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A GENUINE
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ROUMANIA STAMP
Presented with
THE DECEMBER NUMBER
OF
The Stamp Collector's
Chronicle.

In presenting *gratis* to our patrons last month, the first number of the Stamp Collector's Chronicle, we intended it only as an occasional publication, issued as a means to advertise our stock, whenever we should deem it necessary. But flattering congratulations on its fine appearance, and promises of support should we issue it monthly, have come to hand so rapidly and in such numbers, that we have not the least hesitation in announcing to our friends that we shall issue it monthly, and shall look to them that they tender their promised support. We shall make no promises whatever in regard to our little sheet, but shall use our utmost endeavours to advance and aid the science set forth in its pages, and to make it what its name indicates—a Chronicle of Postage Stamps, including New Emissions, Rare and Obsolete Stamps, Counterfeits, &c.

We have set 50 cents per annum as the subscription for the Chronicle, and those who wish to receive it regularly for twelve months, will please remit that amount at once, with full address. We shall give a good genuine stamp away, with each number of the magazine every month, and with our Christmas number, (Issued Jan. 1st), we shall give a hand-

some Crest to all subscribers whose subscriptions are received before the first of January. Our friends will place us under obligation by forwarding us any items of interest to Philatelist; for which we shall give a good price.

NEW AND EXPECTED ISSUE.

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From the *Stamp Collector* we take the following list of new issues by that Government.

POST CARDS.

2 centavos	- - - - -	Brown.
5 "	- - - - -	Purple.

ENVELOPES.

2 centavos	- - - - -	Brown.
5 "	- - - - -	Purple.
10 "	- - - - -	Blue.
15 "	- - - - -	Pink.
20 "	- - - - -	Bronze-Green.

DUTCH INDIES.

The new set of stamps consist of the following values on various tints of paper:—

10 reits	- - - - -	Black.
20 "	- - - - -	Carmine.
40 "	- - - - -	Blue.
100 "	- - - - -	Emerald-Green.
200 "	- - - - -	Yellow.
300 "	- - - - -	Violet.
600 "	- - - - -	Mauve.
900 "	- - - - -	Violet.

FRANCE.

We are in receipt of a curiosity from this Republic per last English mail in the shape of a letter from a correspondent at La Rochelle bearing a stamp of the 1869 issue, head Napoleon. The mystery about this adhesive is that across the lower end, immediately above the value, and extending full across the stamp, is the word "Specimen" in large, clear, black letters. Whether it was struck as a specimen of the '69 issue while they were in contemplation, and before their presentation to the public, or whether it is a bogus affair, we are not prepared to say, although the fact of its being allowed to pass through the French Post in lieu of the present issue, and at its face value, would seem to suggest the former as the most probable theory. We have written our correspondent for information, and in the