combe. This edition is far superior to his previous one. It is increased in size, etc. In the front are sketches of several prominent collectors whose portraits go to beautify the book. The price is fifteen cents and it is well worth it.

Do not forget that one of these books is given to every new subscriber.

## IMPORTANT, 'OSTAL ANNOUNCEMENT.

Postmaster-General Mulock has authorized an announcement that he is about to remove the restriction whick at present prevents the user of a post card from utilizing the front of a post card by having anything written or printed on it, except the address of the person for whom it Mr. Mulock's init intended. tention is to permit pictures, views, designs or other advertising matter to be printed on the face of the card, so long as sufficient clear space is left to allow of the address being written or printed so that it can be easily read in the office where it is posted. The face of the card may be converted into a work of art without impairing its usefulness, and advertisers will no doubt avail themselves of the privilege. The cards will be issued in sheets if so desired for convenience in Mr. Mulock thinks printing,

that the concession will prove a great stimulant to business. It will benefit the advertiser, and the country as well, and also add considerably to the postal revenue. The idea may result in much good to the country in the way of advertising some of its natural features, as well as its public and other buildings.

## A GOOD ONE.

The following story is going its rounds in philatelic circles. Last April when the Greeks and Turks were at war, after a hard battle, in which all the members of two detachments (one Greek and one Turk) had fallen save one man on each side, and how, further, having exhausted all their ammunition, and in trying to get at each other with bayonets, one dropped a small book which the other recognized as a stamp catalogue, and that this led to questions and answers which showed that both were stamp collectors, and that, further, these two erstwhile deadly enemies sat down behind a wall and swapped duplicates.

This may do very well to tell but we have our doubts as to the truth of the story.

The 5 centavos stamp of Peru now comes in green; it was formerly blue.