

NEW ISSUES

Of Adhesives, Post Cards, and Envelopes.

Sample copies sent free on receipt of 3 cent stamp.

ANTIOQUIA.—A new stamp, 10 cents, green, has been introduced to use. It bears the head of Liberty on lined ground in the centre, surrounded by the word "Correo" and has "De Antioquia" below it. Also "Dios Ca." at the sides and figures of value in the upper corners. Also a five centavos, brown, rectangular, unperforated, of much the same design as the above. Two curved colored labels adorn the upper part of the stamp, bearing in white block type "Cinco" and "Cents" respectively, and the numeral 5 is between them. Small blocks occupy the lower corners, that on the left bearing "C." and that on the right "V". The general style of these stamps is very inartistic, and the result is not calculated to please anyone. Two adhesives have been resuscitated:—the 2 1/2 centavos, pale green, of 1878, and the 10 centavos, bright violet, of 1875. We are informed that there are also a 2 1/2c. green and a 10c. violet with portrait of Perro on laid paper but, not having seen specimens of them, cannot vouch for the accuracy of the report.

AFGHANISTAN.—The 1 aboxy stamp of this country is printed on differently colored paper—white blue, green and yellow-green. It is also announced that envelopes have issued, some with one and others with two stamps.

ARGENTINE REPUBLIC.—Two provisionals are used, viz:—Two centavos, green, type of June, 1877, with oblique surcharge; 8 centavos, red, type of September, 1883, with horizontal surcharge.

BAVARIA.—The 3x3 pf. reply card has an additional inscription differing from those of the late issue, to which we would direct the attention of our philatelic friends.

BRASIL.—A new 20 reis stamp is in use. The value, 20 R. on a lined ground, is encircled by a band bearing "Brasil" on the top and "Correio" below. The whole is of a bronze-green color and is surrounded by an ornamental border.

CARE OF GOLD HOPE.—This colony uses its fiscal stamps for postal purposes. We have already seen of these 2 1/2 Gd. green, 4s. lilac, and 1/2 ultra-marine thus employed, and may expect others.

CHILE.—The 10c. fiscal stamp is now used for postal purposes.

CUBA.—The "most loyal" colony has provided us with a new stamp, 20c. do peso, stone color, and a provisional—a diagonally—halved 5c. ... marines, used for 2 1/2c. which have run short.

CUNDINAMARCA.—Three new provisionals have been introduced, viz:—50c. black on rose paper, 1 peso black on brown paper, and a cubierta 20c. black on green paper.

COSTA RICA.—This republic uses two fiscals—1 centavo red, and 2 centavos blue,—as postals.

DUTCH INDIES.—We are informed that a new set of envelopes will soon issue for these colonies. The stamp will have the head of the King in a circle in the centre, with the words "Ned. Indie" above and the value below.

ECUADOR.—A provisional post-card has issued. It has at the top in large letters with flourishes the words "Tarjeta Postal." Also four dotted lines, the first preceded by "Sor." In two lines in the lower left corner is the inscription "En estado debe escribirse-unicamente la direccion." Each of the upper corners has a stamp. That on the right is circular and contains a large 3, inscribed "Tres Centavos, 3," and that on the left is oval and bears the Arms of Ecuador, 14 stars and the words "Republica del Ecuador." All are enclosed in a frame like a wavy ribbon. In the lower right corner and outside of the frame is the inscription "Quito. Imp. de la Novedad." The card is white and the inscriptions are all black, while the stamps are lilac.

ENGLAND.—A white envelope with green stamp, 20p., has issued.

GUADALOUPE.—A new variety of post cards, 20 c., black on grey-brown, has been issued for this colony.

ITALY.—Additions have been made to the series of unpaid letter stamps in those of 50 and 100 liras. LUXEMBURG.—The old series from 1 centimo to 1 s. P. in Italic capitals.

MEXICO.—This republic has issued a complete and entirely new set. They 1c., 2c., 4c., 5c., 8c., 10c., 12c., 20c., and 50c., green. Also 1 peso and 2 pesos, blue, of the same type. These stamps are unusually large. As the cent series are all of one color, they must cause much unnecessary trouble to the postal officials in sorting their mails to distinguish them and be certain whether or not letters are sufficiently prepaid. We are, therefore, inclined to think that a change in the way of variety of color must soon be made.

NEW CALEDONIA.—A provisional stamp—5c. on 75c. carmine—has been issued.

NEW SOUTH WALES.—The 1d. and 2d. envelopes are surcharged "O. S." for official service.

NEW ZEALAND.—The following duty stamps are employed for postal purposes:

- 1d., blue,.....unperforated.
2d., green,.....perforated.
4d., red-brown,.....
9s., lilac and carmine.....unperforated.

NORWAY.—The following post cards have issued: 5 ore,.....green. 6 ".....brown. 10 ".....red. 6 x 6 ".....brown.

All on white cardboard. The town of Drammens has issued a new 5 ore, blue on straw, envelope.

PRUSSIA.—The 50 centavo unpaid letter stamp, brown, is surcharged "Plata Lima" in a triangle. A 24c. stamp, blue, is announced. The color of the 1 sol has been changed to purple. The following post cards are in circulation:—a 5c. and 4x4c.

PORTO RICO.—The set from 1/2 to 8 mills has been changed in color. The first two of the set have entirely changed and the rest to a darker shade.

PORTUGAL has issued a new 10 reis card. It has the inscription "Bilhete Postal" above, the coat of arms and flags next, and below "Portugal e Hespanha." Color of card, buff. Stamp on upper left hand corner and circle on right in pale brown.

PORTUGUESE ISLANDS.—Two provisionals have been issued.—41 reis in black on 40 lino and on 10 green. The former of the issue of 1876 and the latter of 1881.

RAJAPPELA.—A vermilion stamp, value 8 annas, has been added to the set of this State.

RUSSIA.—New adhesives have been furnished for the following districts respectively:—Borovich, (Novogorod,) 3 Kopecs, bronze and white.

Bovgourouslan, (Samara,) 2 Kopecs, black on rose.

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Griazovetz, (Wologda,) 4 Kopecs, carmine.

Penoslaw-Zaleski, (Vladimir,) 3 Kopecs, blue-green.

Schatzk, (Tamboff,) 3 Kopecs, black.

This empire has also added to its current series a stamp of the value of 2 kopecs, deep green, an envelope of 7 kopecs, pale blue, and a post card of 3 kopecs, carmine. Numerous additions to its locals have appeared, of which we have received the following:—

- For Bogodorsk, 3 values in 15 different colors.
" Charkoff, 1 value, no surcharge.
" Galarovetz, 1 value.
" Malnyche, 1 value.
" Morschansk, 1 value.
" Schatzk, 1 value.
" Wolkchansk, 1 value.

How many more may be in use we are unable to state at the present writing. Collectors will not be likely to care to give them a place in their albums.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA.—The stamp on the 1/2d. newsband has been slightly changed.

SEVILLA.—Three new cards have appeared.—5 paras and 25 paras, brown on rose, and 10 paras, brown on buff—designs the same as the last issue.

SAINTE VINCENT.—The 3d. and 1d. lilac, surcharged "rovenue," have been used for postal purposes. The 2 1/2d. on 1d. is in circulation. The

5s. stamp, if not surcharged "rovenue," will serve for postage. Otherwise fiscally.

TASMANIA.—For the supposed "benefit" of collectors the following stamps have been reprinted.

1853.—1d, blue, thin paper, impression blurred, and showing three horizontal cuts that were made in the plate when it was destroyed.

1853.—1d, yellow, thin paper, design indistinct. Has two vertical cuts as above.

- 1856.—1d.....red.
2d.....green.
4d.....blue.
1s.....vermillion.
6d.....red lilac, thick paper.
1871.—1d.....pink.
2d.....green.
3d.....red-brown.
4d.....blue.
6d.....blue.
10d.....black.
5s.....mauve.
1876.—4d, yellow, thin paper.

1879. 8d. gray lilac, on thin white paper. Also the following fiscals have been reprinted:

- 2s. 6d., bright rose.
5s., brown.
10s., yellow.
Thin paper.

All the above are without water marks.

TURKEY.—The "unspeakable Turk" shows his intelligence, contrasting finely with Canada's love of "running in the old cuts" in postal matters by deciding that "in future stamps of one type only, which is to be changed every two years, will be employed for internal and foreign postage."

The ten paras adhesive, has been changed in color from black and rose to black and green.

The 2 piastres, blue and rose, the 5 piastres, green and bistre, and the 25 piastres, black and gray, though long promised have not as yet made their appearance.

U. S. OF COLOMBIA.—The 2 centavo card printed in black on light brown is in circulation.

URUGUAY.—A provisional stamp of 1 centavo, surcharged on the 10c. "P.avisorio, 1884," has been used. A 2c. stamp of 1882 issue has been similarly surcharged. A 5c. stamp of a new die is in circulation. The new set of stamps promised for Uruguay early in the year have not as yet been issued.

VENEZUELA.—Of the interior stamps only the 5, green, 25, orange, 50, blue, and the 1 bolivir, vermilion, have as yet come in circulation, and of the exterior only the 25, brown.

VICTORIA.—The 2d. stamps are printed now in lilac instead of brown. The 6d. fiscal is used for postage.

WEST AUSTRALIA.—A provisional stamp has been created for this Colony by surcharging the 1d. with 1/2d. in red.

WURTEMBERG.—A newsband resembling those of the German Empire and of the value of 3pf., color green, has appeared.

Thanking our philatelic correspondents abroad for past favors in giving us early information of new issues, provisionals, etc., of their own and adjacent countries we request that they will continue to maintain in the future the courtesy they have displayed in the past. Their attention in this respect will always be fully appreciated and noted in these columns.

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