

TRINIDAD.—Two new Stamps, 1 shilling purple and 4d. blue have appeared.

RUSSIA.—The 30 kop Envelope formerly pink is now bright red.

URUGUAY.—Some months ago we informed our readers of the contemplated issue of Envelope Stamps for Montevideo. One of the series (the 5c.) has been kindly sent us by a friend in London. In nearly every respect it closely resembles the present 5c. adhesive, except that it is circular instead of rectangular. A few other differences are perceptible but almost too trifling for enumeration. The colours of the envelopes are also identical with the adhesives being 5c. blue, 10c. green, 15c. yellow, and 20c. rose. The 10c. adhesive is now perforated and it is to be hoped its *confres* will be dealt with in the same manner soon.

MEXICO.—A Correspondent in a *Post-script* mentions the fact that he has seen three new Stamps of this unfortunate empire, and thus describes them:—"Head of King to the left in an oval border, IMPERIO MEXICANO at top, CORREOS below, value in figures at sides. The stamps are lithographed, printed in color, on white paper, and unperforated. The colors are 7 cents *brown*, 25 cents, *orange*, and 50 cents *green*."

LUBECK.—Mons. J. B. Moens the great European Stamp authority has in his possession two of the first issue of this State, $\frac{1}{2}$ and $2\frac{1}{2}$ sch. printed on starred paper, the existence of which was not generally known before.

MOLDO WALLACHIA.—Three new postals, design head of Prince Charles of Hohenzollern to the left in an oval within a rectangular frame, POSTA ROMANA at top, value below in letters, figure denoting value in four corners. The *Gazette* for July last, had an engraving of the 5 par, but the head was turned the other way, whether our engraving was taken from an essay or whether this last set which we have just described is a separate issue, it does not lie in our power to say at present; we received the Stamp from which our illustration was made from a highly honorable gentleman.

DANUBIAN COMPANY.—It is rumoured that a new Stamp for this company has been issued, value 10 soldi, lilac, similar to 17 soldi previously described in the *Gazette*.

FRANCE.—Two new Stamps are expected, 30c. and 5 francs.

ST. VINCENT.—A 1 Shilling label, colour purple black has just made its appearance for this Island, and also a 4d. blue identical in design with the 1d. and 6d. which have been the only representations of this Island since the introduction of Stamps.

NEW GRENADA.—The 5 cent stamp is now printed in lemon chrome yellow.

FIELD POST.—These envelopes will soon become quite popular with the Germans. Prussia and Oldenburg have commenced their use.

MECKLENBURG SCHWERIN.—A new adhesive envelope just issued, 2 sch, violet.

Postal Chat-Chat.

MONEY ORDERS.—The following is a comparative statement of Money Order transactions at the Post Office, St. John, in the years 1865 and 1866.

	Paid	Drawn
October, 1865—	\$13741.48	\$1244.71
1866—	20659.14	1512.80

During the quarter ending Oct. 31, 1865, drawn \$4917.04; 1866, \$4878.57; paid during quarter ending Oct. 31, 1865, \$39915.39; during same period, 1866, \$53601.52.

The weight of the Mails passing through the New York Post Office daily is about twenty-five tons.

Four millions of dollars were transmitted through the United States Mails by postal money orders during the last fiscal year, as against one million three hundred thousand the year before.

On the 1st October the whole of the Hanoverian Stamps, retired from the postal service, and those of Prussia replaced them. We may also state that those of Schleswig and Holstein, and also the Venetian series will be superseded by those of Prussia; this is in consequence of the late War which gave to Prussia such an extension of territory.—*Collector's Circular*.

In the New York *Journal of Commerce* of Oct 5th 1866 is an article of nearly a column in length on Stamp Collecting. In the course of which the writer says:

"The collection of Postage Stamps, however, finds its justification in reasons, perhaps, quite as good as those assigned in any other line. With few exceptions the collection of these is pursued by the youth of both sexes. There are now upward of ten thousand boys and girls busily engaged in this business, and could a comparison be made between these and an equal number of other children in the same condition of life, it would be found that the knowledge of geography of nations, governments, style and value of money, &c., &c., preserved by the collectors, considerably exceeded that of the others. Not that all pursue this subject with this intention, or for this knowledge. Many only follow their inclination; but the habit of collecting and arranging the Stamps under each appropriate head familiarizes their minds with the geographical position of those countries represented by the Stamps. In fact the Postage Stamp takes the place of the blocks and puzzles so familiar to former generations."