

The Postman's Knock.



"EXCELSIOR."

SAINT JOHN, NEW BRUNSWICK, Nov. 1, 1888.

NEW STAMPS.

URUGUAY.—The new Envelopes for this Country have at length appeared. They are of two values: 5 centimos, blue, and 10 centimos, green. They have a general resemblance to the last issue of adhesives, but are oval instead of rectangular. The tongue of the Envelope has on it a circular design portraying the sun rising over the sea, printed in the same color as the stamp.

ST. VINCENT has completed its set by the addition of a blue four-penny stamp, and a purple black one shilling stamp. They have the same design as the one penny and six pence, and are issued on perforated water-marked white paper.

NEW GRANADA has changed the color of its present issue one peso from carmine to vermilion.

RUSSIA.—The 30 Kop Envelope of this Empire heretofore printed in pink is now bright red.

BELGIUM.—The new 5c was issued last month. It is similar in a great many respects to the 1c. The new 1c. in consequence of a fracture of the perforating machine, has now to be separated by a knife or scissors.

MOLDO WALLACHIA.—There is a new issue for these territories. They bear the profile of Prince Charles, and are of the old values 2, 5, and 20 parale. They are printed on black and colored paper, and are of the old colors excepting that the 2 parale is yellow instead of orange:

MEXICO.—There appears to be a

new issue bearing the head of Emperor Maximilian.

PRUSSIA has a Soldier's Envelope similar to that used by Saxony.

CASHMERE jostles her way into timbrophilic nations, but with a poor affair in the postal line. The centre is occupied by a circular blot with two white patches on it. The blot is surrounded by white rays and a round disk containing Hindostani characters, the whole enclosed by a double linear circle and printed on thin yellow gummed paper.

✂ Mr. A. C. Killam and Mr. W. F. Moses, both of Yarmouth, N. S., have sold out their stocks and quitted the business. This is a sad loss to collectors as both of these gentlemen were enlightened and thoroughly honest dealers. Owing to the retirement of Mr. Killam, the Excelsior Stamp Association now publish this paper on their own account, and on consideration of the loss of his and Mr. Moses' advertising patronage we have been compelled to reduce our size to the old status. We hope, however, that new customers in that line will come in so that we may again enlarge.

✂ Parties writing to us from the U. S. will please remember that the postage is TEN CENTS.