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NEWS OF THE MONTH

After the long list of new issues last month, comparatively few novelties have to be introduced on this occasion to the fraternity. The transfer of the separate postal department of Wurtemberg to the Germany Imperial authorities is again spoken of. Spain's last colony, Fernando Poo, may soon become a German possession, involving necessary changes in its stamps. War between Colombia and Venezuela seems probable, in which Ecuador and Nicaragua seem to be also involved. This probably implies new issues of provisionals of various kinds. The visit, during September, of the Duke of Cornwall to Canada, should arouse our Canadian societies to some activity to obtain an official recognition in the public receptions to be tendered to him, but we hear of no special efforts being made in that direction.

ENTRANCES AND EXITS.

BARBADOS.—(*Jubilee Stamps to be destroyed*). The colonial postmaster gives notice in the *Official Gazette* that the only values of the Jubilee issue on hand July 1st were the 2½d, 8d and 2s 6d, and that any stock remaining at the end of the current year will be destroyed.

BRITISH GUIANA.—(*2c color changed*). The colors of the 2-cent stamp have been changed to black and red on red paper.

CHILL.—(*50 centavos current type*). We have been shown by Mr. Huguenin, a 50c of the current type in dark brown.

COLOMBIA REPUBLIC.—(*The Tumaco provisionals*). Last month we drew our readers' attention to the unnecessarily large numbers in which these supposed make-shift war stamps were being offered. We learn that the postal official who issued them has been dismissed on account of his little speculation and his stock destroyed by the Prefect.

COREA.—(*Completion of current set*). The series which has been making its ap-

pearance piece-meal for some time is at last completed by three high value stamps:—

- 50 ch. green and pink.
- 1 wn. grey, blue and red.
- 2 " mauve and green.

DENMARK.—(*Envelopes in new type*). Two new 4 and 8 ore envelopes have been issued. The old type which was adopted in 1865 has been abandoned, and that of the envelopes of the Danish West Indies takes its place. The colors remain as heretofore, blue for the 4 ore and vermilion for the 8 ore.

FRANCE.—(*Office at Canton*). The French Consul having opened a post office at Canton, China, the stamps of the French colony, Indo-China, have been surcharged in red, CANTON followed by Chinese characters. All the values from 1 c. to 5 frs. are reported by *S. G. Monthly*, with this surcharge.

GREAT BRITAIN.—(*Edward VII. stamps*). It is announced by the *P. J. of G. B.* that, in the approved design of the new 1d. stamps, the head of the King is apportioned more space on the stamp than is that of Queen Victoria in the current issue. As in the present issue the face turns to the left in a frame which is adorned with a wreath of oak leaves on one side and a wreath of laurel leaves on the other. POSTAGE AND REVENUE at top and value at bottom. The color will be purple on pink, almost identical with the current 6d. The date of issue is not yet known. (*6d. official*). As a result of the 6d. grey having been declared obsolete, the current 6d. stamp purple on red has been surcharged ARMY OFFICIAL and I. R. OFFICIAL.

LABUAN.—(*Unpaid letter stamps*). The *Monthly Journal* reports the issue of the current set from 2 c. to 24 c., with the surcharge POSTAGE DUE in black.

NEW ZEALAND.—(*New 1d. post cards*). The stamp on the 1d. post card has been changed from Scott type A9 to A2 and the

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GREECE.—(*The new set*). We illustrate the three types of the set listed last



month. All the values in lepta are of the



first type, except the 5, 10 and 25 l., which are in the second. The values in drachma are of the third type. The lower values are well printed in attractive colors and have a pleasing appearance, but the 2, 3 and 5 drachma being in metallic ink are most wretched looking blotches, reminding one of the Hamburg locals of former days.

NYASSA.—(*The new set*). We illustrate



the two types of the new set of which a list of values and colors was given last month. These stamps are issued by the Nyassa Company under the authority of the Portuguese Government. A royal decree dated June 12th, author-

ized their issue on August 1st. The former surcharged issue were to remain valid for postage for one month, after which up to September 30th they could be exchanged for the new stamps.



SERVIA.—(*5 paras in new type*). It is reported that the new type, as illustrated last month, is to be utilized for all the values of the adhesive set. The 5 paras yellow-green has appeared in that type. Two well known chroniclers of new issues, in *Mekel's Weekly*, have been worrying over the recent demonetization of the 1 dinar blue-green, and inventing more or

less plausible surmises as to what is to take its place. These gentlemen fail to notice that the stamp has been obsolete and possibly demonetized since 1896, but the remainders have only recently been put upon the market. As pointed out in our June number, the 1 dinar red-brown issued in 1896 is the current stamp of that value.

SEYCELLES.—(*Provisional 3 and 6 cents*). A correspondent of *Le Collectionneur* announces that owing to a deficiency of the regular 3c stamp, 30,000 of the 36c value were transformed, by means of a surcharge, into 3c stamps. The entire lot was immediately bought up by speculators, and are offered at a high price, while the public still remained short of a 3c stamp. The *S. C. Fortnightly* announces that this deficiency has been supplied by surcharging the 16c stamp 3 CENTS, also that the 8c has been converted into a 6c value by the same process.

SIAM.—(*Letter cards*). This kingdom has inaugurated the use of letter cards, by the issue of a set of four. The type is similar to that of the post cards of 1887. The values are 2 atts. carmine, 4 a. blue, 10 a. brown, 12 a. green, all on blue card.

VICTORIA.—(*Amended types of the new issue*). The series of stamps printed from old plates, listed in our April number, has had a short life, all having been withdrawn June 2nd, except the 2½d. and 5d. It seems their exclusive use for postal service was not sufficiently emphasized, so the word POSTAGE has been inserted in the design of each, and thus amended they have been re-issued in the colors given in our April list. As the 1d. carmine as noted in May had this amended inscription when first issued, so the new stamps comprise the 1½d, 2d, 3d, 4d, 6d, 9d, 1s, 2s, and 5s.

SPECULATIVE STAMPS AND COUNTERFEITS.

(The stamps described under this heading, we would advise collectors to avoid, as manufactured either by official authority or by private individuals for their own gain at the expense of philatelists.)

BRAZIL.—(*Counterfeits of the 1894 issue*). The *Am. J. of Ph.* reports dangerous counterfeits of the current 300 and 500 reis which appear to have been made to defraud the government, as they are found on envelopes that have passed through the post. Various points are noted by which they can be distinguished from the genuine stamps, but the most distinctive mark is found in the spray of laurel leaves on the head of Liberty. On the original stamps only a small piece of the stem, between the leaves, can be seen, and the bases of the leaves are usually lost in shadow. On the counterfeits the entire outline of each leaf can be seen, and the

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INDIA.—(*Forged C. E. F. surcharges*).
A correspondent of the *P. J. of India*
reports large numbers of forged surcharges
of the C. E. F. stamps. The type is far
smaller than in the genuine surcharges,
and should not deceive any but unobser-
vant collectors.

SWITZERLAND.—(*Forgeries of old issues*).
The *S. C. Fortnightly* illustrates used and
unused specimens of imitations of the
1849 50 ct. and 5c. Poste Locale. Old Swiss
stamps have always been favorites with
the counterfeiter; in fact, one of these
rascals, Mercier by name, advertises regu-
larly in some of the less reputable French
papers, the number of gold medals he has
obtained for the perfection of his imita-
tions. He issues a price list wherein
quotations are given for his gems, and he
charges three times the ordinary price
when the counterfeit stamp is on an imita-
tion letter of the period, with forged dated
cancellation. The *Fortnightly* concludes:—

"The forgeries we illustrate are un-
doubtedly dangerous ones, in that they
are well calculated to deceive the collector
of limited experience of these old Swiss
stamps. To show exactly wherein the im-
itations differ from the genuine stamps is
not altogether practicable and, for obvious
reasons, not altogether desirable. Suffice
it to repeat our warning that old European
stamps of all sorts and descriptions are to
be bought with infinite caution, and only
from persons who have a reputation at
stake.

"Unfortunately, it is not only the very
rare stamps that one has to look upon
with suspicion. 'Little fishes are sweet,'
thinks the stamp forger, who very well
knows that an imitation of a fairly com-
mon stamp will frequently pass muster for
the simple reason that it is thought too
common to be 'worth the forger's while'
to imitate it."

AUSTRALIAN STAMP SCENES.

THE EMU.

By A. Lloyd Jones.

The pictures on the stamps of New
South Wales have always attracted the
attention of collectors, and that on the
common 2d. stamp is by no means the
one which has aroused the least curiosity.
The bird pictured on this stamp is usually
considered an ostrich, but although it
closely resembles an ostrich, it is a bird
found only in Australia, known to natu-
ralists as the Emu.

The name Emu, also spelled "emea"
and "emeu," is evidently derived from the
Portuguese word for ostrich, "ema" and
has in turn been applied to different birds
of like appearance till it has now finally
settled upon that one which inhabits
Australia, though until less than a century
ago, it was given by most authors to the
bird now commonly called the cassowary.

The Emu nearly equals the ostrich in bulk,
its height being between five and six feet.
The legs of this bird are short and stouter
in proportion than those of the ostrich.
Its feathers lie loosely on the body and the
wings are so small that when close against
the body they can hardly be distinguished
from the general plumage. Its color is a
dull brown mottled with dingy gray.
The young are striped with black. The
voice of the emu is a curious, hollow,
booming or drumming sound produced by
the peculiar construction of the windpipe.
A remarkable structure in this species is a
singular opening in front of the windpipe,
communicating with a tracheal pouch.
Various conjectures have been made as to
its function, the most probable of which
seems to be that it is an organ of sound
in the breeding season, at which time it
has been known to utter a remarkably
loud booming sound.

In its manners the emu bears a close
resemblance to the ostrich. However it is
the only Ratite bird that takes naturally
to water. Its food consists of fruits, roots
and herbage. Although of great strength
it is shy and peaceful, and unless hard
pressed, trusts to its speed for safety, for
the length of its legs and muscularity of
its thighs enables it to run with such
swiftness that it is not easily overtaken or
brought within gunshot. The skin of a
single emu contains six or seven quarts of
a bright and clear oil, on which account it
is eagerly sought after. The Emu is said
to afford excellent coursing, but dogs will
seldom attack it, both on account of some
peculiar odor in its flesh which they dis-
like, and because the injuries inflicted
upon them by striking out with its feet
are very severe. The settlers even assert
that the Emu will break the small bone of
a man's leg by this sort of a kick, to avoid
which, the well-trained dogs run up
abreast, and make a sudden spring at its
neck, whereby it is quickly dispatched.
When the natives take an emu they break
its wings, a curious custom of no percep-
tible utility. Its flesh has been compared
to coarse beef, which it resembles in both
appearance and taste. There is but little
fit for culinary use upon any part of the
Emu except the hind quarters. The male
performs the principal part of the incu-
bation. The eggs are six or seven in
number, of a dark green color, and are
much esteemed by the natives as food.

The Emu was found to inhabit the plains
and open forest country of Australia
immediately after the colonization of New
South Wales in 1788. It was very common
in former days, but it has been so hunted
down that not an example remains at
large in the districts that have been fully
settled. Indeed its decrease has been so
alarmingly rapid that Dr. Bennett, who
has had much personal experience with
this fine bird, fears ere many years the
Emu will be numbered with the Dido, the
great Auk, the Nestor, and other extinct
species.

EDITORIAL.

BUSINESS METHODS OF STAMP DEALERS.

We know of no business enterprise anywhere in which mutual confidence, between buyer and seller, enters so largely into transactions of a commercial nature as in the stamp trade. Features that would, in other commercial transactions be considered as most unheard of—most unbusiness like—are of daily occurrence amongst stamp dealers. Stamps valued at thousands of dollars are constantly entrusted on approval to prospective buyers, on a bare introduction generally, with no security whatever for their return or payment. Many stamp dealers are engaged in other lines of business, and there are accustomed to adopt the ordinary precautions and rules of credit of shrewd business men, but these are all discarded when it comes to deal with a philatelic customer. Whether this arises from the fact that the customer expects it, or that it is a usage of the trade is immaterial—the usage is in vogue and the dealer who would adopt strict business methods would probably soon find his clientele diminishing. So long as this confidence, which the *Australian J. of Ph.* calls "the connecting link in the chain of philatelic procedure," is not abused, it no doubt is a great assistance to business. Many a philatelist is tempted to buy a rare, long sought specimen when he sees it in all its beauty in an approval selection, who would hesitate to remit cash with order for the same stamp. Knowing this few dealers would care to see the approval system abolished. But this mutual confidence is the parent of a downright carelessness that does not exist in any other business. A stamp is a small article easily pilloined by the sneak thief while turning over the pages of a stock book, still how often are valuable collections handed over for examination in the stamp shops to complete strangers. As long as stamps were comparatively cheap, they received no attention from that section of the community which lives on the proceeds of theft, but of late these birds of prey have given some unpleasant study to philately. The recent robberies at the Paris and Buffalo exhibitions are

evidence of the fact. The recent exploits of the young man who swindled a Montreal dealer, who travelled on his swindling tour as far east as Halifax, and who has just been arrested in Omaha, Neb., who had a plausible story to tell, and who was equipped with all the accessories necessary to back up his story, are evidence that the educated crook has turned his undesirable attention to the stamp trade. To guard against such depredations, only ordinary business prudence is required, dealers need only be more watchful and less confiding, and collectors, who are business men themselves, should not take it amiss, if the guarantees they would require in their own transactions, are more strictly demanded, hereafter, by the stamp merchant.

We notice the *Philatelic Record* considers that the stamp thief runs much risk in disposing of his spoils. This is a mistake, it would probably be true, did he attempt to dispose of them in bulk, but the educated crook is much too cunning for that, he can sell a rare stamp here and there, to different dealers and in different cities, without exciting the least suspicion, unless he happens to have obtained some stamp of such extreme rarity, or of such marked characteristics as to be at once recognizable. Indeed it is possibly the fact of the ease with which the stolen property can be disposed of, that may have attracted the crooks to Philately. A stamp dealer's protective society which would undertake the costs and risk of prosecuting cases of fraud upon its members, would be of benefit to the trade, but after all only eternal vigilance is the price of safety.

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THE CANADIAN PHILATELIC SOCIETY.

The new Constitution of the L. of C. P. having been accepted by the members is now in force. Its first clause changes the name to one of a more national character, and as it now comprises amongst its members nearly all stamp collectors of prominence in Canada, nothing that can indicate that it is Canada's national society should be wanting. Let the old members, who have made this Society what it is, bestir themselves, one new member to be introduced by each old one is what President Hall has asked for. See that this modest request is complied with.

The Canadian Philatelic Society.

Organized September, 1898, as the League of Canadian Philatelists.

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The Secy. Treas. has nothing of particular interest to impart this month. Members are requested to pay up their annual dues which are due now as the year begins July 1st, under the new ruling, and thus save the society the expense of postage on a hundred or more letters asking for annual dues. Having run completely out of membership cards and application blanks the secretary has had to order a new supply and the cash in the treasury is at rather a low water mark.

By the new rules adopted at the late convention as the Sec. Treas. understands its memberships run out July 1st and not Oct. 1st. This has been done to enable members to obtain complete current volumes of the official organ, which date from July 1st, without extra charge for back numbers. It also lessens the book-keeping work of the secretary-treasurer by abolishing fractions of a year, which were a source of mistakes and misunderstandings.

Although some old members will thereby pay about eight cents twice for the three months between July 1st and Oct. 1st, the welfare of the society as well as the state of the treasury calls for this trifling sacrifice on the part of our loyal members.

Therefore, brother philatelists, the Sec. Treas. looks to you for an avalanche of quarters very soon. Thanking you in advance for what is coming to the society, he is yours,

C. H. FOWLE,

Secretary-Treasurer.
 Medford, Mass., Sept. 1, 1901.

The Secretary would hereby announce that no objections have been received to the new constitution which includes change of name &c., and he has notified President Hall to that effect.

C. H. FOWLE,

Secretary-Treasurer.

Sept. 9th, 1901.

New Carlisle, Aug. 24th, 1901

FELLOW MEMBERS I. OF C. P.

This being my first occasion of addressing you, I shall take the opportunity now of thanking you for having elected me to the office of Auction Manager, which office I trust I may fill to your satisfaction.

What I would most earnestly ask of all members is, that they would patronize this department as liberally as possible. I have this month received a few lots which I now put on sale and trust all members will bid liberally.

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