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Stamp Collecting.

. A new provisional is reported for use in the Dutch Indies, 710 cents" having been printed over the "20 cents" on the slate black stomp. The 20 cent envelope stamp has been similarly surcharged.

Specialists in minor varieties of stamps may be interested to learn that statings may be interested to learn that there are such a lot of errors in the overprint "Mororco Agencies" on the stamps of Gibraltar, that a complete set is now valued at £16. Even then it is estimated that a complete set would be difficult to account. difficult to secure.

A block of 54 India 1 anna dark green stamps, 1852, was sold recently in London, which had been double printed. Usually, such printers' errors are relegated to the waste paper basket, but appeared to the waste paper basket, but appeared to the waste paper basket. parently, when not destroyed, they are considered valuable as a curiosity.

Bechuanaland has set a good example by doing away with postage stamps of a higher value than 5/. All the previous Victorian issues of higher value than 5/ thus become obsolete. The current Transvaal stamps with King Edward's portrait have been overprinted "Bechuanaland Protectorate," and are officially stated to be exclusively for fiscal use stated to be exclusively for fiscal use.

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In a mild climate, like that of Anckland, the question of the kind of gum used for stamps is not of such great im-portance as in much colder climates. For instance, in the United States, packages of stamps are sold marked "winter gum," of stamps are sold marked "winter gum," which means that they are prepared with soft gum for use in the winter season when the weather is cold and dry. This has been found to be necessary to prevent as far as possible the stamps from curling, cracking, and breaking. Stamps for summer use are prepared with a harder gum. "As the stamps with winter gum are liable, to be affected by heat, they require to be kept in a cool place, and, if possible, sold before the warm, moist weather sets in.

The new stamps for use in the Danish Vest Indies are as follows:—4 bit green, 10 bit dull red, 20 green and blue, 25 blue, 40 red and brown, and 50 yellow. The design is thus described in an English philatelie paper:—'It at first strikes one as being comical, from the silhouette portrait in centre of solid colour which varies from the vest of the stamps in most values, and because of the large white lettering at foot of each announcing the value as '10 bit 10' and '20: bit,' etc. In the first two values one colour only in each is used, the next two have the head in deep blue on white oval with the words 'Christian, Den, Niende' in tiny blue letters, the two higher values have a sort of dark brown-grey centre. The remainder of design (!) is made up of four crowns at corners and 'Dansk-Vest—Indien—Post' in coloured letters between them, which might be all typeset from the crudity of it."

The rapid increase in the issues of stamps is causing uneasiness amongst collectors, as there is a feeling of hopelessness developing, as it is realised how utterly impossible it is for the ordinary collector of limited means to try and keep pace with the new issues. The following clipping from the "Stamp Collector." voices the feeling of many philatelists upon this subject:—'In the interests of philately and stamp collecting generally, it surely would be profitable if our societies would discuss this matter, and make recommendations for the simplification of our catalogues. For instance, if all the low values below id or 5 centimes were transferred to a section for printed matter stamps, and the very high values never really used for real letter carrying were omitted, a sensible reduction in general catalogue of letter stamps would be arrived at. These very low and very high values, if listed along with the sections named above, would make a book as big as the other for such specialists as cared to go in for these fearsome issues, leaving the general collector a clear, intelligible, and simple list of postal letter stamps only." The rapid increase in the issues of

At a Dance.

THINGS TO REMEMBER IF YOU WANT TO ENJOY YOURSELF.

If you are a dancer, and going to a ball, never wear a long dress. It may be graceful and becoming but it will wind about your own feet, get round your partner's legs, and become soiled, torn and unsightly in half an hour. Wear a dress that just clears the ground, and be particular about your shoes and stockings. If your dress, is white, white satin shoes and white silk, or open-work thread stockings look the best. It is essential, of course, that these its well, and are perfectly clean and fresh. If you are a dancer, and going to a feetly clean and fresh. It is not a difficult

nut a difficult thing for a girl to It is not a difficult thing for a girl to cover her own shoes with a cutting of her dress, and if she is only patient enough to learn to do this she may be always correctly and snartly shod, wearing blue shoes with a blue dress, red with red, and green with green. The art of recovering shoes is so easily acquired that it is extraordinary that every woman who has to consider ways and means does not learn to do it. learn to do it.

Never arrive at a dance the moment you are asked, but don't go to the other extreme and arrive too late, or the men you want to dance with will have made engagements for the whole evening, and you will be left stranded.

If a young man is going to a dance, let him go determined to be amiable, other-wise he had far better have declined his invitation in the first instance

If a man gets very hot dancing he

ought always to carry an extra collur to change during the evening. A man looks so ill-dressed and dissipated in a limp collar.

collar.

A man should never buy cheap gloves to wear at a dance. They fit badly, split, and look horrid, and are far dearer than a more expensive article, as they can only be worn once; and the good ones clean and clean again.

If you happen to find yourself at a dance where you know few people, and where you are somewhat neglected, don't with a cross, gloony countenance.

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A man should never loke about one lady present to another unives the woman he is speaking to is one of his own relations, for frightful complications have often ensued from doing this thoughtlessly.

If a young man is invited to a children's party where there is to be conjuring, or a dance, let him remember he is not asked for his own delectation, but for that of the children. And no one assisting at a children's party ought to usurp attention, or arrange to dance with his own parlner, or to pose to the gallery, showing off how he amuses the children. If he goes, he goes for one object only, and that is to devote himself to the children.

children.

If a girl gets very hot when dancing she should provide herself with a few leaves of panier ponder. A five-ninute retirement to the cloakroom to gently rub her face with one of these will immediately improve her personal appearance. It is well at the same time to make sure that diverse, hair, etc., are all trim and tidy for dancing is apt to make even the tidiest look a little dishevelled.



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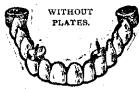
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