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THE NEWS.

The 4 cent carmine, 1888 issue U. S., was on the first week of the month, for sale at the New York offices. Whether the stamp is at present for sale or not, we are not in a position to state. This will doubtless lower the value considerably, as no doubt, thousands were sold and used.

The \$4 Columbian is in an unused condition, worth 5 per cent more than the \$5 in a similar condition.

Some one is going to issue a philatelic daily, or at least so he announces. Until we are convinced by ocular demonstration we confess to feeling a little skeptical.

We will venture the prediction, when you gaze o'er our contents, that you'll send on your subscription enclosing twenty cents.

The Canadian Philatelist has not suspended publication, its publishers' new weekly monopolizing his attention at present is cause of delay

The new U. S. cards are out. Printed in black on medium size card. No border, same old black and white paste board.

THE COLUMBIANS.

The high value Columbians are, at most P. O. offices, sold out, the 6c. being particularly difficult to obtain. The entire number printed is 2,000,000. The figures show the 6c. to be much scarcer than the 8c. although the former has been issued longer. How the Columbian envelopes turned out is not known to us. The fate of the small 8c. is also a matter of doubt.

THE COUPON ON THE COVER.

Our readers will notice that we have a special coupon on our outside cover. Cut it off. It entitles the holder to one vote in our competition, as to which is THE MOST POPULAR STAMP PAPER PUBLISHED in the world. A good plan is to save up the coupons till near the close of the competition, sending them in a bulk, thus saving postage. Write the name of the publication for which your vote is cast *on the back of coupon*. The termination of contest will be announced in plenty of time for you to send in your accumulated votes. Vote early and often, vote as many times as you have coupons.

THE CONVENTIONS.

Collectors are getting ready for the conventions at the Falls, this summer. The Canadian Sons of Philatelia will hold its initial convention in August—place to be decided by mail-vote. A large attendance is predicted, and lots of business will be done.