

set labels have been issued by the local postal agent of 1, 2, 5, 10 and 20c values printed in black.

COREA.—(2 ch. changed; 10 ch. stamp) The current set has been increased by the issue of a 10 cheun mauve; the die for this value was prepared some time ago, but was accidentally damaged, delaying the issue. The 2 cheun has appeared in a new design, at the corners the value is now in circles instead of squares, the centre of the oval is occupied by native characters and the peculiar emblematic device is placed below; color blue.

DENMARK.—(24 ore of current type.) A new value has been added to the current set, (Type A7) 24 ore brown. It is intended for the combined postage and registration rate. Watermark and perforation as the others of the set.

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC.—(New set in preparation.) As stated in our February number the map stamps of this republic have been suppressed as a result of the protest by the Haytian Government. A new issue has been ordered to consist of the following values:— $\frac{1}{2}$ , 1, 2, 5, 10, 20, 50c \$1.00, and unpaid letter stamps of 2, 4, 5 and 10c.

ECUADOR.—(Official stamps and provisional envelopes, etc.) The 1, 2, 5 and 10c stamps in changed colors reported in our March number, have been, according to *L'Essor*, surcharged diagonally in black OFFICIAL. The same journal also reports the 1892 Official 50c blue, with top cut off, used for ordinary postage, the 1894 5c envelope surcharged at left upper angle with the coat of arms and the words EMISION HABILITADA, 1899-1900, the 1892 10c envelope on buff instead of yellow, and the 2c brown post card on yellow-rose instead of rose.

FERNANDO POO.—[Issue of 1901.] The set of stamps dated 1900, listed in our November number has given place to another set of the same type with date 1901. The values are now expressed in centimos and pesetas instead of centavos and pesos. The following are the values and colors:—

1 centimo black	75 centimos olive brown
2 " bistre	1 peseta blue green
3 " violet	2 " light brown
4 " lilac blue	3 " green
5 " dark red	4 " red
10 " brown	5 " green
25 " lt. blue	10 " yellow brown
50 " claret	

FRANCE.—[Provisional Military frank stamp.] In accordance with a new law, each French soldier is to be allowed to mail two letters per month free, stamps in red, white and blue inscribed REPUBLIC

FRANCAISE MILITAIRE 15c to be supplied by his commanding officer. As the new military franks were not ready at the time the law came into force, January 1901, the current 15c orange, surcharged in black "F.M." were issued to each army corps.

FRENCH COLONIES.—(Stationery in new colors.) All the colonies have been equipped with new envelopes and cards in the recently adopted colors of the adhesives. Envelopes and letter cards.

15c. grey and rose on green  
25c. blue " " " rose

Post cards 10c. carmine and blue, single and reply.

GREECE.—(1, 2 and 5 l. wrappers.) News bands impressed with stamps, of the type recently adopted for post cards, on yellowish paper have been issued. The set consists of the 1 l. brown, 2 l. green and 5 l. green.

HONG KONG.—(5c. and 30c. in new colors.) It was announced some months ago that the color of the 5c. was to be changed, and it was naturally expected that it would appear in the same color as that adopted for the 5c. envelope, violet, and in fact was so chronicled by nearly all the philatelic press, ourselves included. As the violet 5c. did not put in an appearance after being so extensively announced, we made further enquiries and ascertained, after careful investigation, that there is still a large stock in the old color—blue. A German paper *Der Philatelist* now announces a 5c. yellow and 30c. chocolate, but whether they have been really issued or are only official collection specimens is not stated.

NEW CALEDONIA.—[Provisional 5c and 15c.] Owing to the exhaustion of the regular stamps, *L'Essor* states that on Feb. 12th, for the mail leaving the following day, 25,000 2c stamps were surcharged N.-C.-E. 5c., and 8000 75c stamps N.-C.-E. 15c. As nearly all the current values were about exhausted, and new supplies expected from France had not arrived, our contemporary's correspondent expects to have to report other surcharges.

ORANGE RIVER COLONY.—[Provisional  $\frac{1}{2}$ d post card.] Mr. W. H. Rudd informs us that, in addition to the provisional 1d card listed last month, the Cape of Good Hope 1d brown card has been surcharged O. R. C. ONE HALF PENNY. (Another provisional 1d. post card.) It is announced by *Smith's Monthly* that the 1d. carmine Cape post card has been surcharged in black with the name of this colony.

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