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Motes

Our usual cable from Pará will be found in the Money Market Section.

Despatch of Merchandise. Santos merchants are demanding from Government that the cargo arrived per s.s. Corsica, Paranaguá and California, that have already touched and discharged their cargoes at this and Northern ports but will arrive at Santos too late to gain advantage of the lower tariff, shall be admitted under the rates and regulations of 1899 and thus placed on a par with other ports.

It cannot be denied that there is some appearance of justice in what is asked, as the delay was partially caused by quarantine regulations.

On the other hand there is no reason why if an exception be made in favour of Santos it should not be extended to other ports like Corumbá, and aerchandise entering in February or March be despatched subject to the tariff of 1900.

All this goes to prove what we said last week, the necessity of a hard and fast rule that will consult all interests and admit of no exceptions. This would relieve the Minister of responsibility and annoyance, and when it was clearly understood that it would in no case be departed from, merchants would quickly adapt themselves to circumstances and see that their goods arrived in time. If they did not it would be their own fault so long as they had plenty of notice.

A Treasury order declares that until the regulations for the payment of the new *Consumo* tax on commodities are ready the tax will be paid on imported goods on despatch at the Custom houses, etc., and on National manufactures when exposed for sale, utilising the stamps in use for other classes until the special issue be ready.

Table showing the denomination, quantity and value of the paper money in circulation on 31 December 1899

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Res non Verba. As we announced in our last number 131,226 notes, being 117,528 issued by the Treasury, 3,324 of the Banco da Republica dos Estados Unidos do Brazil and 10,374 of the ex Banco da Republica, of the total value of 2.000:000\$ were destroyed on the 5th inst, in accordance with the terms of the funding agreement.

From next Friday forward the same value will be destroyed every week, one thousand on account of the funding loan and the other on account of the 35.000.000\$ issued by the Bank of the Republic at the close of 1897 or 1898 with the guarantee of securities which are now being withdrawn by the bank.

The Bank, it will be remembered, deposited in guarantee of this emission a large quantity of bonds of the 6 per cent. internal issue (currency) of 1897. By an arrangement with the holders of the internal 1889 four per cent sterling loan it was agreed by the bank to exchange nine of the 1897 currency bonds for five gold bonds of 1889, and that the exchanged bonds should be deposited as security for the note issue without interest until Government was able to purchase them at the stipulated rate of 1:750\$ each, the equivalent being then destroyed.

It is this highly advantageous arrangement that reflects the greatest credit on the ability of the Minister of Finance that is now about to be executed, by which not only will 35.000:coo\$ of superabundant paper money be withdrawn from circulation, but a heavy liability will be permanently reduced and the internal debt unified, as it should be, on the basis of a single standard.

As we pointed out some time ago at 7 d exchange the gain to the Treasury will be equivalent to 850:626\$ or over £ 25,000 per annum.

During the past week 5.800:000\$ have been paid by the Caixa de Amortisação (Debt Comissioners) as interest on Apelices (internal bonds).

It is the intention of the Treasury to burn the 1889 gold bonds as received and thus prevent the possibility of their being re-issued.

The extraordinary firmness of internal bonds of all kinds contrasts notably with the weakness of all other descriptions of stock and in view of the almost unprecedented tightness of money

shows that the Country's internal credit has already recovered as we feel sure its foreign credit will do likewise.

The cause of the firmness we believe to be not so much distrust of industrial securities, because there are some every whit as good as Government bonds, but because a very large sum is annually forced by law to invest in this class, for instance orphans' inheritances, certain descriptions of reserve funds and those of charitable institutions. Consequently there is, outside of the general public, a regular and steady demand, and as there has been no new issue for some years, but on the contrary old issues are being paid off, the remainder are kept steady with an inclination to rise.

AN ESTIMATE OF THE REVENUE FOR 1899

The returns received from fifteen different Customs and Treasury Agencies (delegacias) show receipts for the months of November and December to amount to 4.099:961\$ gold and 42.159:502\$ in paper currency, equivalent at the corresponding rates of exchange to little over \$8.000:000\$ in paper currency.

Allowing 2.000:000\$ more (a low estimate) for the districts from which returns have not yet been received it seems almost certain that with the 200.000:000\$ already accounted for up to 31st October, the total revenue collected at the Customs and Delegacias will reach, if it do not exceed, 260.000:000\$, as against our estimate in November of 250.000:000\$, the difference being accounted for by the extraordinary impulse given to imports in December, that exceeded all expectations.

On this basis it is probable that the total revenue will reach a minimum of 320,000:000\$ as follows:—

 From Customs and Treasury agencies (delegacias)
 260.000:000\$

 Accounted for by the Inland Revenue office (Recebedoria) of the Capital.
 22.800:000\$

 Central Railway Receipts
 36.000:000\$

 Sundry Collectors, etc.
 1.200:000\$

 320.000:000\$

We regard this as a decidedly low estimate likely to be exceeded.

The Budget law appraised revenue for 1898 at 22.000:000\$ gold and 329.114:000\$ in paper currency.

As a matter of fact it appears likely that revenue will prove to have not much exceeded 18.500:000\$ gold and 292.000:000\$ in paper.

In spite, however, of its not coming up to the estimates, are eventuality we pointed out at the time, it is certain that should it reach 320.000:000\$ in view of the important reductions effected in expenditure, it will not only suffice to meet all current expenditure but to leave a not inconsiderable surplus.

At the same time it is well to bear in mind that a great part of December receipts in reality correspond to 1900, and that without them a falling off of revenue is possible unless compensated by the extra 5 % duties collected in gold and the new excise dues.

RIO DE JANEIRO CUSTOMS REVENUE FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER

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Potal ze Months Janua	ry/De	cember		 	 	165:938\$	86.563:4848	87.180:481\$	6.935:373\$	71.939:902\$	96.933:9498	+	11.

Rio de Janeiro Customs Revenue for the twelve months ending December 31 shows an increase of 9.713:468\$ reduced to paper at the corresponding rates of exchange equivalent to 33.3%.

Reduced to paper at the corresponding rates of exchange the Rio Customs revenue in 1899 exceeded that of 1898 by 5.477:666\$ equivalent to 11.2%. Excluding the receipts of December of both years, the greater part of which represent in reality discounts of the revenue of the subsequent years originating in the increase of duties, the figures are as follows:—

										,	12 mo's. Dec/Nov.
1897/8.											83.172:402\$
1898/9.	٠	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	٠		91.505:860\$
Increase	18	398	3/9	9.							8.333:458\$

Whichever way the matter be looked at it is evident that there has been an indisputable increase due principally to the collection of part of the duties in gold, the total gold receipts at this Custom House alone being 6.935;373\$ against only 165:938\$ in 1898, their agio, or premium, exceeded 18.000:000\$000.

PROSPEROUS PARA'

We are in receipt of the report of the Associação Commercial or Chamber of Commerce of Belém, commonly known as Pará, for 1898, an epitome in petto of the progress and prosperity of that wonderful State.

What coffee was to us ten years ago rubber is now to Pará. and the Amazon, where if fortunes are not to be picked up in the streets at least they are to be made by tapping trees in the forest. What could be easier?

How the trade of Amazonia must be growing can be judged from its shipping. The oversea and coasting trade is carried on by seventeen different companies or owners, the chief being the Lloyd Brazileiro with 11 steamers of an aggregate of 18,641 tons, and the Booth line of Liverpool with 23,660 tons, the Rcd Gross line of Liverpool coming next with 10,865 tons, making, with others, a total of 73,615 tons employed in the oversea and coasting trade only.

In addition there are one hundred and six steamers besides nine tugs employed exclusively in the river service aggregating 27,259 tons!

Of these thirty five steamers with 14,058 tons belong to the Amazon Navigation Company, Lim. and the rest, seventy one in number, to private firms, the largest private owner being A. Berneaud & Co. with eight steamers aggregating 2,492 tons.

The average tonnage of the steamers of the Amazon Navigation Company is 400 tons, and highest 775 tons, whilst the average of the 71 private steamers is 180 tons and highest 550 tons.

Of the total number of steamers entered the port of Belém in 1898, 260 carried the Brazilian flag, 197 the British, 21 the

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Italian, 11 the Portuguese, 1 the German and 1 the Peruvian. Of 123 sailing vessels, 53 were Norwegian, 13 Portuguese, 10 French and only 9 English.

In 1894 only 303 steamers and 140 sailers entered the port with a total of 553,672 tons. In 1898 the total tonnage had increased to 610,597.

The inland carrying trade seems to be fairly divided between the Amazon Navigation Company and private owners, as in 1898 that Company carried 1,264 tons of cocoa out of a total of 3,707 tons, and 4,081 tons of Rubber out of a total of 15,673 tons, of which 2,974 were brought in by canoes.

Nothing could bear better testimony to the prosperity of Pará than its shipping, and the employment of over 100,000 tons for the business of a population of little over half a million.

Naturally it is rubber that takes the lead and absorbs the greater part of Amazonian energies, the production of the State having risen from 15,955 tons in 1894 to 15,763 tons in 1898, but does not entirely absorb attention, agriculture, in spite of the superior attractions of rubber, showing a decided advance.

Cocoa cultivation which fell off in 1896 has revived again, whilst that of Rice, Farinha de Mandioca, Mollasses, Rum, Corn, Fish and Tobacco have all wonderfully increased during the last five years, owing principally to the unremitting efforts of the present Governor Dr. Paes de Carvalho to encourage agricultural pursuits and immigration.

During the year 1898 the value of domestic products exported by the State exclusive of those in transit from Manáos amounted to 131.847:862\$ of which 126.103:397\$ corresponded to 1ubber, 2.383:813\$ to Cocoa, 2.032:686\$ to Nuts and the rest to sundries.

The progress during the last five years is shown by the following table.

OFFICIAL VALUATION OF EXPORTS

1898	 	131.847:862\$
1897		116.975:071\$
1896	 	95.035:296\$
1895		84.165:428\$
1894		75.405:842\$

Of the total in 1898, Great Britain took 60.267:075\$, the United States 64.203:511\$, France 6.631:574\$ and other countries only 745:740\$000.

The quantity and value of the produce shipped in transit from Manaos and the upper Amazon increases every year. In 1894 it was valued at only 21.948:284\$ and rose in 1898 to 60.418:462\$ the largest share going to Great Britain.

The total production in tons of the three principal articles produced by the State during the last five years was as follows:—

	1898	1897	1896	1895	1894
Rubber	15,763	15,588	15,348	15,461	13,955
Cocoa					
Nuts	68	56	56	47	118

Exports of rubber were alone valued at £7,600,000 for 1897 and £7,700,000 in 1898. For 1898 they are likely to have reached £8,000,000 or about £14 per head, a rate equalled but by very few other countries and probably excelled by none not even the Australian colonies or Uruguay.

In a Country that produces so much with so, comparative, little labour there must be plenty of money to spend and even to waste. So if there are any young and enterprising men in search of a Golconda so long as they don't mind the heat or a little feverishness they can't do better than try Pará and if they don't make their pile it must be because they "have not the method of making a forture"

Noble Examples. It is such testimony that make thinking men proud to be Englishmen, the thought that whatever mistakes or backsliding there may occasionally be, the country at heart is sound and our people true as ever to the great principles of liberty and equality for all, alien or citizen, Jew or Gentile.

A meeting was held on Saturday night at the Jewish Working Men's Club, Great Alic-st., for the purpose of assisting the Mansion House Widows' and Orphans' Fund.

Sir I muel Montagu, M. P., was in the chair. "Many of you," he said, "were driven from your old country by persecution. But here you enjoy equal rights and privileges with all.

Now, why are English Jews appreciated in this country? Because they recognise that citizenship entails responsibilities. It is your duty to act up to your responsibilities, to support the widows and orphans of those who have fallen in the service of the country, and thus to show her Majesty the Queen that the foreign Jews are among the most loyal of her subjects."

But it was not till the foreign preacher of the minor Eastend synagogues began that the audience really waxed enthusiastic. His speech was one long and passionate outburst of loyalty to England which aroused tremendous enthusiasm among his hearers. Frequently he referred to this country as a "holy land," and declared that the greatest honor which had ever been given him was the glory of British citizenship.

Then taking his purse from his pocket, he held up to his brethren the half-guinea he was prepared to give to the fund and bade them do likewise. The audience, deeply moved, responded eagerly, and in a few minutes the few hundred poor Polish Hebrews had handed up £ 40 to Sir Samuel Montagu.

The following telegram was dispatched to the Queen:

The Jewish naturalised British subjects assembled at the Jewish Working Men's Club Great Alie-st., Whitechapel, for the purpose of contributing to the Lord Mayor's Fund on behalf of the widows and orphans of soldiers, beg to convey to her Most Gracious Majesty their deep sense of gratitude for the liberty and equal rights vouchsafed to them in this country. They beg to subscribe themselves her Majesty's most loyal and dutiful subjects.

About 300 Band of Hope children collected, in the course of two hours, about £ 100, mostly in coppers, in various streets in Northampton on behalf of the local reservists fund.

OTHER PEOPLES' OPINIONS

Brazilian Finance. The London Globe of Dec. 5th quoting from our number of November 14 says: —

"The Brazilian Review is as firm a believer in the honesty of the Government of that country as ever, and the Rio News has got an excellent foeman."

The Statist of 9th ult' says that hopes are entertained once more that an advance in the Brazilian exchange will soon be witnessed. In the first place, the repayments of the Treasury bills will be completed at the end of this month. The Brazilian Government has hitherto been paying about £90,000 a month in London, and the payment naturally weighed upon the exchange market. In a few weeks the payments will cease, and there ought, in consequence, to be some recovery in exchange. Moreover, there is an improvement in the price of coffee. It is true that anticipations at present are that the crop will be smaller than of late years. But if there is a material advance in price, the decrease in quantity will be more than made up for by the increase in value. At all events, that is the view taken by those who ought to be well-informed. The existing Administration is anxious to improve the credit of the country, and is doing what it can for that purpose. But the extravagance and mismanagement - to use no stronger language - of the revolutionary Governments that preceded it were so great that it will take a considerable time to restore the credit of Brazil to what it once was".

From the Westminster Budget. "A Soldier and a Tory" forwards the subjoined extracts from a letter, dated Grahamstown, November 5, from one of his sons, an Oxford graduate, on the staff of a college in Cape Colony, giving his views as to the action of the Government and the conduct of the war which are entitled to attention:

"This has been a very sad week to us after the Nicholson's Nek disaster — the worst blow to British prestige since Isandhlwana and Majuba Hill. Certainly England ought to be governed by Quakers and placed under the protection of France and Russia, unless British Governments will realise that they must be absolutely ready for a war before they bring it on. There is no justification for the fact that the troops now on the ocean are not, all of them, at the front stemming the tide of Boer invasion, which is ruining thousands of loyal Colonists, who never dreamt that the swaggering Jingoes in London would be too supine to help them in the hour of danger.

"We have all been very proud of the doings of the Imperial Light Horse, which has probably fought better than any men ever did since the world began. . . It has already lost more than 25 per cent. in killed and wounded. . . Nor was it necessary to show the Boers that Englishmen were brave. I have never heard a Dutchman doubt it. What they think is that English soldiers are fools. They are now more convinced of this than ever.

"A couple of regiments make a bayonet charge up a steep hill, lose half their officers and many men. The Boers run away with their tongues in their checks, and say, "A few more fights like this and there will be no British Army left," which is true.

"And it is for this that some of our best men have thrown away their lives, and many British soldiers too. If the English Generals can do no better than this, let them say so, and we will find some farmer or policeman who knows the country and can fight the Poers."

Our correspondent, an experienced soldier, adds that he entirely agrees with his son's criticisms.

The Money Market Review in its shipping notes of 16 Dec' runs a mucker again, and indulges in the most reckless statements as regards our Customs tariffs.

"After all" it writes, "we ought not to be in a hurry to throw stones at the fiscal proposals of China. The Brazilian Republic, open to all the advantages of Western civilization, is giving the fiscal methods of China a very good second. On and after the first of January next the Brazilian imfort duties will be augmented by 50 per cent."

We will not stop to discuss the wisdom or unwisdom of protection but merely enquire again, as we had occasion to do a short time ago, where on earth our esteemed and generally well informed contemporary gets its Brazilian news?

Certaily not from the *Brazilian Review*, as otherwise it would know that what has been raised is the percentage of duties collected in gold, from 10 to 15%, equivalent at current exchange to an all round increase of 14 1/2 percent, diminishing, of course, as exchange rises, as it is heped it will.

The Times in its money article of 11th ult. says: -

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"Senhor Murtinho, the Brazilian Minister of Finance, in a report to the President of the Republic on the affairs of his Department gives an interesting essay on the effect of over issue of bank notes on the value of the mil reis. It is very difficult to destroy the belief in the possibility of maintaining by ingenious arrangements inconvertible notes at par. Not merely in South America, but in more than one European country, over-issues of paper-money representing the national money have been made with disastrous results. Sr. Murtinho deserves great credit for the trouble he has taken in this respect to explain to his Countrymen the principles on which bank notes can be safely issued, and in order to show the consequences of violation of these principles he has drawn up a table, (published in one of our previous issues and, therefore, not repeated here).

" The main facts here shown are familiar to most people, but the details are instructive. It will be seen that the great additions to the notes in the first five years of the Republic produced a great fall of exchange. The consequence was that when the circulation attained its maximum point its market value was only 1 1/2 million sterling above the sterling value of the small note circulation in 1889. The sterling value continued to fall until March of 1899 when the steady reduction of the volume of bank notes allowed to remain in circulation carried out month by month began to raise the exchange. The exchange has since fallen again but perseverance in this wise policy will unquestionably continue to produce similar good results though there may be occasional checks to the process. All fossible support should be given by friends of Brazil to the Minister and the President, who are endeavouring, with fair success, to carry out the fromises they made a year ago. That inconvertible paper may be kept at par by limiting its amount in accordance with the movements in exchange is shown by the experience of France in 1870 to 1871, when the Bank of France succeeded in preventing any material fall in the gold value of its notes.

"But if no attention is paid to the volume of paper in circulation, the business community at once recognise the existence of excessive supply by reducing the market value of the notes".

Books and Notices. El Boletim de la Union Industrial Argentina, a new protectionist organ published in B. Aires. The opening number has an interesting article showing the comparative increase of the commerce of different countries from 1840 to 1894.

	1840	1894
British Empire	744	4.877
United States	218	1.610
Germany	263	1.730
Austria Hungary	104	1.070
Holland	142	1.070
	471	10.357
Latin Races:	. • • •	
	288	1.385
Italy (1850)	155	425
Belgium.	62	575
Sp iin.	30	295
Portugal	18	70
-	553	2.750

Whilst the Germanic and great manufacturing countries have increased their wealth 604 % in Latin countries it has augmented only 397 %

Calendars. We have to thank Messrs Walter Block and Co for a calendar for 1900 accompanying a sample of the Gato Preto matches for which they are agents, as also Messrs. P. S. Nicholson & Co for a pretty calendar issued by the Liverpool London & Globe Insurance Co., Lim, and Messrs Macedo & Magalhães for two excellent office calendars.

Business is so bad this year that many houses have not issued calendars at all, which is, however, scarcely to be regretted as it is possible to have too much even of calendars.

General Alews

— Not content with "white monkeys" S. Paulo has now discovered a four legged chicken. If it happen to want a few two legged asses we think we know where it could be suited.

— Yellow fever is bad at Casa Branca on the Paulista line. There being 17 cases last week.

— Rough on rats. The S. Paulo Municipality is offering 400 reis again for dead rats. Up to date 35,000 rats have been incinerated at the cost of about 14:000\$000!

— Three hundred pounds were collected in the small British community of Morro Velho for the Mansion House Fund for soldiers' widows and orphans. This, we believe, beats the South American record so far.

— The monument to Cabral in celebration of the 4th Centenary of the discovery of this great and glorious Country is completed and expected to arrive in April. It is said to represent Cabral in an attitude of ecstasy inspired, we suppose, by the gorgeous prospect then unspoiled by Portuguese efforts at architecture. Statues as a rule are a failure here, being dwarfed and made ridiculous by their giant surroundings, perhaps this will be an exception.

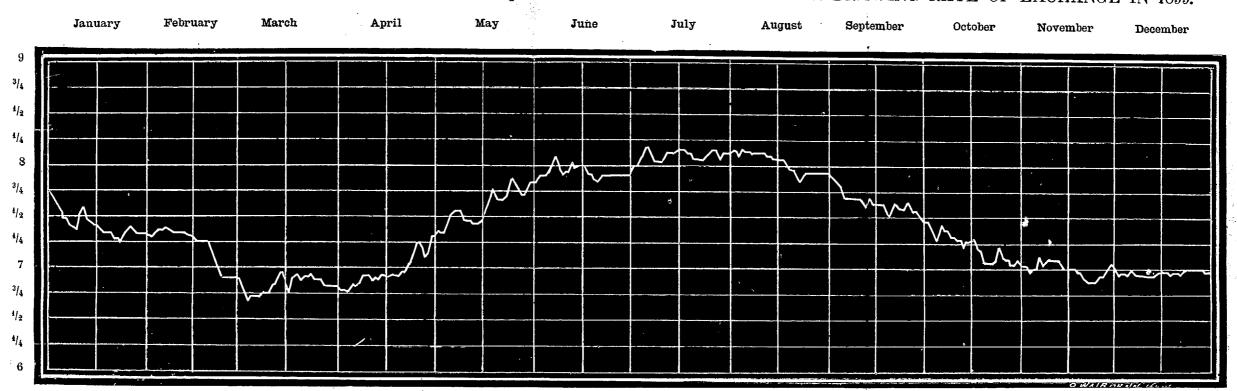
— The division that will accompany the President of the Republic to Buenos Aires will be composed of the cruisers Riachuelo, Almirante Barroso and the torpedo catcher Tamoro. Something was said about taking the home-made Tamandare as well, but that idea has, we believe, been abandoned as too risky.

- General Solon de Sampaio Ribeiro is reported to be dangerously ill.

— The year has made a good start in the Fire line. On the very first day the building in the Rua do Carmo comprising a barber's shop at No 30 A, insured in the *Union Co.* for 20:000\$, the boot shop at 30 B, insured in the *Vigilante* and the tailor's shop No 30, insured in the *Integridade* for 25:000\$ were burned to the ground.

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DIAGRAM SHOWING THE OSCILLATIONS OF THE DAILY AVERAGE BANK COUNTER DRAWING RATE OF EXCHANGE IN 1899.



Monthly Average and Maximum and Minimum Bank Counter Drawing Rates. 1899

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Extremes for the year were, Maximum (5 July) $8^{3}/_{32}$, and Minimum (3 March) $6^{43}/_{64}$.

- Admiral Ed. Wandenkolk has been appointed chief of the staff in place of Rear Admiral Barreto, resigned and appointed Inspector of Harbours etc. for the Northern District.
- There has been great excitement at Pernambuco over the elections where the irrepressible Delmiro seems to be again in trouble.
- Silveira Nery and Monsenhor Coutinho have been nominated by the Republican party of Amazonas as candidates for the Governor and *Vice*-Governorship.
- Santos is getting quite "too beastly healthy". On the 29th not a single interment took v/ace in the Paqueta Cemetery. No wonder doctors are keen on the peste; at this rate their occupation must be pretty nearly gone.
- The Diario of Buenos Aires says it is intended to spend two million fesos or about £ 160,000 on Dr. Campos Salles' reception. Well we suppose they can afford it, but it looks a lot of money. Here we did the thing properly on less than £ 50,000, but Argentines are terribly fond of a show and never spare their money, not to mention that they perhaps have more to spend just now with paper money nearly at par and everything booming.
- The Republican party at Bahia has nominated Dr. Severino Vieira, the present Minister of Industry and Public Works, as its candidate for the Governorship of that State. They could not have a better man.
- The Spanish Government has refused a subvention to the projected Transatlantica line to South America.
- The new ironclad Marechal Deodoro passed las Palmas on the 2nd. inst.
- Another fire. The *Derly* market, Pernambuco, of which Col. Delmiro Gouvea is co-proprietor, was destroyed by fire on the 1st inst. Col. Delmiro is now a prisoner.
- The Minister of Industry etc., has refused the petition of the Municipality of Ouro Preto to extend the reductions granted on the down rates of the Central Railway for cereals to imported cereals likewise, on the grounds that the object of the reduction is to encourage national production and not the importation of foreign produce.
- The President of the Republic Dr. Campos Salles left for Petropolis on Friday where he will pass the summer months coming to town on Fridays. During his villegiatura the days for despatching business will be changed to Mondays for Finance; Tuesdays, Marine; Wednesdays, Justice; Thursdays, Public Works, etc., and Saturdays, Foreign affairs. At least this is what the Gazeta says, though where the Minister of War comes in it is hard to say unless Sunday, which is scarcely likely, not even the most rigid. Puritan being more adverse to working on Sundays than Brazilians. It's only editors who have to grind week in and week out and be thankful if they can steal a few hours for sleep. If anyone wants to know what real hard work at small pay is let them try a month in our office whilst we go off on a holiday.
- O Pais says that on Dr. Severino Vieira's resignation his place as Minister of Industry, Public Works, etc., will be taken by the present Minister of Justice, who in turn will come from a Northern State and not be, rara avis, a politician!
- The employees of the Custom house lost their Sunday, but in compensation received from the Inspector a well merited elogium for the hearty and thorough manner in which they co-operated in the despatch of the enormous business condensed into the last few days of the month.

No compliment was ever better deserved, and we do not doubt will be endorsed before long in a practical manner by the Commercial body at large.

- Poor old *Newsance*, even his patrão is going back on him! If he don't look out sharp and work the patriotic vein for all it's worth, before he knows where he is there will, we very much fear, be a correspondent in search of a job.
- General Mallet, the actual Minister of War, has been promoted to the post of Field Marshal.
- There was no quorum at the meeting of members of the Larangeiras Club on Friday.
- The enquiry by Dr. Porchats into the alleged malpractices of Col. Anacleto Pires and his son on their plantation at Avaré in S. Paulo confirms the accusation of threatening and assaulting colonists', but not that of assassination, and recommends that they should be prosecuted by the Public prosecutor.

Permission has been granted to the Societa de Exportazione, Eurico Dell'acqua, to carry on business in the Republic with a realized capital of 10,000,000 liras to be employed in the country.

The company undertakes to publish monthly balance sheets. This authorization does not include banking operations that require a special licence from the Treasury. Government reserves the right of examining the Company's books and of ordering its liquidation should it be shown that any of the clauses of the authorization had been violated.

— A telegram received by the *Jornal do Commercio* states that a company is being formed at Hamburg with a Capital of £ 600,000 to conduct banking and rubber business at Pará.

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Money and Share Market

QUOTATIONS DURING THE WEEK, ENDING JANUARY 5 1900 WERE AS FOLLOWS:

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

	В	MAXI	MUM AND UNTER D	MINIMU RAWING	M RATES	
DECEMBER	91	0 d/s			SIGHT	
	London -	Paris	Hamb.	Italy	Portngal	BYerk
Saturday — 30 1900	6 18/16 6 31/32	1.369 1.375	1.690 1.702	1.316 1.330	553 582	7.224 7.257
Monday - 1 Jan .	1 -		_	-		_
Tuesday _ 2	6 18/16	1.375	1.697 1.702	1.316 1.330	555 582	7.251 7.257
Wednesday — 3	6 18/16	1.350 1.375	1.667 1.702	1.295 1.330	547 582	7.000 7.257
Thursday — 4	7 1/16 7 1/8	1 3 10 1.351	1.653 1.672	1.291 1.307	511 572	7.062 7.126
Friday - 5	7 1/16	1,351	1.667 1,672	1.292 1.307	547 572	7.126
Average	7 1/64	1.361	1.682	1.311	563	7.171

OFFICIAL RATES DECEMBER 90 · d/a ^ SIGHT Hamb. London Paris Hamb. Italy 3. York Saturday ___ 1,338 1.680 1.362 1.682 6 63/64 1.365 1.685 1.307 7.078 7 1/32 1.674 7 1/86 Wednesday- 3'. . 1.356 1.339 1.678 1.301 7.016 1.332 1.615 7 1/65 7 8/09 1.618 1.27 6.923 Thursday - 4. . . 1.335 1,060 7 8/44 1.344 1.063 1.280 6.984 - 5.. 3/14 1.347 1.070 7 1/11 7 3/44 1.352 1.355 1.673 1.297 Average

Monday, Jan. 1. Holiday.

Tuesday Jan. 2. All the banks maintained their 90 d/s counterdrawing rates at 6 15/16d. throughout the day.

The market opened with bank paper quoted at 6 31/32 d. and private offered at 7 d. with money at 7 1/32 d., the German bank offering to draw for a short time at 7 d. which later on was imitated by the other banks. After a slight reaction to 6 31/32 d. for bank the market finally closed with two of the banks drawing at 7 d. and private quoted at 7 1/32 to 7 1/16 d.

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and private quoted at 7 1/32 to 7 1/16 d.

Wednesday, Jan. 3. The British and French Banks opened with their 90 d/s. counter-drawing rates at 7 d. which became general, the German bank later on raising its rate to 7 1/16 d.

The market opened with bank paper quoted at 7 d. and business done in private outside at 7 1/32 d. money being freely offered at 7 1/16 d; rates stiffening and rising until banks were drawing at 1/132 d. to 7 1/16 d. against business done in private at 7 3/32 d. to 7 1/8 d. at which the market closed firm with bitls offering at 7 3/32 d.

7 3/32 d.

Thursday, Jan. 4. All the banks posted 7 4/16 d. as 90 d/s. Counter drawing-rate, the British and French raising theirs to 7 1/8 d. in the course of the morning.

The market opened firm with the banks drawing freely at 7 1/16 d. against offers of private at 7 1/8 d. in the banks and 7 3/32 d. in the street. Rates then steadied rising to 7 5/32 d. bank, one bank drawing at 7 3/16 d. against business doing in private at 7 7/32 d. At these rates, however, the demand became active and quotations fell to 7 3/32 d. for bank and 7 5/32 d. private paper, with money at 7 3/16 closing weak with only one bank drawing at 7 3/32 d., conditionally, and money for private offering at 7 1/8 d.

Friday, Jan. 5th. All the banks maintained their 90 d/s cover-

and money for private offering at 14/8 d.

Friday, Jan. 5th. All the banks maintained their 90 d/s counter drawing rates at 74/16 d. throughout the day.

The market opened with bank paper quoted at 73/32d. against 75/32d. for private, but with money outside the banks at 74/8 d. In consequence the market weakened to 74/16 for bank to 74/8d. for private paper, at which it remained some time, but finally stiffened again and closed with banks drawing at 74/8d. and private offering at 75/32d, with business done at 73/16d.

Extremes during the week ending January 5 were 6 15/16 | 7 3/16 d. for 90 d/s Bank paper and 7 - 7 7/32 d. for private.

The average Rank-counter 90 d/s drawing rate for the week comes out at 7 1/64 the corresponding sight rate being 6 61/64 against 7 1/64 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 74.25% and the premium on gold 288.83 % against 74,30 % and 289.21 % last week. At these rates:

1	£						was worth	34\$516	against	34\$594	last	week
1	shilling					•	11	18725		1\$729		. ,,
ţ	penny.			•	٠	٠	12	\$144		\$114	29	**
	Franc.						"	18372 18693		1\$375 1\$697		"
	Mark . U. S. I						,,	78110	"	78126	"	,
	Rs. 20\$0						**	778633	,,,	77\$837		19
-	Trp. ~0.00	,,,	•	,,,,,		٠	17	11,0000	"		,,	"

FOREIGN EXCHANGES ON LONDON AND PREMIUM

		Paris	Berlin	Genoa	Lisbon	Madrid	B. Ayres
				'%	%	%	%
December	30	25.28 1/2	20.25	7.37			127.70
January	2	25.24	-	7.29		27.75	128.80
,,,	3	25.23	20,22 1/2	7.16	44	28.60	128.40
••	4	25.25	20.23 1/2			28.50	128.50
••	5	25.23	20,22 1/2	7.16	44	28.30	128.40
		1	ISCOUNT R.	TES			

of England Open market 6 % 6 % 7 % 6 % % 5 ¼ % Jan.

THE MONEY POSITION.

Stringency Increasing.

The stringency of the Money market is becoming more and more pronounced, and from now till the end of the year the borrowings from the Bank of Engiand are likely to be large. Yesterday and today the Bank has lent small amounts of money for a few days, and discounted a fair quantity of short bills at 6 per cent. The usual internal requirements for cash at this time of the year will make further borrowings from the Bank inevitable, as the present supply of market money is no larger it an is absolutely required for every-day needs. Last year in the week ended December 21 about 2 200,000 of cash was sent into the country, and in the following week £ 660,000 was taken. If beyond these requirements further sums of money are sent abroad, existing market bilances will be still further reduced, and the market will be a larger borrower from the Bank. And beyond these demands for money we shall have the usual end-of-the-year requirements. If the joint-stock banks adopt their usual procedure at the end of the year, and call in money from their customers, the indebtedness of the market to the Bank on the last day of the year may be unprecedent-dly large. Last year the market was unferstood to have borrowed £9,000,000 from the Bank ; this year it may require £12,000,000 or £13,000,000. Under these circumstances borrowers should make provision for their end-of-the-year requirements well in advance, otherwise they may be compelled to pay very high rates. We trust, however, that under the present abnormal conditions of the market the banks will not resert to their usual procelure. At a time such as the oresent theoretical considerations as to showing a strong cash position, in paper should have little weight, compared with the great practical value of affording every assistance to their customers, and reducing the pressure for money as much as possible.

The smallness of the joint-stock banks' cash resources available for market purposes is apparent from their increased inability to

discount. They are now working at a rate of 6 1/4 per cent. for 2 and 3 months' bills, and at 5 1/2 to 5 3/4 per cent. for six months' drafts, while for American drafts of two months' currency they ask 6 1/2 per cent. As the end of the year approaches, and their cash resources are further restricted, still higher charges may be made. The pressure for money has induced the discount houses to raise their allowances for deposits from 4 and 4 1/4 per cent. to 4 1/2 and 4 3/4 per cent respectively.

Reports have been current that the Bank of Austria-Hungary is willing to part with 22,000,000 of gold, and that the Russian Government is transferring balances from Berlin and Paris to London. Those who can usually speak with authority concerning the intentions of the Russian Government, and as to the prospect of obtaining gold from Austria, declare the reports to be unfounded. Any appreciable arrivals of money from the Continent cannot, indeed, be looked for, as none of the State banks are willing to part with gold as an ordinary business transaction, and the position here is not sufficiently serious to warrant the Bank of England in taking a step such as that in 1890, when it obtained gold from the Bank of France. We are, indeed, in a position to state that the Bank neither contemplates such action, nor regards any abnormal step to secure gold necessary.

The prospects of gold coming from the States are more hopeful. To induce shipments the Bank of England has raised the price it is willing to pay for Engles by 1d. to 76s. 6 1/2d. per oz., and at the same time has offered to lend money, at only 2 1/2 per cent. interest upon the security of gold shipped. But the reaction in the exchange yesterday has, we learn, as yet prevented any one from taking advantage of the Bank's offer. The sharp advance in the exchange on Wednesday was cliefly due to the heavy selling of American sec rities by London, and the decline in exchange on Thursday was brought about by the renewed London purchases of stocks. Should London again sell Am

OUR CABLE FROM PARÁ

Rubber	.	to Jan. 5	to Dec. 26	to Dec. 21
Entries. Average, daily Shipments Value of Shipments Stock	tons. do do £ tons.	1.115 111.5 802 320,800 425	190 38 859 343,600 112	1,570 87.2 1,182 472,800 781

From an occasional correspondent

Manúos December, 18 1899

Since 1st December, the Rubber market has shewn up pretty lively, arrivals have been coming in plentifully, though from all up river news we are not to expect such a good sufra (crop) as last

Speculaiors have been playing havos with the prices here on account of news of a continued rise in European prices, rubber since first December gradually rose for fine "Up river" from 128209 per kilo to 128300 a 128400 and is now at 128500. a small lot of Rio madeira having been sold yesterday at 128500 on the basis of Liverpool price, 4s. 7d. per English 1b., which leaves no margin with actual exchange of 7 1/32d (to day's Mandos exchange), but of course speculators expect a rise of a half penny or even a penny by the time the rubber reaches Liverpool; notwithstanding the report which has reached here that the Liverpool buyers are, at present, keeping quite in order to try to lower the prices, but everyboly here thinks, and with reason, that on account of the reported short crop compared to last year's and of European demand prices must go up yet.

The arrivals since ist December have been up to date 380.002 kilos. Exports during the same period being 267,932 kilos for New York and 129,793 kilos for Havre and Liverpool. Stock on 30th Nomember was calculated to be \$3 tims.

Exchange last week opened at 7 3/32d — 7 4/8d for 90 d/s, lowering almost immediately to 7d — 7 1/32d at which it closed to day but with lew seilers.

COMPARATIVE VALUE OF COFFEE SHIPPED IN 1899 AND 1900

.	wkr	K BNDIN	G JANU.	vry 5	CROP TO JANUARY 5						
.	N. of bags		Val	แอ	N. of	bags	Value				
	1899	1900	1890	1000	1898/9	1800/000	1898/9	1809/000			
Kio Sautos.			£ 120.386 213.076	£ 50,605 153,282	1.827:338	2.005.600 4.311.503	£ 2,840,815 5,803,978				
Total,	2J4.013	114.590	333.402	203.887	5.335.800	0.410.172	8,647,793	9.103.63			

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THE BRAZILIAN REVIEW

Saturday evening, Jan. 6th, 1900

Ninety days rate on London opened on Tuesday Jan. 2nd at 6 $^{15}/_{16}$ d. rose to 7 $^{5}/_{16}$ d. on Thursday and closed this evening steady at 7 d.

The cash balances at the five foreign banks for the 31 Dec'r show but little alteration compared with the 30th Nov., there being a further aggregate shrinkage of 486.6945 in spite of the heavy demand for sight bills for payment of gold duties.

Cash balances on the 31st Dec'r represented 110.6% of Current accounts, 84.5% of fixed deposits and 48.5% of both, against 75.3% on 30th Nov.

Credit accounts with Home Offices and Branches show a further increase of 4.455:290\$ standing at 21.410:941\$ as against 16.655 645\$ on 30th Novr'.

Compared with last year the Statistical situation is as follows:-

Door" 31st	1899	1898
Cash Fixed Deposits Current accounts Total Deposits Credit with Home Offices & Branches Debit ditto, ditto	87.934:5208	69.504:226\$ 43.060:770\$ 45.646:324\$ 92.709:094\$ Nil 8.197:536\$

It is clear from the above that the situation this year must be vastly different to last year's, when there was a heavy bull account to be yet liquidated and, comparatively, plenty of money in the banks (75.3 % of deposits). This year, on the contrary, if there is any account uncovered it is probably a bear, whilst the growing tightness of money is shown in the low ratio of cash to deposits, (48.5 %).

During the months of January and February some £ 2,000,000 of Rubber may be expected to be shipped, so that with coffee likely to come in more rapidly with improved weather and well sustained if not improving prices, there seems to be little probability of the supply of bills proving insufficient for a mouth or so at least. After

February, Rubber usually commences to fall off a bit, whilst coffee entries are likely to be at their lowest ebb. If to this be added the certainty of a peculiarly heavy demand for bills to meet acceptances on account of the over-importation in December, it seems probable that any rise that may possibly occur this month, and perhaps be prolonged into February, will be followed by a reaction at the beginning of March.

ning of March.

How much of the equivalent of the duties paid in December really corresponds to new imports yet unpaid for is impossible to say; but that the bills falling due during March must represent a peculiarly heavy amount there can be no question whatever. At Rio and Santos duties to the amount of 22.000:0003 currency were paid and some 48.000:0003 more at other ports, which at 60 %, represent a c.i.f. value of about £ 670,300 to be paid for. How much of this falls in March cannot be stated but it must certainly be considerable and exercise a decided influence on the rate as occurred last year at the commencement of March when exchange touched bottom.

The probabilities seem, therefore, for a rising or at least steady rate during January and early part of February with a fall or weakness at the end of February or beginning of March, and afterwards the usual reaction corresponding to the new coffee crop.

Against this is to be pieced the always active demand for bills at this time of the year for remittance of dividends, etc., and the probability of the coffee crop finishing earlier this year than usual.

The Banco Norte do Brazil domiciled in Para has determined to increase its capital by 2.000 contos, thus raising it to the total of 5.000.000s.

Shareholders are advised that subscriptions will be received privately to the 28th February 190, and that shares to bearer must be deposited at the Bank in order to ensure proportional allotment.

The last year's balance sheet of this bank published on 7th March showed a very prosperous state of affairs. Net profits during the year 1898 amounted to 431,439\$, including 19.817\$ brought forward from 1807, out of which a dividend of 5 % was distributed in the first half year besides carrying 101,439\$ forward.

The research find was also priced to 240,4005000

The reserve fund was also raised to 349.400 \$000,

The funds held in 41/2 % Brazilian Bonds in London were raised to £ 5.623 11s. 11d.

CASH BALANCES AT FOREIGN BANKS

	London	Ì	Brazilianische für			To	Ratio	
	& River Plate	London & Brazilian	Deutschland	Bauque Française	British Bank	1899	1898	of Cash to Deposits
December 31	13.649:960\$000	12.053:321\$000	9.562:838\$000	4.237:975\$000	2.130:0688000	42.634:162\$000	69.801:226\$000	48.5 %
November 30	12.471:817\$000	11.100:540\$000	10.539:877\$000	6.667:722\$000	2.340:900\$000	43.120:856\$000	83.542:000\$000	49.2 %
October 31	17.583:665\$000	13.751:565\$000	11.830;520\$000	8.627:944\$000	2.898:931\$000	54.692:625\$000	86.416:000\$000	61.9 %
Sept'r. 39	20.131.203\$000	18.318:913\$000	18.484:359\$000	8.649;583\$000	2.410:473\$000	67.994:531\$000	91.253:000\$000	72.1 %
August 31	17.575:826\$000	19.104:075\$000	27,402:424\$000	7.959:163\$143	4.087:0598000	76.128:5478143	108.325:000\$000	75.7 %
July 31	16.821:560\$000	22.875:967\$000	31.100:875\$000	6.915:924\$000	6.443:015\$000	84.157:341\$000	109.327.041\$000	82.0 %
June 30	13.188:2648000	19.793:190\$000	27.811:625\$)00	7.683:119\$000	4.532:1545000	73.008:35 2 \$000	92.190:000\$000	77. %
May 31	17.336:0048000	20.740:9195000	28.085:700\$000	6.430:609\$000	5.464:896\$000	78.061:128\$000	74.893:900\$000	80.0 %
April 30	15.955:2818000	17.292:791\$000	26.676:4349000	7.062:397\$000	4.286:087\$000	71.272:6918000	50.582.000\$000	68 7 %
March 31	16.535:768\$000	15.375.528\$000	19.721:005\$000	7.140:456\$000	4.466:597\$000	63.239\$354\$000	53.814.600\$000	62.8 %
February 28	21.639:7103000	15.666:730\$000	13.532:789\$000	8.361:610\$000	4 437:865\$000	63.338:704\$000	48.059:000\$000	60.9 %
January 31	22.870:3935000	14.977;276\$000	15.5 13:361\$000	8.279:018\$000	8.422:795\$000	69.962:843\$000	57.237:000\$000	67.0 %

ACCOUNTS OF THE FOREIGN BANKS AT RIO WITH, HEAD OFFICE AND AGENTS

	Dec.	31	Nov. 3	30	Oct.	31	Sept'r. 30		Aug. 31	
BANKS	CREDIT DEBIT		CREDIT DEBIT		CREDIT	CREDIT DEBIT		CREDIT DEBIT		DEBIT
London & River Plate London & Brazi-	_	2.488:1343		3.198:7485	_	8.361:676\$	_	11.609;604\$	_	8.971;259\$
lian Brasili a n ische	7.815:138\$		6.450:1595		5.125:398		1.944:3448		_	48:802\$
Bank fur Deut- schland Banque Française. Brit. Bk of S. Ame-	14.276:6748	826:288\$	10.196:446\$ 127:923\$		8.568:359\$	215:041\$	1.738:342\$	430:978\$	1.226:142\$	4.627:047\$
rica	2.333:551\$		2.979:8658		1,451:8748		1.996:4168			893:982
	24.425:3638 3.314:4225	3.314;422\$	19.754:393\$ 3, 198:748\$		45.145:5818 8.576:7178	8.576:717\$	5.679:1028	12.040:5828 5.670:102\$		14.541:090\$ 1.226:142\$
* * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * *	21.110:9418	_	46.655:645\$		+ 6.508:864\$	_		- 6.361:480\$		13.314:948

BANKS	J	ıly 31	June 30		May 31		April 30		March 31	
DANCO	CREDIT	DEBIT	CREDIT	DEBIT	CREDIT	DERIT	CREDIT	DEBIT	CREDIT	DEBIT
London & River		6.427:914\$		4.412:188\$		7.522:000\$	_	7.023:882\$	_	5:076:5749
London & Brazi- lian Brasilia nische	600:867\$	_	1.419:357\$		3:815\$	- -	9.050:978\$	-	9.232:195\$	-
Bank fur Deut- schland Banque Française. Brit.Bk of S. Ame-	806:782\$	8.050:616\$. =	5.620:658\$ 2.368:884\$		2.911:0003 672:000\$		2.154.896\$ 1.072:968\$		2.257:945§
rica	_	781:466\$	668:4913	-	_	4.431:000\$	2.842:2628		2.744:915\$	_ · ·
	1.407:649\$	15.259:993\$ 1.407:649\$		12.401:730\$ 1.787:848\$		12.236:000\$ 3.815:000\$			15.257:134\$ 7.334:519\$	
	_	- 13.852:344\$		<u> </u>		<u>8.421:000\$</u>	+ 1.641:494\$		+ 7.922:615\$	_

BALANÇOS E BALANCETES

RIO

LONDON & BRAZILIAN BANK, LIMITED

Capital			£ 1.500.000
Capital page			£ 750.000
Fundo de reserva			£ 600.000

BALANÇO EM 30 DE DEZEMBRO DE 1899

Activo

Capital a realizar	6.666:6668670
Letras descontadas	4,002:0798620
Letras a receber	9.194:9358460
Caixa matriz e filiaes, saldos de contas	13.484:524\$540
Emprestimos, contas correntes e outras.	4.530:6048910
Garantias por contas correntes e di- versos valores.	6,246:8368430
Diversas contas.	1.131:1388930
Caixa, em moeda corrente	12.053;3218100
•	
	57.323:007\$660

Passivo

Capital	13.333;333\$330
Em conta corrente sem juros Em conta corrente com juros e com previo aviso	-00 ME-4/105000
A prazo fixo	20.415:640\$260 5.639:386\$320 6.246:836\$430 41.563:867\$350 93:940\$980

57,323:0073660

S.E.ou O.—Rio de Janeiro, 4 de janeiro de 1900. — Pelo London & Brazilian Bank, Limited.— F. Broad. actg. manager.— A. G. C. Blake, actg. accountant.

LONDON AND RIVER PLATE BANK LIMITED

ESTABELECIDO EM 1862

	£ 1.500.000.
Fundo de reserva	£ 1.000.000

DEZEMBRO DE 1899

Activo	
Letras descontadas	5.643:1968800
Letras a receber	7.509:5538380
das, etc	6.010:637\$140
Caixa matriz, Filiaes e Agencias .	15.637:609\$950
Diversas contas	1.588:948\$500
caucionadas, etc	11.580:9418020
Valores depositados.	16.121:939\$780

Passivo	
Capital declarado da caixa filial . Depositos a prazo fixo e com aviso. Contas correntes sem juros Diversas contas e deposito Titulos em caução e deposito Letras a pagar	1.500:0005000 8.655:144\$960 13.131:0558190 8.464:703;190 27.702:883\$90 163:232\$880 18.125:744\$450

3. E. ou O.—Rio de Janeiro, 5 de Janeiro de 1900, —Pelo London and River Plate Bank, Limited.— H. A. De Lisle, manager.— C. H. Lloya, actg ac-countant.

BRASILIANISCHE BANK FUR DEUTSCHLAND

BALANCETE EM 30 DE DEZEMBRO DE 1899

Activo

Contas correntes garantidas	7.562:883;225 15.464:7048131 7.805:7685515 12.372:8465530 1.704:2233775 7.785:5348722 12.828:1598220 9.562:8378745
± .	
Passino	
Capital: 1 marco, 48 Contas corrente com juros Ditas idem sem juros. Caixa matriz filiaes e correspondentes Depositos a prazo fixo Titulos em caução e deposito. Diversas contas.	10.000:0008000 10.3.00:5248408 10.164:1888482 889:0308930 13.857:1208782 22.317:0178717 7.160:1698844
	74 746:0210049

S. E. ou O .- Os Directores, Petersen .- Gutschow.

BANQUE FRANÇAISE DU BRÉSIL

BALANCETS EM 30 DE DEZEMBRO DE 1899

Activo	
Accionistas, capital a realizar Caixa . Caixa . Filiaes e agentes . Letras descontadas . Letras a receber . Contas correntes garantidas . Valores depositados . Valores caucionados . Diversas contas .	5.000:0003000 4.237:975\$492 6.358:937\$219 4.036:327\$92\$ 3.855:742\$378 3.996:442\$918 2.631.649\$\$00 7.797:971\$230 1.197:075\$56\$
Passivo	
Capital Contas correntes com e sem juros Contas correntes a prazos fixos Filines e agentes. Letans a pagar Titulos em caução e deposito Diversas contas.	10,000:000\$000 2.071:110\$929 3.103:965\$448 7.195-225\$467 270:1,77\$930 10,432:6215930 5.782:002\$206
S. E. ou O — Rio de Janeiro, de 1900. — O Director. C. Blum.—O	5 de Janeiro
tabilidade V. Marsot.	

SANTOS

LONDON & RIVER PLATE BANK LIMITED

Batabelecido em 1862

Capital						٠.	£1.500.000
ldem realisado	•	٠	•				€ 900.000
Fundo de reserva	٠	•	٠	٠	٠	٠	£1.000.000

CAIXA FILIAL NESTA PRAÇA EM 30 DE DEZEMBRO DE 1899

ACHVO	
Letras descontadas. Letras a receber Caixa matriz, filiaes e agencias. Diversas contas. Caixa em moeda corrente no cofre	181:263\$370 266:8358930 1.204:3163890 622:5598020
do Banco	1.646:663\$700
Rs	3.921:6352910
Passivo	

500:000\$000 761:589:310 41:106\$160

Rs. . . . 3.921:6353940

S. E. & O. — Santos, 3 de Janeiro de 1900. — l'elo London and River Plate Bank, Limited (Assignados) A. H. Thomson, a anager. — J. Meadows, acting accountant.

LATEST QUOTATIONS

Tuesday Morning, January 9th 1900

Rio de Janeiro 90 d/s Bank rate on London, opening rate, January 9 No. 7 New York type of coffee. Spot closing price, on S Jan. per 10 kilos No. 7 ditto ditto ditto. Spot closing price		7 ³ / ₁₆ 10\$000
at New York, on January S, per lb No. 7 New York type of coffee March	cents	7 7/16
options price ditto ditto ditto. 1879 4 per cent. External bonds, London. 1888 4 1/2 per cent external bonds. 1889 5 per cent ditto ditto. 1895 5 per cent ditto ditto. W. Minas.	Jan.,	57

Dividends Payable

Jornal do Commercio. Int' Debentures.
Pará (State) int. and amortisation of apolices by the Banco da Lavoura e de Commercio.
Petropolis. Municipal Loan. Int. & amort. by the Banco Commercial.

mercial

mercial.

S Paulo. Municipal Loan. Int' by the Banco da Republica.
Banco Credito Real do Brazil. Int on mortgage bonds and on the
bonds of the Banco Predial.
Cia Seguros. Garantia div. 8\$ per share.
Minas Geraes (State) apolices, int' by the Banco da Republica.
A Indomnisadora 1/2 yearly div.
A Previdente (insurance) div. of 3\$ per share.
Cia de Acidos, div. 8 % and int' on deb's.
Argos Fluminonse (Insurance) div. 25\$ per share.
Cia Seguros Atalaya, 1/2 Yearly div. 25\$ per share.
Confiança Industrial (Cotton mill) div. 10\$ per share.
Brahma Browery. Int'on debs.

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lıe a, Rio Grande do Sul (State). Int'on apolices and amortisation. Banco Rural e Hypothecario, div. on 9\$ and 4\$500 per share. Confianca (Insurance) div. 15 %. S'ta Rosalia (Cotton mill) Int' of debentures. União Commercial dos Varegistas (Insurance) div, 2\$ per share. União dos Proprietarios (Insurance) div. 15 %. Docas de Santos. Int' on debs. Mala Real Portugueza. Int. on debs.

BUSINESS DONE ON THE RIO DE JANEIRO STOCK EXCHANGE

DURING THE WEEK ENDING JANUARY 5 1900

1	,				CLOSING		
DESCRIPTION	Sales Highest Lowest		Lowest	This week	Last	Date las	
GOVERNMENT SE-							
Apolices Geraes 5 % Currency Do do Fractions. Internal loan 1895,	616 4	8828000 863 8 000	864 3 000 860 3 000	878\$000 865 \$ 000	8778000 8708000	Dec. Nov.	22 29
5 % Currency(bea-	153	8908000	861\$000	8653000	890\$000	Dec.	27
(oruer)	34	875\$000	875\$000	875\$000	870\$000	>>	14
Do do 1867, 6 % do (order).	5	995 \$ 00 0	995\$000	9953000	1:0203000	*	18
Do do 1897, do do (order). Rio Municipal loan	6	. 9988000	996\$000	9988000	1:015\$000	*	16
5 % Currency (bearer)	14	184\$000	164\$000	1645000	164\$000	•	27
der)	200 12 20	1719000 4109000 8909000	170\$000 410\$000 890\$000	171\$000 410\$000 800 \$ 000	4309000		26 17 7
BANKS						[
Republica	295	1915000	1918000	1918000	192\$000	Dec.	15
Deposito Descontos.	25 35 3000	1188000 828000 158000	1188000 828000 148000	118\$300 825000 14\$000	82\$000	*	29 27 28
RAILWAYS AND TRAMWAYS							
Minas de S. Jero- nymo R'y Oeste de Minas R'y	50	268000	268000	26\$000	26\$000	Dec.	29
Jardim Botanico S. Christovão Tr'y.	300 70 1 80	3\$500 157 \$ 000 175 \$ 000	3\$500 1575000 165\$000	33500 1578000 165 \$ 000	3\$000 1555000 170\$000	» »	29 21 28
Insurance							
Bonança.	20	58000	58000	5\$000	5\$000	Dec.	20
COTTON MILLS							
Petropolitana	200 200 178	75\$00 1755000 1705000	75\$000 175\$000 165\$000	758000 1758000 1708000	758000 1758000 1658000	Dec.	28 16 28
Confiança Indus- trial	534 50	170\$000 2003000	1703000 2003000	1703000 2003000	1708000 2008000	» »	26 2.)
MISCELLANEOUS	i				2-1,000	_	~
Loterias Nacionaes Obras Hydraulicas Sal & Navegação Constr. Hydraulicas	20 950 100 50	95 \$ 500 2 \$ 000 53 \$ 000 8 \$ 000	95\$000 2\$000 53\$000 8\$000	958000 28000 538000 88000	948000 28250 548000 138000	Dec *	29 2 21 23
DEBENTURES			-	• 1			
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The total declared sales on the Rio de Janeiro Stock Exchange market for the week ending January 5, amounted to 1,603:2508000 distributed as follows:—

Government Sec	3U	ri	ti	es								896:5948000
Bank shares .						_					_	68:665\$000
Railways & Tra	an	17	78	ye	١.							42:3405000
insurance							٠			_		1003000
Cotton Mills.												179:040\$900
Miscellaneous.	٠	•	٠	٠								9:500\$000
Debentures	•	•			٠	٠		٠	•	•		407:011\$000
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Government securities. More activity was noticeable in this description, prices, allowing for interest, were very firm, showing an all round improvement.

Bank shares. Business done in this description was very small with quotations well maintained.

Railways and Tramways. Alterations in the quotations of the few kinds dealt-in were for the rise.

Cotton Mills. A fair amount of business was done in this description, with prices well maintained.

Miscellaneous, Dealings in this description were insignificant.

Debentures. A greater animation was registered in this kind than has been shown for a long time, with prices nearly the same as previously quoted

CLOSING QUOTATIONS OF BRAZILIAN STOCKS AND

SHARES ON THE LONDON	STOCE	EXC	IANGI	G
DRSCRIPTION	WEEK 1 15TH. DI	ending ec. 1899	PREVIO	us werk
	Min.	Max.	Min.	Max.
Gold Loan 1879 4 1/2 % 1883 4 1/2 % 1883 4 1/2 % 1889 4 1/2 % West of Minas Railway 5 9/2 New Funding Bonds 1898 5 9/8 State of S. Paulo 5 9/8	58 59 59 50 60 66 82 82	60 60 60 62 63 84 84	59 59 60 60 61 67 84 82	61 61 62 62 63 69 85 84
Corporation Bonds City of Rio de Janeiro 4 %	68 95	70 96	68 95	70 98
Railways Alagóas Limited 5 % Debenture Stock Bahia e S. Francisco Limited Timbó branch Brazil Great Southern 7 % Gunn Pref 6 % Perm. Deb. Stock Central Bahia Limited 6 % Debenture Stock. 5 % Conde d'Eu Limited D. Thereza Christina Limited, Pref 7 % Gt. Western of Brazil, Limited ** ** ** Leopoldina Limited Minas & Rio Limited Minas & Rio Limited Minas & Rio Limited Natal & Nova Cruz, Limited Porto Alegre a Novo Hamburgo 7 % Pref. Shares Porto Alegre a Novo Hamburgo 6% Mort. Deb. Stock Recife e S. Francisco Limited Rio Claro, S. Paulo, Limited, shares 5 % Debe stock ** ** ** ** ** ** ** ** **	4 15 8 12 4 14 4 5 4 15 4 15 6	57 9 5 4 7 4 42 3 61 7 4 42 3 61 7 4 42 3 61 7 4 42 3 61 7 4 42 3 61 12 12 12 12 12 12 12 12 12 12 12 12 12	4 ½ 55 % % % % % % % % % % % % % % % % %	57 ½ ½ ½ ¼ 47 42 48 461 7 4 4 7 98 89 4 10 5 5 ½ 23 129 12 13 127 1108 80 83 ¼
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Banks British Bank of S. America London & Brazilian Bank Limited London & River Plate Bank Limited	10 18 ½ 54	11 19 ½ 55	10 19 54	11 20 55
Shipping Amazon Steam Navigation C. Limited Royal Mail Steam Packet C	9 46 21 36	10 48 21 %	9 46 21 %	10 48 21 %
Ouro Preto	1 5/16	1 7/16	1 %	114
Telegraphs Brazilian Submarine Limited	14 ½ 107 — — 104 3 85	15 111 — — 107 4 90	15 107 — — 104 3 85	15 12 111 107 4 90
Miscellaneous Cautareira Waterworks 6 % deb: bonds City of Santos Imp: Ld. 7 % non-cum pref. City of Santos Imp: Limited 6 % doum pref. Rio de Janeiro City Imp: Limited 1 do	100 93 9 14 10 14 79 98 12 13 14 88	103 90 10 % 7 14 81 7 14 100 13 — 2 4 14 80 5	100 93 99 10 14 79 77 90 12 14 3 74 4 14	103 96 10 11 7 14 81 7 14 101 13 13 1 15 77 5

BUSINESS DONE ON THE S. PAULO STOCK EXCHANGE

FOR THE WEEK ENDING JANUARY 5 1900

Description	Sales	Highest	Lowest
BANKS			
S. Paulo. União S. Carlos (40%)	150 100	80\$000 138\$900	80\$000 138\$000
RAILWAYS & TRAMWAYS	‡	1	
Companhia Paulista R'y do Mogyana	261 180	266\$000 248\$000	265\$000 248 \$ 000
MISCELLANEOUS		1	
Companhia U. Sportiva (ex-div.)	105	80\$000	80\$000
MORTGAGE BONDS	į		
Banco Credito Real	511	67\$000	63\$500

The total business on the S. Paulo Stock Exchange amounted to Rs. 151;7248500 distributed as follows;

Banks	25:3008000
Italiways & Tramways	87:355\$000
Miscellaneous	8:400\$000
Mortgage Bonds	30:169\$500
Total	151:7248500

LONDON AND RIVER PLATE BANK

PROSPECTS FROM IMPROVING TRADE

The thirty-seventh ordinary meeting of the London and River Plate Bank, Ltd.. took place at the City Terminus Hotel, Cannonstreet, Mr. Thomas S. Richardson (the Chairman of the company) presiding.

The Secretary (Mr. George R. Hutchinson) read the notice calling the meeting.

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The Chairman expressed the deep regret of the directors at the
loss they had sustained in the death of their old colleague and
chairman. Mr. G. W. Drabble. As they were aware. Mr. Drabble
had passed many years of his life in Buenos Ayres and neighbour-hood,
and his knowledge of the country, its commerce and customs made
his assistance and advice at all times most valuable. His colleagues
deeply regretted his loss. (Hear, hear.) Turning to the business of
the bank. he thought the report for last year was very satisfactory,
and in the current year up to the present things in the River Plate
were looking most prosperous. The crops of corn and wool and
the cattle and sheep had all done well. There was every prospect
of an abundant harvest; there was a large crop of wool and the
price was considerably higher than for some years. The amount of
money pouring into the country was therefore, very large. (Applause.)
When the producers of a country were doing well they had more
money to spend, and they spent that, generally speaking, in luxury
and things which were mainly purchased from importers. This
made the import trade good; it increased the revenue and improved
business all round. The River Plate Bank hoped to increase its
profits by that business. When an institution like theirs had done
well, as it had for years, it excited competition, and they were compelled to do business under certain disadvantages which they did not
experience in former times. They had now several competitors,
which cut down profits; they had be obtain and had to do almost
twice the business in order to obtain the same amount of remuneration. Hitherto they had been able to do this, but the business
had increased, as had the staff and branches. The bank had opened
a branch in Bahia Blanca, the results from which had been very
satisfactory. They had a branch at Monte Video, and what h

THE BANK'S BALANCIC-SHEET

The balance-sheet showed that the capital was the same, 1900,000, and the reserve fund was also the same, 11,000,000. The acceptances were somewhat less than last year, but this was made up by the bills advised—drafts in transit. The acceptances were 12,200,000, as again. 12,700,000 last year, but this year the bills in transit were 12,300,000, against about 1700,000 in transit last year. The current accounts were considerably in excess of last year. At the Monte Video branch the local currency emission, which was in the the currency of the country, stood about 150,000 higher than last year. The bills for collection were not quite so high. The item of

Buenos Ayres Clearing Banks stood at £654.000, as against £571,0002. This was the large amount kept there. The other banks placed the money there, and when they cleared at the end of the day they gave a cheque on the London and River Plate Bank for the difference between the cheques on them and the amount they had to pay. This amount was never put into the bank's ordinary till, nor did they count it as belonging to the current accounts. On the other side were the assets of the bank. The cash on hand and at bankers amounted to £7.374.000, and was considerably in excess of last year. Bills receivable, bills discounted and advances were £44.000.000, as against £12.500.000 last year. The bills for collection were the same as on the opposite side, and the bank premises, including furniture, stood at £184.000. Turning to the profit and loss account, he would deal with the credit side first. The balance brought forward was £32.900. Then there was the item of gross profit, after providing for bad and doubtful debts, and, as had always been the custom, where any debt was at all doubtful ample provision was made. (Applause.) If it was a bid debt it must be provided for, but they also made ample provision for all doubtful debts, and the shareholders might rest satisfied that the policy which had been carried on for many years would be followed by the existing Board. (Applause.) The gross profit was £31.364. On the other side was the item of charges at head office and branches, including income-tax, and amounting to £173.869, as against £155.000 last year. Many of them might have wondered how this increase had arisen, but there were three things which made an increase in the expenditure. There was, first, what he might call the normal increase. When they engaged gentlemen on this side, and sent them out, they engaged them at a salary of so much for the first year, with an increase for the next and following years, and the number of employees on the other side was so great that even a slight addition to their salaries repre never come before them previously.

HELPING THE EMPLOYEES

In the Argentine Republic a great many of their employees were paid in gold, and if a man received £20 a month he could exchange that for 100 gold dollars. Two years back, at the highest point of the gold premium, he could have got something like £30 paper dollars, for his i00 gold dollars, but by degrees the gold premium had gone down, until now he would only receive something like £30 paper dollars. As he must turn his gold into paper dollars to pay his rent, purchase his food and remunerate his domestics, he could not do without them, and when he only got £30 paper dollars instead of 330 or £30 he found himself considerably worse off than some few years back. Some months ago an appeal was made to the Board, signed, he believed, by every employee of the bank receiving his remuneration in gold, asking them to take their position into consideration, and if possible assist them, so as to enable them to live as they used to do, without feeling that they were poverfystricken, or nearly so, by the fall in the gold premium. Some railway and other companies in the River Plate had been obliged to do this, and the bank had to do the same; they, therefore, came to the conclusion that they had to make a provision for those gentlemen at a certain rate of the gold premium. They did not take it at the highest nor at the lowest, but it was a very costly affair. There were nearly two hundred employees at the Buenos Ayres office, and with those at Rosario and two or three other branches it made a large number, so that if they only received a trifle each it represented a considerable sum of money. Looking at the past the bank had hitherto been very successful. This was the thirty-seventh annual meeting he had attended. He had never been absent from one meeting of the bank, and looking at the past and its success, he believed that, with the efforts of the Board on this side and the able and zenlous management on the other, there was no reason why the bank should not be as successful this future as it had been in the past. The Ch

The motion on being put to the motion.

On the motion of Dr. Drysdale, seconded by Mr. Dearsmith, the following resolution was passed:—"That this meeting of shareholders desires to express its great sorrow at the death of its distinguished and most able and taithful chairman, the late Mr. George Wilkinson Drabble, who did such signal service to the bank during his long and useful life."

The Chairman next moved the declaration of a dividend of 13 per cent. per annum for the half-year ended the 30th September last.

The Chairman next moved the declaration of a dividend of 13 per cent. per annum for the half-year ended the 30th September last, making a total distribution for the year of 20 per cent., free of income-tax.

Mr. T. F. Knowles seconded the motion, which was agreed to.

The Chairman proposed the confirmation of the election of Mr. C. W. Drabble, the son of their old friend the late chairman, to a sent at the Board.

Mr. Edward Herdman seconded the motion, which was put and carried.

The retiring directors, Mr. T. F. Knowles and Mr. Essex E. Reade, were re-elected, and the auditors, Mr. John Vanner and Mr. J. G. Griffiths, were also re-appointed.

Votes of thanks to the Chairman and directors and to the managers and staffs of the respective establishments were passed, and the meeting separated.

— The gross profits of the year ended September 30 are returned as £371,364, subject to current charges £173,870, leaving £197.491 not profit, and with balance of £52,931 brought forward making £250,428

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available. Two dividends of 7 per cent, and 43 per cent, respectively, f.i.t., require £180,000, Bank premises cost reduction £10,000, to benevolent fund £5,000, leaving £55,428 to be carried forward. Paidpo opital £900,000; reserve fund £1,000,000. Liabilities of three annual balance-sheets compare as under:

September.	1899.	1898.	1897
Net profit. Dividend p.C15. Deposits	C14,702,494 4,204,110	4,001,732	£3 £12,131,161 4.692,418

All Argentine liabilities payable in gold are represented by gold assets. The Brazilian currency capital suffers no depreciation at the present rate of exchange.

Coffee Market

COMPARATIVE ENTRIES

FOR THE WEEK ENDING JANUARY 5 1900

	то	TAL ENTR	ES	ENTRIES TO DATE FOR CROP YEAR			
i !	This week	Last week	Last year	This year	Last year		
Rin	40,319	33,432	77,847	2.141.581	1.837.221		
Santos	74,633	87,417	101,037	4,663,934	3.871.646		
Total	114,982	120,849	178,884	6.805.515	5.708,866		

The coast arrivals were from:

473 bags

The total entries by the different S. Paulo Railways for the Crop to January 5 are as follows:—

	Past Jundiahy	Per Sorocabana and others	Total at S. Paulo	Total at Santos	Remaining at S. Paulo
1898/99 1899/1900	3.351.183 3.512.046	512.787 1.114.805	3.863.970 4.626.851	3.871.64 4.663.93	

Entries during the week ending 5th. January showed no improvement as compared with the previous week. Althrough the weather has mended somewhat the roads are still in a shocking condition preventing coffee from being delivered at the stations.

The week ending 5th. January included two holidays against only one the previous week, entries being nevertheless only 5,867 lags less and 63,902 bags less than for the corresponding week last year, the falling off being more notable at Rio 47 % than at Santes, where it was only 27 % or

DOCK DELIVERIES

FOR THE WEEK ENDING JANUARY 5 1900

·	THIS WEEK	LAST WEEK	TOTAL FOR CROP VEAR 1899/1900
Rio	28.549 86.050	47.801 97.449	2,098.609 4,311.563
Total	114.599	145.250	6,410.172
ou	R OWN ST	ocks.	,
Stock on December Entries during we Per Central & Mel Ry's Entries Leopoldina , Coastwise ei bour	ek ending Ja Inoramentos		ags of 60 kilos 330.358 39.314
Shipments as per m ring the week end ry 5 Approximate weekly sumption	ing Janua-	bags of 60 kilos 66,442 1,500	369.672 67.942
Stoc. and afloat at neiro on Frida January 5.	Rio de Ja- y evening		301.730

	SANIUS		
Stock on December 29. Entries during week		730.809	
January 5	· · · ·	74.904	
		895.713	
Shipments as per manife ring week ending ry 5	ests du= Janua-	140.181	
Stock and affoat at Sar Friday evening Janua		60	35.532 ⁻
TOTAL STOCK	& AFLOAT AT & SANTOS	BOTH RIO	
Friday evening Janua	er 29		37.262 51.167
LOCA	AL STOC	кs	
(OF	FICIAL STOCKS)	
	Jan. 5/1900	Dec. 29/99	Jan. 6/99
Rio	199.309 641.860	$\begin{array}{c} 192.509 \\ 664.060 \end{array}$	243.051 674.810
Total	841.169	856.569	917.861
FORE	IGN STOC	KS	
	Dec. 30 99	Dec. 23/99	Dec. 31/98
United States Ports	838,000 $1.645,000$	782,000 1.636,000	672.000 1.272,000
Both	2.483,000	2.418,000	1.944.000
	Dec. 31 99	Nov. 30/99	Dec. 31/98
Hamburg Deliveries U. States	. 581,000 Dec. 31,09	506,000 Dec. 23/99	731,000 Dec. 30/98
Ports Visible Supply at United	49,000	64,000	101.000
States ports	1,283,000	1.236,000	1.192.000

SANTOS

MANIFESTS OF COFFEE

World's visible supply as per New York Exch. (bags). World's visible supply as per Messrs Duuring & Zoon's Statistics (tons). . . . Stock in Europe (tons). . . Deliveries in Europe (tons).

Jan. 1/1900

7,036,000

418,000 242,100 40,300

Dec. 1/99

7,436,000

 $\substack{428,430 \\ 235,200 \\ 66,050}$

Jan. 1/99

6,600,800

386,860 224,500 44,460

Salled during the week ending January 5, 1900

			FROM	RIO		
	DATE	VESSEL	DESTINATION	SHIPPER	BAGS	TOTAL
	Dec. 25	San Gottardo do do do do	Genon Trebizonde Smyrna	Gust. Trinks & Co John Moore & Co Gustav. Trinks & Co. Emp. Ind. Braz A. Nogueira & Co	625 500 150 125 25	
	30	Kaffir Prince do do	New-York do do	F. W. Mc. Lauglin & C	5,500 3,521 250	
	30 *	Guajará do	Northern Ports. do	Zenha, Ramos & Co. Reis Veiga & Co	290 50	310
	30 * *	Itailuba de de do do	Southern Ports do do do	Sequeira & Co G. Santos Silva Zenha, Ramos & Co. G. J. Monte	123 80 20 1	224
	30	Brėsil do do	Buenos Aires do do	C. W. Gross & C. Norton, Megaw & C. F. Sattamini & Co.	100 92 40	232
	31	Olbers do do	New-York do do do	Arbuckle Brothers . E. Johnston & Co Ornstein & Co	13,352 4,000 1,000	18,352
J	an. 1	Good Nows do do do do do	Baltimore do do do do do	P.S. Nicolson & Co. Levering & Co John Moore & Co Ornstein & Co Karl Krische	6,000 3,000 3,000 1,000 1,000	14,000
	3 *	Hevolius do do do do do	New-York do do do do		12,577 4,500 2,520 2,000 1,001	22,503
				Total	**.*.	66,442

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		FROM SA			
DATE	VESSEL	DESTINATION	SHIPPER	BAGS	TOTAL
Dec.				\ 	
30	Hellas	Hamburg	N. Gepp & Co. Ltd.	17 809	,
*	do	do	Theo for Wille & Co.	10 1 17	1
-	do	do	Z. Bulow & Co	8.099	
*	do	do	. Trommel & Co	4.950	
*	do	do	Rose & Knowles	1.000	
30	Mozart	New York	N.Gepp & Co. Ltd.	21 000	1
*	do	do	Arbuckle Brothers .		
×	do	do	Hard, Rand & Co.		
30	35 355	G	1		ŀ
au *	Marco Minghetti .	do do	do	750	
-	40	do	Biagio Frederico	15	735
30	Sator	Gibraltar	Aretz & Co		7.50)
Jan.	1				
3	La Plata	London & Opt	Nossack & Co	1,400	
>	do	do	H. Ellis & Co	116	
>	do	Antwerp	Zerrenner Bolow & C	6.750	ĺ
*	do	do	E. Johnston & Co. T. Wille & Co.	5.000	
>	do	do	T. Wille & Co	2.000	
>	do	do	Nossack & Co	325	
20	do	do	Krische & Co	247	15.838
4	Alacri'á	Genoa	Aretz & Co	3,250	
*	do	do	Naumann, Gepp & C.	1.500	
*	do	do	T. Wille & Co	1.250	
»	do	do	Nassack & Co	250	
>	do	do	Martins & Oliveira .	220	
-	do	do	Krische & Co	125	
x>	do	do	A. Fiorita & Co J. Menu Marque	100	
>	10	do	J. Menu Marque	60	
2	do	do	Pirota & Machioriatt:	7	6.702
5	Pernambuco	Rotterdam,	N. Gepp & Co. Ltd.	5 250	
» [do [do	E. Johnston & Co .	4.500	
>	do	do j	V. Trommel & Co	4.000	
20	do	do	Hard, Rand & Co	1.500	
>	do	. do	T. Wille & Co	1 500	
>		Hamburg	N. Gepp & Co	4.000	
*	do	qo	Nossack & Co	1.111	
2	do	do	Zerrenner Bulow & C.	1.000	
» «	do do	do	Rose & Knowles	500	
	do	do do	E. Johnston & C	250	
		Cananhaman	T. Wille & Co A. Trommel & Co .	250	
-	do	Copenhagen	a. ironimei & Co .	1.000	
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	San Gottardo	Genon	T. Wille & Co	3.625	
»	do	do	E. Johnston & Co.	1.750	
»	do	do	is. Dell'Acqua & Co.	809	
*	do	do do	Nossack & Co	500	
-	do		J. W. Doane & Co.	500	
-	do l	do	Hard, Rand & Co .	500	
*		Naples	Holworthy, Ellis & Co. Schmidt & Trost	480	
»	do	do do	Lorenz & Co	120	8.296
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ļ	ŀ		Total		140.181
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THE COFFEE SAILED DURING THE WEEK ENDING JANUARY 5 WA CONSIGNED TO THE FOLLOWING DESTINATIONS.

	UNITED STATES	EUROPE & MEDITER- RANBAN	RIVER PLATE	CAPE	OTHER	TOTAL FOR WEEK	CROP TO DATE
Rio	64,221 33,318	,	 238	_			2.230,951 4.310,235
Total 1899/1900 do 1898/1899	1 1		232 175		 - 		6.571,186 5.467,769

Some interesting reflections upon the practically limitless bounds of the police power of the community or municipality are suggested by the peculiar situation in which the coffee trade of the country finds itself as a result of the action of the New York city Board of Health in refusing or delaying the admission of Brazilian coffee shipped from the port of Santos to this country. Owing to the death from the bubonic plague on the ship J. W. Taylor that vessel and its cargo have been quar ntined, and the cargo, though disinfected under direction of the health officer of the port (a state officer), has been denied admission by the local Board of Health. All vess-is arriving with coffee from Santos since the Taylor came in have also been detained, and the coffee trade of this port, which handled 85; per cent. of the \$55,000,000 worth of coffee imported into this country last year is naturally exercised as a result of this ruling. A large quantity of coffee is now in the lower bay awaiting the final action of the city Health Board, which holds a hearing on the matter to-day, in answer to a general petition and protest on the part of the coffee trade. Naturally considerable effect on prices has been exercised by the action alroady taken, and speculation in this food product has fluctuated with the announcements made by the health authorities are less particular is talked of, and the port of Boston is understood to have made a bid for this branch of import trade by promise of a free entry to coffee which has been deel-red free of danger. A can was of the views of port health officials along the Atlantic coast brings to light wide variations in views as to the advisability of entering coffee ships, which is not reassuring to those engaged in this branch of trade. Bradstreets Dec. 9.

COFFEE PRICE CURRENT

FOI	THE WEEK	ENDI	NG JAN	UARY 5	1900		
Description	Dec. 30	Jan. 1	2	3	4	5 .	Avera ges
Rio N. 6. per 10 kilos	min. 9.807 max. 10.077		10.077 10.213	10.077 10.213			10.15
• N. 7 ,, ,, , }	min. 9.532 max. 9.658	: : : :	9.668 9.804	9.736 9.873	9.736 9.873	9.873 10.009	9.77
• N. 8 ,, ,, ,, }	min.] 9.124 max.] 9.328	::::	9.329 9.396	9.396 9.464	9.396 9.464	9.532 9.668	9.41
. N. 9 ., ,, }	min. 8.851 max. 8.957	: : : :	8.987 9.124	9.055 9.192	9.055 192	9.192 9,328	9.09
Santos superior per 10 kil	9.000 8.590		9.100 8.690	9.206 8.790	9.100 8.690	9.160 8.690	9.100 8.690
Spot No. 7 cents , 8 , , Options. Mar. , , May. , , , , Sept. , ,	7 6 3/4 6.30 6.40 6.60	Holiday	7 1/3 6 7/8 6.35 6.45 6.60	7 3/16 6 15/16 6.35 6.50 6.60	7 1/4 7 6.35 6.50 6.65	7 1/4 7 6.45 6.60 6.85	7.16 6.91 6.30 6.49 6.66
Havre, per 50 kilos Options. Mar francs. "May " "Sept ", Hamburg per 1/2 kilo.	39.75 40.50 40.50		40.75	40.75 41.50 42.75	41.00 42.00 43.25	41.50 42.25 43.50	40.75 41.56 42.50
Options, Mar pfennige ,, May. ,, Sept. ,, London per cwt.	22.75 . 33.75 . 34.75 .		34.75 35.75 36.50	33.75 34.75 34.50	34.50 35.00 36.00	34.50 35.00 36.00	34.45 34.85 35.55
Options Mar. shillings ,, May. ,, Sept. ,,	32/9 33 9 34/9		33/6 34/3 35 6	33/6 34/6 35/6	34/- 34/9 36/-	33/9 34/9 35/9	33/6 34/5 35.7
WEEK	ENDING.		J	an. 5 1	900	ес. 29	1899
Rio No. 7 { eu	rrency, per	10 ki	los.	9877 2551		983 283	
Santos good av { cu N. York - spot No.	rrency, per old ,, 7, per lb .	10 kil	os .	8\$69 2\$23 c/ 7.16	18	8.4 2.1 c/ 6.9	72

SALES OF COFFEE

FOR THE WEEK ENDING

				Jan. 5/900	Dec. 27/99	Jan. 6/99
Rio . Santos	:	:	:	53.000 100.000	42.000 50.000	44.000 75.000
Total .				153.000	92.000	119,000

The Minister of Public Works etc., has approved the reduction of 10% in the coffee rates from any point of the Central Railway.

Shipping, Produce & Imports

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ARRIVALS AT THE PORT OF RIO

DURING THE WEEK ENDING SUNDAY, 7 JANUARY, 1900

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DURING THE WEEK ENDING 7 JANUARY, 1900.

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SAILINGS FROM THE PORT OF SANTOS WEEK ENDING 5 JANUARY 1900

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THE FREIGHT MARKETS

European Markets. Fairplay of 14th Decr. states that a fair amount of chartering has been affected during the past week, but rates cannot generally be considered satisfactory, more especially with regard to homeward business.

Coal rates for Rio de Janeiro were quoted at 11s. 6d.; 17s. to 17s. 6d. being offered from Rio to U. K. for manganese ore, and for U. S. Atlantic ports 14s. to 14s. 6d.

Argentine Markets are somewhat quieter, business for the new crop not being as active as might be expected.

With the exception of a small sailer chartered from Rosario to Pernambuco, business with the Brazilian Coast has been restricted to parcel engagements by regular liners and coasters who manage to keep up rates at previous quotations. The hay trade with Santos and Rio has practically ceased, the price of that fodder has gone beyond Brazilian limit, owing to the sharp demand prevailing c 1 Cape Colony account. Times of Argentina.

Local Markets. The reported forward engagements of the week were as follows: --

S. S. Corsica	for Havre	1.000 bags
S. S. Marxburg	., Antwerp	833
S. S. Carolina S. S. Atrate	" New Orleans. " River Plate	500 ,,
S. S. Aquitaine	" Marseilles	400 ., 250 .,

Current Coffee Rates for the Week ending Jan. 6. -- Remained the same as last week.

Aften the New Year Messrs. A. C. de Freitas & Co.'s steamers will continue their fortnightly voyages to South Brazilian ports, with monthly sailings for the Plate.

The Hamburg-American Packet Company's steamer Brasilia, lately running in the Baltimore service, has been sold for about a million marks more than her book-value. The purchasers are the Dominion Line, of Liverpool, and the boat will in future run between that port and Canada. It was evidently this transaction which gave rise to the false rumour that one of the Hamburg Company's boats had been chartered by the English Government for the transport of troops to South Africa.

The French Societé de Transports Maritimes has ordered a 6,000-ton steamer to be built at a British yard for the Brazil and Argentine service.

The Hamburg-Südamerikanische Dampfschiffsfahrts-Gensellschaft will, on the 45th Januart, 1900, inaugurate a regular fortnightly service of steamers to norts of South Brazil. The dates of departure will be the 45th and 30th of each month, and the boats will call at Cabedello (Parahyba do Norte), Maceio, Paranaguá, Desterro, Rio Grande do Sal, etc. This service has been organised owing to the collapse of the negotiations with Messrs. A. C. de Freitan & Co. for a renewal of the pool-agreement which expires on the 31st inst.

H. M. S. Beagle left this port on the 3d inst
The Amazon Steam Navigation Co. Lim, has contracted the construction of another stern wheel steamer for the Rio Negro with Liebnitz & Co. of Renfrew.
The Brazilian Cruiser Aquidaban has been docked again preparatory to the trip to the South.
The cruiser Tiradentes left Victoria on the 4th inst for Pernamburo.

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— The R. M. S. S. Elbe arrived at the quarantine station at Ilha Grande with a number of immigrants from Spanish and Portuguese ports and cargo for Rio do Janeiro. The immigrants objecting to their luggage being disinfected and threatening to resist, the steamer was ordered to proceed on her yoyage and to discharge her cargo on her eturn from the Plate.

— The Jucanos Aires Handels Zeitung says that the Saladero known as Puerto Ruiz has been sold by the Entre Rios Meat Coto Mr. John Clarke Dickinson for £7,000.

— The Lloyd Brazileiro have received a cable from Pará stating that quarantine on arrivals from Rio have been suspended at Pará and Manáos.

For LIVER and GASTRIC complaints the KNEIPP CURE is THE BEST.

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RIVER PLATE NOTES.

(From the Review of the River Plate)

TOTAL CEREAL SHIPMENTS FROM ARGENTINE PORTS TO BRAZIL

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To Date	Week ending December 29	To Date		
96,643 73,377	480 2.500	48,482 44,047		
FROM URUGU	AY			
9,844	-	11,797		
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LIVE STOCK SHIPMENTS TO BRAZIL

					Week	To Date	Last Year
Steers . Wethers Horses . Mules .		•		:	= -	13,759 4,143 284 56	19,954 1.211 1,407 181

DEPARTURES OF VESSELS FOR BRAZIL

From Bucnos Ayres 22 — S. S. Danube, 4.280 bales beef for Rio, 1,272 bales beef for Bahia, 500 bales beef for Pernambuco. December 22 -

SHIPMENTS FROM URUGUAY TO BRAZIL

Eastern Pring, 7,389 bales beef, 3,000 bags flour, 2,444 bags wheat, 100 pipes tailow, os bales straw and 48 barrels wine for Rio. S. S. Eastern

S. S. La Plata, 5) bags linseed and 50 wethers for Santos. S. S. Danube, 5,273 bales beef for Brazil.

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AVERAGE PRICES; VALUE ETC. FOR	WEEK	
	1899	1898
Wheat, new per 100 kilos. Maize, per 100 kilos. Linseed per 100 kilos. Dry ox hides, per 10 kilos. Salt ox hides, per 100 k Horse hides, each.	4.80 2.70 9.00 9.80 	6.00 3.10 8.60 6.70 19.00 5.40
Hay, per ton	28.00 14.20	22.00 5.00
Sheepskins, per kilo Gold price Exchange—London	1.02 229.70 49 7/16	0.58 207.61 48 5/16
Discounts Freights—bales. Grain sail freights—Rosario.	8 p. c. 18 f. 26/s.	6 p.c. 17.50 f. 23/s.

ASSOCIATED BROKERS' PRICE CURRENT. RIO DE JANEIRO

FOR THE WEEK ENDING 5 JANUARY 1900

DESCRIPTION					ļ	LOWEST	HIGHEST
Sugar Bahia white crystal	Per	kilo			-		\$680
Sugar Sergipe mascavinho	,,	,, .				\$520	\$530
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do do farofa	,,	,, .	. •	٠	•	\$340	
do do mascavo,	,,			٠	-	• • • •	\$350
Rice «Arracan»	,,	60 kilos		٠	•		238000
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do do S. Catharina Bran Momho Fluminense	,,	10 11		٠	•		113000
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Maize Buenos Ayres yellow	•••	52 kilos	٠.	•	1	133000	135200
Cottons Seed oil American.	••	litre	• •	:		119200	11\$500 8050
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Spruce l'ine	**	1,000 fee					

THE COAL MARKET

The Scotch coal market has not advanced so much as the Cardiff and Newcastle markets, partly because of considerations of freight and partly be use of the existing wage agreement, but chiefly because conlowners have very little to sell, and dealers with margins to spare can re-sell whenever they want to at a good profit.

Current quotations are nominally about those of last week, but ratetically prices are a matter of bargain between individuals. Large the properties of the prices are reported over 1930 at full prices.

The Newcastle market is remarkably strong, but is practically in the hands of middlemen, who seem to hold all the available coal—of steam sorts, at any rate. Best Northumbrian steam is quoted 14s. to 14s. 6d. f.o b., which is about 3s. per ton above the Scotch price. or double the normal difference. In Lancashire the markets have been strongly upheld by the negotiations going on for an advance in wages within the area of the Midland Federation, but besides, the demand for trade purposes is very active, and apparently fully equal to the output. In South Wales there is a sustained demand for all classes of coal, but very little for sale, especially of best steam. The stiffness of the market varies according to the arrival of tonnage, and prices for odd lots have varied from 20s. to 21s. for best steam, 19s. to 20s. for seconds, and 18s. to 19s. for thirds, while dry coal has been selling at from 17s. 6 d. to 18s. For delivery over next year sellers have been asking 18s. to 18s. 6d, but buyers are not eager to pay such figure—and no wonder. It is reported that a contract for the Portuguese Railway placed the other day was at 21s. 4 1/2 d. c. if., which looks a bad bargain for somebody. Monmouthshire coals are all in brisk demand. At Newport a strong market is reported for steam coal at firm prices. Renewed activity characteriese patent-fuel, and coke is selling freely at higher prices. Fairplay, December 14.

Railway Hews and Enterprise.

Dr. Tavares Medeiros, filler, has been nominated as fiscal Engineer to the Timbaúba and Pilar branch of the Great-Western of Brazil Railway.
 Government has refused to consider the protest of the Minas and Rio Railway against payment of guaranted interest in funding leader.

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— Engineer Ant. J. da Costa Conto has been appointed fiscal Engineer of the Rio de Janeiro Herbert and Dock Company's works.

— The Viccio Paulista Compy. Both the Engineer, Dr. Ant. de Carvalho and the lawyer Bernardino de Campos, have resigned their appointments in this Company.

— The construction of the S. Paulo electric tramroad by the S. Paulo Railboad, Power and Light Co., lim; has been again suspended by judicial order.

— Si John del Rey. The gold produce for the month of Nowmber was £ 27,000, and yield per ton 0.78 oz. troy.

— Mr. Holt the general manager of the G't Western Railway of Pernambuco will leave for England on 14th inst' in connection, we believe, with the projected amalgamation to which we referred some time ago.

The Western has been doing exceedingly well lately, November and Decomber traffic being records in its history and £24. a mile with exchange at 7d. will be hard to beat!

With a hard headed and forseeing board and a go ahead manager, however, we expect to see the Great Western do better still and take its place amongst the few Brazilian lines that pay dividends independent of guarantees.

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— Amongst the accounts passed lately by the auditing tribunal, (Tribunal de Contas) are the following:

City Improvements 7:350\$ for sanitary works executed in October last.

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Annibal Falcão, on account of Messrs Chatterley & Whitfield 36:952\$ for coal furnished to the Central Ry in 1898.

Hime & Co. sundries furnished to the admiralty, 19:0083.

Haupt Biehn & Co., 11:411\$ for propellers for the Tamoyo, and Tymbira and Tupy torpedo catchers.

— The Sorocabana Railway Directors published a statement in the Jornal do Commercio boasting that the revenue of the railway during the month of October was only 48:705\$ in 1895, rose to 168:358\$ in 1890, 539:2855 in 1895, and 1.079:764\$; in 1895, but forget to add the amount they have swindled debenture-holders out of.

— A concession for the construction of a steam tramway between Novo Hamburgo, the terminus of the Porto Alegre and Novo Hamburgo R'y and Novo Mundo has been granted to João Correa and Augusto Legendre with exclusive rights during the period of 30 years. The line is to be of 1 metre gauge with preferential rights as regards extension. There is no guarantee.

— Materials for the Baturité railway importe l by the lessee, Mr. Alfredo Novis, are to be admitted free of duties.

The São Christovão Tramway Company. Anyone unacquainted with Brazilian methods and Brazilian character on reading the luvid accounts of the meeting of shareholders held a week or so ago would conclude that if only half the accusations were true. Panamá was nothing compared with it, whilst the only appropriate fate for the directors would be to keep company with Jabez Balfour and such kindred spirits.

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In fact it was not a meeting at all but a tumult, in which noise was in inverse reason to sense, those shouting most who had least to lose. The most prominent and the most indignant of all and most anxious to kick out so unworthy a directory and to put in another composed of his own friends was a gentleman who is said to be the holder of Onc share!

Whether the President of the Company be guilty of the offences laid to his charge or no, he had enjoyed the confidence of the share-holders for years having been re-elected times without number and was in a position to explain matters better than anyone else, the attempt to exclude him from the meeting showing clearly that something other than mere displeasure was at the bottom of the matter. Anyhow there was no charge to be laid against the other directors and yet they were nearly as savagely treated as the President.

Whatever may be the charges against the President there can be no doubt whatever that the present directors have lont the greatest possible services to the Company, practically prolonging its existence 31 years and saving it from destruction. Not only has the term of its concession been extended, but now areas added and revenue largely augmented. The proposal to cancel the 500 shares given to

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If, as appears likely, there is something rotten in the state of the Company, instead of useless recrimination we trust that the new General Meeting will elect a committee in a proper manner and not by acclamation, to proceed to a thorough investigation and to secure the punishment of the guilty if there prove to be any.

The property is a splendid one and has immensely improved by the concession secured by the present directors. What we should like to see is a representative committee including elements from the foreign Banks and Commerce, who would make a thorough investigation and at the same time guarantee that the negotiations entered into for sale of the Co. to a foreign syndicate shall be respected.

São Bento Gold Estates. — A cablegram from the mines aunounces that "the clean-up for the latter part of last month has produced 235 oz. of fine gold from 460 tons of ore treated," making a production of 462 oz. fine gold from 1,000 tons of ore during the complete month.

Goyaz (Brazil) Gold Mining Prospecting Syndicate, Limited. Registered on December 6, by Hind and Robinson, 8. Stone Buildings. Lincoln's Inn, W. C., with a capital of £1900 in £1 shares. Object to adopt an agreement with F. von Holton, to promote a new company, to work certain rights and concessions in Brazil or elsewhere, and to carry on the business of a mining and exploration company. The first directors (to number not less than three nor more than six) are to be appointed by the subscribers. Qualification, one share. Registered office: 14 Sherborne Lane, EC.

OURO PRETO GOLD

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CONSIDERABLE IMPROVEMENT IN THE QUALITY OF THE ORE—sale of Two OF THE PROPERTIES

The ordinary general meeting of the Ouro Preto Gold Mines of Brasil, Limited, was held at the offices, Queen-street-place, E. C., Mr. Edmund A. Ponitex (the chairman) presidency.

The Secretary (Mr. Henry Ward) having read the notice convening the meeting.

The Chairman said: I am pleased to be able to state that the operations of the past year show an improvement over those of the past year show an improvement over those of the presidency of raising in the amount of ore raised and in the cost in currency of raising in the amount of ore raised and in the cost in currency of raising in the amount of ore raised and in amount of profit. The quantity of ore crushed in the past gen has been 69, 400 tons, as against 68,606 tons for the previous twelve months: the quantity of gold obtained was 19,977 oz., as against 19,248 oz., and the profit realised has been £4,463 its. 5d., as against 20,35 oz., and the profit realised has been £4,463 its. 5d., as against 20,35 oz. 64 d. This increase is accounted for by the rise in the exchange, which was a little higher than in 1898. The yield of gold per ton of ore was £12.3. 3 it 2d., as against £1 is. 7 it 4d. At our last meeting I stated that we appeared to be passing through a zone of poor ground, and I cyrpessed the opinion that we should soon be through it. It is estisfactory to be able to tell you that that prophesy has been fulfilled. During the first four months of the current year—namely, from July to October, 1899 — we have been getting a much richer ore, £2,780 tons crushed during that period having produced \$140 oz. of bar gold, showing an increase over the corresponding perushed was considerably less, is one.

10 f. 50,000, and if we continue at that rate during the remainder of the year we shall make a total profit of £15,000, which would be the largest profit we have made in any year since the company commenced operations. Coming to the accounts, you will observe in the profit and l

in such a way as will practically give them the same security as they have at present. This will be effected by giving the preference shares a preference as to capital in the event of liquidation as well as in dividends. As an inducement to them to hall in with this proposition, it is suggested that the interest be increased to 10 per cent. upon the face value of the shares; so that the preference shareholders will not only get an increased rate of interest (7 per cent. is the rate they receive at present) but they will at once receive in account the bonus which would come to them upon redemption of the debentures, which were originally issued at a discount On the other hand, the advantage to the ordinary shareholders of this arrangement would be that instead of their profits being absorbed in the repayment of the debenture capital they would only suffer to the extent of the interest on the preference shares; so that if the present profits continue we shall during the current year be able to resume the payment of dividends on the ordinary shares. Mr. Taylor will speak as to the mining operations, and I will conclude by moving the adoption of the report and accounts. (Applause).

Mr. E, de Wael seconded the motion.

Mr. John Taylor gave an account of the exploratory work carried cut during the past year, in the course of which he stated that a considerable measure of success had attended the development operations. At various points throughout the mines good lengths of profitable ground had been opened up. It appeared to him that there was everything in the present condition of the mines to indicate that the anticipation expressed in the concluding paragraph of the directors' report that more satisfactory results might be looked for in the current year than those in the one now passed would be fully realised.

The motion was then unanimously carried.

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Rio de Janeiro Flour Mills and Granaries The directors, report for the year ended September 30 last states that the mills have been kept well employed during the period under review, and the quantity of wheat ground has been the largest recorded since the formation of the company. The shareholders will remember that out of the amount spent in 1897-98 for renovations of machinery the sum of £6,000 was carried forward. In the accounts now presented this amount has been written off. In conformity with the conditions of the first mortgage debenture loan issued in 1897, the total amount of debentures outstanding has been further reduced to £143,900 by the payment off, by drawing on January 1 last, of the sum of £3,100, which has been carried to reserve fund, increasing that fund to £29,603. After providing for the foregoing, and after making ample provision for all bad, and doubtful debts, the net profit for the year is £13,835. being the difference between the gross income of £139,542 and the expenditure of £125,507, and adding thereto the balance of £5,848 brought forward from 1898, the total amount the directors have to deal with is £19,683; of this sum £5,670, or 5s. per share, was distributed in June last as an interim dividend, and the directors now propose to divide a further 7s. per share, making in all 12s. per share for the year, free of income-tax. This will require £7,938, and will leave a balance of £6,075 to be carried forward.

RUBBER ESTATES OF PARÁ

A BETTER SEASON EXPECTED

The report of the Rubber Estates of Pará, Ltd., to 30th June last, laid before the second ordinary general meeting, that took place in London states that, as notified at the meeting held last June, the transfer of the property was only effected on 10th September, 1898; the estates, therefore, were not available to the company for working and development purposes till the following March, The actual operations in connection with the dry season for rubber collecting commence about the early part of July. The directors for this reason decided that the accounts should be made up to 30th June cach year, so that the annual balance-sheet may in future deal, with a full and complete year's output. The greater part of the remittances sent to Pará to the end of June last went to provide stores, and general equipment for the present season's operations; therefore this item cannot be enlarged upon or dealt with in relation to the production of rubber from the accounts received up to that date. In addition to the proceeds of rubber, the company received the sum of Rs 39,620, in sterling equal to £1,156, as compensation for being deprived of the benefits of the 1898 crop. Regarding the progress of operations on the property, the Board at the commencement of the season made arrangements, apart from the European staff, native storekeepers and estate labourers, to place 650 rubber collectors on the estates, to operate on the direct system; but through the non-fulfilment of certain labour contracts and other causes the actual number of collectors engaged was reduced to 450. Through sickness, which has during the season been abnormally prevalent throughout the islands on the Amazon, as well as in consequence of death and desertion, the collectors now on the property working on the direct system only number 328. These men are working 588 roads, besides which has during the season been alnormally prevalent throughout the islands on the Amazon, as well as in consequence of death and development of the property, as to the intrinsic a

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