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## CHRONICLE OF NEW ISSUES.

**AUSTRIA.**—The latest hailing from here are the 20kr., olive, and 24kr., light-blue current type.

**BORNEO.**—The 10 cent current has been surcharged "6 cents" in black, in two lines.

**CANADA.**—We are enabled to inform our post-card collecting friends of a new treasure for their albums. On Dec. 7th a new die of the one cent blue post card came into use at the London Post Office. The die is similar to the die of the 1883 issue in that it has not the scroll-work around the numeral of value at the side. It differs from the 1883 issue in that instead of having a spear-like ornament above and below the figures at the side, it has a small star-like ornament above and below the numeral, but at some distance from the same. The above description is somewhat vague, but our readers have probably seen this variety before this, and understand the difference. We expect to give illustrations of the three different dies of post card as fully as allowed, in our next issue.

**CURACAO.**—The publishers of the *American Journal of Philately* are informed by the Postmaster of Curacao that the 50 cent stamps have not been surcharged 25 cents as reported last month.

**CHAMBA.**—The *Philatelic Record* chronicles the ½, 1, 2, 3 and 4 anna stamps which have A in STATE in a smaller letter than the rest of the surcharge, thus:—STATE.

**FRENCH COLONIES.**—On January 1st next there will be fourteen sets of stamps issued. These sets will differ only in the name of the Colony. They are similar to the current issue, as they have two seated figures representing commerce and navigation, at the top the words "République Française—Colonies Postes," at the bottom a label for the name of the Colony, above this a square for the value. Values are 50 cent, rose, and 75 cent, yellow. The fourteen colonies to be provided with stamps are as follows:—Congo Français; Diego Suarez et dépendances; Guadeloupe et dépendances; Nouvelle-Calédonie et dépendances; Senegal et dépendances; Guyane; Inde (Etablissements de l'); Indo-Chine; Martinique; Mayotte; Obock; Océanie (Etablissements de l'); Réunion; St. Pierre Miquelon.

**FRENCH CONGO.**—The *Timbre Post* illustrates four new stamps for this place all engraved on wood, and printed, black on white, "Postes" above. "Congo Français" below. The 5 cent represents a branch of the banana (?), the 10 cent palm tree, the 15 cent a French (?) flag, the 25 cent the head of a negro.

**GREAT BRITAIN.**—A contemporary says that there is a new die for the 1d. envelope, bearing on the neck the letters S. H.—Somerset House.

**GADELOUPE.**—The current type is now surcharged "Guadeloupe" across the top in black. The *Philatelic World* mentions several errors in spelling, such as "Gnadeloupe," "Guadelonpe" "Guadbloupe."

**HAWAII.**—The envelopes are now engraved instead of being lithographed. A new 2 cent stamp has just been issued—effigy of Queen Liliuokalani; color purple.

**INDIA.**—The *Stamp News* states that the design of 6 annas is to be changed.

**JHIND.**—This country's set is found with the surcharged JEIND, most likely an error.

**LUXEMBOURG.**—We see by the *Philatelic World* that the new stamps have all been surcharged S. P., and are for the use of the sovereign only.

**MADAGASCAR.**—The 1 fr. is black on yellow, the 5 frs. violet on white. Both of above stamps have a red network.

**MAURITIUS.**—The 38 cents has been surcharged "Two Cents" in capital letters across the lower part of the stamp. 33,000 have been issued.

**NEW SOUTH WALES.**—It is reported that 150 sheets (18,000 stamps) of the 3d have been printed on paper watermarked "90." The current 8d., lake, has been surcharged "O. S." in black. So says the *Philatelic Era*.

**PAHANG.**—The 8 cent is announced with a surcharge for this place.

**PUERTO RICO.**—The 5 cent is now found in a new shade of green.

**PARAGUAY.**—The *Timbre Poste* gives illustrations of the new letter cards, 2 cent red on yellow and 3 cent blue on yellow. They have the current stamp in the upper right hand corner, and are inscribed "Republica del Paraguay—Carta Targeta Postal."

**PORTUGAL.**—A new series is at present being prepared—effigy of King Carlos. The 500 and 1000 reis are each to be printed in two colors.

**SURINAM.**—The *Ph. Record* chronicles a 10 cent unpaid letter type of current type. The figures being only 4½ min. high instead of 7 min. Bright lilac.

**URUGUAY.**—The *Philatelic World* says:—The 8th stamp of the 3rd, horizontal row of the 5 cent has "1391" for 1891.

**UNITED STATES.**—What has become of the new post cards? Our American contemporaries stated that they were in the large Post Offices over two months ago.