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GREAT BRITAIN AND HER COLONIES.

BY ALF. FITLER HENKELS.

(Continued.)

BRITISH GUIANA.

In 1881 the bar of literation was dispensed with, and a new series of surcharges, with new values surcharged, was used; "1" on 48 cents of 1863, and "1" and "2" on 96 cents of 1876. Official stamps surcharged, "1" on 12 cents of 1860, "1" on 48 cents, "2" on 12 cents and 24 cents of 1876. In 1882, four new stamps were used: a 1 cent, black on rose, and 2 cents, black on yellow, with representation of a two-masted vessel. There was also the same design stamps with a three-masted vessel depicted on them.

We now arrive at the last series on the schedule, the official series: 1 cent, black, 1863; 2, 8, 12 and 24 cents of 1860, and the 1, 2, 4, 6, 8, 12, 24 and 48 cents of 1886, surcharged "Official;" there is also a 1 and 4 cents reported, with diagonal surcharge.

The above stamps are tedious to collect, but are interesting on account of the variations in the position of the obliteration bars and the surcharges. These are difficult to classify, and I am heartily glad to have done with them, and hope we may not have a repetition of the same.

BRITISH HONDURAS.

Of this colony there is not much of interest to record. The first stamps were issued in 1865, and consisted of a 1 and 6 pence and 1 shilling; the next stamp was in use in 1872, a 3 pence, and then

in 1879 a 4 pence, and a penny in 1885 of the same design as the one of 1865, but the '85 is rose, and the '65 is blue. It is also reported that the color of the 6 pence has been changed to yellow.

It is really a relief to find a colony with as few stamps as this one has, for the great number of issues that some countries have, almost makes one wish to have an international series, such as I read of in an article printed in a philatelic journal, in which a writer set forth his views on the subject. There is one sure thing—if this was the case, it would be but a period to the chapter of surcharges.

CANADA.

The first series of stamps was used in 1851, when a 3, 6, 7½ and 12 pence were issued; in 1855 a 10 pence, blue, was used; only 820 of this value were used, hence their scarcity. There is a dangerous counterfeit of this stamp of a bluish purple color. In 1857 a ½ penny stamp was used. These stamps were unperforated, and were engraved by Rawdon, Wright, Hatch & Edson.

In 1858 a perforated series of the same design as the preceding was used of the following denominations: ½, 3 and 6 pence. The next series was in 1859, when a 1, 5, 10, 12½ and 17 cents were used, and in 1864 a 2 cents; the values in this series were in cents in place of pence. They were prepared by the American Bank Note Company. On April 1, 1868, a new series was put into use, consisting of a ½, 1 (red), 2, 3, 6, 12½ and 15 cents (lilac) stamps; in 1869 a 1 cent (yellow); 1875, a 5 cents. These and the following stamps were prepared by the British American Bank

Note Company. In 1870 the first stamps of the series now in use were first issued. They are a 1, 2, and 3 cents; 1872, a 6 cents; 1874, a 10 cents, and in 1876, a 5 cents. In 1877, the 15 cents of the same design as 1868 was reprinted in slate-colored ink; in 1882, a ½ pence was issued. I have seen the 1 cent, yellow, and the 3 cents, red, printed in orange and pink respectively. I have heard of the 1 cent bill stamp having been used for postage, as also one-half of some of the postage stamps, the latter of which are the basest kind of impositions.

There are a 2, 5 and 8 cents registered letter stamp; the 8 cents value was soon withdrawn, which accounts for their scarcity.

(To be continued.)

FRAUDS.

The following-named parties have received sheets to sell stamps from, and have not returned them to the several dealers, who have placed their names in our hands, for publication. Where any claim is made by these parties they receive due credit for such claim below, and where any of them have removed or changed their address, both old and new addresses are given.

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Correspondents' Column.

[This column is open to all, and we hope you will take the opportunity to express yourself on any philatelic question. Those who want any information should send us their queries, which will be published in the following number.]

NEW YORK, July 9, 1886.

To the Editor of the Quaker City Philatelist:

DEAR SIR:—Not being either a member or corresponding member of your Society, yet I take the liberty to correct a statement made in the June number of the above paper.

In the article on "Great Britain and Her Colonies," and under the head of "Constantinople," by Alf. F. Henkels, in which he says:

First.—That the English stamps were surcharged for the convenience of the Europeans residing in that city, and were run separate from the general government.

Second.—That the Turkish government objected to this.

Third.—And that these stamps were withdrawn.

To the *first* I would say that these stamps (not only of Great Britain, but France and Italy) were surcharged to make the money value conform to the Turkish.

Secondly.—That instead of the Turkish government objecting to the establishment of foreign post-offices in Constantinople, they (the Turkish government) gave firmans, or permission, to that purpose, and that the foreign offices are patronized, not only by the residents, but by the Imperial Ottoman Administration, for the reason that they guarantee the safe delivery of the mail, which the Turkish P.-O. does not. And, furthermore, these foreign offices are not only in Constantinople, but in various parts of the Ottoman Empire.

The exact date of the establishment of these offices can not be determined on

the date of the firmans granting the permission to the Russian Co., Austrian, Italian, Greek (withdrawn in 1881), German, French and English.

Third.—That these stamps were withdrawn. This is not the case. I received a letter lately with the 80 paras on it, post-marked "English Post-Office, Constantinople," and further, the English P.-O. now issues money orders on the United States.

These surcharged English stamps were issued on August 1st, 1885:

40 paras on 2½ d. of 1884, 80 paras on 5 d. of 1884, and 12 pi. on 2 s. 6 d. of 1883. A 480 piastres was reported, but the English P.-O. denies its ever existing.

On the 16th of August, 1885, France also issued surcharged stamps:

"1 PIASTRE 1" on 25 c. of 1879,
"3 PIASTRES 3" on 75 c. of 1876,
"4 PIASTRES 4" on 7 f. of 1876.
The "3 PIASTRES 3" is now obsolete.

Trusting you will insert the above in your next issue, I remain, very truly yours,

WM. A. WARNER,

Secretary National Philatelic Society.

WE intended to publish in our last number both plans for the formation of a National Philatelic Society, but man proposes and the printer disposes. The printer selected the one which suited himself, as we suppose he thought one enough. As far as we are concerned, either plan will accomplish the result aimed at, and that is what we desire. After the Society gets into shape, it will probably make so many changes from either plan that no one would recognize it as the same plan.

THE Quaker City Philatelic Society has nominated Mr. L. W. Durbin as President of the National Philatelic Society. We know him to be well-fitted for the position, and hope sufficient other members will see it in the same light.

ANY one who feels inclined to doubt the paying qualities of this paper as an advertising medium, is respectfully referred to the twelve columns of advertising.

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Advertisements for No. 9 should be in by August 28th.

ON a preceding page may be found a few names of those who make the approval-sheet dealers' life anything but a happy one. These we have placed under various headings so that some statistics may be obtained, and an estimate formed of the probable truthfulness of each claimant. Those who do not reply are undoubtedly liable to arrest and imprisonment for "Larceny as Bailee," as it is *not a debt but a consignment on sale*, and clearly comes within the law.

Of such we would say that if they miss jail this time it is only through the leniency of the several dealers, and the black iron-barred doors will sooner or later open to admit them.

Of those who claim to have returned sheets it is extremely *curious* that in almost every case it was the first or second sending which failed to come back, the only exception deigned to answer (the third letter) only after a letter had been sent to his father, and he then claimed to have sent the sheets back *long* before. The P. O. Service would seem to have special foresight in *losing only* letters on their return, as but one claimant appears who denies receiving sheets.

A curious case is mentioned of some

bright youth who had taken stamps off and replaced them with cheaper ones. On being charged with this offense he sent a long letter explaining how the stamps had accidentally been put on, and enclosing the amount claimed. Following this letter came a POSTAL CARD, stating that since writing the letter his heart had been touched, that he had meant *to rob* the dealer.

Out in Topeka, Kansas, a new crowd appear to have bought some counterfeits which they change for *good* stamps on sheets. This last crowd kindly gave each other away in the matter, seemingly forgetting that informers are very likely to be closely watched.

Look out for them!

WE have received assurances that all orders which were sent to W. R. Bishop will be filled or money returned, and also that he will settle all claims as soon as possible. We are pleased to inform our readers of this, and hope they will send in any claims which they may have, and advise us at once of the result. Information of this kind should be sent direct to H. McAllister, 2045 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

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The *Stamp Collector* is a new magazine that has made its bow to the Philatelic public. It is *welcome*. There is plenty of room for just such magazines as the *Collector*. We wish it success and long life.

Plain Talk is just as witty as of old and takes our comments of last issue with good-natured sarcasm. It also calls the Q. C. P. dry. Who ever heard the like of that?

The *Cumberland Collector* is a new paper, it has a neat appearance and is well filled with interesting reading matter.

The *Philatelic News* is an old paper revived. We are glad to see you in the ranks again, Greene, and hope you have come to stay.

Morrell's Philatelic Directory is the most complete directory we have seen since the days of Handford's. It con-

tains twenty-eight pages of names of collectors and dealers from all parts of the world. It should be in the hands of all collectors and dealers.

One of our contemporaries berates *The Stamp* for rating such papers as *The Stamp and Coin Gazette*, the *Q. C. P.* and others of like standing as representative philatelic papers of America.

We have also received the following. Publishers please accept thanks:

Empire State Philatelist, Garden City Philatelist, The Carson Philatelist, The Monthly Journal, The Stamp and Coin Gazette, The Mohawk Standard, The Philatelic Monthly, The New York Press, The Philatelic Herald, The Stamp, Our Home Companion.

We quote the following from the *Philatelic News*:

"A very successful publication is the *Q. C. P.* It is really interesting to read and does not brag so much as some other papers of our acquaintance."

It is not necessary for us to "brag," our paper speaks for itself.

Chronicle.

EDITED BY L. W. DURBIN.

Antioquia.—A new series of stamps has been issued, of which the following have come to hand: 1 centavo, green on pink; 2 centavos, black on yellow; 5 centavos, blue on buff; 10 centavos, lilac; and 20 centavos, blue. They are very roughly engraved and printed.

Congo.—A 5-shilling stamp has been added to the set; color, lilac.

Costa Rica.—Envelope stamps of the value of 5 and 10 centavos are in use. The lower value is blue; the other, orange on white paper. The official stamps are found with the surcharge in black as well as red.

Dominica.—Another provisional stamp has made its appearance, the shilling stamp being surcharged "One Penny." There are also four new postal cards: 1 penny, red on buff, and 1½ pence, brown on buff, both in single and double form.

Faridkote.—This Indian State has a couple of new stamps, ½ anna, green, and ½ anna, black. They are

square in shape, and about as easy to describe as the generality of the Indian stamps.

Guanacaste.—Late specimens of the Guanacaste stamps have the surcharge printed in red.

India.—A 2 annas registered envelope has been issued.

Mexico.—Two newspaper wrappers have been issued: 1 centavo, blue, and 2 centavos, red on brown paper. The new series of adhesive stamps will have the numeral of value in the centre, "Servicio Postal Mexicano" above, value below. The set will be as follows: 1 centavo, green; 2 centavos, red; 5 centavos, blue; 3, 4, 6, 10, 12, 20, 25, 50 centavos, violet.

Peru.—The surcharging business has been stopped in Peru, and the 1874 set of stamps issued in the following colors: 1 centavo, purple; 2 centavos, green; 5 centavos, orange; 20 centavos, blue; 50 centavos, red; 1 sol, light brown.

Tolima.—The colors of the current set have been changed as follows: 5 centavos, yellow; 10 centavos, red; 20 centavos, blue.

St. Christopher.—A provisional 4-penny stamp is in use, made by surcharging the 6-pence, green.

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
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