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Basanh. -'l'his country has lately issued 3 letter cards all of a light blue coler. They are 50 reis, for lucal use, red, 100 reis for use in the empire, blue, and 200 reis for forcign service, green. A 50) cent stamp, color, blue, is also in use.

Icthand. - The $\overline{5}, 8$, and 10 ore catds have all been issued in double form. They are printed with the same design as the single cards.
Peuu - The 1 centavo, green, and 2 centavos, vermillion have been surcharged with a triangle cortaining astar. 'They are also used with the horse shoe surcharge. Stamps surcharged with the chilian arms are no longer in use in this country.

Sumsam. - There has been issued a double 5 cent card, color violet on green.

## NOTES.

The current issue U. S. two cent stamps cost the Goverument nine cents per sheet of 1000 stamps.

The most important and valuable stamp collection in the world belongs to the son of the Duchess of Gallicra. Though it is yet incom. plete, the stamps contained in it have cost $\$ 300,000$.

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