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### Notes

An Army of Lions led by Asses. Everything in this world changes, apparently, but as battle after battle is fought and lost, and thousands of brave lives are uselessly sacrificed, the conviction is forced upon us that the British Army remains what it was a hundred years are "an army of lions lead by asses!".

And the envious nations look on and jeer, whilst our soldiers, with a heroism that few others could imitate, hurl themselves uselessly against tremendous odds or charge to certain death upon an invisible enemy.

And yet, where is a single one of them that could have done as well, or in one month have organised an army of 100,000 volunteers five thousand miles from its base? Not one! Nor amongst all the millions of France or Germany could a 100,000 men be mustered more devoted to their flag or animated by a nobler or sterner sense of duty than our own! Whatever our reverses may have been or whatever they may, even, be in the future, England has always the satisfaction of knowing, at least, that no finger of scorn can be pointed at her sons, bravely doing their duty and charging right to the cannon's mouth at its behest to day as on the thousand fields of varying fortune that the old flag has braved unharmed.

And so will it always be if only England be true to herself. If learning the lessons of a bitter experience she knows how to apply them and, unlike Spain, refuse to sleep the slothful sleep of self-deceit.

Half a hundred years of uninterrupted ease and ever increasing wealth have fulled Englishmen to a false security, from which they have had a rude awakening. Whilst others worked and advanced. England stood still or lagged behind, until a peasant people have forced upon her armies the conviction that force without adequate direction, or even the purest patriotism and obedience to duty are all impotent before superior technique and military skill. We have played at soldiering too long and so risked the safety of the Empire and our Country, until at last the choice is given us of reorganising our military power on a secure and certain basis or, like Spain and other countries that failed to recognise their rottenness or refused to sweep it away, to sink to certain and swift destruction!

No country can exist long when its leaders are incompetent and unless England insist on the organisation of her armies on a thorough working footing, and work and not play be the watchword of those responsible for her defence, some day it will suddenly give way and the British Empire collapse like Spain.

It all depends on ourselves. What is happening in Africa is but a warning written on the wall that he who runs may read. The material is there, animated always by the same old stern spirit, then:—

- " Come the three corners of the world in arms "
- " And we shall shock them "
  " Nought shall make us rue"
- " If England to horself do rest but true ".

The New Tariff. In the article published in our last number on this subject a note was omitted by the printers stating that no allowance had been made in calculations of the reduction of duties effected by the alterations in the tariff law for 1900 for the change from net to gross measurement of wines, spirits, beers and other liquids.

In consequence of this alteration in lieu of reduction there is in reality an increase of duty on these articles, amounting on champagne, for example, to about 15%, on mineral waters 20 to 25%, and so on for all except gin in barrels.

The Minister of Finance and the Foreign Banks. Nothing has yet transpired as regards the aim and object of the Minister's conference with each of the managers of the different foreign banks of this city. Rumour of course is busy and has already a dozen ingenious explanations to offer, the most popular being the intention of Government to make the banks realize half their capital and deposit it in the Treasury!

Without pretending to any better knowledge on the subject than other people we can certainly take upon ourselves so much as to contradict so ridiculous a supposition and to assert that no such extravagant idea ever entered into the Minister's mind.

In the course of a few days we shall probably know all about it, and discover that, as usual, rumour has made mountains out of molehills.

The matter whatever it is at present is regarded as of so purely local interest that, we understand, some of the banks have not even cabled to their head offices for instructions, which would scarcely be the case were such serious measures under consideration as is reported.

Res Non Verba. The payment on Saturday last of  $\pounds$  85,614 to the River Plate Bank happily completes the amortisation of the £ 2,000,000 Treasury bills issued in London in 1897 and not included in the funding arrangement.

Interest and amortisation on this issue was, it will be remembered, secured by the guarantee of the Customs' receipts, and up to January of the current year was paid to the London and River Plate and German Banks alternatively, Government taking exchange for it in the market: Since that date, it has been unnecessary for Government to enter the market, the gold cheques or valis derived from payment of import duties having proved ample for the purpose. Thus little by little, in spite of what detractors may say, the situation gets clearer. Now that these £ 2,000,000 are repaid the equivalent will be set free for other objects and devoted during the coming year to the fund for guarantee of the paper-currency that is to be deposited with a London Bank.

We understand that offers were made by the same syndicate to take another £ 2,000,000 bills on the same terms, but were declined by Government which has no use for the money and is inclined to pay off foreign debt rather than to contract fresh obligations.

Consular Invoices. The Minister of Foreign Affairs has despatched the following circular to the Consular Corps: — In accordance with Art. 5 No. 6 V of law 640 of 14 November last, to every invoice that should accompany the corre-ponding manifest as specified in Cap. 6 of Tit. 7 of the Consolidated Customs laws must be attached from 1st January 1900 onwards a written declaration signed by the shipper specifying the goods contained in the parcel or parcels comprising each separate invoice, to be duly certified in accordance with Art. 345 of said consolidated laws.

Captains or mates of ships must refuse to legalise any bills of lading that are not accompanied by said declaration.

Failure to exhibit said declaration as also any discrepancy verified on arrival of the goods will be considered as an infraction of current fiscal legislation and the importer be liable to a fine equal to the value of the duty payable in either case, whilst captains or mates will be liable to the fine stipulated in Art. 363 of the Consolidated Laws on proof of said declaration not being forthcoming.

Municipal Taxation of Railways. In reference to the Bananal Railway the Minister of Public Works etc., has notified the Presidents of the States of S. Paulo and Rio de Janeiro asking that taxation of railways subject to federal control shall be stopped, each railway being free from taxation in virtue of the terms of their concessions.

The Wostorn Minas R'y. The Court of Appeal has decided not to take into consideration the appeal (aggrave) of the German and Credito Real de Minas Banks in representation of the first debenture-holders on the ground of there being no case for the same.

Trade with Oporto. Imports from Brazil during the year 1898 amounted to 1.513:000\$ as against 1.254:100\$ in 1897.

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S. Paulo Estimates. The estimates for 1900 anticipate a revenue of 38.296:000\$ to meet Expenditure of 38.192:463\$ leaving a small surplus of 103:537\$000.

Sanitary Works for Santos. The Ways and Means bills of the State of S. Paulo for 1900 includes an authorisation to Government to contract with suitable parties the construction of a sewage system for the city of Santos.

Revenue at Bahia. The revenue of the State of Bahia derived from duties on Exports during the month of October amounted to 511:372\$, of which 181:206\$ were contributed by Cocoa, 168:091\$ by Coffee, 46:08c\$ by Tobacco, 61:681\$ by hides, 48:607\$ by piassava.

The highest rate of duty is 22% on timber and plassava, coffee paying 13 and Cocoa 15%.

Argentine Flour. The Buenos Aires Handels Zeitung is urging the Argentine Government to take advantage of the intention of the Brazilian Administration to reorganise the "Lloyd" service in order to arrange a joint line of steamers for the stimulation of trade between Argentine and Brazilian ports, by which we suppose is meant carrying goods and specially flour at a loss. It is, however, likely that the United States would have something to say to that arrangement, besides which the coasting trade is prohibited to any but the National flag. If Argentines will guarantee the freight they will find plenty of private owners ready to undertake the business without favors of any kind, but although the trade is growing rapidly it is doubtful if it is yet sufficient to support an independent line.

The alternative idea of working up the Lloyd is by no means a bad one and if the Argentine Government were to agree to a subsidy for so many round voyages between Buenos Aires and Para, no doubt it would be useful in building up a trade between the two countries. Such a line must, however, depend chiefly on the Brazillan coasting traffic, as Argentine freight would for a long time to come be insufficient to maintain it.

Consequently its steamers must be owned and run by Brazilians in accordance with the exigencies of the coasting trade law.

In this way Argentine products would enjoy the advantage of regular and direct communication with every port in Brazil from Cuyabá to Manáos, whilst the Brazilian Company would in its turn gain the advantage of so important an accession to its traffic independent of any subvention or concession from Government.

The first step towards such a desideratum in our opinion would be for Argentine Millers and other shippers to contract for the supply of a stipulated minimum cargo in order that a proper estimate could be made of requirements, as it is uscless to put on weekly or bi-weekly boats unless there be freight to support them.

If that were done and some advantages secured from the Argentine Government and proper steamers were secured with sufficient passenger accommodation to merit the subventions at present paid by the Brazilian Government to the "Lloyd" there is no reason why such a cempany, if properly managed, should not prove highly successful.

The Cause of the Fall of Gold in Argentina. The B. Aircs Standard states that although the finances of the country are in a shocking-condition—the—material—aspect—of—the country, by which we suppose it means its economical prospects, was never more cheering. The crops promise a bigger harvest than last, and when it is borne in mind that last harvest's surplus for export gave in round numbers 1,800,000 tons of wheat, 20,000 tons of linseed, and nearly 1,250,000 tons of corn (maize) the prospects can only be described as glowing.

The Cultivation of Lucerne (alfalfa). We are glad to see that lucerne is now being planted in several parts of the country and though unlikely to succeed in all or even most instances we can see no reason why, if the soil and climate are properly chosen, it should not be as successful here as elsewhere.

There is no better or more nutritious grass than alfalfa and none that gives less labour to keep in order when it has once firmly taken root.

The sine quá non for successful plantation is a deep and, preferentially, sandy surface soil, that will permit the long roots to shoot down at least one metre without encountering clay or water. But though a wet subsoil is not good, water must not be so far off as to prevent the roots from sucking it up, or otherwise irrigation must be resorted to. In Paraná, Rio Grande, and S. Catharina there are large areas suited for Alfalfa growing which we yet expect to see not only supplying the rest of Brazil with home grown instead of imported hay, but fattening cattle also for these markets.

A better business it would be hard to find and it is a matter of surprise that no one has yet made a trial on a proper scale.

The Fund for Soldiers' Widows, etc. Up to date the fund had already reached 19.000\$ there being several lists yet to receive.

Santos we are informed contributed  $\mathfrak L$  300 and a fund is being also raised in S. Paulo.

Every Little Helps. A Noble Example. The crew of the s.s. Maori, belonging to the Shaw, Savill & Albion Co., after being paid off, contributed £ 5.14s. 5d. out of their wages for the Lord Mayor's Soldiers' and Sailors' Widows and Orphans Fund and that of the White Star liner Ionic have subscribed £ 8 is. 6d. for that fund.

#### FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

Santos, December 16, 1899

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Since the 11th of November 11 cases of so-called plague and 2 deaths have been reported. To cripple the trade of a flourishing port and besides the only one to supply the requirements of a population of about 2 million inhabitants on account of a disease which is evidently less dangerous than measles or scarlatine, would be incredible if we did not feel and see it every day.

The levity with which the State and Central Governments have accepted the frequently contested diagnosis of some irresponsible doctors and based on it quarantine regulations which would be uncommon in Turkey has cost Brazil untold sums of money.

La Vallosa de Mandor is a new and excellent brand of Spanish Wines now being introduced to this market by Mr. Pedro Tomas y Martin, assoc. M. Inst'. C.E. of London and well known here in Engineering circles.

Mr. Martin having retired to Spain is now giving his attention to the development of trade between the two countries.

His first step was to establish a coffee roasting business, importing the coffee from Brazil, which has proved so successful as to encourage the idea of still further developments.

These wines are highly certified to by the highest medical authorities. The Lancet of 7th January 1899 says "We believe that they are good honest wines." They have obtained awards and medals at Chicago, San Francisco and the International Vinicultural Exposition, Bordeaux.

The Vineyards of "Vallesa de Mandor" are situated in Vallencia and cover 1500 hectares and belong to the Count of Montañes, a descendant of an old English family the Trenors domiciled in Valencia for many years.

The present proprietor D. Enrique Trenor Montesinas, takes the greatest interest and pride in his vineyards and their product, the best guarantee of their purity and genuineness.

No vintage is placed on the market unless it has been for three years in the cellars.

The proportion of alcohol contained varies between 11 1/2 and 14 degrees.

The red wines resemble Burgundy more than any other kind, and though full bodied contain less alcohol.

The white wines are very like Chablis light and delicately flavored.

As will be seen by the advertisement prices are very moderate, indeed almost the same as in London.

Books Received. The Canadian Year Book for 1898. The steady progress of Canada is evidenced in the figures for exports. Ten years ago exports did not reach 90 million dollars, to day they exceed 164 millions to 140 millions. The debt which stood at

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\$287,722,062 in 1889 increased to \$338,375,984 in 1898. The railways of the Dominion measured 16,718 miles in 1898 and carned \$59,715,105.

The paid-up capital of Canada's chartered Banks in 1898 amounted to \$62,303,137.

The direct import trade of Brazilian products seems to have fallen off, having been \$1,025,636 in 1887 against only \$229,412 in 1897, and \$166,211 in 1898, entirely coffee.

Exports to Brazil on the contrary are almost stationary having been \$429,328 in 1887, \$404,589 in 1897 and \$477,442 in 1898, consisting of Breadstuffs \$4,443, fish \$414,878 and dcals \$51,110.

A Decada Republicana, by Visconde de Ouro\_Preto. We propose to review this work as soon as we can find the time.

Livrinho para guardar sellos from the Allison Manufacturing Co., for which many thanks.

More Finance Extraordinary. Our American Contemporary is quite right in believing that our time might be better employed than in picking it to pieces, and if it could find an excuse to leave financial subjects severely alone for the future, it would not only relieve us of a disagreable duty, but earn our lasting gratitude as well!

Did the *Rio News* only circulate here it would be absolutely immaterial what it said, no one would care or pay any attention to it. But abroad there are many who, unacquainted with the facts and unable to correct misstatements, regard as gospel whatever rigmarole the *Rio News* may invent for its readers.

To correct this false impression and see that Brazilian affairs are presented to the public in a fair and unprejudiced manner we have from the first made our particular business, and, however our contemporary may rage and spatter mud around him, we shall continue; the best proof that we are right being that he has never yet attempted to correct our figures or to seriously dispute our statements.

If our contemporary desire us to turn our attention to other matters than its own shortcomings it is simple enough; it has only to abandon the unfriendly carping attitude towards Brazilian interests that habit seems to have made a second nature. But until it do so it will find in us an adversary always ready and always able to criticize and dispute its unfounded assertions.

In its last issue the Rio News says : -

Regarding the effort made to minimize the fact that foreign trade is diminishing as shown by the decrease in customs receipts, it is to be said that the gold receipts are not converted into currency in any official report that we have seen, nor are they converted into currency at any time. The gold payments are made in vales expressed in gold milreis and sterling, and at the end of the month those are exchanged for sterling sight drafts on London. They are of course equivalent to an increase in revenue, for they take the place of the larger sum of currency which would be required to buy the same amount of exchange, but in any comparison of enstoms receipts they must be taken at the common ratio ruling, in order to find whether imports are increasing or decreasing. Then, too, it must be remembered that the customs receipts here are pledged to the funding loan creditors, and these receipts in gold really nover enter into any currency account.

As usual with our contemporary when he gets into a tight place, he begs the question. There is not and never was any pretence that "foreign trade," by which we presume *import* trade is intended, is not diminishing. Every one admits it and, indeed, we have gone to the trouble several times of pointing out precisely what particular districts are suffering in this manner and analyzed the causes.

What the *Rio News* maintained, and we disputed, was that *Revenue* was decreasing, a very different matter; and now that it is brought to admit that, in its own words, gold receipts "are equivalent to an increase of revenue," it goes off at a tangent and hopes to throw its readers off the scent by pretending that the meaning it intended to convey was that not revenue itself but the "sources of revenue" were decreasing.

All the same, this was not what our contemporary at first maintained. What it pretended was that in spite of higher rates of taxation revenue was smaller than last year, and in making this statement our contemporary knew it was maintaining an untruth. In stating that the sources of revenue have diminished our con-

temporary only confirms what we ourselves have gone to some trouble to demonstrate. Were it not so it would be unnecessary to increase taxation. Not only has the volume of revenue been affected by economical causes, but its value has been depreciated by others, partially of a financial character, until it became insufficient to meet expenditure, thus entailing a proportionate reduction of expenditure or increase of taxation or both.

We do not dispute that more might have been done to reduce expenditure, but do believe that Government has sincerely done its best in this respect, and that if it has not done more it is because there are limits even to economy that cannot be prudently overstepped.

The only alternative, therefore, was to make up the deficiency by taxation, painul as it might be, and it was done.

The Rio News has not only refused to give any credit for an effort so palpable, but has uniformly done its best to represent it as ineffective by depicting revenue as having decreased when, in reality, whether reduced to paper money or to sterling it shows an unmistakeable increase. We will not discuss motives, but that anyone should go out of his way to pervert facts without one of some kind is incredible.

The following summary published in a late number of this Review shows that, even following the Rio News' system, and without any reduction of the moiety of revenue collected in gold to its paper equivalent, the falling off of imports or, what the Rio News terms, of the "sources of revenue," has been by no means uniform all over the country.

States	1599	1595
<ul> <li>3 Coffee States: Rio de Janeiro,</li> <li>S. Paulo and Espirito Santo.</li> <li>5 Northern: Bahia, Pernambu-</li> </ul>	78.847:947\$	95.987:392\$
co, etc	25.829:876\$ 6.054:431\$	33.634:248\$ 6.497:004\$
and Santa Catharina 2 Amazon : Amazon and Pará	15.508:636\$ 24.783:928\$	13.449:393\$ 21.283:362\$
•	151.024:868\$	170.851:399\$

This table shows that whilst imports, from which the receipts are derived, must have fallen off in the two districts that are known to be suffering, the one from the depreciation of its principal staple, coffee, and the other from a two years' drought; in the third, in spite of partial drought, receipts are maintained at almost the same figure, and in the fourth and fifth districts have positively augmented in spite of the increased taxation.

What the fact of the Rio de Janeiro Customs' revenue, only, being pledged as guarantee of payment of interest of the funding loan has to do with the question, whether revenue has increased or diminished, which is the one really in dispute, only the *Rio News* can tell! To us it seems to be but another attempt to throw readers off the seent, a metaphorical dragging of a herring across the track.

If the gold receipts are, as the Rio News pretends, never reduced to currency and never enter into any currency account, the fact of their being gold and not paper relieves the Treasury from loss by exchange and eliminates that item, which in 1898 amounted to 110.000:000\$\( \), from the estimates. Consequently, if they do not enter into any currency account, currency accounts enter into them and must be allowed for.

This seems so elementary as to require no explanation, and yet we have to return to it time after time; but, hopeless as the task seems at present, we don't despair, even so, of getting our contemporary across this *Pons Asinorum*, and make him distinguish, in time, between gold and paper as he is already commencing to do between revenue and its "sources".

As we have shown in a previous number by indisputable figures and not by guess work, the Customs revenue for the whole Union for the 10 months ending October 31 showed an increase of 6.237:969\$ compared with last year, and as the Rio News itself admits that inland, or what it misleadingly terms "general", revenue has increased, we have every reason to believe that this year's total revenue will considerably exceed that of last year.

In another part of his paper the editor of the Rio News comes to the following conclusions:—

 $\scriptstyle\rm I$  ) That there has been a general shrinkage in the sources of revenue etc,

This we have shown to be incorrect.

2) That the revenue derived from consumption (excise) taxes is insufficient to cover the loss of revenue from other sources.

We have already shown that there is no loss of revenue from "other sources". and as the Rio News only gives the figures for the consumo (excise) taxes collected in the Capital and not for the rest of the Country, it must be concluded that it has jumped to conclusions without sufficient evidence.

3) That the full return will show that revenue is smaller in 1899 than in 1898, not allowing for the premium in gold.

Naturally, no one disputes the *possibility*. But at 27d. exchange 1' mil reis gold plus 1 mil reis paper are better in 1899 than even 4 mil reis all paper in 1898.

4) That the product of the premium on gold, when receipts have been inferior to estimates, will not enable Government to resume payment of interest in gold in 1901.

What is precisely meant by the "product of the premium on gold" we don't know, but believe that if nothing untoward occur the 15% to be recovered from 1 January will yield at least 24.000:000\$ in gold equivalent to £2,700,000 per annum, and perhaps a great deal more, whilst the service of the foreign debt and guarantee will not exceed  $\Omega$  3,360.000. If, therefore, there be any difference it will not be so large as to prevent Government from taking the difference in exchange or increasing, if necessary, the percentage of duties recoverable in gold.

5) The policy of exorbitant taxation is a failure and should be substituted by retrenchment.

We all agree about taxation. The less the better. But how is retrenchment at home to increase gold revenue to meet foreign expenditure? Or does the *Rio News* recommend further retrenchment at our foreign creditors' expense? This somehow is not quite clear.

In conclusion we will once more warn European readers against attaching much importance to the Rio Nevos' jeremiads.

The Country will renew payments in 1901, that may be regarded as certain unless something unforeseen happen. What is not so certain is whether it will be able to maintain them should exchange fall in consequence. But of one thing they may be assured and that is that if Brazilians are overtaxing themselves in their effort to be honest it is not for those who are to benefit by it to complain or to look a gift horse in the mouth. Too much advice about retrenchment might end in their retrenching interest as well.

EXPORTS FROM FRANCE TO BRAZIL

DURING THE 10 MONTHS JANUARY TO OCTOBER

	QUAN	TITIES	VALUR	INC	OR DEC	
	1898	1899	1898	1899		VALUE
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Articles de Paris. , K9	632,500	660,300	5.348.000	4 579,000	<u> _</u>	14.4
Cotton textilos	749,700					41.4
Haberdashery	191,400	254,200		7,496,000		95.0
Woollen goods ,	522,000			4.880,000		16,2
Butter	1.698,600		4.102.000	4.060,000	<b> </b> —	2.4
Skin & Leather	435,300					27.7
Wine hectolitres						9.5
Stationery k						3.1
Jewellery grams						44.7
Medicine , K						19.5
Tools	976,400			1,485,000	1+	4.6
Earthonware & Chinaware	2.944,300			980,000		15.0
Leather & its manufactures						8.3
Engines & machinery	442,900	349,220	550,000	858,000	+	61.5
Spirits & Liqueurs hecto						
	1,516		26x,000	232,000		21.1
Perfumery ko						20.8
Building material Potatoes	6.764,400	10.813,700				44.1
Straw hats	72,000					10.0
Pig & sheet lead	647,100		813,000			19.7
Silk goods	9,500		1111,000		١.	
Futulture	121,400			513,000		3.8
Chemicals	1,621,400					25.2
Dyes & paints	494,800	288,000	269,000	227,000		25.3
Fish.	105,000		143,000	253,600 117,000		5.9
Candles	100,200	52,100		50,000		18,2
Juto yarn	31,700			82,000		47.9
Cutlery	6,000	7,600	30,000	66,000		33.3
Sundry	l • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	,,	3,866,000	3.739,000	1	32.0
			5,550,000	31/39,000	_	3.3
Total Jan/October						
Total Jan/Octobor Do Jan/September.	• • • •			45.791,000		2,6
Do Jan/August .			40.775,000	41.040,000	-1-	0,6
DO Jan/August	• • • •		34.959.000	36.298.000	~	3.8
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Exports from France to Brazil for the month of October are almost identical in value to those of the previous month, 4,751.000 against 4.748.000 f, and show a total increase of 2.6 % for the ten months ending 31 Oct, compared with last year.

#### AMERICAN TRADE WITH BRAZIL

FOR THE MONTHS OF SEPTEMBER 1898 AND 1899

Specified exports to Brazil as per the monthly summary of the Bureau of Statistics

		SEPTEMBER								
	Quan	tities	- VAL	urs	in '	. or Di Value f	or			
•	1398	1899	1893 Dollars	18:13 Dollars	th	mon	th			
Provisions:							_			
Canned-meats . lbs. Salted meats . ,, Tallow Bacon,	9,462 7,000 13,035 1,097,270 5,891	26.585 500 28.797 186.940 5.166	982 476 731 74.357 655	2.767 32 1.963 12.399 561	7	187.6 93.3 169.9 83.3 14.4	% % % %			
Pork fresh salted or pickled Lard	1.200 1.815.535 16.939	1.700 1.092 697 192.928	73 112.197 2.647	93 74.955 23.503	+ +	27.4 33.2 788.0	% %			
Total Provisions .	2.766.422	1.535.319	192.098	115.276	-	39.5	%			
Agricultural Implements			983	627						
ted matter	62.289	23.898	4.197 258.792	11.03 118.138	-	54.4	%			
vehicles & parts Cycles			19.098 5.879 6.103	44.347 2:993 5,100	+	132.2	%			
Coal & Coke	19.501 600.476	1.938 311.793	55,618 37,657	3.935 21.523	_	92.8 42.8	% %			
Scientific Apparatus & Instruments			2.839 13.121	1.504 48.857	_	47.9 272.3	% %			
Manuf. of Iron & Steel Sewing machines Type-writing machines			20 325 4.639	21.587 4.638	Ŧ	6.2 1506.7	%			
Leather & its products Rosin, tar & pitch			495	1.427 6.603		1112.7	% %			
(barrels) Turpontino, spirits of (gallons). Mineral Oils (gallons).	4.407 1.086.730	11.615 12.684 1.605.341	18.445 1.550 98.246	6.601 156.059	‡	441.7 60.9	%			
Cotton seed oil (gal- lons) Paratin & Wax Ibs. Seeds.	46.064 23.536	56,849 12,767	11.165 1.442 95	15.678 660 25	+ =	40.4 53.9 73.7	% % %			
Tobacco Timbor ft. Lumbor ft. Furniture	1.987	4.220	23.659 2.595 1.364	- 352 60.205 3.259 407	‡	154.3 25.6	% %			
Totala			780.518	669.231	_	14.3	%			
Total agregate quantities for 9 months Jan.—September		• • • • •	7.011.869	6.23).303	_	11.1	%			

Exports from the U. States to Brazil for the month of September show an aggregate falling off of 14.3%, in value, compared with those of the same month 1898, the principal shrinkage being in provisions and wheat flour. Mineral oils and Timber both showed a considerable increase.

For the 9 months 1st January to 30th September the value of exports to Brazil amounted to \$6,236,303 as against \$7,011,869 for the same period last year, equivalent to a shrinkage of 11,1%.

### HOUSE AND LAND AGENT

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## PURE SPANISH WINES

Direct from the Celebrated Vineyards of D. Enrique Trenor de Montesinos, Conde de Montañes in Valencia known as

### La Vallesa de Mondor

Extract from "THE LANCET," 7th January, 1899

Spanish Burgundy and Chablis

(JOHN WHITE, 30, LIME STREET, E. C.)

We have submitted these wines to analysis with the following results. Burgundy: extractives, 2.51 per cent.; mineral matter, 0.40 per cent.; tartaric acid, 0.43 per cent.; acetic acid, 0.36 per cent.; alcohol, by weight 10.46 per cent., by volume 12.96 per cent., equal to proof spirit 22.71 per cent. Chablis: extractives, 2.19 per cent.; mineral matter, 0.29 per cent.; tartaric acid, 0.52 per cent.; acetic acid, 0.28 per cent; alcohol, by weight 11.62 per cent., by volume 14.37 per cent., equal to proof spirit 25.18 per cent. Both the above wines are styled "LA VALLESA DE MANDOR" and are the same in price—namely, 15s. 6d. per dozen quarts. We believe that they are good honest wines. The Chablis is a light, delicately flavoured wine, while the Burgundy, though containing less alcohol, is more full-bodied. Spanish wines of this class, as a rule, though undoubtedly genuine are apt to be somewhat heavy in character, Those now under analysis appear to be an exception. We obtained no evidence other than that they are the genuine product of fermentation of pure grape juice. pure grape juice.

#### These Wines are Absolutely Pure

#### PRICES

	tinto,	cases												46\$000
do	do		12	, ,		, ,			•				,,	26\$000
ďο	do		12	,, 	(crop	οľ	1894)	٠	-	•		-	,,	36\$000
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### Money and Share Market

QUOTATIONS DURING THE WEEK, ENDING DECEMBER 15 1899 WERE AS FOLLOWS:

(COMPILED, BY PERMISSION, FROM THE FIGURES GIVEN DAILY IN THE JORNAL DO COMMERCIO)

	MAXIMUM AND MINIMUM BANK COUNTER DRAWING RATES									
December	90	3 d/s	SIGHT							
,	London	Paris	Hamb.	Italy	Portugal	IYerk				
Saturday — 9	6 18/18	1.375	1.697 1.702	1.316 1.332	555 572	7.251 7.251				
Monday — 11	6 15/16	1.375 1.381	1.697 1.705	1.316 1.332	555 572	7.251 7.290				
Tuesday — 12	6 <sup>is</sup> . 16	1.375	1.697 1.702	1.316 1.332	555 572	7.251 7.257				
Wednesday- 13	6 13/16	1.375	1.697 1.702	1.316 1.332	555 572	7,25 7,25				
Thursday - 14	$\frac{6}{7}^{15/16}$	1.353 1.375	1.592 1.702	1.304 1.332	550 572	7.191 7.25				
Friday — 15	7	1.362 1.363	1.682 1.687	1.301	550 567	7.191				
Averago	6 61/64	1.372	1.696	1.321	563	7.246				

#### OFFICIAL RATES

DECEMBER	90 d/s		SIGHT						
Lo	ndon l'aris	Hamb.	London	Paris	Hamb.	Italy	I-Yerk		
Saturday = 9 7	1.362	1.682	G 63/61	1.375	1,655	1.307	7.078		
Monday - 11 6	15/16 1 375	1.697	G 59/64	1.378	1.701	1.320	7.142		
Tuesday - 12 6	11/32 1.368	1.680	6 01/44	1.371	1.693	1.313	7.110		
Wednesday-13 6	1.368	1.689	6 61/64	1.371	1.693	1.313	7.110		
Thursday - 14 7	1.362	1.682	6 63/64	1 371	1,685	1.307	<b>7.07</b> 8		
Friday — 15 7	1/39 1.355	1.674	7 1/6%	1,359	1.678	1.307	7.016		
Average 6	1.365	1.085	6 31/32	1.369	1,650	1.311	7,091		

Monday, Dec. 11. All the Banks opened with 6 15/16d. as the 90 d/s counter drawing rate on London, which the British Bank alone altered to 6 29/32d. in the course of the afternoon.

The market opened with the Banks drawing sparely at 6 15/16d. and buying at 7d. weakening to 6 29/32d. for bank and 6 31/32d. for private paper, respectively, at which the market closed.

Tuesday, Dec. 12. The 90 d/s counter drawing rate was maintained at 6 15/16d. by all the Banks throughout the day. The market opened steadler with bank paper quoted at 6 15/16d. and business outside the banks in private at 6 31,32d. against offers of 7d. to 6 31/32d. by the Banks. The rate was then raised to 6 31/32d, by the Banks but, as the demand increased, lowered again to 6 15/16d. with business in private at 7d. rising again, however, to 6 31/32d. for bank and 7d to 7 1/32d. for private at which the market closed

Wednesday, Dec. 13. The 90 d/s counter drawing rate was maintained unaltered at 6 15/16d by all the Banks throughout the

day.

The market opened with the Banks drawing at 6 31/32d. and buying at 7 d to 7 1/32d, rising in the afternon to 7d bank against 7 1/32d, for private with money at 7 1/16d.

Thursday, Dez. 14. The Banks opened with 6 15/16d as 90 d/s counter drawing rate, which later on was raised to 7d.

The market opened with bank paper quoted at 7d for the trade, and business in private at 7 1/16d. in the banks and 7 1/132d, for private. After some indecision rates gave way again and finally closed at 7d. for bank against 7 1/132d. for private with buyers at 7 1/16d.

Friday, Dec. 15. All the Banks maintained their 90 d/s counter drawing rate at 7d, throughout the day.

The market opened with banks drawing at 7d, and offering 7 3/32d, rising to 7 1/32 for bank but fell again to 7d, with money for private at 7 1/46d, at which after some uncertainty the market and the state of the

Saturday, Dec. 16. All the banks posted 7d. as their 90 d/s counter drawing rate, which the British and London & River Plate Banks reduced to 6 15/16d in the afternoon.

The market opened with banks drawing at 7 1/16d. for private, but with little business doing. In the afternoon demand becoming active rates gave way to 6 15/16 with private offering at 6 31/32d., but closed with bank paper quoted at 6 15/16d, to 6 31/32d. against 7d. to 7 4/32d, for private but without buyers at the lower rate.

Extremes during the week ending December 15 were 6 29/32 — 7 1/32 d. for 90 d/s Bank paper and 6 31/32 — 7 3/32 d. for private.

The average Bank-counter 90 d/s drawing rate for the week comes out at 6 61/64d, the corresponding sight rate being 6 57/64 against 6 31/32 d. the average sight rate of the Camara Syndical.

The average depreciation for the week calculated on the basis of the Banks' sight rate is 74.48% and the premium on gold 291.83 % against 74.42% and 290.65% last week. At these rates:

12	was worth	34 <b>\$</b> 830 against		
1 shilling	**	1\$741 ,,	15737	17 29
1 penny	"	\$145 ,,	\$145	77 77
i Franc	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	1\$384 ,,	1\$381	
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#### FOREIGN EXCHANGES ON LONDON AND PREMIUM ON GOLD

•		Paris	Berlin	Сепов	Lisbon	Madrid	B. Ayres
				%	%	%	%
December	9	25.33 1/2	_	6.35	_	27.75	128.50
**	II	_	_	6.31		28.00	129,60
**	12	25.31 1/2	20.18 1/2	6.62	_	_	
11	×3	25 - 33		6.87	42	27.50	129.60
,,	14	25.32 1/2	20,19 1/2	6,93	42 3/8	26.55	120.10
,, .	25	25.32		6.79	44	26.65	129.10

The Bank of England rate continues at 6 %, but the open market rate has risen from 5 1/2 % to 6  $^1/_1\,\%$  .

#### THE MONEY POSITION

#### Six per Cent

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The Bank of England directors on Thursday decided to advance the official minimum from 5 to 6 per cent. Their decision was based upon the knowledge that a further considerable shipment of gold is to be made to Argentina, that the Bank's reserve was only a little over £19,000,000, that much money will be taken into the provinces during December, and that we cannot permit further gold exports without endeavouring to replenish our reserves by corresponding imports. That the measure will prevent further gold shipments to Argentina is improbable, and it is somewhat doubtful if it will bring any appreciable imports of gold. The gold arriving from Australia, amounting to less than £250,000 per week, may be retained here, but as money on the Continent, outside of France, is as much wanted as it is here, we may be unable to obtain any considerable amounts from abroad. It is possible that the Bank of France may be induced to part with some of its gold, especially as at the present time the rate of discount in Paris is only 3 per cent, but unfortunately other than financial considerations govern the administration of the Bank of France, and the directors have a rooted dislike to permitting the gold in the Bank to flow out. Hence, no certainty can be placed upon any appreciable arrival of French gold. In Germany the Bank rate is already at 6 per cent., and the open market rate is at 55/8 per cent. With German trade active and the domand for money there somewhat unduly stretched, there is no prospect whatever of our obtaining gold from that country. In Austria the Bank rate is also at 6 per cent., and the open-market rate at 55/8 per cent. It is true that the Austro-Hungarian Bank holds a somewhat large amount of gold, but it is doubtful if any gold will be permitted to leave in view of the past exertions of the Government to accumulate the metal. Were the Bank of Russian conducted on purely commercial principles, it would be able to supply all the money medded both by this country and by G

In short, unless Russia or France is willing to part with gold-a somewhat unlikely event—we may not obtain appreciable supplies of gold from abroad, oven with a 6 per cent. Bank rate Merc. If this view should prove correct, and it the cash demands of the country are as large as usual at this time of the year, we must be prepared for a further reduction in the Bank's reserve, and we may witness very stringent conditions of the market until the new year brings cash back from the provinces in payment of taxes.

But even with the advent of the new year, when the Bank's reserve may be rapidly replonished and when the demand for money will decline, easy conditions cannot be expected to last long. In the

first place we are steadily increasing our indebtedness to the States which we may be called upon to pay in February or March; secondly, we may have to send considerable amounts of gold to South Africa early in the new year; and thirdly, India may take gold when money is wanted there in January and February for moving the crops. Consequently: after a temporary ease in the Money market in January a relatively high value of money may continue far into the year.

Some hope was felt that, in view of the improbability of the Bank obtaining much gold from abroad by raising its rate, no advance would be made, and that the Bank would content itself by controlling the supply of cash in Lombard Street, and by causing the open market rate of discount to be maintained at a high figure. The course taken is, however, the right one, as the Bank cannot see its ratio of reserve to its liabilities reduced below 40 per cent., without incurring grave risks. The credit system of this country is too great a fabric to be played with, and it is the duty of the Bank to raise its rate of discount to an extent necessary to prevent the reserve falling to the point at which serious anxiety would be aroused. In the eighties the minimum reserve was supposed to be £9,000.000, but the enormous growth of trade which has occurred since 1890 and the vast expansion of banking credits makes it essential that the reserve should not now be permitted to fall below about £18,000,000.

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the vast expansion of banking credits makes it essential that the reserve should not now be permitted to fall below about £18,000,000.

The open market had been more or less prepared for an advance in the official minimum. At the close of last week the Bank of England indicated that it was not prepared to discount bills for the outside market—a statement which created something like a scare. The result was that the open market rate for three months' bills rose from Fridays' quotation of 5 per cent. to over 5 1/4 per cent. on Saturday, and to 5 5/8 per cent. on Monday. The Bank subsequently informed the market that it was prepared to discount bills at 6 per cent., and to make short advances at the same figure. On the advance in the official minimum the rate in the open market for three months' drafts rose to 5 7/8 per cent. To-day there has been greater readiness to take bills, owing partly to the advance in the Paris exchange to 25.28, and the rate for three months' bills has fallen to 5 1/2 to 5 5/8 per cent., while money for the day or for the week has been worth about 5 per cent. The loans maturing at the Bank were renewed, and a little additional money was lent at 6 per cent., Monday's decision of the directors of the Bank of Germany is looked forward to with much interest.

How much gold is likely to be sent to Argentina before Christmas no one can tell; that further sums will be sent is undoubted. We already know of £400,000 having been ordered. We may mention that the next fast boat for River Plate leaves Southampton on december 8.

In consequence of the advance in the Bank rate the Joint Stock

In consequence of the advance in the Bank rate the Joint Stock banks have raised their allowances for deposits by 1/2 percent. to 4 percent, and the discount houses to a similar extent to 4 per cent. for money at call and 4 1/4 per cent. at notice. Statist, Dec.

COMPARATIVE VALUE OF COFFEE SHIPPED IN 1898

ļ	MERK	KHDING	DECEM	nKM 15		CROP TO	DECEMBER	15
	N, of	paga .	Val	u e	N. of	bags	Va	lue
	1898	1899	1898	1899	1898/9	1899/900	1898/9	1899/900
	76.074		£	£	4 050 004		£	
Rio Santos.				149,419 191,965		1.967.401 4.027.251		
Total.	231,180	202.134	393.138	341.384	4,771.721	5 994,652	7.707.230	8.452.423

#### THE BRAZILIAN REVIEW

Saturday evening, Dec. 16th, 1899

Ninety days' rate on London opened on Monday at 6 15/16 d. rose to 7 1/16 d. on Thursday and closed this evening at 6 31/32 d.

rose to 1 1/16 d. on Thursday and closed this evening at 6 31/32 d. With the value of coffee shipments but slightly under the weekly average for the whole crop (£ 341.384 for the week as against £ 353,000 the weekly average since 1 July) and rubber now going rapidly forward, the weakness of exchange would be inexplicable were rates controlled solely by the immediate relations of supply and demand, and not by alternately discounting the one and stinting the other, turn and turn about.

With shrinking imports, and exports growing daily in value and quantity it is impossible to believe that the present weakness is the result of purely economical causes, or that if left to itself the rate of exchange would not under their influence have improved long ago.

All the evidence points to the existence of a cause foreign to purely local requirements, and that the real factor that at present keeps exchange flat and weak is to be found in the requirements of other markets, nor with the London market rate at 6.3/4 and consols at 100 does it seem that the pressure is likely to be shortly removed.

On the other hand it seems improbable that the rate can be pushed much lower, as the tightness of money is already such as to make such an attempt decidedly dangerous.

A glance at the table in another column shows that the weakness is confined entirely to the foreign or Exchange banks, Rio branches alone having lost 37,393 0003 compared with the same date last year, whilst cash in the National or discount banks was almost precisely

The same weakness is noticeable all along the coast the balance sheets for 30th Nov. received up to date showing a falling off of cash of 9,037,098 as compared with 31 Oct, and making-up the enormous

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shrinkage of 26,520,142\$ in the different branches of the five foreigh banks, excepting the Para branches of the London Brazilian and British Banks not yot received, in a single month!

The balance sheet of the Para branch of the London and Brazilian Bank for 30th Nov. shows a cash shrinkage of 4.428:273\$ and a reduction of indebteness to shead office and branchess of 4,036:0335.

This bank has held from 10 to 12 thousand contos for the last three months and if it is beginning to move off at last the scarcity of bills at Para can scarcely be so great as was represented.

Our correspondent at Para advises us that December entries of rubber are expected to give about 3,000 tons of the value of £1,050,000.

At any time with money so tight in the exchange banks and the supply of bills rising as it is, a rise of exchange would be inevitable. But at present against the bull factor of tight money, here, is to be set the bear influence probably even more powerful of a market so tight in Europe that it seems unlikely to be got over without a crisis so serious as to shake the markets of the World. If to this be added the political unrest and possibility that at any moment orders may arrive to remit monies that have been lying here for years in expectation of better exchange, it becomes clear that if any improvement of exchange is to be effected, it will not come from the outside.

ı	CASH	CASH BALANCES OF		RIO, SANTOS AND SÃO PAULO BANKS	TD SÃO P.	AULO BAN	KS		
					1899		-	1	1898
		30 JUNE	81 serv	31 AUG.	30 sept'r.	31 ocr'r.	30 NOV.	IN COR DEC OCT./NOV.	30 моч.
яло Bank of the Republica	•	20.548:922\$	19.801:231\$	20.548:9228, 19.801:3348, 21.323:6568, 26.349:8338, 26.406:4508, 26.625:3158 +	29.349:823\$	26.406:450\$	20.625:315\$	% 6.0 +	26.364.000\$
Six National (Discount Banks) .	ıks)	25.662.787\$	25.662:787\$ 25.457:051\$	29.076:075\$	29.070:653\$	27.090:6503	27.090:6503 28.027:1023 +	+ 3.4 %	28,168,000\$
5 Foreign Exchange Banks .	:	73.008.352\$	84.157:341\$	76.128-548\$	\$185:499.75	54.692:625\$	54.692:625\$ 43.120;856\$	- 21.1 %	80,514.000\$
Total for Rio de Janeiro.	:	120.220.0715 129.415.623 126.538.2793 123.415.0175 103.189.7255	129,415:623\$	126.528:2793	123, 415:0178	103.189:725\$	97.773:273\$	9.6 %	135.046.000\$
SANTOS & S. PAULO	9								
7 National (Discount) Banks		20.743:731\$	18.833:898\$	20.743:734\$ 18.833:893\$ 13.490:080\$ 23.354:510\$ 34.504.077\$ 41.461.112\$ + 20.1	23.354:510\$	34.504.077\$	41.461.112\$	+ 20.1 %	1
5 Foreign (Exchange) Banks .		37.258:056\$	40.317-664\$	40.317-664\$ 40.067:175\$ 37.975:314\$ 34.793.766\$	37.975:314\$	34.793.766\$	28.882:432\$	17	
Total for Rio, Santos and S. Paulo . 173.221;353\$ 188.567;1855 185.191;540\$ 184.744;841\$ 177.487,5588 168,116.8178 -	S. Paulo .	178.221:858\$	188.567:185\$	185.191:540\$	184.744:841\$	177.487.558\$	168,116.817\$	5.2 %	I
During the month of October the cash balances at the S. Paulo, Santos and Rio branches of the 5 Foreign banks decreased by 17.483:103\$ or 16.3 %, and those at the 13 National banks gained 8.112:332\$000.	ctober the case 13 Nation	ash balances al banks gair	at the S. Pa	ulo, Santos a	ad Rio brane	hes of the 5 I	oreign banks	decreased b	y 17.483:103\$

#### From our Correspondent

Pernambuco, December 6 1899

Exchange. From 21 to 27 November rate ruled between 6 29/32 and 7d. Bank; on 28 Banks opened at 7d., advancing during the day to 7 1/32 d and 7 1/16, and private bills were done at 7 3/32d. and 7 1/8d.; on 29 rate opened at 7 1/32d. and advanced smartly to 7 1/8d and then weakened off 1/16 d. at close of the day; on 30 after opening at 7 1/32 d rate dropped quickly to 6 15/161. then firmed up again to 7 d. and finally closed at 6 13/16d., Banks offering to

buy prompt bills at 7d. From 1st to 4th December rates oscillated between 6 15/16d and 7d with small transactions in paper at 1/16d. above Bank rate at the time; on 5th rate opened at 7d. advancing to 71/16d, with every sign of further firmness, and private bills were done at 7 3/32d, and 7 1/8d, this morning banks opened at 7 1/32d, then on it being known that German Bank had sent orders to buy here at 7 3/32d December delivery or 7 1/8d all January, Bank rate dropped to 7d, at which it remained all day with no money forthcoming.

Money is getting exceedingly tight here, and it is becoming difficult to arrange money for coast business. So far as published, the Bank Balances show considerable reductions in their cash being further deploted two days later by Saturday's outgoings, which is always big day here. Tight money seems to be getting the rule everywhere and it seems extraordinary how under such circumstances, Bear operators in Rio continue sufficiently courageous to go on raiding the market and stopping every slight rise that takes place, position of money markets all along the coast would seem far more propitions to a Bull movement than to continuance of the Bear raids.

Dec. 7. Rate firm at 7d, with no money.

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#### BUSINESS DONE ON THE RIO DE JANEIRO STOCK EXCHANGE

DURING THE WEEK ENDING DECEMBER 15 1899

					CLOSING	
DESCRIPTION	Sales	Highest	Lowest	This week	Last	Date o
GOVERNMENT SE- CURITIES						•
Apolices Geraes 5 % Currency	154	873 <b>800</b> 0	870 <b>\$</b> 000	S73 <b>\$</b> 000	50 <b>0\$</b> 000	Dec.
5 % Currency(bea- rer)	69	890\$000	830\$000	890 <b>\$</b> 000	8903000	-
(order). Do do 1897, 6% do	i	870\$000	870\$000	870 <b>\$</b> 000	891\$000	Nov. 2
(bearer) Do do 1897, do do	82	1:025\$000	1:020\$000	1:025\$000	1:0153000	Dec.
Rio Municipal loan	25	1:015\$000	1:015\$000	1:0153000	1:015\$000	Nov. 2
5 % Currency (bearer)	679	164\$000	163\$500	1618000	161\$000	Dec.
Do do do (or-	60	170\$000	170\$000	1703000	1703000	
BANKS		•		,	,,	
Republica	3.793 192	193 <b>30</b> 00 222 <b>\$</b> 000	190\$0J0 221 <b>\$</b> 000	190 <b>3</b> 000 221 <b>3</b> 000	190 <b>\$</b> 000 220 <b>\$</b> 000	;
Rural e Hypotheca-	330	120 <b>\$</b> 000	118\$000	119 <b>\$</b> 000	119 <b>\$</b> 000	· <b>»</b>
rio (1st sorie) Commercio	135 6	270\$000 2±0\$000 86\$000	2703000 2203000 863000	2703000 2203000 863000	270\$000 220\$000 86\$000	Nov. 2
Ilypothecario. Brazil e Norte Ame-	100 50	81 <b>800</b> 0 40 <b>\$</b> 000	81 <b>\$</b> 000 40 <b>\$</b> 000	81 <b>\$00</b> 0 40 <b>\$</b> 000	83 <b>\$0</b> 00 40 <b>\$0</b> 00	Dec.
rica Iniciador	40 50	20\$000 3\$500	203000 33500	20\$000 3\$500	20 <b>2</b> 000 3 <b>2</b> 000	Nov. 2 Oct. 3
Railways and tranways				- !		
Minas de S. Jero- nymo R'y Oeste de Minas R'y	533	20\$000	25 <b>\$</b> 000	26 <b>\$</b> 000	258000	Dec.
V. F. SapucahyR'y	1.000	3\$500 2 <b>\$</b> 000	3≩500 2 <b>\$</b> 000	3\$500 2 <b>\$</b> 000	33750 23000	Nov. 2
União Sorocabana o Ituana, R'v Do do do 20 %	100 100	35 <b>3000</b> 5 <b>3</b> 000	353000 53000	35\$000 5 <b>\$0</b> 00	30\$000 104000	» ;
INSURANCE						
Providente	75	52\$000	521000	52 <b>300</b> 0	50\$000	Nov. 2
Corron Mills Brazil Industrial. Conflança Industr	<b>2</b> 00 5 <b>0</b>	158\$000 165 <b>\$000</b>	155 <b>\$</b> 000	155 <b>\$00</b> 0 165 <b>\$000</b>	155 <b>300</b> 0 155 <b>600</b> 0	Dec 1
Alliança	101	165 <b>\$000</b> 195 <b>\$0</b> 00	165 <b>6</b> 000 1958000	195\$000	190\$000	Nov. &
MISCELLANKOUS						
Loterias Nacionaes Melhoramentos no	176	81\$000	90\$000	90 <b>\$</b> 000	92 <b>\$</b> 000	Dec.
Carruagens Flumi-	100	16\$006	16\$000	10\$000	16\$500	-
Allianon Mercantil .	31 105	135 <b>30</b> 00 22 <b>3</b> 000	138 <b>\$00</b> 0 23 <b>\$</b> 000	1383000 22 <b>\$</b> 000	135\$000	- '
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Mortgage Bords						
Banco Credito R. de Minas . Banco Credito R. de	200	95 <b>\$00</b> 0	953000	₩ <b>5⊈</b> 000	95 <b>40</b> 00	
S. Paulo	80	65\$000	65\$600	მ5 <b>\$0</b> 00	65\$000	Oct. 2

The total declared sales on the Rio de Janeiro Stock Exchange Market for the week ending December 15, amounted to 1.516:017\$500 distributed as follows:—

Government S	Secu	ri	tie	8						425:393\$500
Bank shares							٠			851:668\$500
Railways & T	Cran	n	Va.	ys						21:2914500
Insurance .										3:900\$000
Cotton Mills										59:345\$000
Miscellaneou	B									24:116\$000
Debentures .										109:801\$000
Mortgage Bo										20:300\$000
			•	R	5.					1.516:017\$500

Government securities. Only a small business done in this description. Perpetual annuities (Apolices) declined 278 since Dec. 5, and Internal loan 1895 5% bonds, to order 248 since Nov. 29, whilst 1897, 6% loan to bearer advanced 10,000.

Banks. A large business was done in Republicas, quotations reaching 193\$ but finally closing at 199\$, the same as the previous week. The business done in the remaining kinds may be considered small but with prices well maintained.

Debentures. These kinds register a general improvement. So-rocabanas 1\$, Leopoldinas (200\$) 5\$, Confiança Industrial (Cotton Mill) 5\$000.

#### BUSINESS DONE ON THE S. PAULO STOCK EXCHANGE

FOR THE WEEK ENDING DECEMBER 15 1899

Description	- Sales	Highest	Lowest
GOVERNMENT SECURITIES			
Apolices State S. Paulo	2 135	96 <b>\$</b> 000 78 <b>\$</b> 000	96 <b>\$</b> 000 78 <b>\$00</b> 0
BANKS		i	
Commercio & Industria	180 50 115 20	325\$000 148\$000 77\$000 105 <b>\$</b> 000	325\$000 148\$000 76\$000 105\$000
RAILWAYS & TRAMWAYS			,
Companhia Paulista R'y do Mogyana	3.474 390	240 <b>\$</b> 000 246 <b>\$</b> 000	285 <b>\$</b> 000 21 <b>6\$</b> 000
MINGELLIANEOUS			
Companhia Lupton	20	1003000	100 <b>\$00</b> 0
Uniño Sportiva	85	95\$000	95\$000
MORTGAGE BONDS	}		
Banco Credito Realdo União	211 384	67 <b>\$</b> 000 71 <b>\$</b> 500	65\$000 71 <b>\$</b> 000

The total business on the S. Paulo Stock Exchange amounted to Rs. 1.451:303\$500 distributed as follows:

Government securities	11:4503000
Bank shares.	76:775\$000
Railways & Tramways	1.011:785\$000
Miscellaneous	2:000\$000
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Dobentures	8:075\$000
Mortgage Bonds	41:218\$500
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Total. . . . . . 1.151:303\$500

Comparative quotations of Brazilian Bonds in London, as per-telegrams-received-by-the-Banco-da-Republica from Messrs, N. M. Rothschild & Sons.

	Dec. 14	Dec. 11	Dec. 7	Dec. 4
1879 4 % p. c.	58	58 1/2	60	60
1888 4 % "	58	59 1/2	60	61
1889 4 "	58	60	60	61
1895 5 "	65	66	63	68
Funding 5 p.c.	82	81	81	85
Wost Minas 5 p.c.	60	60	81	68

Lo Moniteur des Intérêts Matériels of Brussels of 16 Nov. says "that a vigorous stroke has brought back the quotation of Brazilians to quotations they have not known for a long time. Four per cents have risen to 59, 1895 fives to 66 and Western Mans Ity to 62 1/4. The rise of exchange to 7 5/32 d. is not wholly foreign to this advance, but does not wholly explain it. Can it be merely speculative or is it the result of new purchases prompted by the perspective of the completion of a long talked of operation by Government connected with the moratorium? It is difficult to say."

#### CLOSING QUOTATIONS OF BRAZILIAN STOCKS AND SHARES ON THE LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

SHARES ON THE LONDON	STOCK	EXCH	ANGE	
DESCRIPTION	WEEK E		PREVIOU	I WEEK
	Min.	Max.	Min.	Max.
Gold Loan 1879 4 ½ %	59 58 5) 59 61 66 83	69 50 61 60 83 64 85 86	57 53 57 53 60 64 82 83	59 60 59 5J 62 66 84 85
City of Rio de Janeiro 4 %	68 95	70 96	68 95	70 98
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Alagôan 6 % Debentures Irazil Gt. Southern, 6 % Stl. Mt. Debs. 6 % Stl. Mt. Debs. Red Campos & Carangola 5 % %. Campos & Carangola 5 % % Deb Conde d'Eu 5 % % Debs D. Thoreza Christina Limited 5 % % Minas e Rio, 6 % Debs. Mogyana, 5 % Deb. Bonds. Natal e Nova Cruz, Bonds. Ituana 6 % Debentures.	78 50 53 95 98 81 103	95 50 52 65 98 96 83 105 102 91	95 73 50 63 97 92 82 103 100 88	98 52 65 90 96 84 105 102 91
Barks British Bank of S. America London & Brazilian Bank Limited	10	11 20	10 19 51 14	11 20 55 %
London & River Plate Bank Limited	31	33	31 79	35 A
Amazon Steam Navigation C. Limited Royal Mail Steam Packet G Pacific Steam Navigation C Mining	9 46 21 %	10 48 21 %	9 47 21 ¾	10 49 _21 <del>%</del>
Ouro Proto. St. John del Rey	1 %	- 1 1/2	17/16	1 1/16
Telegraphs   Tel	I -	15 1/4 1111 — 107 4 90	14 % 107 — 104 3 85	15 ¼ 111 — — 107 4
Cantareira Waterworks 6 % deb: bonds 5 % deb. 2nd issue City of Santos Imp: Ld. 7 % non-cum pref City of Santos Imp: Limited 6 % cum pref Rio de Janeiro City Imp: Limited 6 % red Rio de Janeiro Flour Mills Limited	79 7 14 98 12	103 96 10 3 7 3 81 8 100 13 	79 7 98 13 14	183 93 -10 11 7 1/4 81 7 1/4 190 14 1/4 -1 1/4 7 7 5 91

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opening rate, December 19	
price, on December 18, per 10 kilos 95600	)
No. 7 ditto ditto ditto. Spot closing price at New York, on December 18. per lb. cents 6 13/1	в
No. 7 New York type of coffee March	
options price ditto ditto ditto	ŏ
1879 4 per cent. External bonds, London. Dec. 18. 58	%
1888 4 1/2 per cent external bonds , 58	
1895 5 per cent ditto ditto	
Funding , 82	
W. Minas , 59	

## Coffee Market

#### COMPARATIVE ENTRIES

FOR THE WEEK ENDING DECEMBER 15 1893

	то	TAL ENTR	R2	ENTRIES TO DATE	FOR CROP YEAR
	Tiils week	Last wook	Last year	This your	Last year
Ria	40,901	41,201	32,460	2.026.698	1,632.813
Santos	133,591	94,175	113,280	4.420.136	3,540,311
Total	174,492	135,436	145,740	0.446.834	5.173.124

#### The coast arrivals were from the following ports:

Caravellas Macahé.									5,249 500	
1	r	ote	i						5,749	baga

	Past Jundiahy	Per Sorocabana and others	Total at S. Paulo	Santon	emaining at S. Paulo
1898/99 1899/1900	3.098.553 3.374.279	451.886 1.010.453	$\frac{3.550.439}{4.381,732}$	$\frac{3.540.311}{4.420,136}$	10,128 nil

Aggregate entries at Rio and Santos for the week ending Dec. 15 comprising the full number of working days were 39,056 more than for the preceding week of only 5 working days, and 28,752 or 20 % more than on the corresponding week last year. The increase has been solely at Santos, those at Rio showing a slight falling off compared with last week although still over 26 % greater than last year. Joint entries for the crop up to 15 Dec. were 1,273,710 bags or 24.8 % more than on the same date last year, and, should they continue in the same ratio, will give a total of 10.895,855, bags.

#### DOCK DELIVERIES

FOR THE WEEK ENDING DECEMBER 15 1893

	THIS, WEEK	LAST WEEK	TOTAL FOR CROP YEAR 1899/1900
Rio	87.982 114,152	75.178 83.772	1,967.401 4,027.251
Total	202.134	161.950	5,991.652

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#### MANIFESTS OF COFFEE

#### Sailed during the week ending December 15 1899

#### FROM RIO

DATE	VESSEL	DESTINATION	SHIPPER	BAGS	TOTAL
Dec.	Bretagne do		Pierre Pradez & Co. Gustav Trinks & Co.	282 550	832
6 9 *	Itapoan	Northern Ports . Genoa do do	Sundry Ornstein & Co Dabelow & Willberg. M. A. dos Santos .	750 250 16	1,016
. <u>»</u>	Itapacy do	Southern Ports, .	Zenha, Ramos & Co. Sequeira & Co	101 25	126
() * *	White Wings do do do do	Baltimore do do do do	Levering & Co Ornstein & Co Karl Krische John Moore & Co	6.000 2.500 1.000 1.000	11,490
10	Amazonas do	Northern Ports . do	Zenha Ramos & Co. Iteis Veiga, & Co	50 50	100
10	Severn do do do do	Baltimore do do do do	Levering & Co J. W. Donne & Co Ornstein & Co Aretz & Co	14.003 4.000 2.000 1.000	21,003
11 > * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * *	Les Andes do do do do do do do do do do do do do	Marseilles&option do do do do do Marseilles Constantinople do Algiors	Karl Valais & Co- Pierre Pradez & Co- A. Leuba & Co- Ornstein & Co- Gustav Trinks & Co- Pierre Pradez & Co- Aretz & Co- Gustav Trinks & Co- Ornstein & Co- Ornstein & Co- Ornstein & Co- Ornstein & Co-	5.750 2.375 2.000 1.000 250 207 1.007 60 750 500 375 125	
12	do Дапивв • • • •	Barcelona Buonos Aires	Vigo & Co	190	14,449
12	do	do Northern Ports .	Ed. Ashworth & Co.	102	202
* *	do do	do do do	Ornstein & Co J. Dias & Irmān Dias Poroira Almoida	100 45 10	285
13	Olydo do	London & opt, , Antwerp ,	E. Johnston & Co Dabolow & Willborg.	250 270	500
15 15 *		Northorn Ports . Hamburg do do	Sundry	970	100
15	Iris	Northern Ports .	O. Guimarães Santos. Jorge Dius & Irmão.		
			Total		54,026

#### FROM SANTOS

DATE	VRSSEL	DESTINATION	<b>В</b> ИГРРК <b>В</b>	BAGS	TOTAL
Doc.					***********
10	Pandova	Triesto	Zer. Bulow & Co	4,650	
- 1	do	do	N. Gapp & Co Ltd.	1.750	
	do	do	Karl Valais & Co	1.000	
r	do		J.W. Donno & Co	500	
~	do.		Hard, Rand & Co.	312	
~	do	do	A. Trommel & Co	250	
*	do	Trieste & opt	Th. Wille & Co	9.017	l
"	do do	do Tidoulo ant Muina	Hard, Rand & Co E. Johnston & Co	125	L .
*	do	Tinoa	Th. Wille & Co	1.750	
,	do		E. Johnston & Co	500	
,,	do	Venice	Th. Wille & Co	500	
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13	He'm	Channel	N. Gepp & Co. Ltd.		5.000
15	Bretagne,		Nossack & Co	2.875	1
*	do	- do	N. Gopp & Co. Ltd.		ŀ
<b>*</b>	do	do	Aretz & Co	1.000	
*	do do	do do	Karl Valais & Co	500	1
<b>&gt;</b>	do	do	Hard, Rand & Co Benj. Couto	250	l
-	do	Alexandria.	N. Gopp & Co. Lid.		
» »	do	Beyrouth	do	250	6.883
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15	Mainz	Rotterdam	Krische & Co	500	}
*	do	do _	Goetz, Hayn & Co.	7	}
,	do		Zer., Bulow & Co	3.500	ŀ
-	do	do	Hard, Rand & Co,	1.534	1
•	, do	do	Goods, Hayn & Co	500	
*	do do	Antweep do	Nossnek & Co		
*	l do	do	E. Johnston & Co.	1.000	
~	· do	do	Henry Woltje & Co. A. Trommel & Co	500 350	
*	do	Antworp & opt	Th. Wille & Co	5.000	
*	do	do	Zor., Bulow & Co.	4.000	
-	do	do	Goetz, Hayn & Co.	1,000	
*	do	do	N. Gepp & Co. Ltd.	250	
ý.	do	do	A. Trommel & Co	250	
	do	Bremen	do	500	20,141
,			Total	<b></b> -	52.628

THE COFFEE SAILED DURING THE WEEK ENDING DECEMBER 15 WAS CONSIGNED TO THE FOLLOWING DESTINATIONS.

	UNITED STATES	BUROPE & MEDITER- RANEAN		RIVER PLATE	CAPH	OTHER	TOTAL FOR WHEK	CROP TO DATE
Rio Santos	32,493 —	21,040 52,629	801	292 —	- -	<del>-</del> .	-	2.029,595 3.994,550
Total 1899/1900 do 1898/1899	l '	.,			~  -	<u> </u>		6.0 <b>24</b> ,145 4.917,272

#### LOCAL STOCKS

#### (OFFICIAL STOCKS)

	Dec. 15/99	Dec. 8/99	Dec. 16/98.
Rio	220.631 670.190	267.715 661.780	220.950 707.030
Total	890.824	929.495	927.980

#### OUR OWN STOCKS.

RIO		bags of 60 kilos
Stock on December 8 Entries during week ending De Per Central & Melhoramentos	cember 15.	413.456
Ry's. Entries Leopoldina R'y. Coastwise entering har-	19.551 15.384	
bour	5.749	40.681
		454.140
Shipments as per manifests du- ring the week ending Decem-	bags of 60 kil	EO
ber 15	54.626 1.500	56,126
Stock and affoat at Rio de Ja- neiro on Friday evening December 15.	• • • •	398.014
SANTOS		
Stock on December 8	636,455	
December 15	133.591	
Shipments as per manifests du-	820.046	
ring week ending December 15	52,628	
Stock and affoat at Santos on Friday evening December 45.		767.418
total btock & apload & bantob		,
Friday evening December 45	· · · · · ·	1,165,432 1,099,911

Correction. In consequence of a printer's error which was carried forward from our issue of 31 Oct. the figures giving our own stocks at Santos have been corrected, and reduced by 54,000 bags.

#### FOREIGN STOCKS

	Dec. 9/99	Dec. 2/93	Dec. 10/98
United States Ports,	696,000	813,000	755.000
	1.593,000	1,583,000	1.176,000
Both	2 289,000	2,396,000	1.931,000
Deliveries U. States Ports Visible Supply at United States ports	116,000	77,000	84.000
	1.191,000	1,217,000	1.085.000

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#### COFFEE PRICE CURRENT

FOR THE WERK ENDING DECEMBER 15 1899

Description	9	11	12	13	14	15	Avera- ges
Rio N. 6. per 10 kilos.	min.   10.077 max.   10.213		9.873 10.077	9.804 9.941	9.532 9.668		
• N. 7 ,, ,, ., .}	min.) 9.668 max.) 9.804	ominal	9.53? 9.668	9.396 9.532			
» N. 8 " " "	min.) 9.396 max.) 9.532	Nom	9.192 9.328				
» N. 9 ,, ,, ,, .,	min.   9.124 max.   9.260		8.851 8 957		8.511 8.647		8.80
Santossuperior per 10kil .	8,800 8,390						
M. York, per lb.				l			
Spot No. 7 cents Options. Mar	7 6 3/4 6.15 6.25 6.40	6.15	6.00 6.10	6 5/8 5.95 6.05	5.90 5.95	6 1/ 5.95 6.05	6.0 6.0
Haure, per 50 kilos					1		1
Options. Mar. francs. May , Sept. ,	40.00 40.50 41.50	39.75	39.25	39.00	38.25	39.00	39.2
Hamburg per 1/2 kilo.	1					Ì	
Options. Mar. pfennige May.	33.25 33.75 34.75	33.50	32.75	32.75	32.00	32.50	32,7
London per cwt.						-	
Options Mar. shillings May.	33/- 33/9 34/9	33/6	32/9	32/6	32/-	32/6	32/1

WEEK ENDING.	DEC. 15	DEC. 8
Rio No. 7 {currency, per 10 kilos. gold	9\$440 2\$109	9\$763 <b>2\$</b> 197
Santos good av { ourrency, per 10 kilos . gold , , , , , , , ,	8.257 2.107 c/ 6.87	8\$790 2\$248 c/ 6.94

#### SALES OF COFFEE

#### FOR THE WEEK ENDING

						Dec. 15/99	Dco. 8/99	Dec. 16/93
Rio Santos	:	:	:	:	:	44.000 127.000	49.000 45.000	75.000 160.000
	T	otal				171.000	94.000	235.000

#### SPECIAL MARKET REPORT

Saturday Dec. 16th. 1899

Monday, Dec. 11. The market opened quiet with commissaries asking 14\$000 to 14\$200 per arroba. Shippers were quiet too offering 13\$600 to 13\$800, but without finding sellers at these prices, declared sales being 2.000 bags, prices closing nominal but with dealers

Tuesday, Dec. 12. Little collect was offered by commissaries for which dealers offered at the rate of 13\$300 per arroba. Shippers generally did not enter the market, the few offers being on the basis of 13\$400 to 13\$600; three thousand bags of "goods" having changed hands at high prices.

Wednesday, Dec. 13. The market was weak with little business doing with commissaries at 133700 to 13\$300 per arroba, and Shippers offering only 13\$300 to 13\$400 but finding few sellers. Declared sales amounted to 13,000 bags, mostly resales by specialtons.

Thursday, Dec. 13. Commissaries' prices ruled from 13\$500 to 13\$600 per arroba. Shippers' demand was fairly active at 13\$000 to 13\$300 per arroba, sales amounting to 6.000 bags.

Friday, Dec. 14. Commissurios' prices ruled at 12\$400 per arroba, shippers showing a fair demand at 13\$200 to 13\$100, declared sales being 17.000 bags, the market closed steady.

Saturday, Dec. 15. Commissaries' prices ruled active at 13\$600 to 13\$800 per arroba. Shippers' demand during the morning was dull but at closing hour was more active, declared sales being 12.000 the week's sales were 53,000 bags.

#### FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT

Our market ruled quiet and with but little business doing until yesterday, when sellers met buyers more freely and about 40,000 bags changed hands at about 83,000 to 83,000 for superior.

We quote for the week, 83,000 to 83,000 for superior, price differences for the other quoted goods remaining the same.

Shorts have apparently covered their most urgent necessities and no special demand can be reported, we are, therefore, now dependent for future transactions on orders from consuming quarters.

The coffees offered for sale are, in a larger percentage than ever before, of medium grade and nearly all of good bean; Bourbons having become scarce.

Stocks in first hands must have accumulated a good deal during the period of slackness and are probably very near 500,000 bags as receipts have been liberal and shipments, a few days ago excepted, light.

Receipts may fall off somewhat in a short time, as heavy raises

Receipts may fall off somewhat in a short time, as heavy rains are reported from the interior. We do not see, however, how these rains can be in anyway prejudicial to the growing crop, on the contrary, we hear from the interior that in certain districts the latest flowerings have greatly improved the outlook for next crop and we have seen branches of coffee trees confirming this as they show a well developed fruit, which although very small still promises to ripen if sufficient moisture continue to sustain the trees. The coffee berry is after all not like a cucumber or melon that rts on the vine in consequence of too much moisture. Experience shows that the coffee plant can stand a good deal of dry weather and rain, but not prolonged or excessive cold.

Demand from Europe is slow, the seaports especially keep quiet. At 30s. for good average a certain volume of business might be done, yet 30s. 9d. to 31s. is the lowest one can offer at from here.

here. .
The States are reported to be more active as far as Santos is

concerned.

A large business has been done at 6 3/8c for 5 to 9 and at 7 3/8c for 3 and 4.

Cables received from New York report that coffee from Santos will be allowed discharge in quarantine into lighters which after 10 days, should no cases of 'plague' be noted on the respective-steamer, can in their turn be discharged without further formal.

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As regards the cable sent through the American Consulate we understand that an answer is still expected.

The coffee on the S. S. J. W. Taylor was taken out of the bags, dumped into lighters and, after being roasted under the auspices of the Sanitary authorities, delivered to its consignees the sacks being destroyed. destroyed.

From a private source we hear that the Sanitary authorities at N. York failed to find any indications of the plague in the bacteerological examination to which the two convalescents on board the J. W. Taylor were subjected.

The tone of the market for Brazil grades has been somewhat unsettled, Early in the week prices showed a reactionary tendency. Realizing sales by recent buyers, a halt in the demand for investment account, large receipts at Rio and Santos and a large estimate for the growing crop had a weakening influence, under which prices declined about 1/4 c. Subsequently, however, after the realizing sales by speculative holders had subsided the market again turned stronger. European markets which showed a reactionary tendency early in the week also followed the upward turn to values locally. The movement of supplies into consumption showed no falling off, they being for the first half of November within about 80.000 bags of the deliveries for the entire month last year. Brazil markets, which were easier at the opening of the week, resulting in some business on a cost and freight basis, closed firmer and offered again named prices above a parity with those ruling locally. According to reports current the large rousters have been experiencing an active demand, it being stated that in some instances they were slightly behind in the deliveries. Jobbers have been experiencing an active demand, it being stated that in some instances they were slightly behind in the deliveries. Jobbers have been light, as importers' stocks on hand have been very moderate, and it is believed that the supplies to come forward will be limited. Demand has been moderately active. The close was firm at 7 %, a 8c, for fair Cucuta and 9c for good do. East India growths have been in fair jobbing demand and firm.—Weeldy Journal of Commerce, Nov. 20 merce, Nov. 20

#### ROASTED COFFEES

WOOLSON SPICE CO. NOT TO FOLLOW THE ARBUCKLES

The Woolson Spice Co. has decided not to follow the advance on roasted coffee which the Arbuckles announced last week. Mr. Hermann Sielcken, managing director of the Woolson Spice Co., made the following statement to a representative of this paper on Saturday:

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"There is no occasion for such advance, according to all facts at hand in regard to the coffee situation. When green coffee was selling in March last at the same price quoted in the market here last Thursday the Arbuckles then reduced the price of their reasted coffee half a cent per pound. Arbuckle Bros. having ignored altogether the declines in green coffee during the intervening period, the Woolson Spice Co. concludes that the current price for the raw material offers no sort of excuse for an advance on reasted coffee in November, when the same price for green coffee was the reason for a decline on reasted coffee in March last. The advance in the green coffee market recently is entirely based upon sentiment, not upon any ment of the actual position. There is more coffee in the world to-day than over axisted before. The large warehouse or ex ship deliveries during the

month of October in Europe and the United States of 1.750,000 bags have caused an increase in the invisible supply of double the quantity which the decrease in the visible supply shows by the statistics. With much larger supplies actually on hand in the seaports and in the interior than ever before in the history of coffee, and with prospects of another large crop to follow, the Woolson Spice Co. has determined not to change its price, and will only do so when supply and demand should render such an alteration necessary, disregarding the influences of unbealthy speculative sentiment."

#### ROASTED COFFEES.

New York, Nov. 13, 1899.

Editor of "The Journal of Commerce and Commercial Bulletin":

Dear Sir.— Under above heading in your to-day's issue the managing director" of the "Woolson Spice Co." is understood to say that "there is no occasion for following Arbuckle's advance." Of course, there is no occasion to conduct any business upon business principles, nor of making living profits and letting others live when that is not the object of the enterprise.

The cold facts are that this "charitable institution" turns out a coffee grading, as claimed, 1/4c better than Arbuckle's — costing 1/4c more to roast and pack—and sold at to less. Total, 1/2c per lb. against them. Moral: This kind of "opposition" ultimately digs its own grave.— R. H. Davies.

#### New YORK, November 14th, 1899.

On the 8th inst. the Revision Committee of the Coffee Exchange On the 8th inst. the Revision Committee of the Coffee Exchange in the official differences between grades. This leaves matters unchanged for another year, the Exchange differences between No. 7 remaining at 2 cents, and No. 4 and No. 7 at 14 cents, whereas the market differences between those grades are only about one-half the official figures. From this it is seen that buyers of the futures, say, September, at 6 cents, will have to pay 14 to 2 cents additional, basis of No. 7 for the grades now delivered.

In September last, option contracts, with same differences as now exist, were liquidated at about 4.25 cents yet speculators are paying about 6 cents for September options in face of the certainty that supplies of Coffee throughout the world will be larger in September, 1900, than last September out of sympathy with the higher

The reasons for the recent advance were entirely sentimental. The first advance was created out of sympathy with the higher values for Cotton. The Cotton crop, originally estimated at 11,000,000 bales, or more, has been reduced to about 9,500 000 bales. The current Coffee crop in Rio and Santos was estimated 9,500,000 bags, but according to receipts so far, it looks likely to run in oxcess of 10,000,000 bags—practically opposite results in the two articles, yet sentiment decides for an advance in Coffee, because higher values are reached for Cotton?

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The next advance in Coffee was engineered on the reports of Bubonic plague in Brazil. There is no doubt there were some cases of this disease and some still exist. It has not been opidemic, simply sporadic, of the same character as it appeared in the River Plate in August. It has not interfered with receipts or shipments of Coffee and Consular reports to the United States Government show it is not nearly as dangerous as occasional outbreaks of yellow fever have been. But for sentimental purposes in the Coffee market the world "Plague" was sufficient, the correct details or the fact that it played no particular part in regard to Coffee were disregarded—the reasoning process is not wanted.

Reports about Italian laborers leaving Brazil in large numbers furnished another excuse for an advance in Coffee. We understand that a number of Italians annually leave Brazil after the picking of the crop, but just as many and even more return for that work. An instance is quoted of the steamer "Colombe," which arrived in Genoa from Brazil October 7th with, 200 Italians, and left Genoa again for Brazil with 1,500 immigrants October 23rd. Whatever the facts or changes may be in these matters there is no shortage of labor when 3,600,000 bags Coffee can be moved and marketed in four months as was done in Santos this season.

Another point sentiment has exploited is the statistical decrease in the world's visible supply for October of 337,000 bags. This has been represented as consumption overtaking production, but in truth slight at or from producing countries during October was 1,450,000 bags.

Deliveries for the 1897-1898 season averaged 1,214,000 bags per

month.

Deliveries for the 1898-1899 season averaged 1,123,000 bags per

Does anyone believe the world consumed 1,712,000 bags Coffee because that quantity figures to have been delivered?

Instead of the world's supply of Coffee decreasing, the interior (or invisible) supplies have increased about twice the quantily of the visible statistical decrease. Deliveries in Europe and the United States are no proof of consumption. Deliveries include the large quantities of direct importations from Brazil, which are always heaviest at the height of the crop season, while the quantity of speculative purchases, put down as consumption, depend upon the price and feeling prevailing.

Does anyone believe that consumption in 1898-1899 was about a million bags smaller than the previous season, 1897-1898, because the deliveries showed that much decrease?

If statistics for the month of October are analyzed there will be seen a discrepancy of 193,000 bags, taking the Rio and Santos stocks and receipts, less the shipments, compared with the stocks remaining in Brazil. Herotofore statistics were correctly kept in Santos by deducting shipments from stocks, when actually cleared. The Rio shipments are heaver properly cabled, the stocks being reported less parchases, instead of following the safer method formerly used

in Santos. But Mr. John Jones has chosen the defective system for Santos too, which makes it possible to lose sight of one or two hundred-thousand bags of Coffee in those ports in a month. From New Orleans, La., the stock on November ist was reported as 10,000 bags, whereas actual stocks in public warehouse there are considerably more than 100,000 bags. Thus statistics are wrong, and instead of a decrease in the visible of 337,000 bags on November ist, correct figures would show the visible about 8,000,000 bags in spite of the unprecedented deliveries of 1,712,000 bags in Europe and the States only once before approached, in April, 1893; when the duty scare started here. If sentiment was controlled by reason, sentiment would also analyze figures and prove the results we explain above; but sentiment spreads, runs its erratic course and collapses long before the calm mind can detect any merit in its claims.

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The low value of Coffee results from over-production. Sentiment of the kind lately exhibited actually stimulates production. The only real help for genuine better prices for Coffee is diminished pro-

duction

Up to now prospects of the growing crop in Brazil are reported favorable. Not a single exporter of good standing in Brazil reports the slightest doubt of this, yet we all know how popular it is in Brazil to report disparagingly on the crop on the least excuse, while it is most unpatriotic or unpopular to cable the truth of encouraging

On the weight of supplies alone Coffee values declined to the lowest point, say : —

In Havre, Sept. 99 Frcs. 31 (but sentiment) Sept. 1900 at Frcs. 40. In Hamburg, " 26 pf. last week put) " " 33 pf. In New York, " " 6.10c.

and this in the face of indications of larger supplies next September than ever known before, with the 1900-1901 crop, if anything, in excess of the present — which shows positively that over-producion is in full swing. The Coffee trade must remember bull sentiment does not consume Coffee, higher prices so created atimulate production. Coffee values finally are not decided by sentiment but entirely by supply and demand, and it is probably the present sentimental rise will bring the same experience that has attended the different attempts to lift values artificially during the past three years.

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Prices of Frcs. 37.50 in Havre, 31 pf. in Hamburg and 5.50c. in New York may appear low to the average mind, especially the outsider, but the prices Brazil gets to-day are not low, Rs. 453000 to 50\$000 per bag, according to quality From 1882 to 1886 Brazil received only Rs. 158000 to 20\$000 per bag, and in this year of high prices in consuming markets, with extreme Sterling Exchange rates in Brazil, say 1888-1882, the Milreis price was from Rs. 30 to 38\$000 per bag. As the price in Brazil is the basis for smaller or larger production, a high figure in Brazilian currency is at once a danger signal for still further increasing production.

W. H. CROSSMAN & BRO.

Entries and Stocks at Rio and Santes. In Messes W. II. Crossman and Co's circular dated 14th. Nov. it is stated that "if the statistics for the month of October are analysed there will be seen a discrepancy of 193.000 bags taking the Rio and Santes stocks and receipts less shipments compared with the stocks remaining in Brazil. Herotofore statistics were correctly kept in Santes by deducting shipments from stocks when actually cleared. The Rio shipments are never properly cabled the stocks being reported less par hases instead of following the safer method formerly used in Santes. But Mr. John Jones has chosen the defective system for Santes too, which makes it possible to lose sight of one or two hundred thousand bags of coffee in those ports in a month."

There are one or two misapprehensions in Messes (rossmans circular that it is well should be cleared up.

In the first place the stocks are not calculated at Rio by deduction of purchases but of embarques, that is of the coffee daily loaded at the docks for shipments.

The same system is now followed at Santes, instead of only deducting shipments, as was done formerly, after the steamer had actually left the port.

There can be no doubt as to which is the more correct system. When once coffee ras been loaded, although it may be for weeks abourd before actually leaving the port, it has ceased to form part of local stocks, and should not be included amongst them.

What local markets require to know more than anything else is the precise amount of coffee disposable, which they cannot do unless every bag is deducted from the stock as it is loaded.

Previous to the adoption of the current method at Santos it was not uncommon to see stocks take a downward plunge of over 100.000 bags in a single day, when one or two large cargoes left the port simultaneously.

At the same time it cannot be disputed that if greater accuracy is thus secured for local stocks in this manner, unless proper

simultaneously. At the same time it cannot be disputed that if greater accuracy is thus secured for local stocks in this manner, unless proper precautions be adopted it is quite possible that foreign markets may be misled by the failure to report the coffee loaded and already deducted from local stocks, but in that case, it must be borne in mind that the misunderstanding is caused by the information supplied to those markets being insufficient and not of any inherent defect of the system itself.

The difficulty could easily be got over if the coffee loaded were treated as "alloat" and the quantity cabled every day for both Rio and Santos.

and Santos.

In this manner foreign markets would be kept properly posted without inconveniencing local markets or misrepresentation of their

As regards the difference of 193,000 bags noted by Messrs Crossman between the stocks obtained by deducting shipments from Rio and Santos stocks and entries during the month of October and the efficial figures for the stocks remaining in Brazil, there seems to be some mistake as, by chance, for that month the figures for the stock obtained by one and the other process are almost identical for that particular month.

Official stocks at Rio and Santos 30th Sept' Entries at Rio and Santos during October	1.328,317 1.086,972
	2.415,289
Coffee loaded daily at docks	1.459,959
Official stock on October 31	955,330
By the other method the results are as follows:-	
Official Stock on 30th Sept at Rio and Santos Entries during October	1,328,317 1,086,972
	2,415,289
Deduct all Coffee Sailed during October-as per Ship's Manifests.	1,456,959
Stock on 31 Octr' ,	958,330
The difference, therefore, instead of 193,000 bags is reality to 3,000!  No doubt this is a mere coincidence as generally the stock by the manifest method must always be greater than those ducting daily loadings because the latter include all the c in the harbour.  How accurately Santos statistics of Stocks are kept in shown by the results published by ourselves comparing with our own stocks obtained by deducting the coffee man	ks obtained got by de- offee affoat a reality is the official
the first case official Stocks being on 15th Dec' whilst our own gave	670,190 767,418

of which 61,524 is accounted for by the difference between coffee loaded (114,152) and actually sailed (52,628) during the past week.

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In conclusion we may add that there seems no reason to change a system that is working so well both at Santos and here, and if the foreign markets desire to know exactly the statistical condition of the article on this side they have only to insist on the daily "Embarques" or loadings being cabled as well as the entries and local stocks to distinguish what the available stocks really are and how much coffee has been shipped but has not yet left the harbour.

### Shipping, Produce & Imports

ARRIVALS AT THE PORT OF RIO

DURING THE WEEK ENDING SUNDAY, DEGEMBER 17, 1899

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#### ARRIVALS AT THE PORT OF SANTOS

DURING THE WEEK ENDING DECEMBER 15 1899

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### SAILINGS FROM THE PORT OF RIO

DURING THE WEEK ENDING 17 DECEMBER 1899.

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17	Jorge	do	do		Cabo Frio	

#### SAILINGS FROM THE PORT OF SANTOS

WEEK ENDING DECEMBER 15 1899

DATR	NAME OF VESSEL	FLAG	RIG	NAGE TON-	то
0 12 13 15	Pandora Lundy Scottish Prince Cyprian Prince Bretagne Mainz	Austrian British do do French German	S. S. do do do do do		Trieste Rosario Buenos Aires do Marseilles Brewen

#### LIST OF VESSELS AFLOAT AND SAILING FOR RIO

AS PER LATEST ADVICES

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#### LIST OF VESSELS AFLOAT AND SAILING FOR SANTOS

AS PER LATEST ADVICES

NAME	PLAG AND DESCRIPTION	WHERE FROM
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DRINK FRANZISKANER BRAU and PILSENER, the best in Rio.

#### THE FREIGHT MARKETS

European markets. Fairplay of 23 Nov. States that the freight market was again disappointing and that the decline in homeward business in nearly every direction was commening to cause anxiety, as in spite of the enormous Government demand for tonage freights, instead of being higher, are positively lower than prior to the outbreak of hostilities.

The enormous prices asked for bunker coal are, says Fairplay, affecting owners' profits; Cardiff prices for best bunkers being still 15s. 6d. to 17s. per ton.

The following is the schedule of some of the prices agreed upon by the principal suppliers to be charged next year f.o.b. at different depôts:

	8. a	de	*	8.	d.
Gibraltar	24.	0,	St. Vincent	28.	0
Suez	36.	0	Pernambuco	39.	0
Barbadoes	30.	0	Santos	41.	6
Las Palmas & Tene-			Rio de Janeiro	39.	6
risse	25.	0	Montevideo	36.	0
Ruenos	Aire	в	35.0		-

An increasing demand is noted for tonnage from Rio Janeiro for Manganese Ore for U. K. Cont. at 17s. to 17s. 6il, and for U. S. at 15s. 6d. to 16s. whilst for coffee the equivalent of 17s. 6d. can be got for New York.

Coal rates from S. Wales to Rio were quoted at 11s. 6d. per ton.

Local Markets. The forward engagements of the week, as reported by the Shipping & Produce Brokers' Association, were as follows:

S.	S.	Corrientes	for	New Orleans 20,400 h	bag
s.	s.	S. Gottardo	,,	Genoa 1,400	,,
s.	s.	Marco Minghetti	11	Genoa & Levant 500	,,
s.	s.	Chile	11	River Plate 300	,,
s.	s.	Marxburg	,,	Antwerp 300	,,

#### Current Coffee Rates for the Week ending Dec. 16.

RIO

	RIO	SANTOS
Antwerp 1.000 kilos	35/ & 5 %	35s. & 5 %
Alexandria	60 frcs. & 10 %	
Algon Bay	508. & 2 1 %	
Bromen	30/ & 5 %	30s. & 5 %
Bordenux, 900 kilos	40 fres. & 10 %	•
Buenos Ayres per bag. 60 kilos.	3\$000.	35 fres. & 10 %
Beyrouth	75 fres. & 10 %	
Copenhagen	37/6 & 5 %	32/6 & 5 1/0
Cape Town, via Engl. 1.000 ks.	50s. & 21 %	
Constantinople	55 🛊 fres. & 10 %	
Delagoa Bay	57s. 6d, & 2 4 %	
East London	57s. & 6d. & 2 👍 🤊	6
Fiume	40s. & 5 %	
Galveston (xia N. Orleans)	50c. & 5 %	
Genoa i.000 kilos	40 frcs. & 10 %	
Hamburg	35/ & 5 %	35s. & 5 %
Havre, 900 kilos	35 free. & 10 %	30 fres. & 10 %
Lisbon	30%.	
Liverpool	35/ & 5 %	
London 1.000 kilos	30/ & 5 %	35s. & 5 %
Marseilles. 1,000 kilos	40 frcs. & 10 %	fres. 40 & 10 %
Montevidéo per bag. 60 kilos .	3\$000	from, 35 & 10 %
Mossol Bay	578. 6d. & 2 1 %	
Naples	48 4 fres. & 10	%
New York, Liners	50 cents. & 5 %	50c. & 5 %
N. Orleans Liners	50 cents. & 5 %	50c. & 5 %
Odessa	62 fres. & 10 %	
Port Elizabeth 1.000 kilos	50s. & 24 %	
Port Natal	57m. 6d. & 24 %	
Rosario per bag. 60 kilos	3\$000	
Rottordam	35/ & 5 %	358. & 5 %
Smyrna	55 1 fres. & 10 %	
Southampton 1.000 kilos	30/ & 5 %	30s. & 5 %
Talonhuano	458. & 5 %	,.
Triesto	45/ & 5 %	40s. & 5 %
Venico.	55 fres. & 10 %	40s. & 5 %

Private telegrams from New York state that the sanitary authorities have determined to admit Santos entries subject to discharge of cargo into lighters, which will be subject to 10 days quarantine. The vessels will not be permitted to leave quarantine ground.

The s.s. Tucuman. A telegram to the Noticid dated 15th states that this steamer, belonging to the Sadamericanische Dempfischiffsfahrt Gesellschaft, which got ashore in the Pernambuco harbour has been destad of general states. floated off again.

#### VESSELS TAKEN UP BY THE BRITISH ADMIRALTY

		Tons gross
1. S.S.	Wm. Lund	5,078
2. ,,	Elder Dempster & Co.,	10,936
1. ,,	W. India & Pacific	9,355
1. ,,	Leyland Line	8,825
2. "	Johnston	13,932
1. "	Shaw, Savill & Albion & Co	5,464
i.,,	Houston Line	4,300
1. ,,	White Star Line	9,965
2. ,,	Castle Linc	9,577
5. ,,	Union Line	31.582

This brings up the total to 163 steamers and 1 sailing ship with an aggregate gross tonnage of 779,000 tons.

#### RIVER PLATE NOTES.

( From the Review of the River Plate )

TOTAL CEREAL SHIPMENTS FROM ARGENTINE PORTS TO BRAZIL

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MAIZE

Week Ending December 7	To Date	Week ending December 7	To Date		
1899 2.785 1898 384	88,120 71,629	600 2.019	39,348 38,606		
	FROM URUOU.	AY			
1899 900	9,644	- 1	11,797		

#### LIVE STOCK SHIPMENTS TO BRAZIL

					Week	To Date	Last Year
Steers . Wethers Horses . Mules .					38	13,559 4,051 246 56	13,537 981 1,340 138

#### DEPARTURES OF VESSELS FOR BRAZIL

#### From Bucnos Ayres

December 1 — S. S. Britannia, with 22,537 dry ox hides, 70 logs cedar, 3 boxes feathers and 1 bale sheepskins for Pernambuco.

Les Andes, with 600 hogsheads tallow, 3,038 bales beef, 1,000 bags flour, 99 bags beans, 524 bags birdseed, 128 bags rye for Rio de Janeiro; 100 hogsheads tallow and 3,350 bags flour for Bahia.

December 5 - Moses B. Tower, with 6,730 bales hay for Santos.

#### VESSELS LOADING FOR BRAZIL

S. S. Felippe Lussich, at Rosario, loading parcels for Rio de Janeiro. Eastern Prince, Tupy, do do do

#### CHARTERS

No charters are reported this week for Brazil. ,

#### SHIPMENTS FROM URUGUAY TO BRAZIL

- S. S. Cordouan, with 1,000 bags flour for Santos.

  "Liguria, with 50 bales beef for Pernambuco.

  "Cordillere, with 2,800 bales beef and 300 westers for Rio.

  "Neptun, with 26,700 bags flour. 20 hogsheads tallow, 200 bales broom straw, 100 bags nuts, 444 bags beans for Santos; 5,700 bags flour, 77 bales straw, 60 baskets onions, 225 pipes tallow, 300 wethers, 1,053 bales beef and 900 tons wheat for Rio.
  - Santos, with 285 barrels wine and 100 bales beef for Brazil. Les Andes, with 1,000 bags flour for Bahia.

AVERAGE PRICES; VALUE ETC. FOR	WEEK	,	
,	1899	1898	
Wheat, new per i00 kilos	4.70	6.50	
Maize, per 100 kilos	2.60	3.20	
Linseed per 100 kilos	10.00	9.00	
Dry ox hides, per 10 kilos	9.60	6 50	
Salt ox hides, per 100 k. (gold)		18.50	
Horse hides, each	4.30	3.70	
Hay, per tom	26.00	25.00	
Hair, per 10 kilos	13.00	11.50	
Sheepskins, per kilo	1.05	0.57	
Gold price	232,28	211.48	
Exchange—London	49 3/8	47 7/16	
Discounts	8 p. c.	6 p.c.	
Freights-bales	24 f.	16 f.	
Grain sail freights-Rosario	25/-	22/-	

#### ASSOCIATED BROKERS' PRICE CURRENT. RIO DE JANEIRO

FOR THE WREK ENDING 17 DECEMBER 1899

DESCRIPTION	LOWEST	BIGHEST
Sugar Bahia white crystal Per kilo		A400
31 13-11-11-11-11-11-11-11-11-11-11-11-11-1		\$690
de de tempore	\$550	\$700
de de manacrimbo	\$560	\$570
di di marina manuful ''	*	\$460
41 60006	\$430	\$140
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do do Rio Grande do Norte . , , , , , ,	10,,000	148000
do do Sergipe, ,, ,,		13:000
American Rosin , 280 lbs		248500
Wheat-Flour Moinho Fluminense		A-15000
+00 & S. Leopoldo , 2 half-bags	398000	418000
Wheat Flour Rio de Janeiro Flour	000000	115000
Mills Brazileiras		38\$000
Wheat-Flour Rio do Janeiro Flour		000000
Mills «Nacional»		40\$750
Wheat-Flour River Plate . Meline		
Oriental » , , , ,		312000
Wheat-Flour River Plate «Liber-		
dado***,		32\$000
Wheat-Flour River Plate União , , ,		348009
do American « Castilla, &	1	
Crystal * , barrel		413000
Bran Moinho Fluminense , bag (40 kilos)		3 <b>\$</b> 000
Bran of The Rio de Janeiro Flour		
Mills		3\$500
Arollinho Momho Fluminense , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	35400	38 100
Frease Rio Grande , , kilo		\$940
Boans mulatinho ,, bag (60 kilos)		13₹500
Cerosene « Devoe's Brillant » , , case		12\$850
daizo River Plate yellow , , 62 kilos		118800
Soed Oils American , litre		8950
Spruce Pine , , dozen		808000
ine white American , , foot		\$300
Callow River Plate , kilo ,		18110
do do		33700
do do		3 <b>\$</b> 500

#### FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.

Pernambuco, December 6, 1899.

Sugar. Market has been wonderfully maintained, in view of entries for November of 310,056 bags (some mouth last year 293,432 bags) there is, however, past two days a decidedly weaker feeling and buyers are disinclined to continue paying late prices for coastwise qualities. The difficulty of freight room is becoming serious and shippers cannot ship either to Rio or Santos, as hardly any foreign steamers seem to be available this mouth for latter port. Brutos have been in request and export value has risen to 48 a 48100, consequently, there is no chance at present of sundried being obtainable under 48100 a 48200. The s. s. Povederham, now here, loads about 4,500 tons here and at Maceió for Stales. In outports no forther transactions are reported, but another cargo of Rio Grandes is offering. Crop entries are generally considered disappointing and quite a decided opinion seems to be gaining ground that final result will be greatly under expectations of estimates two months ago, and many who are supposed to know affirm that crop will pan out but little in excess of that of last year. To day's quotations are as follows but nominal as there are no buyers at them to tar as coastwise qualities are concerned:

Usinas.	9\$500 to 9\$800	per 15 kilos o	n shore
Crystal white	8\$000 ,, 8\$4 <b>0</b> 0 7\$000 ,, 7\$200	**	17
do yellow Whitee 3a	9\$500 , 9\$700	)) ))	,, no stock
Somenos	6\$800	,,	17
Bruto secco	5\$200 ,, 5\$300 4\$100 ,, 4\$300	19	"
do melados	3\$900 ,, 4\$100	"	"

Cotton continues in good demand for shipment to Europe and prices further advanced to 165200 and 165305, to day market is slightly off and buyers only offer 165100, but at same time there are no sellers and if exchange weakens again higher prices will be paid. Entries have been fair and last month reached a total of 28,968 bags.compared with 7,829 same month last year, but even so are not nearly large enough to satisfy demand for the article.

Dec. 7. Cotton buyers at 16\$200.

Freights. There are no charters to advise. Liverpool liners find all the cargo they require of Cotton, Cottonseed etc., but sugar is not going at all at present as market is much below value in States.

#### THE COAL TRADE

The Scotch coal trade is very brisk, although the shipments have fallen off greatly this month as compared with the corresponding month of last year, owing to the stormy weather and the searcity of tonnage. Current quotations are: ell 10s. 31. to 10s. 6d., as compared with 8s. 6d. to 8s. 9d. at this time last year; splint 10s 9d. to 11s., as against 8s. 9d. to 9s. 6d.; and main 9s. 6d., as against 8s. Nuts and all small stuffs are in continued request at full prices. A good deal of negotiating is going on with regard to forward contracts. Advices received in Scotland report a very strong market at Alexandria and diminished stocks.

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The Newcastle market is very active, and some coalowners are experiencing great pressure for deliveries under contracts. There is not much surplus coal for sale at present, and for what there is high figures are obtained. Best Northumbrian steam is quoted 12s. 6d. to 12s. 9d. f.o.b., and 12s. 6d. is being paid for bunkers. Some big contracts have lately been fixed by Newcastle firms, including a large one for steam coals for Hamburg. Gas coal is reported to have been sold over next year at 12s. f.o.b. The Lancashire coal trade remains as already reported, with a big turnover and steady prices. "Slack" is getting scarce, and higher prices are spoken of. Some coalowners say they can hardly keep up with the damands of their customers. In South Wales there is very great activity. A scarcity of tonnage in consequence of the bad weather caused a droop in prices last week, but they soon hardened up again as vessels arrived. A sobering effect was caused by the report that the Admiralty had declined to buy at the extravagant prices now asked by Welsh sellers, and had sent large orders to the North. Since then amended tenders have been invited for 150,000 tons for early shipment. The output just now is below average, and there is really very little surplus over contracts to sell, and as the end of the year approaches buyers on contracts will be more and more pressing for deliveries. It is said that smalls have been sold, to 10s. for best, 9s. for seconds, and 8s. 3d. for thirds. Best steam is quoted 17s. 6d. to 18s., seconds 16s. 9d., and thirds 16s. 3d. Dry is in active domand at from 15s. to 15s. 6d. Monm uthishire coals are rather scarce, and best descriptions have brought from 15s. to 15s. 6d. for best brands. Coke is in strong demand. Newport reports steam coal in good demand and prices advancing. Faurplay Nov, 23d.

#### COAL EXPORTS FROM GREAT BRITAIN TO BRAZIL

DURING THE MONTH OF OCTOBER 1899 From Cory Bros. & Co's Export List

origin	8. 1	WALES	NORTH CO	UNTRY	SCOTLAND	торкзите	TOTAL
Destination	Freight	Quantity	Freight	Quantity	quautit y	Quantity	Quantity
Bahia (sail). R. de Janeiro S.S. Pernambuco(sail) Pará R. G. do Sul S. Catharina Santos Waranhão	13]- 15]- 18]- 26]- 21]- 20]- 15]-	2,381 27,836 2,048 7,119 3,452 8,317 1,109 52,262	13/6 15/- 14/- 14/- 25/- - 17/- 14/-	535 716 253 1,600 446 3,550	=	2,590 3,048	7,11 3,70 12,50 1,55

### Railway Alews and Enterprise.

Calls for Tenders

Dec. 26. At the Ministry of Industry etc., for the supply of Cardiff Steam Coal, oil, etc., for use of the steam tugs.

Doc. 26. At the Ministry of Industry etc., for the supply of oil and other stores to the 2nd section of the Directoria Geral da

Dec. 23rd. Central Railway for supply of oil and other stores during 1,900.

A New Line of Railway. The traffic on the first section of the S. Paulo and Rio Grande Railway was inaugurated last week. This line is designed to connect the S. Paulo system starting from the Itaracé, a station on the Sorocabana Railway on the frontier of Paraná, it will traverse the States of Paraná and join the terminus of the Chemim de Fer Sud-Ouest Brésiliens on the frontier of Paraná and Rio Grande do Sul, a total distance of over 900 kilometres, exclusive of a branch to the upper Paraná 900 kilometres more.

The section that has just been inaugurated measures 229 kilometres and is a proof of the tenacity and energy of its originators, who, in spite of all the difficulties of a crisis that has overwhelmed nearly all similar enterprises, have made so excellent a beginning.

The Company is National, with an authorised capital of 24.000:000\$ of which 13.000:000\$ have been realised. There is likewise a debenture issue of 25,000,000 trancs of 5 p.c. issued in Paris. There is a Union guarantee of 6 % on 30 contes gold per kilometre.

The first section extends 229 kilometres from Pirahy to Rebouças passing through Castro and Ponta Grossa, a station on the Curityba railway already in traffic.

The line is of a metre gauge and the first section comprises the following bridges:— Rio Yapé, 114 metres; Rio Verde, 20 ms.; Rio Tibagy, 192 ms.; Garuana, 49 ms.; Rio Minas, 2 spans of 40 metres each and Rio Imbituva, 1 span of 40 ms.

Espirito Santo and Caravellas Railway. - The report for the year ended April 30 last, to be presented at the general meeting held in London on 17th Nov., states that the deed of transfer conveying the properties in Brazil to this company was signed on April 28, 1898, and from that date the railway in the State of Espirito Santo has been worked by the company. The permanent way and rolling stock were in a very bad state of repair when handed over, and considerable outlay has been necessary to place them in serviceable condition. A large part of the time of Dr. M. E. do Prado, the late manager, and of his staff was absorbed in the execution of extraordinary repairs which have been carried out with all possible economy. The amount charged to railway reconstruction account for repairs of this character is £ 2,213. The board is advised that considerable improvements have been made, although much still remains to be done to bring the railway to a state of efficiency in which it can be worked at a minimum of cost. The gross railway earnings, including the receipts from the fluvial service, amounted to Rs. 209,319\$595, equal at the exchange of 8d. to £ 6,977, and the expenses to Rs. 211,832\$220, equal at the exchange of 8d, to £ 7,051. The licence to this company to act as bouded warehousemen in respect to the Trapiche Reis in Rio de Janeiro was not granted until December 20, 1898. During the period from April 28, 1898, to that date, the warehouse was being gradually emptied by the withdrawal of goods and as the company was unable to take in any further goods until the new licence was issued, no profit was derived from this source. The directors are informed that the Trapiche Reis has been a source of considerable revenue in the past, and it is hoped that the company may receive a fair income from it in the future. The Government of the State of Espirito Santo is indebted to the company for a large amount of guaranteed interest, but thus far the board has not succeeded in obtaining payment of any part thereof. On the other hand the State has made a claim against the company for transfer duty on the railway. Mr. Edward J. Lynch, the company's logal representative in Brazil, is negotiating with the Government with a view to arriving at a settlement. No credit for the overdue guaranteed interest being taken in the statement of accounts now presented, the revenue account shows a debit balance of £1,647, after payment of administration charges in Rio de Janeiro and London and of debenture stock interest. The directes have decided to take no fees for their services during the past year. Dr. M. E. do Prado resigned his position as manager of the railway on August 23 last, and Sen. Silvio Bressau, an Italian engineer lately connected with the Leopoldina railway, has been appointed in his stead.

#### DONNA THEREZA CHRISTINA RAILWAY

The report of the directors of the Donna Thereza Christina Railway Company, Ltd., for the year ended 30th June last, to be presented at the meeting held in London states that the gross traffic receipts during; the year have been Rs. 137:575\$540, as compared with Rs126:1319580, and the expenses Rs407:158\$800, as compared with Rs405:224\$679 in 1897-98. The London office and

other expenses have been £2,522, as compared with £2,535 in the previous year, and the result of the year's working in Brazil and London has been a loss of £10,585, as compared with £10,340 in 1897-98. The guarantee for the whole year has been paid with the usual punctuality, but in funding bonds, half of which have been sold at the rate of 89 5/8 per cent., realising a net amount of £19,781. The amount due from the Government for the same period was £22,086. The other half was received after 30th June last, and therefore after the period covered by the present report. Proposals for repairing the damage caused by the serious flood in 1897 have been submitted to the Brazilian Government and are still under consideration. 102 debenture bonds have been drawn during the year, and paid off under the terms of the trust deed. The total amount  $\boldsymbol{o}_{f}$ debenture capital redeemed to date is £115,700. The net revenue has been credited as heretofore with proportion of their fees returned by the Board, and with a further amount arising from the fact that the directors have taken their remuneration in funding bonds. After charging the net revenue account with the loss on working, the loss on the sale of the funding bonds, the London office and other expenses and the amount required for the redemption of bonds, there remains a credit balance of £18,520, including the balance brought down from 1897-98, out of which the directors recommend a dividend at the rate of 11/2 per cent. per annum, or 6s per share, free of income-tax, leaving a balance of £13,886 to be carried forward. As the preferred shares are entitled to a cumulative dividend of 7 per cent. per annum, there will be due to them £16,881 in respect of the year ended 30th June last, in addition to previous arrears. Heember 13

The S. Paulo Railway, Lighted Power Co. The Jornal do Commercio of 13th contains a very interesting description of the works in progress for this Company.

For the traction of their tramways throughout the city of São Paulo as well as for illumination and the supply of motive power to the various industries the Co. Is constructing a most important hydraulic installation on the River Tiété near the small town of Parnahyba. The force developed will be transmitted in the form of electric energy to the city of São Paulo over a distance of about 35 kiloms. The total force it is proposed to develop is 16.000 H. P. but the present installation is for only 8.000 H. P. of which, after allowing for leakage, it is expected that 80% or say 6.400 H. P. will be available in São Paulo city, the very moderate loss of 20% being due to the high degree of perfection of the installation.

The fall availed of is only 22 1/2 meta, which necessitates a very large body of water to give the force required, and the hydraulic works include a steel pipe 900 mets. long with the enormous diameter of 4 mets, also a reservoir, of which one of the walls is to be 12 mets, high by 200 meta, long the meta. There will be 4 turbines, each of a capacity of 2,000 H.P. the

diameter being = 1.20 and the speed 200 revolutions per minute.

The electricity will be generated at 1,000 volts transformed up

to 20,000 volts for transmission to the outskirts of São Paulo city, where it will be reduced to 2.000 volts.

The installation is said to be in importance second only to those at Niagara.

It is expected that the works will be finished in July of the coming year.

#### SUNDRY TRAFFIC RETURNS.

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	Alagóas	Sept	29:608\$	34:886\$	496:271\$	626:302 <b>\$</b>
l	cisco	2 w'ks Oct. 2	£ 4,314	£ 4,319	₹ 38,048	₹ 39,050
l	do Timbo branch,		₹ 368	1. 622	£ 2,723	£ 4,768
l	Braz.Gt. Southern	Oct	10:0004	10:2224	132:000\$	122:6671
ı	Central Bahia	Sep	67:4823	86:8224	829:1892	1.144:8246
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l	tina	Nov	0:1924	10:4142	58:996	52:0224
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l	Leopoidina	Dec 2	272:943	231:5454	Z 496,076	Z 501,534
ì	do	,, 9	230:788	228:427	£ 5/12,807	£ 509,029
ı	Minas & Rio	Sept	153:611	164:496	485:0254	480:947\$
l	Natal & N.Cruz .	Aug	10:853	11:711		
ł	Recife & S. Fran-		101000			
ı	cisco	Oct. 14	31:5098	31:3896	1.201:3528	1.422:4298
I	do	., 21	39:442\$	34:3394	1.213:7948	1.455:7078
l	do	,, ¥8	43:6436	4111796	1.287:1375	1.197:945
ı	S. Paulo Railway	Swks Oct. 29		£ 31,715	1170111014	1.10
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