

that those very clever designers of surcharges in Ceylon have not also discovered half a dozen different ways of setting up the surcharge.

We have the 1 rupee 12 c. of a type nearly similar to that of the 2 c. 50 c., the only variation being in the ornamentation of that portion between the interior octagonal frame and the external frame carrying the inscriptions. The impression is on white paper, watermarked (crown) C C, and the perforation is 14.—*Ph. Record.*

Chili—*T. P.* mention Post-Cards 1c. carmine on green, and 2c. red on slate blue, with "Carte Postale" above "Union Postale Universelle."

Gold Coast—Adhesives, 1s. violet; 2s. brown.

Holland—In conformity with a Decree dated the 20th November last, three new values have been added to the existing series, viz., 7½ cents, 22½ cents, and 100 cents, and were issued on the 15th December last. Like the other values in the series, the impression is on plain white paper, and the perforation 12.—*Ph. Record.*

Italy—Mr. Rechert has shown us a post card 10c. brown or green, dated "88" and inscribed "Servicio Postale Per i Regimenti di Campagna in Abessinia. Gratis."

Mexico—The 20c. red, is on lined paper.

Nevis—The issue of the sixpence of the current type in pale red is announced on paper watermarked (crown) C A and perforated 14.—*Ph. Record.*

New South Wales—Through the kindness of Mr. Hagen, we have another value of the centenary series, with the defects of some of its fore-runners magnified—too much crammed in a small space—presenting a very good specimen of the art of packing. On a solid circular ground of 9 mm. diameter there is the head of the Queen, as on the Jubilee coins, in the left upper corner, the arms of the colony on a shield just a little askew so as to fit well into the right lower angle, surmounted by a scroll inscribed ONE HUNDRED YEARS. From left to right an unmanageable scroll is crammed in, inscribed NEW SOUTH WALES POSTAGE, and in a small vacant space are four stars. At the foot, in a straight tablet, is the value—SIX PENCE. All these, except the stars, are securely packed with fruit and flowers. The impression is in carmine on paper watermarked (crown) N. T. W. In the specimen we have received the watermark is upside-down. Certainly the topsy-turvie have had it all their own way lately with the centenary issue. It is a sad blow to collectors of such things to find that the upright ones are the rarer of the two.—*Ph. Record.*

Nicargua—Post Card 2c. same as that of 1878, but "Tarjeta Postal Para el Interior" below stamp.

Norway—Two cards, inscribed "Jernbane Brevkort," one with winged wheel and crown at top, green on buff; the other has a round stamp at right, with arms and crown, inscribed "Norges Statsbane," red on buff.

Nowanuggur—Major Evans has 2 docra, on pale blue.

Philippine I.—*T. P.* publishes a decree providing that the ½c. and 10c. stamps, and the 20c. passport stamps are to be surcharged "2 4-8."