

## NEW ISSUES Of Adhesives, Post Cards, and Envelopes.

**Austria.**—This country has issued an entire new series of stamps. The values remain as before, but instead of bearing the bust of the Emperor they have the Imperial arms in the centre of which is a blank shield and beneath it a small circle. On the shield is printed in black the value and in the circle the letters "kr." In a semi-circle over the arms is the legend "Kais. Konigl. Oester. Post." The four corners are occupied with network. The colors of the several values have been somewhat changed. The envelopes bearing the new adhesive, 5 kr. and 5 sid., rose, are of two different shades of paper. The post-cards also of the new type, 2 kr. and 2 x 2 kr., brown, have made their appearance. They are in eight varieties of dialects for the eight several languages spoken in that empire.

**Bahamas.**—It is announced that stamps valued at 5s. and £1 will shortly be issued. A very neat and pretty reply card, carmine on buff, of the value of 1½d. x 1½d. has appeared.

**Belgium.**—Some of the new stamps of this country have appeared. The designs are much like the old series, varying with the several values, the head is somewhat larger and they are not so finely executed as the last. The colors of the four that have issued are 10c. carmine, 20c. gray, 25c. blue and 50c. violet.

**Bolivia.**—The series of 1882 appeared near the end of last year with the figures for 1883, in place of these of the former years. It will be understood that it adds a new series to the stamps of this country.

**Brazil.** has issued three letter cards all of a pale green color. They are respectively 50 reis for local use with stamp imprinted in the usual place, red, 100 reis for use in the empire, blue, and 200 reis for foreign service, dark green. Each has four lines for address and along the top are the words "Carta Billete." The two of the lower values have the word "Ill mo." at the beginning of the first address line, and the 200 reis card has the letter "M" in the same place. The lines and letters are printed in the same colors as the respective stamps. A 50 cent stamp, blue, of a new design is also in use.

**British Guiana.**—A new reply card, 3d x 3d, carmine on buff is in use in this colony.

**Cashmere.**—A post-card ½ anna, red, has been added to the series of this country. It has two lines of Hindustanee inscription, and in the upper right hand corner is roughly imprinted, apparently by hand stamp, a shield with scroll work, surmounted by the sun and guarded on either side by a native soldier, bearing each a lance and a dagger. Under the shield a scroll ribbon, and below it an inscription of the value in Hindustanee. It is of middling strong paper, blueish-white in color, and having a corrugated surface.

**Chili.**—The color of the 5-centavo stamp has been changed from carmine to ultra-marine.

**Finland.**—Two locals for Helsingfors are in circulation. One is a stamp neatly gotten up in red, green and white colors. Shield in centre green on red ground and surmounted by a crown; on either side the word "Helsingfors"; across the top "Stadepost" and across the bottom "Kansainvälinen Posti"; in the four corners, and in the centre of the shield is the figure 10. Also on a scroll below the shield the words "10 Penni," and on the crown the words "10 Penni." The other is a letter card printed in green. The upper left-hand corner is occupied by a stamp bearing the figures of value in white, in an oval, on a

checkered ground. The inscriptions are much the same as those in the stamp described above. Across the top appears in large letters the word "Korrespondenskort" and across the bottom the words "Stadeposten i Helsingfors." Over the latter is a double-line. In the centre of the address side are two address lines. The upper is prefaced with the word "Till." At the right of the lower line is the inscription "utan No."

**Dutch East Indies.**—Two unpaid letter stamps have been added to the series—10 cents and 20 cents, color carmine, with white circle in centre bearing the figures of value in black.

**Ecuador.**—The 50 centavos, green, has been surcharged with the words "Diez Centavos" in two lines black. This makes an additional provisional.

**Great Britain.**—A new series of this country is announced as shortly to issue. They will, doubtless, bear the representation of H. M. the Queen. The 1d. and 4d. in oval; the 1½d. and 6d. in horse-shoe-shaped; the 2d. and 6d. in hexagonal; the 9d. in circular; and the 3d. and 1s. in square frames. The design of the 1d. stamp will be unchanged but the color will be black. The 9d. revenue and postage stamp has been withdrawn.

**Germany.** has a new design of a new design. It is 6½ inches in width and has two double lines, 2½ inches apart running across its width. The stamp, which is near the middle of the right-hand side, is green with the value, 3pf. in white in the centre. Design the same as the current adhesive. Between the rules are two dotted address lines. Over the upper of these lines is the word "An" and at the beginning of the other "in."

**Greece.**—Three new cards and three new reply cards have issued. They are as follows:—5 lepta and 5 x 5 lepta black on buff; 10 lepta and 10 x 10 lepta blue on buff; 10 lepta and 10 x 10 lepta carmine on gray.

**Hawaii.**—The color of the 10 and 12c stamps, which were both hitherto black, has been altered, the former into bright vermilion, and the latter into purple. This gives them a very handsome appearance.

The new series announced in our last as in preparation, has appeared. The values and designs are as follows:—Stamp 25 cents, purple, statue of Kamehameha I. in profile, facing the state building in Honolulu. On the pedestal on which the statue stands is the inscription "Hawaii, 1883." On the left side of the stamp is "Kamehameha I," and on the right "Postal Union." The figures of value, "25," in color in the lower, and white in the upper corners.

Stamp 50 cents, orange-red, portrait of King Lunalilo, (born 1835, died 1874,) in oval frame. Above is the word "Hawaii" and in the lower half the value in the Hawaiian language, and in a scroll below that in English, "fifty cents." Also 50 in figures, white, in each of the upper corners.

Stamp 1s., carmine, full face portrait of dowager Queen Emma, (widow of Kamehameha IV, born January 2nd, 1836,) in oval frame. In the upper centre is "Hawaii" in a scroll below "Akahi dala," and in slanting panels in each of the upper corners, 100.

Reply cards, 1c x 1c, same design as the single 1c cards, but the color is purple on buff; 2c x 2c same design as the current 2c card—color ultra-marine on white.

Stamped envelopes, 2c and 5c, each bearing a view of the city of Honolulu as taken from the sea, are in use.

**Iceland.**—Reply cards of 5 x 5, 8 x 8 and 10 x 10 are in existence. They fold in the middle and are printed with the same design as the single cards on the first and third pages.

**India.**—A half-anna stamp has been added to the new series. It bears the profile of Queen

Victoria in an oval frame with "India Postage" above and "Half-anna" below. The color is dark green and it has as a watermark a star.

A service post-card, color white, is in use. The stamp in the upper right-hand corner is blue. It has in the centre a profile of the Queen's head surrounded by two circles, between which are the words "On her Majesty's Service." The two upper corners of the stamp have respectively "I" and "E," and across the bottom is the value, "quarter-anna." The rest of the upper third of the card is occupied by the inscriptions in blue "East India Service Post Card" and "The address only to be written on this side; the signature and official designation of the sender must be written on the reverse."

**Jamaica** has a new reply post card, 1d. x 1d. blue on buff. A new U. P. U. card, 1½d., has superseded the provisional recently in use.

**Mauritius.**—A 6c. x 6c. reply post card, violet on buff has issued. The provisional 16 on 17 cts. has been surcharged with a smaller type—long primer condensed. The 2d. blue is also surcharged 8cts.

**New Zealand.**—Stamp-duty stamps of 5s., and of £1. have been used for postal purposes.

**Norway.** The colors of the 5 ore and the 20 ore have been changed to green and blue respectively, and they are water-marked "Post Horn."

**Orange Free State.**—A new 2d. stamps and post cards of the values of 1d. and 2d. are promised shortly.

**Peru.**—The Chilians having left Peru of course the stamps surcharged with their arms are no longer in use. In place of them the stamps of this country are surcharged with a triangle containing the sun and the word "Peru." The new current series is as follows:—

1 centavo, green, with horseshoe surcharge.	
2 " vermilion,	"
5 " blue,	"
10 " green, without,	"
50 " with "Plata" and "Lima."	"

1 sol, pink,  
The 1c. and 2c. are also used with horseshoe surcharge, but without the triangular surcharge above described.

We note for the benefit of our philatelic friends that the 10 centavo green was surcharged with the Chilian arms in four different colors—red, yellow, blue and black. The same varieties also exist with the surcharge inverted.

**Philippine Islands.**—The 10 quattras, bistre, fiscal, and the 12 four-eighths de peso, blue, are both used as postals and surcharged in black as follows:—"Habilitado" in a segment of a circle above, "De un real" in the same below and "Pa. Correos" in a straight line across the centre. The 8 cent de peso, brown, postal, has been surcharged the same as the above, except that "20 cmos" is substituted for "10 un real." In some instances the surcharge is put on in reverse.

**Portuguese India.**—The ancient series (star) of this colony has been resuscitated with the following surcharges:—

1½ reis black.
4½ " olive-green.
6 " green.

**Salvador.**—Reply post-cards folded in the middle and printed on the first and third pages, are in circulation. They are 2 x 2 centavos, rose on buff; and 3 x 3 centavos, blue on white. **St. Domingo, or Dominican Republic.**—There are two distinct varieties of type in the surcharges of the 50 centimos on the ten centavos. The minor variations in the surcharges of this island, together with the fact that stamps of the same values are found with and without net work, make a full set quite a large one.

**Siam.**—The Straits Settlements stamps of the values of 2, 4, and 12 cents, have been printed

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