is to be any change at all that it would be in the 3 cent stamp, as it is more comonly used than the one talked of.—Editor.

The Post Office Department has under consideration the propriety of recommending a law authorizing the use of a 5 cent stamp to be called an instant delivery stamp, in cities where the free delivery system is in operation, which will entitle a letter to instant delivery by a special carrier after its reception at the Post Office.—*N. J. Philatelic*.

Is this all straight or not.

A short time since we received a circular and price list from a certain dealer in B— giving some remarkably low prices to stamps. (for example) "Ionian Islands, 3 Var. used 10 c"

St. Thomas 5 var. 10c, St. Vincent 5 var. 10c, St. Helena 5 var. 10c, Cashmere 5 var. 10c. He also says, "*No Agents wanted or employed.*" It is a decidedly cold day where 5 genuine St. Thomas, St Vincent, St. Helena or Cashmere stamps can be bought for 10c;

We hope that the American collectors will give him a severe letting alone.

New Caledonia

New Caledonia is an island in the Pacific Ocean to east of New Holland, containing about 60,000 people and was discovered in 1774 by Captain Cook. The soil is

fertile, the climate good, and rich mines hitherto unexplored are thought to exist. The natives were formerly of the class referred to by the schoolboy who wrote "Customs beastly; manners none." At first they betrayed an undue fondness for boiled missionary, but the more divinity they swallowed the more was sent out until at last missionary became so common that they voted such food only fit for white trash to eat, and banished him from their festive board. The island since 1853 has been occupied by the French. About 1860, the colonists issued their first and only distinctive postage stamps, lithographed in grey, on white paper, and destitute of gum. The artist who made them (a soldier) followed on the lines of the French stamps then current, and made a plate of fifty stamps, necessarily differing more or less from each other since they were all separately engraved. These stamps were only used a very short time when they gave place to the French Colonies eagle issue.—*Foreign S. C. Journal*.

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Persia, 1878, 10 shahi, Blue	8
Peru, 1874-77, 10c, Green	3
Peru, 1874-77, 5c, Blue	1
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New Issues.

United States—The one cent post card has appeared with the inscription, "Nothing but the address can be placed on this side."

Barbados—A provisional 1½ d. card is in use.

Liberia—A postal card of the value of three cents has come to hand. It is printed blue and red on white.

New Caledonia—After a lapse of 11 years a new stamp has been added. 25 Centimes of the current French issue surcharged. "Providence" above and "25" below.

Peru.—A 4 Centavo card has been prepared.

Spain—A new series of war stamps have been issued. We have not the list at present but hope to be able to furnish it next month.

St. Lucia.—Two new provisional stamps are now in use. ½d. on green surcharged in black. 1 pence on red surcharged in black.



There is also a 1½ d card. An illustration here given of the ½ penny stamp

Sungie Ujonk—Straits Settlements stamps, surcharged with an oval in which are a star and crescent above and S. U. below, are in use in the native state of Sungie Ujonk situated in the Malay Peninsula.

U. S. of Columbia.—The new 5 centavo postal card is printed on 3 shades of card. viz. white, light blue and bluish pink card.

Victoria.—Specimens of the 1 penny stamp have been received printed black.

The accompanying engraving is that of the registered letter envelope, 4 pence purple spoken of in last number.



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We have received No 1 of "The Philatelic Medium" a stamp paper devoted to the interests of dealers published by Chas. C. Collins, Cincinnati O.

On January 15th 1882 Messrs Theodore Buhl and Co. London, England, will publish the initial number of their new paper "The Stamp News," we wish it success.

"The Stamp Dealers Advertiser" a small pamphlet (5½x9) containing only advertisements of stamp dealers will be ready by January 1st and will be sent free to stamp collectors for a 3 ct. stamp, those who wish them had better order early, as there are to be only 1000 printed.

The Stamp Collectors Review for November has not yet arrived. Can it be possible the editor has had a severe attack of "Jos. J. Casey" and has not yet got over the effects.

The Baltimore Philatelist No 2 comes on time. We have put it down on our exchange list. Under the heading of "Notes" some very good facts are given. That is right John, give something new once in a while and you will have success.

NOTICE.—I wish to get a paper from every town and city in the United States that went in mourning for Garfield, and will send in return an Akron paper in mourning. Any persons having such will confer a great favor by sending immediately.

We are inclined to think that if there is to be any change at all in the United States stamps, that it would be in the 3 cent stamp, as it is more commonly used than the one talked of.—*The Stamp Journal*.

If Mr. Townsend will consider a moment, he will find that it is to be placed on the five cent stamp to familiarize foreign nations with the looks of our late president.—*The Stamp World*.

I have considered for several moments, and on the whole think that it would be much better if it were on the 3 cent stamp. How many out of the 55,000,000 of people in the United States ever use a 5 cent stamp, not one tenth of them. It may be all right enough to have foreign countries familiarize themselves with the looks of the late President Garfield, but could it not be done just as well by using a 2 and 3ct stamp provided the 3 was changed?

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STAMPS THAT ARE NOT STAMPS
Many collectors suppose that the U. S. newspaper stamps of 1865 are real stamps—the fact is they are not stamps at all, they are merely made by the government to sell, and not to be used. There was not special rates for newspapers and magazines until 1875, when up to that time every piece of mail large or small, required a stamp affixed to it.

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NEW ISSUES.

Austria—We have received a stamp of the annexed design, printed blue. We also think that the Austrian Government ought to have waited about three or four weeks, and then dated their stamp 1882 instead of 1881.



Bulgaria—Another value has been added to their new issue; 30 stantinki, blue and gold.

Bolivar—It is stated that 5 and 10 peso stamps have been issued.

Bosnia—The 2 kr postal-card comes without "Dopisnica" on the face.

Finland—The current series has received another addition to the already large set; viz. 10 pennia, brown.

Grenada—The first postal cards in this country have been issued lately. 1 and 1/2 d.

Guatemala—A new series is expected soon. Of the provisionals, two more have been issued, they are 2 centavos on 1/4 real, and 10 centavos on 2 reals.

Holland—The double 5 ct. postal card of the new style is out.

Honduras—Single and double 2 and 3 centavos cards have been prepared.



Mauritius—We have received a new 8 cent, blue envelope stamp. This cut shows how it looks.

Nepal—This Indian State comes under the head of stamp issuing countries, and starts off with the following; 1 Anna blue; 2 Annas purple; 4 Annas green.

New Caledonia—*Le Timbre Poste* states that 10, 30, and 40 centime stamps are, or have been, in use.

Portugal—Of the surcharged stamps, two more are added to the list, viz: 1 1/2 on 20 reis, red; 4 1/2 on 25 reis lilac.

Persia—An official 5 centime stamp is in use.

Philippine Islands—The collection of this country is to be enriched by two more stamps: .0625 de peso and 200 mills de peso.

Selangor—The 2 c. Straits Settlements is surcharged "Selangor" in black capitals.

South Australia—The 2 pence has met with the surcharge "3 pence."

St. Vincent—A provisional 1/2 penny stamp has been emitted. It is surcharged on the 6 pence.

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Turks Island—The set of the new type is as follows: 1 penny, vermilion; 4 pence, blue; 6 pence, olive; 1 shilling, green.



Victoria—The accompanying engraving shows the design of the new stamps issued; 4 pence, carmine; 5 shillings, blue and red.

Wurtemberg—A 5 marks, blue, has been issued of the same design of the series of 1875.

Liberia—A new 3 cent stamp has been issued; the design of which is not very pleasing to the eye; it is printed black and is perforated.

A Great Army.

We take the following statement of the number of collectors throughout the world from *The Philatelic Review*. It falls short, if anything, from the actual number.

U.S., between 150,000 and 180,000; Canada, 30,000 to 50,000; South America, 4,000 to 5,000; Great Britain, 120,000 to 140,000; France and Belgium, 90,000 to 120,000; Germany, 50,000 to 80,000; Austria, 30,000 to 60,000; Italy, 6,000 to 8,000; Spain and Portugal, 4,000 to 7,000; Switzerland, 6,000 to 8,000; all other European countries, 30,000 to 55,000; Asia, 1,500 to 3,000; Africa, 600 to 1,500; Australia, 2,000 to 2,000; West Indies, 600 to 1,400; countries and colonies not included in the above list, about 1,000; or, a grand total of about 700,000, in the entire universe.—*The Philatelic Monthly*.

We saw a statement made several years ago by Scott & Co. in which they reckoned the collectors alone in the U. S. and Canada, to be be-

tween 250,000 and 500,000. And in the whole world to be several millions.

The Garfield Postage Stamp.

Proofs of the new five cent Garfield postage stamp have been forwarded to Washington. It is pronounced by the postal officers to be the handsomest ever issued. It is a vignette of three-quarter face, surrounded by a light and elegant bead work oval. The likeness is peculiarly striking, and the whole work, while free from ornamentation, is finely and gracefully finished. The stamp was designed by Vice President MacDonough of the American Bank Note Company of New York.

Why are some South American stamps cold? Because they come from a "Chili" country. Why do we dislike to handle some stamps? Because they were made in "Greece."

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Arrivals.

The New Jersey Philatelist, for January; 8 pages, gotten up in good shape.

The Philatelic Triumph for January is enlarged.

The Caxton, No. 2, contains a very good article on stamp collecting.

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MYSTERIOUS STAMPS.

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Yes, it is a little queer, but I think if they wanted to. Scott and Co. could tell how the stamps to be printed in New York and S. Allen Taylor of Boston could tell how they came to be printed in his town.

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STAMPS FOR SIAM.

The following is from a Siam newspaper of recent date.

"H. R. H. Chawfa Bhanurangsee Swang Wong Krom Huang Bhanuphantu Wongse Woradate, a younger brother of His Majesty the King, who has received a Royal mandate graciously requiring him to establish successful means for receiving from and delivering to all parts of the country, the mail, hereby makes proclamation to all owners of houses and the heads of families for general information."

Then follows instructions for numbering the houses in towns and warns the people not to interfere with the officers in discharging this duty. Provides for directories containing names of all the people, and so on, winding up as follows:

"When the arrangements are effected for the reception, transmission and delivery of mails, another proclamation will be issued for general information. Given Wednesday, 9th lunation, 1st of the waxing year of Minor Dragon, third of the decade 1243 (*i. e.* July 27th, 1881)."

SCRAPS.

The Philatelic Medium number 2 arrived safely, chuck full.

Handfords Directory for 1882 is gotten up in good style, and will be of great interest to every American and Foreign collector.

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Brazil.—The 100 reis stamp, new type, which was spoken of and illustrated in 'The Philatelic Monthly' for February, 1881, is at last in use.

Bhopal.—The 'Stamp News' gives a very good illustration of the new ½ anna stamp. There are 4, viz: ½ anna, red; 1 anna, brown; 2 annas, blue; 4 annas, orange.

Cabul.—Three new adhesive stamps have appeared: 5 annas, 10 annas, and 1 rupee, deep violet.



Cape of Good Hope.—We give an illustration of the 1st newsband stamp issued by this country, 1d., brown.

Chili.—The color of the 5 centavo is to be changed to blue.

Cuba.—As usual, a new set came out the first of the year. The values being the same as before with the addition of a 2c. The postal cards also bear the new design; an illustration of which is here shown.



Denmark.—There will shortly be issued a 2 ore, adhesive; 5 ore newsband and 10 ore double post card.

Ecuador.—The 50c of the new type has been issued.

Guatemala.—The new series are now in use and are very handsome. 1 centavo, blue and green; 2 centavos, brown and green; 5 centavos, red and green; 10 centavos, lilac and green; 20 centavos, orange and green.

India.—A new adhesive stamp has appeared, 1 anna 6 pies, light brown.

Paraguay.—4 new post cards have been issued, 2 centavos, black 3 centavos, blue, Reply cards 4 x 4 centavos, brown 6 x 6 centavos, green.

Peru.—The unpaid stamps have met with the same surcharge as the current series of adhesive.



Persia.—This cut illustrates the 5 cent official stamp of the new set, of which there are four values, 1 cent red and green, 2 cent green and carmine, 5 cent blue and orange, 10 cent lilac and blue.

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Portuguese Indies.—It was but a short time since that quite a list of surcharges was published and now comes another large one. $1\frac{1}{2}$ reis black on 10 reis green, $1\frac{1}{2}$ reis black on 100 reis lilac; $1\frac{1}{2}$ reis black on 25 reis mauve, $4\frac{1}{2}$ reis black on 25 mauve, 6 reis, black on 50 reis, blue 1 tanga, black, on 10 reis, green, 8 tanga, black, on 40 reis, blue. 8 tanga, black, on 300 reis, brown, all of which are on the 1881 pattern.

Spain.—A new issue is coming out, of which but three values have yet appeared, they are, 15, 30, and 75 centimes, single and double 15 centimos post cards have been prepared.

Straits Settlements.—The 6 cents has been surcharged "10 cents" in very small type.

St. Vincent.—The 1s Vermillion comes surcharged with a figure and letter 4. d.

Tasmania.—The 1d. stamp, present issue is now printed on pink paper.

Turks Islands.—Specimens of the 1d. stamp, surcharged "4" have been seen.



Victoria.—The 2d. stamp of this type has been seen printed on paper of a very pink tint making the appearance quite neat and pretty.

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SCRAPS.

The Philatelic Times, (Margate, Eng.,) Nos. 2 and 3 received. It is a 16 page journal, gotten up very nicely. We would be pleased to receive No. 1, and forthcoming Nos.

The Stamp News, No. 1, vol. 1 is just received; contains a good, long list of new issues, and is illustrated with 13 of the best stamp cuts we have ever seen.

The Foreign Stamp Collector's Journal for November commences a very good article, entitled, "My Troubles in a Russian Post Office." The story is ended in the Dec. issue.

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The Baltimore Philatelist, No. 4, comes enlarged. We hope that it may become more valuable as it grows.

Several other papers have been received, which space does not permit us to review.

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Forged Stamps and how to detect them.

BY REV. R. B. EAREE.

From the Bazaar.

Watermarks.—In my last article I stated that watermarks were formed by a design being woven into the gauze of a strainer, but I believe this is never done now, as, of course the strainer could only be used for one particular watermark. The way the watermark is made now at the large mills is by having the desired design in relief on a roller called the "Dandy Roll," which passes over the paper immediately it comes off the gauze. Thus, by having different "Dandy Rolls" any sort of watermark can be made at pleasure. If any of our readers wish to know more about the manufacture of paper, they will find plenty of information in a set of articles now appearing in the journal *Design and Work*.

Gum.—The would-be detector of forgeries and reprints must remember that the color and appearance of the gum are often matters of considerable importance. For instance, unused copies of the first issue of Portugal are valuable; and any one, not looking at the *back* as well as the front of the stamps, could scarcely tell a rare original from a common reprint. But here the gum serves as a guide; for the originals are backed with a thick brown gum, whilst the reprints have *white* gum. Then again, the early Hanoverian stamps

have rose colored gum, which is white in the reprints.

With regard to the forgeries, they are very seldom gummed at all, tho' of course, this can be easily remedied by any dishonest vendor who possesses a bottle of mucilage; but still a large majority of the forgeries which we have dissected from time to time, have been, to coin a word, gumless.

The forgeries we are going to dissect this week have cost us a considerable amount of trouble, on account of the difficulty of describing the devices upon them without the help of illustrations. The object of these papers is to describe the genuine and forged stamps in such a manner that any one possessing a single copy may be able to say at once whether it be a forgery or not; and this we have found particularly difficult in the stamps now to be described, which are the large-sized labels of **Japan, 1873**. As each stamp bears a different design, we shall have to take them one by one. Collectors will have noticed some small differences in stamps of the same value. This arises from the fact that the art of galvanoplastics, or the electro-deposition of metals, has not, apparently, found its way to those distant islands as yet; and therefore every stamp on a sheet differs *slightly* from each of its brethren. Thus there are no fewer than forty types of some of the values; for, however clever the Japanese may be in copying anything, they cannot avoid minute discrepancies; whereas, by the aid of the galvanic battery, we can copy a steel or other die *ad infinitum*, none of the copies varying one hair's breadth from the original.

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→ NEW ISSUES. ←

United States.—We present an illustration of the new 5 cent stamp.

The engraving is exquisite and the color rich brown; selected it is said by Mrs. Garfield herself. The stamps were not issued until the first of this month, but we were able to secure a number some time since, and we have reason to believe posted on Valentine's day—the first one which passed through the mails.—*Philatelic Monthly.*

Victoria gets first proof of "Garfield" five cent Postage Stamp.

New York Tribune.

At the request of Mrs. Garfield and under the direction of ex-Postmaster General James, there has been prepared for presentation to the Queen of England a frame containing the first proof of the new 5 cent stamps, U. S. postage, known as the "Garfield stamp." The portrait of President Garfield upon the stamp is an approved likeness, engraved by the American Bank Note Co. from photographs selected by Mrs. Garfield who also selected the color which was adopted by the Postoffice department for the printing of the

stamps. The frame consists of a mat of sterling silver, upon which is engraved an exquisite border of fine geometric lathework. This is surrounded by a rod of solid gold nearly a quarter of an inch in diameter cut in barley, corn work of new design, with brilliant facets by Jacquin. The rod separates the silver from the royal purple velvet upon the concave portion of the frame, which is of fine ebony. A glass plate with beveled edges covers all except the ebony, and the whole is inclosed in a cedar wood box mounted with silver and lined with royal purple velvet.

Argentine Republic.—A 12 centavo stamp will shortly be issued.

Denmark.—2 ore adhesive and 5 ore newsbands, as well as double 10 ore cards, are expected.

Dutch Indies.—A series of unpaid letter stamps have appeared. They are the same as those of Holland but printed carmine and black. The set as follows, 2½, 5, 20, 40, 75 cents, we have seen the 10 cent envelope surcharged.

"Breifomslag tien cent" diagonally across the stamp.

Italy.—Postal Union Cards, single and double are in use.

India.—A new value has been prepared; one anna six pies, color bistre.

Portugese Indies.—A new set of stamps came out the first of the year. Two values only have thus far come under our notice, viz: 4½ and 6 annas. Of the surcharged stamps, four more have been seen:

1 r. on 25 reis; 2 r. on 25 reis;

1 r. on 100 " 2 r. on 40 " yellow

Porto Rico.—A full set is out, as follows: ½, 1, 2, 4, 6, 8 mills. and 1,



2, 3, 5, 8, 10, 20, 40, 80 cents, de peso: the cut here shown is that of the $\frac{1}{2}$ mil. We have seen the first 6 named; they make a very pretty appearance. The colors are $\frac{1}{2}$ carmine, 1 claret, 2 light purple $\frac{1}{4}$ violet, 6 brown, and 8 green.



Turks Island.—We have received the new half-penny stamp of the illustration here given; color blue-green.

Forged Stamps and how to detect them.

BY REV. R. B. EAREE.
From the Bazaar.

$\frac{1}{2}$ SEN., BROWN.

Genuine.—The thing like a cart wheel almost in the centre of the stamp is, we believe, intended to represent the chrysanthemum, the Japanese Royal, or National Emblem. There are sixteen lines radiating from its centre. The flower in each corner of the stamp touches its containing square on the right, left and bottom. The right hand vertical label, containing Japanese characters, has its lower point exactly level with the lower point of the left hand label. The stems of the crossed branches are cut off very obliquely almost what a herald would call "slipped."

Forged.—The flower in the right upper corner touches its containing square at the *bottom*; and the flower in the left lower corner touches its containing square on the *left*. The lower end of the right hand vertical label is much more pointed than the corresponding one on the left; and it almost touches the line of the frame below it. The end of the stem on the right is cut off square;

and that on the left only slightly obliquely.

In some copies of the genuine, and all the forgeries, will be a little square, or oblong, just where the branches cross, containing a minute Japanese character; this I will notice further on.

2 SEN., VERMILION.

Genuine.—In the inner corners of the central rectangle are fanshaped ornaments, which are portions of chrysanthemum flowers. Each of them has 7 radiating lines. There is a row of dots outside the convex border of each fan, seven in number corresponding to the ends of the radiating lines, one dot opposite to the end of each line.

Forged.—The top left hand fan has eleven lines; the left bottom fan has six; the others have seven like the genuine. The forgers have made a mistake about the dots opposite to the ends of the radiating lines and, in the counterfeits, they appear as little spikes sticking out from the rim of each fan.

10 SEN., GREEN.

Genuine.—At each side of the stamp will be seen, above and below the label containing Japanese characters, shaded squares, four in all, composed of crossed diagonal lines. The crossing of these oblique lines forms a number of very tiny diamond-shaped spaces, and each of these diamonds has a microscopic dot in its centre. Those who have not very strong eyes will have to use a magnifying lens to see these dots. The curious ornaments in the inner corners of the central frame are a good deal shaded with fine lines. In the corners of the outer frames containing "10 sen" will be seen four moderately large dots.

Forged.—A few of the tiny dia

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onds, here and there, contain dots, but the majority have none, whereas it will be noticed that, in the genuine, every diamond contains a dot. The ornaments in the inner corners of the central rectangle are not shaded, but have dots scattered over them. The dots in the outer frames containing "10 sen" are very small; indeed, those to the left of the upper "0 sen" are almost invisible.

20 SEN PURPLE.

Genuine.—Above and below the labels containing Japanese characters there are a number of lines forming a background to the side labels. There are sixteen of these lines at each end of each label, including the lines of the frame—a thin and thick line alternately. The "0" of "20" at the bottom of the stamp almost touches the "s" of "sen."

Forged.—The numbers of the lines of shading are as follows; left top, fifteen; left bottom, fourteen; right top, thirteen; right bottom, fourteen. The "0" of "20" is at some little distance from the "s" of "sen."

There are several more forgeries to this set to be described; but these must leave to a future article:

We said, in speaking of the $\frac{1}{2}$ sen., that there might be seen in some of the genuine stamps a little square, or rectangle, just where the branches cross, containing a minute Japanese character. The Japanese have adopted, like ourselves, a system of marking the various editions of each stamp, and when a certain number of them have been printed off—about 10,000, we believe—then the next edition required has a different character. These characters are simply the letters, or syllables, of the Japanese alphabet; and, seeing what they

are intended for, we do not think collectors need trouble themselves to get the whole set, some fortyseven in number, any more than that they should collect our own stamps bearing the numerals from 1 upwards.

These plate-letters will be found in different positions in the different stamps of Japan; but we think the first edition of each value did not bear any plate letter at all. They are merely mentioned here lest any of our readers should wonder what they are meant for.

In the first article we said a good deal about perforation as a convenient means of detecting forgeries, but are sorry to say that perforation will not help us with the Japanese stamps, because they are perforated in several different numbers—some of them are perforated 11, some 12, &c.; some very well done, and some of worse than the forgeries themselves; so that, in this instance, the number of the dents will be no use to guide us.

All the genuine stamps just described are engraved in *taille-douce*, whilst the forgeries are of course, only lithographed.

All the genuine postmarked specimens we have seen are obliterated by four wedge-shaped blotches, separated from each other in such a manner as to leave a cross untouched in the centre of them, whilst the forgeries bear a set of simple dots, or of parallel lines, or a sort of imitation of our own postmarks.

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§ New Issues. §

Cuts of a number of the newly issued stamps are scattered along the list, not in regular order as will be seen, but just as it happens.

AUSTRIA.—An entire new set is said to be in preparation.—Good! let her come.

ARGENTINE REPUBLIC.—The 5c. of 1867 has been surcharged in black "½ Provisorio." The 6 cent card has been surcharged "Servicio Urbano Dos Centavos (Provisorio)" in 3 lines across the stamp. New single and Double cards value 2 centavos will be here presently.

AZORES.—A double 10 reis card is in use, also the new 25 reis, Portugal surcharged "Acores."

BOSNIA.—A double 2 kr card, and a 5 kr envelope, red.

BHOPAL.—3 new adhesive 1 anna brown, 2 annas, blue, and 4 annas, bistre.

BOLIVIA—2 very fine looking stamps have just put in an appearance. 80 centavos, green, 1 peso, orange.

CANADA.—M. A. Vallee sends us our first new card, 1c. blue. The news-wrapper is of the same design.

CUBA—Dark green is the color of the new 2c. card, and Dark blue that of the 10c.

COPENHAGEN.—A very unique and handsome stamp. is that of the new 10 ore post card.

DOMINICA.—The 6d. revenue stamp is surcharged 'one penny' and pass as a postage stamp.

DENMARK.—A change has been made in the color of some of the present issues,

5 ore green former color of	40 ore
20 ore blue	" " 5 ore
40 ore rose	" " 20 ore

EGYPT.—The 20 paras now comes surcharged 'caire' color of 10p changed to gray.

FERNANDO Po.—Three new values have been issued 1. 2. and 5.cts. de peso.

GREECE.—The new lepta, is printed in red.

HONDURAS—Single and double 2 and 3 centavos cards have put in an appearance. W. F. Smith the engraver is a stamp collector, and publisher of the Collectors Library Table, is in the American Bank note Co's. Employ.



INDIA.—A 3 annas, orange, has been issued.

ICELAND.—July 1st. the 5 anna stamp will have its color changed to green, the 20 to blue and the 40 to lilac.

MEXICO.—Following have been added to the new series of the *Port de Mar* stamps, 10 cent rose 25 cent blue, 50 cent green.

NEVIS.—Another value has been added, 4 pence blue.

NEW ZEALAND—1 penny rose, and 6 pence, green, are now used for "Postage and Revenue."

PERSIA.—A 50 centavo stamp has been added to the new set, it is well executed and is printed in 3 colors, black, buff, and orange.

PERU.—The colors of the 50c. and 1 pere, are changed to rose and blue respectively. Of late this country has surely "taken the cake," forgetting out new surcharges &c.

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS—3 new values 12 4 8c. de. peso. 20c. de. peso bistre, and 50c. de. peso brownish with violet.

PORTUGUESE INDIES --- Within the past 3 months only 14 new stamps and surcharges has been issued. This list is omitted for fear of tiring the reader.

ROUMELIA.---Le Timbre Post mentions these new stamps, 5 paras olive, and black, 1 piastre, blue, and black.

ST. VINCENT—A half penny stamp same design as new issue is in use, also a post card 1½ pence Another provisional is mentioned, "One penny" on 6d green.

STRAITS SETTLEMENTS.—Two new stamps are before us 5 cents, brown, and 10 cents, slate. The 4 cents is now surcharged, "5 cents," in black.

SANDWICH ISLANDS.---The new set consists of 3 values, viz. 1 cent, blue, 10 cents, black, and 15 cents, red and brown.

TONGA.—According to the *Weltpost*, a series of stamps is being prepared for these islands.

URUGUAY.—The 1 and 7 centavo stamps are surcharged "Officiel."

VICTORIA.---The die of the one penny envelope having been worn out, a new one was made, but little different from the old one, color green, same as before.

UNITED STATES.---We have not yet seen the 5c Garfield envelope, that the stamp papers tell about although we have been on the lookout for them.



USE OF POSTAGE STAMPS

A correspondent of the *Public Ledger*, Philadelphia, attributes the first use and issue of Postage stamps to John Lorimer Graham, postmaster in New York in 1842. These stamps were, he says, about the size of the stamp now in use, bore the head of Washington and were of the value of three cents. The postmasters of St. Louis, Baltimore, Alexandria, Va., New Haven, Providence, R. I., and Brattleboro, Vt. followed about in the order named in 1845 and 1846. According, however, to the recollection of an old employe of the New York postoffice stamps were brought into use first by Postmaster Morris in 1847 or 1848. He issued stamps of his own at five and ten cents apiece, those being the then current rates of postage; but the postmasters throughout country refused to recognize them. In 1851 an act of Congress was passed which led to the introduction of the rates and stamps now in use.—*The P. C. and S. C. J.*

WE MOURN OUR LOSS.

I have found out by experience that it is not a very profitable undertaking to try to publish a Stamp paper. One of the greatest drawbacks is that the postal authorities of this city will not allow a small paper to go through the mails unless prepaid by a 1 ct. U. S. stamp which is a great deal more expensive than at the rate of 2c per lb. (usual rate for papers.) As I cannot afford to pay out several dollars a month post, for the sake of issuing a paper, I have decided to stop short. A resurrection day may come yet—if it does let her come.

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VACATION.

Now is the time for vacation everybody is going to take their vacation.

Even we must take on. Therefore from this time until 10th of July, we will be out of the city. Correspondents will please bear this in mind and act accordingly.

A NEW USE FOR STAMPS.

A German paper says that bales of used stamps are now sent out to China where there is an active demand for a novel use. The Celestials paste them on strips of linen which are used in the same way that we use wall paper and bring a high price. The demand is growing, as the "room-paper" is fashionable, especially among the higher and wealthier classes of society. A room papered with old postage stamps is regarded as extremely "high toned"—in fact aesthetic. It is really too utterly too-muchly so.

Notes Here and There

O Brazil Philatelico is the name of a Brazilian stamp paper. We are not versed in that language, but should judge from the looks of its pages that it is well gotten up.

The Empire City Philatelist makes a very fine appearance this month, and is neatly printed on 80 lb. tinted book paper.

The Philatelic Triumph is not dead, but sleazeth. Its editor has been rusticated in England for 2 or 3 months, and now is once more back to biz.

The Stamp News, No. 5, contains 8 pages of good, solid reading matter, among which is a good article entitled Philatelic Wants.

The Philatelic Courier and Stamp Collector's Journal, No. 3, hails from Halifax N. S., and is a large 12 pager, full of interesting notes for stamp collectors.

The New Jersey Philatelist, for May, contains a very good article on "The Stamps of Prince Edward's Island, and notes on them, by Rev. R. B. Earee." The N. J. P. is one of the best of our exchanges.

Benjamin Illing Buffalo, N. Y. publisher of the Philatelic Triumph who has been in England for the past two months, returned a short time since. The next issue of his valuable paper will be of 12 pages.

The Eagle Stamp Co. of Bradford Pa. are again in business.

It appears to be all the rage for the Australian colonies to use stamps For Revenue and Postage One Penny.

The U. S. Dept. stamps are becoming scarcer and scarcer every day.

The Baltimore Philatelist no. 7 is gotten up in good style and very nicely printed. The heading is set off with a pretty 5 sen Japan stamp.

The Stamp Collectors Review, vol 4 No 1 contains among many other interesting topics, an article entitled "The History of Philately in the U. S." An engraving is also given of Mr. E. S. Gibbons of the firm of Stanley, Gibbons and Co., in appearance he is a gentleman of about 40 years of age.

A fact but probably little known is that the United States nickel five cent pieces furnishes a key to metric weights and measures. This coin is two centimeters in diameter, and its weight is five grammes. Five of them placed in a row will give the length of the decimeter, and two of them will weigh a decagramme. As a kiloliter is a cubic meter. the key to the measure of the length is also the key to the measure of capacity.

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