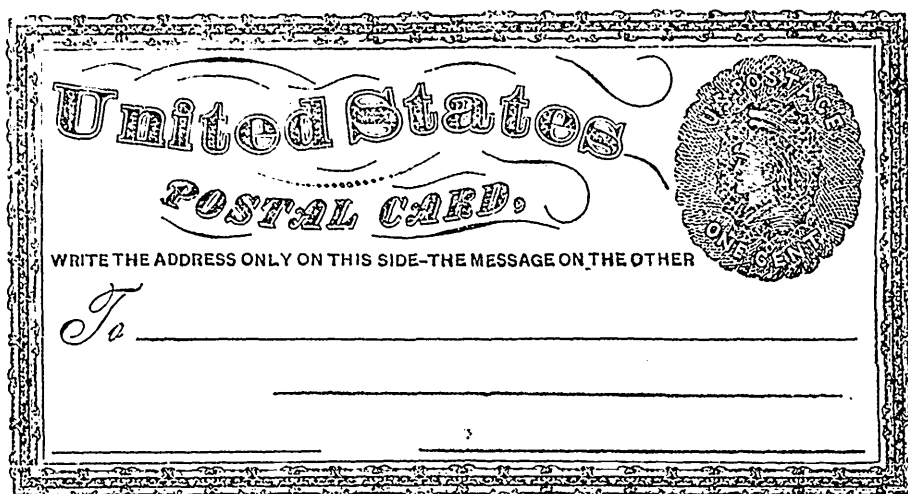


New and Prescribed Issue, Novelities, &c.



UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

The above is a tolerably fair representation of the new postal card which came in vogue on the first of the last month. The engravers however are completely out as far as the border is concerned, the above bearing not the slightest resemblance to the original. We reproduce it however as the design in general is consistent with the primitive. Brown imp. on buff card, size $3 \times 5\frac{1}{2}$ inches. They are immensely popular among our "consens o'er the way," and many are the good jokes that have already been perpetrated through their medium. Watermarked U. S. in one inch letters upon P. O. D. in letters one-and-a-half inches long. The Official stamps, announced by us last quarter, will not be ready for service until about the first of August. They are of entirely different design from those now in public use, and will be available only in general government correspondence, each department will have a color of its own, different from those of same value in other departments; they will also bear the name of their particular division, with devices emblematic of same.

The value and shades of the Government stamps are:—

- 1 cent, Franklin, Blue;
- 2 cents, Jackson, Bistre;
- 3 " Washington, Green;
- 6 " Lincoln, Solferino;
- 7 " Stanton, Vermillion;
- 10 " Jefferson, Chocolate;
- 12 " Henry Clay, Purple;
- 15 " Webster, Orange;
- 24 " Scott, Mauve;
- 30 " Hamilton, Black;
- 90 " Com. Perry, Chocolate.

The profile will perform service on the departmental stamps also, but the rest of the design will be of different modelling.

BARBADOS.

A correspondent of the *Stamp Collector's Magazine* announces the emission of two new stamps for this island, the values are—three-pence, mauve; and five shillings, brown. The design will be the same as that employed in the current set. The stock of four-penny stamps being exhausted, orders have been