

**Omaha
Stamps.**

We have just received specimens of the Transmississippi stamps from Washington, D. C.

These stamps differ materially in size from the ordinary series, the engraved space being about 22mm. wide by about 34mm. long. The designs are also radically unlike those of the ordinary stamps.

Following is a description of the stamps.

The border, which forms in its inner line an irregular oval framework to the scenes represented, consists of a fluted figure on either side, with interior crossbars, beginning in a single line near the bottom of the stamp, and enlarging until it reaches a shield in each of the upper corners, wherein is engraved in white the Arabic numeral of denomination—the dollar mark being also included in the case of the one and two dollar stamps. At the top, connecting the two shields, and united to the fluted framework on the two sides, is a curved tablet on which are engraved in small white capitals the words "United States of America." Above this, on either side, are heads of wheat, and between these a small scroll. Immediately below the central scene is the title of the picture in diminutive white gothic letters on a curved tablet and below this on either side, in scrolls, are the words of value, in white capitals, except in the case of the two highest values when figures are substituted for letters. Above each of these is a projecting ear of corn, and at the bottom of all on a straight black tablet are the words "Postage One Cent," "Postage Two Cents," and so on, in white capitals.

Although this series of stamps will be discontinued on the 31st of December, 1893, they will be good for postage at any time afterwards.

Mr. Chas. Bailey, who has been sojourning in Chicago during the past month, sent us the first Trans-Mississippi stamp we received, which was used for postage.

Williams & Co., Lima, Peru, desire us to warn collectors against Ant R. Vallee, St. Hyacinthe, Que., late publisher of "The All Around stamp Advertiser." They sent him a remittance but can get no reply.

Elliot J. Gifford, Elkader, Ind., has our thanks for an invitation to the Commencement Exercises of the class of '98,

In reply to a communication addressed to Chas. D. Lowe, late publisher of the "California Stamp," the following was received, "Chas. D. Lowe has gone to Manila with the Volunteers of the 1st Regiment. Yours truly, V. Lowe.

W. A. Tebow, Sacramento, Cal., sent us a sample of a Chinese Lottery ticket.

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