

of King Don Luis to the left in pearl oval border, engraver's initials at left side and CORREIO at right; blue, coloured impression on white paper.

PERSIA.—We understand the Persian Stamps noticed some time ago will be issued soon.

PERU.—The new 5 centavos has appeared, rectangular, and perforated. In design it closely resembles the Costa Rica Stamps. A shield is seen in the centre upon which are two llamas; one with a load upon its back. In the background is a mountain or rock, surmounting the shield are two labels the top one containing CORREOS 5 PERU, directly underneath PORTO FRANCO—at the bottom in a straight line, is the value in words. The colour is bright green.

MONTVIDEO.—Proofs have been presented to the Government of Stamped Envelopes which it is rumoured in philatelic circles will soon be adopted

THE DANUBIAN COMPANY have just issued an oblong Stamp value 17 soldi, rose on white paper: denticulated in the centre is an oval containing a smaller oval with 17 in it, on each side is an anchor around the larger oval is a band with ERSTE KK PR DONAU DAMPFSCHEIFFAHRT GESELLSCHAFT.

SAXONY.—During the terrible war which now for a time has happily ceased in Europe between Prussia and Austria and its dependencies the Saxon authorities presented to their warriors, gratis, "Feld Post" envelopes bearing the inscription K. S. FELD POST BRIEF FREI. The missives of the soldiers enclosed therein were carried and delivered free of charge.

FINLAND.—**TAMMERFORS.** A small oval Stamp similar to the Helsingfors label, has been issued for the town of Tammerfors. In the centre is a shield divided by a blue bar with 12 PENNI in white letters, at left side is a T (for Tammerfors); at right a hammer and staff. Figure 12 top and both sides. TAMMERFORS at top, LOKAL POST below. Light green on white paper.

HAMBURG.—A new adhesive value 1½ sch. is out.

NORWAY.—We learn from our foreign exchanges that a local Stamp for letters and packets will be shortly issued for this country and a design is given,—a small square Stamp with an oval in the centre bearing G. F. K. THRONDHJEMS at top, BY POST below, value 1 skilling lithographed.

THURN AND TAXIS. †sgr. is now yellowish red.

Several items unavoidably crowded out this issue will appear in our next.

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

M. A. O., Sing Sing.—The Honolulu 1 cent blue which you forward is a forgery. You will perceive as the design is so very simple, that there is considerable difficulty in defining which is which. The easiest and surest way for you to find out is to compare it with an undoubtedly genuine specimen.

E. K. Washington, D. C.—The postage from any part of the United States to New Brunswick, is but 10c, not 3c, as has been repeatedly stated in the Gazette.

E. S. D. Montreal, C. E.—Your address has been changed, per request.

R. W. Montpelier, Vt.—We fully endorse your statements respecting the fair and honourable dealings of Messrs Industria & Co., cordially reciprocate your kind wishes on their behalf.

W. F. New York.—1. The Gazette you ordered has been sent. 2. The first volume consisting of 12 nos. will cost 75 cents U. S. Currency. 3. Vol. 2 began with No. 13.

G. S. Winsford, Cheshire, England.—It is now upwards of four months since we heard from you last. You will confer a favor upon us by writing immediately on receipt of this paper.

*Several letters stand over to be answered in our next.

Postal Chit-Chat.

MONEY ORDERS.—The following is a comparative statement of Money Orders drawn and paid during the month of August in the years 1865 and 1866.

	Paid	Drawn
1865	14764.51	2299.05
1866	17217.40	1302.13

It may be well to remark that the current Stamps of Nova Scotia—which may truly be considered the crowning gems of a collection—are the work of the American Bank Note Co. This Company has also engraved the Stamps of the United States, Canada, New Brunswick (including the celebrated Connell), Nicaragua, Costa Rica, and Newfoundland. The dies of the Nova Scotian Stamps were used to form the designs of two of the new Stamps of the last named colony.—*Dr. Gray's Catalogue.*

Mail facilities in the Sandwich Islands are still of a somewhat primitive order. Every Wednesday afternoon, it is said, a travel-worn pedestrian enters the village of Kawaihae with his rubber-covered bag strapped securely to his back. This he has brought from Hilo, since Monday morning, and as the shades of evening cool the rocky hill sides he starts on his return, reaching the bay on Saturday night, an arrival which, in steamer times, is no less welcome than regular. This journey which, measured on the many curved roads up and down the sides of ravines and including a detour into Waipio, must be not less than 160 miles in length, is performed in alternate weeks by two men who show great power of endurance. Sometimes, though rarely, a horse is brought into requisition.

The following item taken from the *U. S. Mail* is we think rather "hard." "As married women are incapable of holding the office of Postmaster, it follows that a female postmaster would have to resign her office if she married."