

Government, about the 18th of this month. If it becomes an accomplished fact, it is to be regretted from a philatelic point of view, but otherwise it is to be strongly commended.

THERE is getting to be quite a demand for N. S. bill stamps. Those are very rare, with the exception of two or three values. Those who collect revenues would do well to complete there sets as soon as possible, as every day will see them rarer. In fact at the present moment it is almost impossible to get the 7c., 8c., 50c. and \$1.00 stamps, and a matter of impossibility to get the \$2 and \$3 ones. There was only one lot of those stamps surcharged and sent from Ottawa.

CHRONICLE.

Antigua.—The 5c. is now red on pale green.

Argentine Republic.—Three new stamps have appeared, one resembling the 1867 issue. 5c. rose; 10c. brown; 15c. orange.

Bavaria.—The current stamps are perforated 15 instead of 12, and it is intended to issue stamps of 30 and 40.

Br. Honduras.—Surcharged stamps have appeared, 2c. on 6d., 3c. on 3d., 10c. on 4d., 20c. on 6d., 50c. on 1sh.

Br. North Borneo.—There is a 5c. grey.

Cuba.—The 2½c. red brown, 10c. blue, 20c. lilac.

Honduras.—The new stamps are to be made by a German dealer, it is said.

Mauritius.—The 6c. card has been surcharged to do duty as 2 cents.

Mexico.—The 4c. is vermillion as well as the 3c. and 10c. already reported.

Montenegro.—Four post cards have been issued; 2 and 2+2n. carmine on buff, and 3n. and 3+3n. black on grey.

New South Wales.—There is a new card, 1d. red, white, 150 × 84mm., without frame.

Persia.—All the envelopes and bands issued by the post office bear a black surcharge. The others were obtained in some way from the printer.

Philippine Islands.—There are new stamps; 1c. green, 5c. slate blue, 6c. brown, 8c. brown.

Santander.—Of the new type there is a 5c. vermillion.

Senegal.—We hear of the 5c. on 30c. and 10c. on 4c.

Tolima.—There are three new stamps, inscribed "Departamento du Tolima." 5c. vermillion, 10c. green, 50c. blue.

United States.—The 30c. brown is out. *We have seen the 2c. envelope of September, 1887, printed in gray, and of a slightly different type from the ordinary one. There are 72 points in the outer rim instead of 67. We believe this to be the first die made, which was rejected by the government. Ten cent envelope, size 9, on white and amber have appeared.

Uruguay.—The 5c. is again blue, (cc 42) 7c. orange, 20c. brown, 25c. vermillion, and there is another new 10c. lilac. with arms in the centre and "Republica Oriental" in a curve above. Figures of value are at the sides, and "Uruguay—10—centimos" below in three lines.

* We have also seen the current 5c. printed in deep blue.