

ing around Europe for a suitable prince, the sobranje elected (1887) Prince Ferdinand of Coburg, the present ruler.

His has not been a bed of roses since that time, as the powers have never confirmed his election, and it can truly be said that "uneasy sits the head that wears the crown" in this case, as the crown has never been very steadily set upon it.

The assassination of the patriotic ex-minister, Stambuloff, some months ago, reflected very badly on the government, as it is believed that the murder was instigated by it. Stambuloff was the foremost man of the new Bulgaria.

As mentioned above, Prince Ferdinand is now trying to get into the good graces of the St. Petersburg government. Whether he succeeds or meets the same fate as Prince Alexander remains to be seen.

The sobranje is a representative body, being elected by universal manhood suffrage for a term of three years. Each 100,000 inhabitants are represented by one member. The executive power is invested under the prince in a council of six ministers.

The estimated area of Bulgaria proper is 24,350 with a population of over 3,000,000; that of Eastern Romenia (South Bulgaria) is 13,500, with a population of 950,000. The capital, Sofia, has over 30,000 inhabitants.

—American Philatelic Magazine.

Italy—A special post card will be issued to commemorate the marriage of the Prince of Naples.

Jamaica—The Postmaster has issued an official document wherein he states that he will accept $\frac{1}{2}$ of a penny stamp in pre-payment of the $\frac{1}{4}$ penny rate of postage.

Great Britain—The 10d. has been surcharged 4 pi. for use in the Levant.

Labuan—The 25 and 50c and \$1 North Borneo, have been surcharged "Labuan" for use there.

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