

a few dealers have all the higher values Columbians in their hands and expect to form a Combination to force the prices still higher than they are now.—A certain Phil. Publisher thinks the S. of P. needs a good white-washing. So does another Society which I could name,—Brothers.

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The Czar of Russia who died last month was an active Philatelist and a member of the London Phil. Society.

Don Alfonso The Baby King of Spain will soon claim to be quite a big boy and will want a new set of stamps.

Stamps for purposes of taxation were invented in Holland, in the 17th century.

The Brooklyn Trolley Mail Car is a grand success.

The 1st fast Mail—Sept. 16th 1875.

Canada's New Society—The Dom. Phil. Ass'n.

A Japanese Rin—1 mill. A Sen—1 cent.
A Yen—\$1.00.