

MR. EMORY intends to give in the May No. of the *Eastern Philatelist* an account of a *used* Connell stamp he has. We are very much afraid that he has a long road to travel before he can give positive proof of there ever being one used.

WE are reprinting this month a paper on the postage stamps of Mauritius, read by Major Evans before the Royal Society of Arts and Science in 1878. and have no doubt but it will be found extremely interesting.

The Philatelist Journal of America has in its chronicle a reference to a surcharged Stellaland stamp which is chronicled as something new. The surcharge is "Twee" over the four pence blue. Those surcharged stamps are catalogued by Dr. Vedel of Copenhagen in his Feb, 1887, catalogue. There were only 384 said to be surcharged.

OWING to difficulty with the U. S. Government the late postal convention has been amended, and among other changes the rate of registration has been raised again to 5c.

CHRONICLE.

Anam and Tonquin.—"A & T," surcharged on stamps of the French Colonies, with large figure of value below. 1c. on 2c. 1c. on 4c. 5c. on 10c.

Argentine Republic.—2c. green, head of Lopez; 30c. chocolate, head of Dorrego; 40c. slate, head of Morena have appeared. The 5c. stamp and envelope have already been changed the head being slightly different and better executed.

Bavaria.—*The Ph. R.* reports the 3 pf. card, with vertical watermark and A. 88 at foot.

Belgium.—A letter envelope, inscribed "Enveloppe—lettre" and "Oms lag brief," with the current stamp, carmine on blue; has replaced the 10c. letter card.

British Honduras.—2c. red, 3c. brown, surcharged in heavier type than before, two cents in red on 50, on 1 shilling grey.

Bulgaria.—The stamps with head of Prince Ferdinand are probably essays.

Canada.—The 10c. is now carmine (c. c. 128.) Mr. Vallee has sent us a stamp issued March 1st by the Bell Telephone Co., of Montreal, with messenger boy in circle, printed in black.

Ceylon.—The 2c. on 4c. mentioned in January is of two colours; pink of 1880 and carmine of 1885.

Cochin China.—"1 Franc." is surcharged on the 60c. unpaid letter stamp.

Colombia.—We have seen a new Registry stamp, 10c. black on gray, measuring 39 x 18 min. A large R is at the left, and in three lines at the right "Panama—No. Colombia." In the frame at the bottom "Diez Centavos."

Dutch Indies.—A 7½c. card brown on white, stamp with figure of value in centre, has appeared.