CEYLON.—The London Philatelist is informed that the authorities took special pains to see that no "freaks" were printed when the 3 cent provisionals were manufactured. Those which are in the market are frauds.

CONGO FREE STATE.—M. Moens says that the 5 francs listed last month is not yet in use, the stock of the previous issue not being sold out. It has not been surcharged for postal packets as has been announced.

F1J1.—The 4 penny stamp is reported to have been surcharged "5d." in black. 5 pence on 4 p., violet, *black. Philatelic Record* is informed that a permanent stamp of this new value is in preparation and the design will be a canoe.

FUNCHAL.—The 80 reis value has been issued for this district as well as for those of the Azores. 80 reis, yellow green.

GREAT BRITAIN.—The 4½ penny described in our last chronicle was issued September 20th according to the *Monthly Journal* and the 15th according to the *London Philatelist* and *Le Timbre Poste.* 4½ penny, red and green.

GRENADA.—The 8 penny stamp has been overprinted "Surcharge Postage,, in two lines of small Roman capitals with "Id" or "2d" in large type above. These are presumably for use as unpaid letter stamps. I penny on 8 p., brown, *black*; 2 penny on 8 p., brown, *black*.

ICELAND.—After a rest of some ten years this isle comes to the front again with two high value stamps of the same design as the rest of the series. 50 ore, blue and carmine-100 ore, brown and lilac.

HORTA.—The 80 reis of the new set is in use it is reported. 80 reis, yellow green.

LABUAN.—It seems that these stamps are not yet to disappear from our albums. An entirely new set has been issued, the old plates being utilized. The paper is now unwatermarked. 2 cents, carmine; 6 cents, green; 8 cents, purple; 10 cents, brown; 12 cents, blue; 16 cents, gray; 40 cents, amber. The shades of several of the above are said to vary somewhat from those of the previous issue.

LIBERIA.—To meet the needs of the government officials, we suppose, the entire current set has been surcharged with the word "Official" in minute capital letters, carefully placed so as not to disfigure the design. I cent, vermilion, *black*; 2 cent, blue, *black*; 4; cent, green and black, *red*; 6 cent, green, *black*; 8 cent, brown and black, *red*; 12 cent, rose, *black*; 16 cent, lilac, *black*; 24 cent, green on yellow, *black*; 32 cent, blue green, *black*; \$1, blue and black, *black*; \$2, brown on yellow, *black*; \$5, black and red, *red*.

MACAO.—The surcharge fiend is getting in his work here again. Two of the 1888 issue have been surcharged "Jornacs" in Roman capitals across the top of the stamp with " $2\frac{1}{2}$ " over the figures in the lower corners.  $2\frac{1}{2}$  on 40 reis, brown, *black*;  $2\frac{1}{2}$  on 80 reis, gray, *black*.

NEW CALEDONIA.—The diagonal surcharge "New Caledonie" has been applied to the following stamps of the current Colonial issue and to two values of the previous one. 5 centimes, green, *black*; 10 centimes, black on violet, *black*; 15 centimes, blue, *black*; 20

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