

### Newly Issued Stamps.

WURTEMBERG.—We give below an engraving of the neu-Kreuzer envelope, of Wurtemberg, the color of which is green.



✓ LOCAL STAMPS OF DRESDEN.—There are five varieties in all of these stamps, three adhesives and two envelopes. The former are 3 pfg. (green,) 1 neu-groschen, (rose,) and  $\frac{1}{2}$  neu-groschen, (yellow); the latter are 1 neu-groschen, (rose,) and  $\frac{1}{2}$  neu-groschen, (yellow). They are used as follows:—

In Dresden, the last clearing out of the letter boxes, (which are placed all over the city like in New York,) occurs at 6 o'clock, P. M. After that hour letters are not taken till the next morning. The Dresden Express Co. takes letters from the houses to the Railway station, but they must be pre-paid by the Company's stamps. The letter boxes are closed at six, and the stamps to be used on letters are sent to the box at the Railway station after that hour.

The 2 paras Maldo-Wallachia is now printed in orange.

OWING to the haste in which we were obliged to correct the proof of our paper last month, some typographical mistakes were unfortunately overlooked.

### Correspondence.

We are not responsible for the opinions of our correspondents.—ED. GAZETTE.

### FORGED STAMPS.

(To the Editor of *The Stamp Collector's Monthly Gazette*.)

STR,—In my opinion the most contemptible criminals in the world are the counterfeiters, forgers, and their associates. We may sometimes feel a slight admiration for the bold robber who demands our money, knowing as he does at the same time that he not only runs the risk of his personal liberty, but also of his life; but for the mean, skulking thief, who is guilty of forgery and counterfeiting, I have no feeling but that of utter contempt. The only individual who is lower in the social scale than the forger, is he who knowingly vends and sells counterfeits and forgeries.

I much regret that it is my duty to warn the stamp collector's of New Brunswick to be on the lookout for these light-fingered gentry, as it has come to my knowledge that forged stamps have been sold for genuine in this city by some unprincipled dealers. And it is my intention

(with your permission,) to describe a few of these monthly, gleaned for this purpose from the best English and American authorities to be found.

### THE GREEK STAMPS.

These stamps are exceedingly good imitations, and some have even the value printed on the backs of them, as are on the genuine stamps.

#### GENUINE

1. Dots round the head of Mercury are eighty-eight in number, all of one size, and very evenly and regularly executed

2. White circle round the dots, is of the same thickness and perfectly distinct throughout.

3. Groundwork is composed of thin wavy vertical lines, with dots at equal distance between them.

4. Lettering and Greek border are thin and neat.

5. Post-mark is composed of a diamond shaped figure of black dots, with one or two figures in the centre

#### FORGED

1. Dots round the head are irregularly done, and in some places indistinct; they are seventy-five in number.

2. White circle round the dots is very thin, and sometimes indistinct; tho' in some the circle is perfect, yet in all it is very much thinner than in the genuine stamp.

3. Groundwork is composed of wavy lines, but only occasional dots between them, and between some of the lines the dots are altogether omitted.

4. Lettering and border are rather blotched and of variable thickness.

5. Postmark of dots only no figures.

Hoping that the above description (which I have taken from a very reliable source,) will enable the collectors who have stamps of Greece to discover whether they are genuine or not, I take much pleasure in subscribing myself

S. B. A.

### New Publications.

THE "STAMP ARGUS" St. John N. B. Craig and Melvin.

The first No. of this new magazine devoted to the interests of Stamp Collectors and dealers, made its appearance on the 15th ultimo. It is to be published every month. No. 1. contains a variety of matter interesting to the Stamp Collecting fraternity. We wish our younger brother every success, and hope that it will live long enough to assist us on our journey through the *Timbrophilic* World.

THE 'STAMP COLLECTORS MANUAL' 3d Edition, Philadelphia, Pa., U. S. A. A. C. Kline.

The third edition of this valuable little work has just reached us in time for review. It is the most complete Catalogue of the different varieties of postage stamps we have ever seen, and as such we hope that every collector on this side of the Atlantic at least, will procure a copy. The price is only 50 cts in Greenbacks. A valuable money table is appended to help the collector in valuing his stamps, together with many other improvements. On the title page are the fac-similes of five different United States stamps that have never been in use. Taking it on the whole it is about the best guide to the stamp collector published.