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NEWLY ISSUED STAMPS.

In presenting to the stamp collecting public, the incipient number of a new journal for the propagation of their favorite diversion, we cannot better express our promptings for so doing, than by borrowing the now almost stereotyped phrase, in editorial parlance, that "we feel we are supplying a want long felt; occupying a space long void." There is certainly ample room in Philately (this word is copyrighted) for a few more journals of our class; as there is also most undoubtedly votaries enough of the pastime in the Dominion alone, to render such periodicals self-supporting, should they all contribute a reasonable quota towards it. There have been various journals started in the Dominion during the past few years, but none of them seem to have survived the first year, whether we shall do so or not remains to be seen. We do not propose entering upon our editorial career by filling our columns with promises which it may be placed beyond our power to redeem; we place our initial number before you, just as all subsequent editions will appear, for aught we know to the contrary at present. Whenever our position or support will become such as to justify an enlargement, it will be made; it rests solely with our supporters. Scan our pages for their contents. If you find any department wanting; that you consider necessary to our existence, correspond with us. We live only to advance your interests; you can repay us by your countenance and advice. Let us have both; they are no actual loss to you, while they are infinite gain to us. Our subscription price has been placed at a figure which we think will meet the approval of all collectors, and we trust they will not be slow to appreciate the boon we offer them, and will rally around us at once and will at once place the success of our venture beyond a doubt. To dealer we would respectfully recommend, our advertising columns as affording every advantage to place before collectors their stock, and we assure them, they will find the returns amply repay the investment.

New Postage Stamps for Brazil.

The new series of Postage Stamps prepared in the Mints offices will be shortly in circulation.

They are finely printed, the design being engraved in wood, tinted with well combined colours.

The unpaid stamps of 10, 20, 50 reis are rose, the ciphers tinted in an oval black circle. The above values have a fine elaborate design of the Harbour of Guanabara in centre, the Paó de Assucar on the light side and the figure of a planet in top of left side (a "luminous planet" the announcement reads.)

Those of 100, 200, 300, 500, 700 reis are coloured bluish in flames with similar vignette to the other stamps, and a fine profile of lady wearing a laureated phrygian cap in centre of oval ground.

The stamps of 1,000 reis and those of higher values are tinted violet; and represent the head of Mercury in oval circle in the centre, and the effect of these stamps is magnificent, and surpasses in finish those with which we lately used to frank our correspondence.—*Brazilian Paper.*

The *Monthly Journal* says that a sheet of the 4 penny stamp of Malta has been found unperforated.

Philippine Isles.—The 20 cent is now printed in Violet.—*Brown.*

Bahamas.—The 2½ penny envelope is now printed in dull Blue instead of Ultramarine.

Hankow.—The 3 cent is now printed in mauve on rose buff paper.