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## NEWS OF THE MONTH.

The list of new issues is somewhat meagre this month, the most important item, being the fore-runners of the beautiful artistic set in preparation for the Kingdom of Greece. We anticipate ere our October number appears, that the complete series will have been issued, and we hope to be able to illustrate it in that number. The first philatelic indication of war in China is the announcement of a specially surcharged set for the use of the British Indian troops in the field. War stamps from Africa are still absorbing the greater part of the space in the columns of our English contemporaries, the discussion as to the status of the Mafeking locals is still on. From evidence so far to hand it begins to look as if the issue was a speculation pure and simple. We reproduce an article from Eween's Weekly on the subject. Our English contemporaries evidently know a good thing when they see it, besides Ewen's Weckly the Ph. Journal of G.B. and the Stamp Collector's Fortnightly, reproduce and favorably comment on much of the matter that has appeared in our columns, some of the Continental papers have also taken the trouble to translate our articles. All this is most gratifying to our editorial staff, and gives to each member thereof an increased zest to produce only such items as shall be worthy of reproduction. The Montreal Philatelist is the only American paper that is quoted to any extent by the European authorities, and its articles reprinted; congratulatory letters are showered in upon us by every mail ; to one and all of our kind friends we tender our heartfelt thanks. We sincerely reciprocate their kind wishes and promise to endeavor to maintain the position we occupy as a stamp paper, conducted on journalistic principles, by a staff of philatelic experts. As officia organ of the League of Canadian Phil-
atelists we represent a body second to none in the stamp world, many of the members of the League being scientific collectors known the world over. We have their honor and credit to maintain as well as our own and shall perform our task to the best of our ability. We are pleased to note the position taken by our publisher in regard to admitting to the advertising columns only dealers of recognized standing. We want to print nothing but what we can vouch for.

## ENTRANCES AND EXITS.

Brazil.- Postage due 20 reis in current type). The 1895 set of unpaid letter stamps (Scott U 2) has received an ad dition by the issue of a 20 reis green. Perf. 13.


British South Africa. - (New $\not \approx d$ stamp). An addition to the set of annexed design has appeared the 4 d bistre.

China. - (ioc. color changed). The color of the ioc has been changed from dark green to lilac.
(German P. O. provisional 5 pf.) During a temporary exhaustion of the supply of 5 pf stamps, during the month of May last, a number of 10 pf were converting into that value, by a black surcharge of " 5 pfg ." at the office of Кізоchow.
(French P. O., 2 franc stamp). The new French 2 fr . has received the surcharge Chine in black.

Corea.-(Provisional I poon stamp. New card, etc.) The 25 poon stamp is reported with a black surcharge covering the old value in Chinese and Corean, and a small vertical stroke signifying " 1 "

