

gistered letters, with the letter R in a circle, but the letter is changed to A.

GREAT BRITAIN.—The Birmingham *magazine* gives an illustration of the impressed stamp of a new English post card, it is oval; head of queen in centre; halfpenny above; postage below; embossed in pink on right hand upper corner of the card.

NORWAY.—We have received the 2sk of the new type post-horn in centre. It is printed in light blue on white watermarked paper.

LUXEMBURG.—A fresh supply of 1c, 20c, and 25c, was printed last March, the colors are slightly altered the 1c. is a light red brown, the 20c pale chocolate, and 25c dull blue. The 37½c is to be changed by means of a black surcharge to one franc.

WURTEMBERG.—Two new post-cards have been issued value 2kr., color orange on blue. One of these is a double card, one half for the reply; the other card is the ordinary single kind.

TRINIDAD.—The four pence is now printed greyish blue.

SWITZERLAND.—The color of the Rigi Scheideck local has been changed to blue.

ISLAND.—In the December *Timbre Poste* a set of stamps copied from the current Danish is announced of the following values and colors:—

- 2 skilling blue.
- 4 " rose.
- 8 " brown.
- 16 " yellow.

Also two service stamps of the same type, but different in color.

4 skill, green, 8 skill, lilac.

M. Moens states that Island is a Danish possession but does not say where it is situated. Is it the general name for the Faroe Islands, or is it intended for Iceland?

JAPAN.—In the same magazine we find a stamp figured which Mr. Moens imagines the fore-runner of a new set; it is of an entirely new design, having the value expressed in Japanese and Roman characters. We will try and give further particulars in our next.

1 sen, blue.

ECUADOR.—The new stamp mentioned in our last is also figured by the Belgian

journal, together with two other values ½ real and 1 peso both of the same type but different to the 1 real. Should these stamps prove genuine it will greatly surprise us. Neither our South American nor West Indian correspondents say anything about them.

## Reviews.

*Philatistische Berichte*.—S. F. FRIEDMAN; Rudolfsheim Vienna.

Four numbers of this Austrian magazine are now on our table. They are full of useful information and we have no doubt Austrian philatelists will avail themselves of Mr. Friedman's experience, and that the small four page journal he now publishes will require to be enlarged, to meet the demands of the immense number of European collectors. In the November number the appearance of a magazine in Copenhagen for Denmark, Norway and Sweden is announced; we heartily welcome the new comer and hope it may prove both successful and remunerative to its enterprising publishers.

*The Curiosity Hunter*.—D. A. K. ANDRUS, Rockford Ills.

The first number of this journal appeared on September 1st in size only four pages, in October it was increased to eight pages, and the fourth number now before us has attained to the respectable size of sixteen pages of reading matter and eight pages of advertisements. This is certainly a sign of success, and we beg to congratulate the editors and publishers. As the title implies the journal treats of all kinds of curiosities, and we notice that the editor intends depending upon the contributions of subscribers to fill his columns, this is very well for general curiosities, but if he carries this out strictly there will seldom be anything about stamps, for, as a rule, stamp collectors are very backward in furnishing information. However there is much to be gleaned from the pages of our contemporary, and we have much pleasure in numbering the *Hunter* amongst our exchanges.

*The Stamp Collector's Chronicle*.—W. H. BRUCE, St. John, N. B.—This is the first venture from the Maritime Provinces, since the death of poor Craig; we hope that the