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NEWS OF THE MONTH

After the long list of new issues last month, comparatively few novelties have to be introduced on this occasion to the fraternity. The transfer of the separate postal department of Wurtemberg to the Germany Imperial authorities is again spoken of. Spain's last colony, Fernando Poo, may soon become a German possession, involving necessary changes in its stamps. War between Colombia and Venezuela seems probable, in which Ecuador and Nicaragua seem to be also involved. This probably implies new issues of provisionals of various kinds. The visit, during September, of the Duke of Cornwall to Canada, should arouse our Canadian societies to some activity to obtain an official recognition in the public receptions to be tendered to him, but we hear of no special efforts being made in that direction.

ENTRANCES AND EXITS.

BARBADOS.—(*Jubilee Stamps to be destroyed*). The colonial postmaster gives notice in the *Official Gazette* that the only values of the Jubilee issue on hand July 1st were the 2½d, 8d and 2s 6d, and that any stock remaining at the end of the current year will be destroyed.

BRITISH GUIANA.—(*2c color changed*). The colors of the 2-cent stamp have been changed to black and red on red paper.

CHILL.—(*50 centavos current type*). We have been shown by Mr. Huguenin, a 50c of the current type in dark brown.

COLOMBIA REPUBLIC.—(*The Tumaco provisionals*). Last month we drew our readers' attention to the unnecessarily large numbers in which these supposed make-shift war stamps were being offered. We learn that the postal official who issued them has been dismissed on account of his little speculation and his stock destroyed by the Prefect.

COREA.—(*Completion of current set*). The series which has been making its ap-

pearance piece-meal for some time is at last completed by three high value stamps:—

- 50 ch. green and pink.
- 1 wn. grey, blue and red.
- 2 " mauve and green.

DENMARK.—(*Envelopes in new type*). Two new 4 and 8 ore envelopes have been issued. The old type which was adopted in 1865 has been abandoned, and that of the envelopes of the Danish West Indies takes its place. The colors remain as heretofore, blue for the 4 ore and vermilion for the 8 ore.

FRANCE.—(*Office at Canton*). The French Consul having opened a post office at Canton, China, the stamps of the French colony, Indo-China, have been surcharged in red, CANTON followed by Chinese characters. All the values from 1 c. to 5 frs. are reported by *S. G. Monthly*, with this surcharge.

GREAT BRITAIN.—(*Edward VII. stamps*). It is announced by the *P. J. of G. B.* that, in the approved design of the new 1d. stamps, the head of the King is apportioned more space on the stamp than is that of Queen Victoria in the current issue. As in the present issue the face turns to the left in a frame which is adorned with a wreath of oak leaves on one side and a wreath of laurel leaves on the other. POSTAGE AND REVENUE at top and value at bottom. The color will be purple on pink, almost identical with the current 6d. The date of issue is not yet known. (*6d. official*). As a result of the 6d. grey having been declared obsolete, the current 6d. stamp purple on red has been surcharged ARMY OFFICIAL and I. R. OFFICIAL.

LABUAN.—(*Unpaid letter stamps*). The *Monthly Journal* reports the issue of the current set from 2 c. to 24 c., with the surcharge POSTAGE DUE in black.

NEW ZEALAND.—(*New 1d. post cards*). The stamp on the 1d. post card has been changed from Scott type A9 to A2 and the

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