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RIVER PLATE ITEMS.

—Ten days ago a volcano broke out at Sanjil in the department of Pombô, Catamarca. It threw out a large quantity of mud, and the noise terrified the inhabitants of the locality. A flood of mud has destroyed many vineyards and smothered large fields of maize and other cereals. It is not yet known whether there have been any personal casualties, as all communication with the town is cut off by a lake of hot mud surrounding it. — Buenos Aires Herald, April 21.

—Mr. S. Homberger, the artist, is about to visit his home in the United States after a sojourn of thirteen years in Buenos Aires. During his residence here Mr. Homberger has won the esteem and respect of everyone who has come into contact with him and has, since his landing in the country, been known as a gentleman of culture and benevolence. In social circles he is a favourite, and his services have ever been freely given to advance any charitable cause. As an artist Mr. Homberger easily ranks as the first in his special field here. He is an artist in the truest sense of the word, by temperament and by training. His work has been done perhaps too modestly. Certainly, he has never courted publicity; but merit of the highest distinction is there and whatever he does bears the stamp of his sterling integrity and unerring artistic insight. We believe Mr. Homberger means to make a stay of some months in the United States, after which he will return to Buenos Aires. He sails on the Clyde, which leaves here on the 14th of May for Rio, at which port he will catch the Wordsworth sailing direct for New York. Bon voyage and a safe return! — Southern Cross.

(As our old friend will be in Rio before our next issue is out, we hope this note will remind him before he sails to look us up.—Ed. R. N.)

OPENING DAY, SANTOS ATHLETIC CLUB'S NEW GROUND.

Ten years ago the Britishers in Santos held a meeting and decided to form a club to be called the Santos Athletic Club. Of those men who attended that meeting a great many are dead, some have left Brazil forever, but there are still a few of the founders left in Santos, and we were pleased to see them amongst the large gathering at the opening of the new ground on Wednesday last.

As the S. A. C. is now entering on a new phase in its existence a few remarks on its early history and vicissitudes may not be out of place. The club was founded in 1891 and during the first years was fairly successful, thanks in a great measure to the untiring efforts of Messrs. Sell and F. Colbourne, who worked unceasingly in the interest of the members. Yellow fever, loss of members, bad weather, or anything else did not daunt them, and had it not been for these two men there would be no S. A. C. to-day.

As everybody is aware the club had no ground of its own and the members played their cricket at tennis a few rentals on the beach in front of the Boqueirão Hotel, and it speaks well for the quality of the Britisher in Santos when we see that they have kept the club going through all these years. How many times has the writer seen the cricketers carrying out their matting and preparing a pitch on the sand for a game? And how many times, just as everything was prepared and the game ready to start, has he also seen a big wave of the sea wash completely over the pitch? But little things of this kind did not prevent the members having their game; another pitch would be selected higher up and the game proceeded with.

We have also seen the popular "Dickiey" Richards at six o'clock in the morning, Sunday and holiday, marking out a tennis court on the beach in order that a tournament might be brought off. This was in the early days of the club; later on no one bothered about tennis on the beach, but cricket still continued in a very half hearted manner during 1894, '95, '96, and about this time it was rumored that the club was going to liquidate. However at the general meeting held 1896 a energetic committee was elected and the club took new life. A team of cricketers was induced to come from Rio and play a match and although Santos was beaten it gave a "go" to the club. Since November, 1896, the club has never looked back, the various committees have worked as true Britishers and to-day they may be justly proud in pointing to the ground where so many people assembled and saying: "This belongs to the S. A. C."

The present ground was purchased a little more than a year ago for Rs. 20,000 and the club has spent about Rs. 30,000 in levelling, pavon and tennis court. Rs. 30,000 of the above was raised by an issue of debentures bearing 6%, which, thanks to the liberal support of the members and friends of the club, was fully subscribed in a very short time. It is the hope of the committee to repay all these debentures at par in five years when the ground will become the absolute property of S. A. C. Several of the members have already presented their shares to the club. We heard on the ground that Rs. 2,700 had been given already.

The present membership is over a hundred and the club is going stronger than ever, a proof of which is, that two years ago the selection committee had great difficulty in getting any eleven together. To-day they can arrange second eleven matches with São Paulo and have men working hard to secure a place.

On Wednesday all trolleys and horsemen headed in one direction, the club ground. At the front gate floated the gay colours of

the club and as the members and guests arrived on the ground itself they saw floating majestically from a graceful flag staff (the gift of Capt. Smith) the Brazilian and English flags.

For a cricket ground no better site could have been found in Santos. It is central for everybody. The grounds measure about 140 metres square, the playing area being sufficiently large for all ordinary players, there being no Jessop or Bonner in Santos. In one corner a cement tennis court has been put down and we were informed that before the year closes another one will be ready. The pavilion is not a very elaborate concern, but serves the purpose. It is divided up into a members' dressing-room, with lockers, a ladies' room, also fitted with lockers, and a large open veranda for members to watch the cricket. There is also a bar where members may purchase anything from champagne to pipe-clay. Attached to the bar at one end of the pavilion is a rustic structure, an excellent arrangement where members may sit and sip their lemonade and peppermint and sylvan without interfering with the ladies.

Punctually at 3.30 the cricket game was stopped and the president of the club, Mr. David Ellis, in an speech, officially declared the ground open. Mr. Mac, British consul, followed with a few words wishing success to the club, and then Mr. Sell, first in English and afterwards in Portuguese, thanked the visitors and the representatives of the press for their attendance. On behalf of the Diario de Santos Dr. Cunha e Costa replied in an excellent speech. The editor of the Tribuna do Povo also made a few remarks.

During the speech-making a telegram of congratulation was handed to the secretary from an old friend and founder of the club, Joe Elworthy.

The brass band, Colonial Portuguese, arrived at 1 o'clock and treated the guests to various musical selections during the afternoon. We noticed the bar did a large trade all day; indeed so great was the rush at times that the ever-busy Tommy Coleborn was seen drawing chops, and opening bottles for hours at a time.

The cricket itself was not first-class, although all the men were very keen in the field and several smart catches were made. We give the full scores below.

Amongst the large number of people present we noticed:—F. W. Mark, Esq., H. B. M. Consul, Mr. and Mrs. D. Ellis and Miss Ellis, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Ellis, Mr. and Mrs. Beaver, Mrs. Helwig, Mr. and Mrs. Hammill, Mrs. Austin, Mr. and Mrs. Pereira and Miss Dage, Mr. and Miss Thomson, Mr. and Mrs. Stenhouse, Mr. and Mrs. Simonsen, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Wright, Mr. and Mrs. Lundin (from São Paulo), Mr. and Mrs. Cross, Miss Fitzhugh, Mr. and Mrs. Cooper, Misses Carneiro, Mr. and Mrs. Jones, Capt. and Mrs. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Smith, Mr. H. K. Heyland, Mr. A. H. Thompson, Mr. G. Georgius, Mr. Rosenheim, Dr. Cunha e Costa, representative of Diario de Santos, Sr. Rande, representing the Cidade de Santos, Editor of Tribuna do Povo, Mr. Christy, representing the S. Paulo Athletic Club, Mr. Von Heyer, Sr. F. Pozio, Mr. and Miss Silva, commission representing "Club Internacional de Regatas," Capt. Stabell, s.s. "Rosemorran," Capt. Hyde, s.s. "Eton," and others.

The game terminated about five o'clock and the committee may congratulate themselves on the opening day being a great success.

The ladies very generously supplied tea and cake, which was greatly appreciated by everybody present. The results of the match between the Secretary's team and the Captain's team, played on 3rd May, were as follows:

SECRETARY'S TEAM.

Table with 2 columns: Player Name and Score. Includes Kealman, A. ct. Richards, B. Barham, Stock, C. L. ct. Greenland, B. do., Burgos, A. M. ct. Richards, B. do., Lewis, B. do., Carré, E. A. ct. Barber, Tracey, H. B. do., Wheatley, H. L. ct. Richards, B. Barham, Stewart-Smith, C. B. Barber, Lloyd, R. C. B. Barham, Pritchard, A. B. Barber, Smith, A. T. ct. Edwards, B. do., Born, H. ct. Evans, B. do., Greene, E. ct. Richards, B. do., Staundin, B. ct. Barber, B. Barham, Dickson, A. not out, Preece, C. W. B. Barber, Morgan, S. A. B. do., Leg-bye.

Total..... 48

CAPTAIN'S TEAM.

Table with 2 columns: Player Name and Score. Includes Tross, H. C. and B. Kealman, Tweedie, A. L. run out, Barber, H. E. run out, Gepp, F. H. ct. Wheatley, B. Kealman, Cross, J. A. retired, Barham, E. A. B. Wheatley, Edwards, M. S. ct. Tracey, B. do., Richards, A. ct. Born, B. Tracey, Cooper, E. ct. Carré, B. Wheatley, Watson, A. D. B. Stock, Evans, T. H. run out, Greenland, L. C. B. Stock, Thomson, J. H. B. do., Lewis, A. B. Burgos, Smith, H. P. B. Stock, Vieira, C. G. ct. Wheatley, B. do., Wright, H. L. not out, Byes, Leg-byes.

Total..... 72

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**THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE.**

In the message sent to congress on the 3rd inst. the President begins by alluding to the pledges contained in his letter to Messrs. N. M. Rothschild & Sons and in his inaugural address.

The part relating to foreign affairs treats of the boundary question with Bolivia and with French Guiana, and also with the proposal of the Tsar for disarming.

In regard to the question of internal tranquility the President devotes a few lines to the disturbances in Matto Grosso.

He recommends legislation for making elections the real expression of the will of the people and refers, as a sample of the manner in which elections are now held, to the constant complaints against electoral abuses in the federal district.

He states that a competent person has been appointed to frame the civil code.

He asks for appropriations for completing the quarantine stations at Pará and Tamandaré.

The army, he says, has been reduced to 15,000 men. He recommends the framing of a military penal code and the adoption of measures for enforcing the execution of the conscription law.

The navy, he asserts, is not in a position to perform all the duties required of it, but with the new vessels that will soon be ready and with the gallantry and efficiency which it has displayed in every emergency, it will not fail to render valuable services to the country.

«Long experience,» says the President, «has demonstrated that there is no real advantage in keeping railways under government management.» After stating his reasons for this opinion he proceeds to show that it has been justified by the result, up to the present time. This is seen in the following statement:

**Bauriú Railway:**

Under government management: 1896, deficit ..... 47,396\$566  
1897, " ..... 125,922\$832

Under private management:

1898, May 1 to Dec. 31, surplus . . . 419,478\$825

**Sobral Railway:**

Under government management:

1896, deficit ..... 77,601\$230  
1897, Jan. 1 to Oct. 31, deficit . . . 69,781\$105

Under private management:

1897, Nov. 1 to Dec. 31, surplus . . . 27,351\$345  
1898, surplus ..... 92,758\$120

**Pernambuco Central Railway:**

Under government management:

1896, deficit ..... 192,430\$372  
1897, " ..... 596,643\$696

1898, Jan. 1 to April 30, deficit . . . 193,134\$529

Under private management:

1898, May 1 to Dec. 31, surplus . . . 86,542\$211

This significant result has induced the government to call for tenders for the lease of the S. Francisco, Paulo Afonso and Sul de Pernambuco railways. The Central, says the President, he is reserving for a favorable opportunity for an operation, which, in view of the great value of that important property of the nation, will exercise a decisive influence on our financial system.

«The receipts of this road, which amounted to 30,386,487\$44 in 1897, rose last year to 34,098,051\$15. Nevertheless the year closed with a considerable deficit, which aggravated in no slight degree the distressing situation of the treasury. And yet that road is fed by extensive districts embracing the three great central states of S. Paulo, Minas Geraes and Rio de Janeiro and offering to a rich and powerful company the most favorable pros-

pects for a prosperous undertaking.» All that is necessary, says the President, is to encourage production, a work which the government has already begun by reducing freight rates on certain agricultural products. This measure, he adds, the government intends extending to other railways.

In regard to the financial improvement of the country the President says that the government attaches most importance to measures for combatting the depreciation of the currency. He accordingly proposes to promote the contraction of the issue by means of redemption, «for which purpose there should be instituted a special fund. This means that the redemption of paper money constitutes a capital point in the government's financial policy.

«In addition to this indirect measure, which by withdrawing part of the currency produces the appreciation of that which remains in circulation, we may also promote that appreciation by the direct measure of instituting a guarantee fund for paper money. This constitutes another capital point in the financial policy of the government.

«The redemption fund may be formed of the sums received from the lease of all the railways, except the Central, of the budget surplus, of the money received in payment of the debts of the various banks and of all incidental revenue.

«The guarantee fund for the currency may be formed of the product of 5% more in the gold duty on imports and all the surplus gold revenue.»

The President further proposes, that in conformity with what may be deemed expedient in view of the state of exchange and of the progress made in the reduction of the volume of the circulating medium, the government shall be empowered to make use of money belonging to either of these funds for the purpose of increasing the amount of the other, provided that under no circumstances shall the guarantee fund be reduced by more than one-half.

The President also wishes authorization for using the money belonging to the guarantee fund in cases of stringency in the money market and the consequent prohibition of the expedient, now in use, of temporary issues of paper money for this purpose. The latter measure, he says, intended for exceptional cases, has been converted into an ordinary expedient, and the lack of publicity with which such issues have been attended has contributed to the depreciation of the currency, whose volume has been considerably increased by the abusive failure to withdraw from circulation the paper thus issued. To leave at the government's option the use of so dangerous a faculty will, he says, generate a lack of confidence that will neutralize the most earnest efforts for redemption.

The President in process to describe the evil effects of the excessive issues of paper money. Among these effects was the unhealthy stimulus given to manufacturing industry, which, being founded on a fictitious basis, could not prosper. There ensued violent and sudden failures, resulting in heavy losses, destroying a considerable part of public and private wealth and impoverishing the country more and more all the while.

«The measure adopted for combatting these disasters,» says the President, «was a remedy that was worse than the evil; there was framed an ultra protectionist tariff for the support of this artificial manufacturing industry, thus raising the price of merchandise and sacrificing the whole nation for the benefit of a few manufacturers. The actual monopoly resulting from the prohibitive tariff has been manifestly detrimental to agricultural production. This is equivalent to saying that we have strayed from the path indicated by the true principles of political economy. It is high time to return to the right road, and for this purpose what we have to do is to endeavor to export everything that we can produce more advantageously than other nations and import what they can produce more advantageously than we.

«Thus the modification of the custom-house tariff in conformity with the principles here set forth is still another capital point in the government's financial policy.

The President says that the appreciation and stability of the currency will open the way to the introduction of foreign capital, which, seeking profitable investment, will flow into the country, attracted by the incomparable riches of Brazil.

«But,» says the President, «we must see to our revenue and never lose sight of our necessary retrenchment policy.

«The synopsis for the year 1898 shows that the revenue collected amounted to 307,623,291\$672, which will be increased to 351,460,318\$060 by the addition of 43,837,026\$888, probable amount of the balance-sheets that have not yet been sent to the treasury. Adding to this sum the result of the additional half year, which, estimated by that of the corresponding period of the previous year, will amount to 11,401,015\$932, we shall have a total of 362,861,333\$992, which is 20,208,333\$992 more than the budget estimate of 342,653,000\$.

«The appropriations voted amounted to 372,812,421\$160, increased to 409,290,706\$644 by special appropriations made for the respective year to the amount of 36,478,282\$475.

«Comparing the revenue with the expenditure, we have a deficit of 46,429,372\$652, which, in the final settlement of the year's accounts, will be considerably reduced by the surplus in budget items and even in the special appropriations.

«As to the present year, the returns thus far received for the first quarter show that the



sum collected was 77,025,309\$, which permits us to estimate at 308,101,236\$ the revenue to be collected in the whole year.

Deducting from this revenue the expenditure estimated at 328,623,257\$36, we shall have a balance of 30,878,994\$50.

The President, however, thinks that the revenue for 1899 will exceed the foregoing estimate. In his opinion the decrease in importation during the first quarter of the present year was solely due to the large importation effected in December for the purpose of escaping the gold duties and will be compensated by large imports in the rest of the year.

He reminds congress, however, that during the present year the treasury has to pay the outstanding amount of the loan of \$2,000,000 and to redeem paper money to the amount of over 40,000,000, including the 14,000,000 already redeemed.

As you see, says the President, the government needs resources amounting to a considerable sum. But, as it is evident that we cannot count on the enlargement of taxation, we can only appeal to heavy reductions in expenditure, since those that have already been made are insufficient.

The President then proceeds to recommend legislation in regard to montepios and the pensions of retired functionaries. In regard to the former he says that there is no treasury in the world capable of supporting the burdens which they entail.

He also wishes legislation for improving the system of collecting revenue and for clearly defining the respective spheres of the general and state governments in regard to the stamp-tax.

"I am convinced," he says, "that the solution of the financial question depends less on the natural resources of the country than on the wisdom of the measures adopted by those who control its destinies."

EXPLORATION OF THE BERMEJO.

In our last, says the B. A. Standard of April 20th, we published the news telegraphed to us by our travelling correspondent of the arrival of the Leach expedition at Corrientes. We can now give our readers some details of the journey. Mr. Leach, it will be remembered, left the department of San Pedro by River Lavayen on the 13th March last.

The party which accompanied him was composed of the following gentlemen: Messrs. Robert Smyth, Balland, Major Zorrilla, several English volunteers and five mechanics. Three barges were forwarded by the national government, which, with the two they constructed, made five in all; in order to cooperate, furthermore, gave orders that Major Zorrilla (teniente de mar) should join the expedition. Having left La Esperanza they had not long been en route when one of the barges struck against a submerged trunk and was capsized; those on board her managed to save themselves along with the greater part of the cargo. Three fire arms were lost, besides some luggage. The Bermejo in its upper course is literally studded with these trunks; a great obstruction, for each is the origin of the formation of sand banks; otherwise, Mr. Leach says, the river is perfectly navigable in all its course by boats of small draught, and that the medium depth is 2 metres, falling on exceptional occasions to 1 metre nearly. Some Mataco Indians, who inhabit the zone that lies between the rivers Bermejo and Pilcomayo, joined Mr. Leach on his way, and are at present in Corrientes. They did not manifest any surprise on finding themselves in a civilized town which is singular, for they had never been out of their Chaco dominions. A few Toba Indians also paid the expedition a visit, but did not offer to join. Satisfying their curiosity in a friendly way, they retired into the woods. As regards the health of the expeditionaries, they are none the worse for the hardships and privations they underwent. The stores held out splendidly, and Mr. Leach is so pleased at the results obtained that he intends organizing another expedition shortly with the special object of making an attempt to clear the river of some trunks.

"I see in your American papers," said Smalwy, from the depths of a pile of rumpled exchanges, "that the editors are having a great deal to say about 'hog movements'. I've no patience with such bosh! What does an editor know about hog movements, anyway? In fact, what does anybody know? I never yet saw a hog that would move just as you desired. I never saw a hog go the way you wanted him to go. I never saw a drove of hogs all move together in one direction. The movements of a hog, speaking broadly, are animated by pure cussedness, and these smart Alicks can't make me believe anything to the contrary!"

CRICKET AT MORRO VELHO.

The third match of the season at Morro Velho came off on the 30th April, when the "Barracks" played the "World." The ground has been considerably improved since last year and has been laid down with the best suitable grass that could be obtained from England. Although the season is young yet, the chief feature of this last game was the improvement in play shown all round. The second feature was the unexpected victory of the "Barracks," but the "World" will probably be able to turn the tables when the return match comes off on the 30th August. Monday, Turner, Drew and E. Jones showed some very pretty batting, and Dr. Jones, Tarling and Atherton bowled well. The game was watched by a large number of spectators of many nationalities, a band discoursed sweet music on the ground, and an excellent lunch was served at the hotel under the able management of Capt. Martin.

The scores were as follows:

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-It is worthy of note that Gov. Bernardo de Irigoyen has been compelled to appeal to the people of the province of Buenos Aires against their elected (?) representatives. He says that he has tried to provide an honest, liberal and just government, "a" to satisfy provincial administrative necessities, to improve its financial situation, to combat the electoral fraud which undermines the political organism of this state etc., but that "my efforts have been fruitless owing to the corruption which prevails in the province." His manifesto is a sweeping condemnation of the political methods which pass for republican in these latitudes.

-Another member of the Gerlach expedition to the South Pole has arrived at Montevideo. The expedition has proved that what is marked Palmerland on English maps is really a group of islands, one of which is named Moreno, after the Argentine boundary commissioner. The vessel entered Hughes gulf, which is really a strait, by the north and came out by the west into the Pacific. Besides mosses and lichens, a single flowering plant, a grain, was found. On this poor vegetation two insects and four species of small spiders were found, belonging to unknown classes. There were many seals and penguins. Geography shows that the depth of water round continents is always 50 metres, this bottom being called the Continental Plateau. The Belgica's sounding, showed a uniform depth of 500 metres, which proved that there is land further south. The fauna of this continental plateau were not as in the continental plateaux of other continents but identical with that of the lowest depths of ocean in equatorial and temperate regions. The results obtained by direct observation of magnetic declination and force of the compass do not coincide with the theoretical calculations made upon them.—Herald, Buenos Aires.

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TELEGRAMS OF THE WEEK

United States.

APR. 30.—The New York press publishes telegrams from Manila saying that Aguinaldo has sent to General Otis to inform him that he can only surrender with his troops on condition that the independence of the Philippines is recognised under the protectorate of the United States.

The government has sent instructions to General Otis to send back any volunteers who may express a wish to go home from the Philippines.

Some miners on strike in Coeur d'Alene, in the north of Idaho, have blown up two factories in that region with dynamite. The damage done is said to amount to two million dollars.

May 1.—The public treasury has to-day paid over the stipulated 20 million dollars to Spain for the cession of the Philippines.

A great meeting in favor of the abandonment of the Philippines was held in Chicago to-day, and a resolution to that effect was sent to the President of the United States.

MAY 2.—All the English vessels in the port of New York were dressed with flags to-day in honor of the first anniversary of the battle of Cavite, when the Spanish fleet in Philippine waters were destroyed by Admiral Dewey.

The Philippine delegates have again interviewed General Otis with new proposals of peace, but the American commander will only listen to an unconditional surrender.

The government has received official advice that Capt. Rockefeller who was sent some time ago to Calocan has not been heard of since and it is feared that he has fallen into the hands of the Tagalos. Another convoy of provisions has been sent from Manila for the relief of the Spanish prisoners in the power of the Tagalos.

MAY 3.—The latest statistics published in the press state the total cost of the war with Spain to have been 300 millions of dollars. The sum also includes the cost of the Philippine campaign up to the present. The number of killed and wounded in these campaigns is 6,190.

Telegrams from Samoa say that the insurrection there is gaining ground, and it is feared that it will spread to all the islands.

The American troops in the Philippines have taken possession of Macabebe, and were received with enthusiasm by the natives. General Lawton is advancing on Balmora, and the Tagalo General Luna is reported to be concentrating his troops in S. Thomas.

The cruiser "Chicago" has received orders to proceed to Tangiers to support the claims of the United States for damages and insults sustained by the American citizens there. The press counsels the government to take identical steps with Nicaragua and Honduras.

It is announced from Manila that General has taken Baling and has inflicted great loss on the insurgents.

MAY 4.—The government has resolved to apply to Cuba and Porto Rico the same immigration laws in force in the United States.

General Otis has telegraphed that General MacArthur's troops have had a stiff fight with the Tagalos to the south of San Fernando, gaining a complete victory, and inflicting a crushing defeat on the insurgents, who suffered heavy losses in killed and wounded. The correspondents of the New York Herald confirm the fact that General Wheaton's brigade has occupied San Thomaz after a heavy battle.

Spain.

APR. 29.—Sr. Silveira's horses ran away last night, and the premier had a narrow escape as his driver and footman were both slightly injured.

A mad veterinary was apprehended in the royal theatre when the Queen-Regent was present, on suspicion of making a homicidal attempt. The man is well known as a professor of his art, and no importance is attached to the incident, especially after the subsequent enquiries.

APR. 30.—The generals on the reserve list of the Spanish army have called a meeting of their branch to protest against General Tejero being relegated to the reserve in view of the court-martial which deprived him of his active rank, for incompetence in the presence of the enemy. They go further and ask for him to be struck off the army list altogether.

The net result of the Spanish elections is that no party has an absolute majority, and it is thought that the return of the Sagasta party to power is very doubtful in any case, in spite of the weakness of the conservatives.

The Philippine journalist, Reyes, has had an interview with General Polavieja, in the course of which he counselled him to negotiate with Agoncillo for the liberation of the Spanish prisoners. (It seems to us that in view of the probable surrender of the Tagalos themselves before long, that the Spanish minister of war is scarcely likely to nibble at the bait.)

MAY 1.—The result of the elections for senators is now definitely known. The Silveira government has obtained a majority of 40 seats in that chamber.

A largely attended meeting was held in Madrid in celebration of labor day, but although the language used by the speakers was vehement the manifestation passed off without any disturbance.

Havana telegrams published in Madrid say that an American syndicate is buying up the best factories and tobacco plantations in Cuba, in order to establish a monopoly in Havana tobacco.

MAY 2.—The government is said to be about to raise another loan of 2,000 millions of pesetas.

The sufferings of the people in the agricultural districts of Spain on account of the prolonged drought are very great, and it is feared that unless rain quickly falls the harvests will be half lost. Serious disturbances have broken out in the town of Albuquerque, in the province of Badajoz, led by the principal schoolmaster of the place. The police succeeded in making this man prisoner in spite of determined attempts at rescue on the part of the populace. A squadron of cavalry has been sent there to preserve order.

To-day being the anniversary of Spanish independence was celebrated with great pomp in all the principal cities of the kingdom.

Rumors are again prevalent of serious disagreement between Sr. Silveira and General Polavieja on the question of increasing the army estimates to which the premier is opposed.

MAY 3.—In the frontier town of Zamora between Spain and Portugal, a serious conflict occurred between Spanish and Portuguese soldiers on account of a Spanish woman who had been insulted by Portuguese. The incident has caused great excitement in the district.

«La Reforma» the ministerial organ, says that it is absolutely impossible to make any reduction in the army estimates, at least during the present year.

Great swarms of locusts have appeared in the province of Ciudad Real, and are causing havoc amongst the crops.

The «Gaceta Oficial» has to-day published the text of the treaty of peace between Spain and the United States for the first time.

Great Britain

APR. 29.—The delegates sent by Aguinaldo to make peace with the Americans have retired from Manila without having made any treaty, as General Otis would only hear of an unconditional surrender. This the delegates had not power to grant without consulting the Philippine congress, which body General Otis refuses to recognise. There has been no cessation of hostilities up to the present and skirmishes are still reported from the neighborhood of Calumpit.

APR. 30.—The Marquis of Salisbury announced in the course of his speech at the Royal Academy banquet that negotiations had been concluded between Russia and Great Britain as to their respective railways in the north of China, and he was pleased to say that all causes of trouble between the two countries were now removed.

The Duke of Beaufort died to-day.

MAY 1.—To-day in the house of lords, Lord Salisbury gave the bases of the agreement between Great Britain and Russia as to their policy in the north of China. Great Britain has undertaken not to construct or to countenance the construction of any railways beyond the southern boundary of the Amoor territory, and Russia has promised not to do anything in the Yang-tse-Kiang valley. There was no stipulation as to spheres of influence, but the independence of China was to be maintained.

The Russo-British arrangement has been well received by the press.

The usual labor meetings took place in London to-day, and immense crowds of people walked in procession through the principal streets on their way to Hyde Park, where speeches were delivered on the eight hours question for the most part. There was no disturbance of the public peace.

MAY 2.—Telegrams from Manila published in London say that the peace commissioners from Aguinaldo have repeated their overture to General Otis, who has again insisted on an unconditional surrender.

Sir Michael Hicks Beach, the chancellor of the exchequer, has again officially denied in the house of commons that the government has any intention to grant any special guarantees to the Trans-African railway.

A large meeting was held to-day in favor of the Trans-African railway scheme, in the course of which Mr. Cecil Rhodes was warmly cheered.

MAY 3.—Aguinaldo has telegraphed to the Philippine committee in London that he has opened negotiations for peace with the United States but denies that they include an American protectorate, which under no conditions could he accept.

There was a lively debate in the house of commons to-night on the budget bill in which Sir William Harcourt and Sir Charles Dilke attacked the government policy which was defended by Mr. Goschen. The bill was passed by 280 votes to 155.

Lord Kitchener recently sent Ibrahim Ali on a mission to his relative, the Sultan of Darfour, but on arrival in Darfour Ibrahim found the Sultan had been dethroned by Dinar, who had killed 220 of the loyal troops and forced the rest to fly. Ibrahim returned to Omdurman yesterday with 30 survivors of the Sultan's army.

MAY 4.—Telegrams from Samoa say that Mataafa has accepted the proposed assistance of the powers interested. The German representative, however, refused to take any part in the matter.

The mill-owners in Lancashire have agreed to the higher wages demanded by the men on strike.

France.

APR. 28.—Deputies Deroulede and Habert were to-day committed for trial before a jury on the charges of having conspired against the government and of having incited the military to disobedience.

The «Figaro» now gives the evidence of Esterhazy before the court of cassation in full. The principal facts have long been known.

The «Temps» asserts that the presiding judge has asked the colonial minister to furnish him with a document found in Guiana which is said to contain abundant evidence of the innocence of Deyfus.

M. Meurice, one of the experts in handwriting, has his evidence recorded in the «Figaro». He said that the telegraphic dispatch in cipher sent to Col. Panizzardi, ex-military attaché in Paris, contained in the Dreyfus dossier is absolutely false, but that the translation of it in the French foreign office is a correct one.

APR. 29.—It is now said that Germany has made friendly suggestions to France to put an end to the Dreyfus case, as if this is not done some German officials will be allowed to make important declarations.

The court of cassation heard the new declaration of Col. Du Paty de Clam. The hearing of witnesses is said to be now closed. The decision of the court will be made known during the course of the present month.

MAY 1.—During a meeting of some strikers against the «Compagnie des Wagons-Lits» in St. Denis, the anarchists provoked a riot. The police intervened and were received with stones. When the disturbance was quelled, it was found that a number of persons had been badly wounded. The ringleaders have been arrested.

The labor meetings passed off without any breach of the peace throughout France. In Paris there was no manifestation whatever, many men refusing to leave their work.

MAY 2.—The «Figaro» publishes to-day the evidence given before the united courts of cassation by Col. Du Paty de Clam, on the 29th ulto. He said that General Gonse had explained to him that it was necessary to save Esterhazy from the attacks of the Dreyfus syndicate. He told Sr. Cavaignac, the minister of war, of the document forged by Col. Henry before the minister answered a question on the subject in the chamber of deputies, and was told by him to mind his own business.

The chamber of deputies re-opened to day after the Easter holidays. The general tone of the house was quiet, and at the request of M. Dupuy all the questions relating to the Dreyfus case were postponed until the court of cassation had given its decision.

Queen Victoria left Cimiez to-day on her return to England.

MAY 3.—The Herald publishes a telegram from Singapore stating that Siam had ceded to France the province of Luang Prabang, and further promised to entrust the portfolios of public works and education to French citizens. Other papers say that France in return for this concession has surrendered the Province of Chantaboum, and that it is possible that the province of Rahimien will pass into British possession.

Queen Victoria arrived at Cherbourg to-night, and at once proceeded on board the royal yacht, which is expected to leave for England to-morrow.

It is reported in Paris that the Belgian coal strike is dying out, and within a week the mines will be in full swing.

MAY 4.—In consequence of the heavy gales prevailing in the channel the Queen's yacht did not leave Cherbourg until this morning.

A terrible boiler explosion took place on board a tug in the Belgian port of Tournai, killing three of the crew at once, and it also feared that the wife and children of the tug-master have also perished.

The 20th inst. is said to be the date definitely fixed for delivering the decision of the united courts of cassation on the Dreyfus case.

Germany.

APR. 29.—The Emperor William and President McKinley exchanged cordial telegrams to-day on the occasion of the laying down of a new cable between Germany and the United States.

APR. 30.—The Prince of Siam fought a duel to-day with a German officer in Berlin and was seriously wounded.

Several of the offices and stores belonging to the Krupp shipbuilding yards at Kiel have been destroyed by fire that broke out last evening.

Italy

MAY 3.—To-day the cabinet of General Pelloux resigned in face of the large majority against the government on its policy in China. The prime minister explained in the chamber of deputies that the action taken in China was purely that of the cabinet and did not want to leave the whole blame on his shoulders and so divided the responsibility. The policy in San Mun did not mean a military expansion, but simply a commercial one.

On handing his resignation to King Humbert, General Pelloux was asked to reconsider but remained firm. It is thought probable that the King will entrust him with the formation of another cabinet, and if necessary dissolve the chambers to strengthen his hands. In any case it is expected that the ministerial crisis will be a long one.

MAY 4.—King Humbert to-day had a long conference with the Marquis Visconti di Venosta, on the political situation.

«Il Popolo Romano» confirms the news that Italy intends to proceed immediately to the occupation of San-Mun in China.

PAYSANDU CRICKET CLUB v. LONDON AND BRAZILIAN BANK.

This match which was played at the Paysandu ground on Sunday last, and proved to be an exciting one, ended in a win for the Bank by one run, Messrs. Routh and Mawson doing good work both in bowling and batting for the winners. For the home team Nicolls and Murray battled well, but almost saved defeat. Gings performed the hat trick.

The score is as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Player Name and Score. Includes LONDON AND BRAZILIAN BANK players like J. D. S. Routh, W. J. Millions, F. Prior, B. Gings, J. B. Mawson, C. Prain, A. C. Blake, C. Murray, A. W. Rolls, O. W. Barry, P. Barry, E. Bailey, J. T. Moore, R. F. Bradford, M. Cunha, R. B. Gings, Extras, Total.

PAYSANDU CRICKET CLUB

Table with 2 columns: Player Name and Score. Includes O. Wucherer, W. Tatum, H. D. Prain, W. Harrison, P. Ehrhardt, W. T. Gings, A. Amaral, J. W. Nicolls, C. Murray, E. Fairbairn, C. N. Lefebvre, Extras, Total.

The team to represent Rio at Icarahy on 13-14th May.

(2 days match) is as follows: A. C. E. Skey (captain), N. W. Jackson, H. J. Reeves, J. B. Mawson, R. H. Robinson, C. N. Atlee, W. T. Gings, O. Wucherer, A. Smythe and V. Tatum. D. Campbell (reserve or captain of Rio B. team at Paysandu on Sunday 14th.)

RIO CRICKET AND ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION.

The cricket season across at S. Domingos opened well on Wednesday last. The ground has been marvellously improved since last year. The cricket field is now completely covered with fresh, green, springy turf without a bare spot. The glaring wall opposite the pavilion is partially covered with verdant creepers and is no longer an eyesore. The young trees presented by Mr. H. L. Wheatley last August are growing well and will in years to come give grateful shade to the fair visitors who love to look on at the British national game. The ground immediately in front of the pavilion has been laid out in trim parterres, but did not show at their best on Wednesday as the flowers had been battered by the heavy downpour of rain on the previous Saturday. The tennis courts are in splendid condition and the circular track has been most carefully attended to during the off season. Taken as a whole, the S. Domingos ground is now an ideal one to gladden the hearts of those who saw it a wretched swamp two years ago. Col Felipe Carpenter was not present. Mr. George Cox is at home in England, but the enthusiastically practical creators of the ground were well represented this year by Mr. Robert Morrissy, who on the occasion had the pleasure of making a top score for the club. The opening game was between the R. C. A. A. and the team of the United Banks. The home team showed some splendid cricket from start to finish of their innings which began the game. Up to the time of writing we have not been favored with the score, and without it we do not care to trust our memory for the details of the game. The great features we observed were Robert Morrissy's splendid batting score of over 50 for the club, Hargreave's brilliant catch from M. Morrissy's slog in the long field, which ended the innings of the home team, Skey's deadly sure wicket-keeping, and the fine fielding shown all round. The United Banks made an extraordinarily poor show. Man after man went in, and was quickly out with a duck's egg to his credit, the total score of their first innings being 7. Going in again, the United Banks made a slightly better show, but they were evidently out of form so early in the season. C. B. Mawson, C. A. Conolly, and R. A. Brooking that helped them so well in the past season were all away from Rio, but later on we hope to see them come up to their old standard. There was hard luck on their side when Roberts was bowled first ball in the first innings, and was so over anxious to make runs in the second that he jumped to the ball and got bowled again with only two on his record. Barry played a steady game in the second innings, but could not retrieve the bad fortune of his side. The Banks altogether did not score much more than R. Morrissy, and when stumps were drawn they were over 70 in the rear. We were glad to see our old friends, Messrs W. Maude and H. Harward, again in their places as umpires, with straw hats of a fearful and wonderful make. Mr. W. Wolstenholme made an expert scorer. The game was witnessed in the latter part of the afternoon, by many fair women and brave men, but we are informed that it would not be "good taste" to publish their names. We, however, only refrain from displaying our bad taste through the absence of a complete list. We have to thank the committee of the R. C. A. A. for having elected us an honorary member of the club, which is an honor we prize.

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SYMPATHY will of course be felt by many for the merchants who called on the President on Thursday last to protest against the manner in which the new stamp tax is imposed. They were received coldly and were sent away with a curt refusal. They had kept silent while the tax was under discussion, and now the President considers that he has no discretion in the matter. The tax must be enforced! In great part, the President is right. Congress enacted the tax; he has no part but to enforce it. Of course, much discretion is given him as to the manner in which the law shall be enforced, and it is of this that the complaint is made. He might have had existing stocks inventoried, and the tax paid as they were sold, but in view of the circumstance that the treasury is in urgent need of funds he decided to have these large existing stocks taxed and stamped at once. Many merchants are simply unable to do it. They have insufficient cash to buy the stamps, and in these hard times they simply can not arrange it. Many firms, having only a small capital, are accustomed to carry large stocks on credit, and upon these the tax will bear heavily. They will of course have either to close their doors, or conceal a part of their stocks, which will of course be considered criminal. But what else can they do?

THE true way, in our opinion, is to fight these measures the moment they appear in congress. It is a grave mistake to wait until they become laws. They should be fought step by step, and if enacted, then their constitutionality should be disputed before the courts. Business men must resist these trespasses upon their rights, or else submit supinely to every species of plunder that can be devised. If one wrong is allowed to pass unresisted, another will surely follow. Congress and the executive will never respect the rights of business men as long as they fail to defend them. It is the timid men who are generally plundered, not the men who fight for their own. We are glad to see that the business men interested at once called a meeting and that it was attended by a very large number of them. It shows that they are at last aroused, and when we see seven hundred of them meeting to consider measures for resisting an oppressive tax we are constrained to believe that they mean business. At this meeting, on Saturday last, they resolved to carry their protests to congress, which is right. But is it enough? There are grounds for believing the tax unconstitutional; why not carry their case into the courts! If the tax is oppressive, let it be fought in every field. Once establish a precedent that an unconstitutional act can be declared null and void by the courts, the government and congress will be more careful

what they do. Then let it be understood that no congressman who favors oppressive measures can hope for re-election, and the people will be secure against many of the abuses of which they are now complaining.

WE have not been accustomed to comment at length upon executive messages at the opening of congress, and for the simple reason that they have no binding force upon congress and that they do not generally furnish details sufficient to enable one to form a satisfactory opinion on administrative matters. Of the message presented to congress by President Campos Salles on the 3rd inst., of which a synopsis is given in another column, it can be said that it has been well received everywhere and has contributed to a feeling that the President is determined to carry out the programme of financial reform to which he stands committed. We sincerely hope this feeling is not mistaken. The President has a difficult task before him, and he has uncertain materials to handle. Congress is not at all in harmony with his programme, and it may result that his best intentions will miscarry. But we are glad to see that he is now frankly in favor of the alienation of the state railways, of the reduction in the numerical strength of the army, and of the continued withdrawal of the superabundant currency. His proposal to add another 5 per cent to the gold percentage on import duties is, in our opinion, a mistake, for every increase in taxation tends to decrease revenue. We have the proof of this before us at the present moment. His admission that the so-called national industries are contributing more to decrease the revenue than to help the country, comes as a surprise, and we shall wait with some curiosity to see what it leads to. If it leads to a tariff for revenue, instead of a protective tariff, great benefits will certainly be realised. As for his financial estimates for the current year, he is far more sanguine than men whose business experience enables them to gauge the market much more closely than he can possibly do. We are overtaxed, the people can not buy, and there is very little chance for a business revival under existing conditions.

THE government has sent to congress its proposal for the army bill for 1900. According to this proposal the army, besides the commissioned officers, is to be composed of 800 military cadets and 28,160 non-commissioned officers and privates. How is the country to pay for this army, if it cannot pay for even the present army of 15,000 men?

ALTHOUGH the congressional session was opened this year on the day fixed by the constitution, no benefit has yet been derived from this fact, for congress seems unable to get to work. On Thursday the senate barely succeeded in electing its officers, but failed to elect the standing committees. The president pro tem for 1898 has been re-elected. The hamper up to yesterday had been unable to get a quorum together.

IN our last issue we called attention to the mistaken report that the decision in the Venezuela-Guiana boundary dispute had been given in favor of the former. Our last mail advices state that the American commissioners, representing Venezuela, were to sail for Paris on May 17th, where they are to meet the British commissioners and the arbitrator, Professor Maerrens. The latter has also been appointed one of the Russian delegates to the disarmament congress, but it is thought that this will not interfere with the proceedings on the Venezuela-Guiana arbitration case. Just how long it will take to examine the great mass of documents and evidence, is not known, but it may be assumed that the decision will be given within the next two months.

THE statement made in the President's message that the issue of currency as an extraordinary recourse, had become an ordinary recourse, and that governments heretofore had not withdrawn these issues, is worthy of note. Charges have been made again and again that the government was clandestinely issuing currency, and it has always been denied. Of course, no one could prove the charge, because no balance sheets are published. The President's admission in an official document will now set the matter at rest. We are assured that the illegal issue has not only occurred, but has become customary. And we may conclude that the immunity enjoyed by various governments in such abuses, is the cause of many another abuse from which the people are suffering.

RECURRING to the settlement of those accounts at the end of March when arbitrary rates of exchange were adopted, higher than the market rate and to the loss of various creditors, we would like to draw attention to a statement which appeared, apparently inspired, in the *Brazilian Review* of April 11th, and to solicit a little further information on the point at issue. After stating that the refusal of the treasury employés to pay any other rates than those indicated in the orders received "was not final," the editor of that paper says:—"As it happened that the minister of finance had already agreed to allow the payment of differences." Now this is important, and, if true, the creditors in question would like to be put in the way of collecting the differences due them. Will the editor of the *Review* inform them when and where this promise was made? Two applications in similar cases have been lately *interferido*, and so far as the creditors are advised the minister has no intention to pay these differences. At any rate, no promise to that effect has been made them. Possibly, the statement was made for foreign consumption, like many another; but we should prefer to believe that the *Review* had some reliable basis for the declaration. If it had not, if the minister has made no such agreement, then the statement was a deliberate falsehood and the *Review* stands convicted of an attempt to deceive those to whom it owes everything, except its credit at the treasury. It may be said that claims have been made for these differences, and thus far not one favorable reply has been given! Will the *Review* now explain that statement?

## THE MARRIAGE OF MR. EDWIN WYATT AND MISS GLADYS MAWSON.

Want of time and space in our last issue prevented us from making more than a brief reference to this happy event, which took place on Saturday, the 26th ult., at the residence of the bride's father, Mr. Joseph Mawson, at Larangeiras. The popularity of the Mawson family was abundantly proved by the number of friends who accepted the invitation to be present at the marriage ceremony, and the crowded saloons would have been still more crowded had the torrential rain that fell during the afternoon not deterred those who lived at a distance. The marriage ceremony was performed by the Very Rev. Canon Molina, the vicar of the parish of N. S. da Gloria, assisted by Rev. Father John Alpen. The rev. canon was only able, to his deep regret, to use the simple but impressive ceremony usually used in the Catholic Church, owing to the want of authority from the archbishop, who had left for Rome, to perform the ceremony in a still more solemn, but not more binding, manner.

The bride looked charming in a dress of white satin duchesse, her train being prettily carried by Miss Dorothy and Master Dennis Cross, the little niece and nephew of the bridegroom. Miss Winefride and Miss Geraldine Mawson, sisters of the bride, and Miss Wyatt, sister of the bridegroom, were the three bridesmaids, and wore gold brooches set with diamonds and rubies, the gift of the bridegroom. Mr. T. G. Nicolson acted as best man, and the bride was given away by her father. The *padrinhos* were Mr. and Mrs. Edward Lynch. The short ceremony over, the newly-married couple were heartily congratulated by the numerous friends present, and cordial wishes for their life-long happiness were poured upon them, to which our own are added. Dancing was kept up until a late hour, and few that were there are likely to forget the happy occasion. We should have liked to give a list of those present, but the pleasure is denied us owing to our crowded columns.

The many presents included:—From Mr. and Mrs. Mawson, plate and cutlery and house and table linen; Mr. and Mrs. Wyatt, silver mounted claret jugs, tray and biscuit box; Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Mawson (Bahia), silver entrée dishes; Commendador, Mrs. and Miss Gracie, silver mounted claret jugs; Mr. and Mrs. B. N. Wyatt, table glass; Miss Wyatt, silver mounted preserve jar; Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Mawson, case of silver napkin rings; Mr. and Mrs. Cross, pianoforte; Mr. C. B. and Mr. J. B. Mawson, a silver tea service; Mr. and Mrs. H. Wyatt, porcelain vases; Miss Winefride and Miss Geraldine Mawson, white ostrich feather fan, silver handled paper knife; Miss Mawson (Richmond) case of silver salt cellars; Mr. and Mrs. Stevenson (Bahia), silver mounted carvers; Mr. and Mrs. R. Baker-Gabb (Abergavenny) silver egg stand; Mr. T. A. Mawson (Bahia), silver cheese dish; Mr. F. Levick (London), travelling clock; Miss Helen Mawson (Bahia), afternoon tea cloth; Miss Mildred Mawson, silver knife rests; Miss Chadwell (London), silver cruets and silver mounted hot water jug; Mr. and Mrs. Edward Lynch, silver fish knives and forks; Mr. and Mrs. Quayle, silver and glass epergne, afternoon tea doyleys; Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Levick (London), silver tea spoons; Mrs. Ford, silver afternoon tea spoons; Mr. and Mrs. De Lisle, silver mounted vases; Miss Alice Rostron, toilet mats; Mr. and Mrs. Whittle, silver mounted preserve jars; Mr. and Mrs. F. Von Schwartz Pryor, silver ice jug; Mrs. Crawhall Wilson (London), silver photo frame; Conselheiro Ferreira Vianna, an oil painting; Mrs. Edwin Hime and Madam Gustave Masset, silver mounted claret jug; Mr. and Mrs. Stacey, silver candlesticks; Mr. and Mrs. Conceição, silver water jug, pearl paper knife; Mr. Mrs. and Miss Pullen, silver tray; Mr. and Mrs. G. Gudgeon, ice pail; Mr. and Mrs. Robinson,

afternoon tea table; Miss Robinson, scent bottles; Mr. and Mrs. Dennis (London), silver mounted sugar bowl; Miss Dennis, handkerchief satchet; Mrs. Mann (Mauchester), painted plaque; Mr. and Mrs. Hargreaves, silver mounted claret jug; Mr. and Mrs. Ohren-Ovington (London), silver tea spoons; Mr. and Mrs. Broad, silver mounted carvers; Miss Miss Tross, silver tea spoon and fork; Mr. and Mrs. J. Lowides, silver water jug; Mr. and Mrs. Simmons, silver fish slice and fork; Mr. and Mrs. McNeill, oriental lounge; Mrs. Mc Nair, tea cosy; Mr. and Mrs. Nicolls, salad spoon and fork; Mrs. Page (London), Indian mats; Miss M. Page, silver preserve spoons; Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd, ornament; Mr. and Mrs. Taylor, ice bowl; Mr. and Mrs. Saunders, salad spoon and fork; Miss Page, silver toast rack; the Misses Wilson, silver toilet basket; Miss Young, ink stand; Mrs. Ashlin (Cork) gold brooch; Mr. and Mrs. E. Haynes, tortoise shell paper knife; Miss Agnes Carlless (Stafford), silver bonbon dishes; Miss O'Connor, silver bonbon dish; Miss Hill, lace handkerchief; Mr. S. M. A. and Mr. H. Weigall, silver candlesticks; Mr. Edmund Lynch, silver egg stand, Mr. H. J. Lynch, silver dessert knives and forks; Mr. C. Lynch, silver fish slice and forks; Mr. Owen Mawson (London), silver carl case; Mr. Raymond Mawson (Bahia) silver sweet dish; Mr. Frank Prior, butler's tray and stand; Mr. Wileman, water jug; Mr. Wichello, silver tray; Mr. Edwin Hime Junr., silver mounted carvers; Mr. Carlisle Davis, card basket; Mr. Johns, silver napkin rings; Mr. Blake, ice bowl; Mr. R. Mc Nair, silver button hook; Mr. D. and Mr. C. Mc Nair, afternoon tea cloths; Miss Dicks, inkstand; Mrs. Florentina da Costa, silver butter knife; Leonor da Silva, vases. Mr. Crashly presented lovely bouquets of orchids to the bride and bridesmaids, Dr. Pires Brandão an elegant bouquet for the bride, and a profusion of flowers, etc. were sent by Dr. Carlos Jordão and family, Madame de Castro, and Mlle. Passos, Madame de Faria and family, Mr. Frank Voule and other friends.

## PROVINCIAL NOTES

—Fatal cases of yellow fever continue to be reported from Bahia, which is again increasing. There has been a slight improvement the past week, but not sufficient to improve the situation.

—A Santa Catharina telegram of the 6th inst. says that soldiers on their way to Mato Grosso landed on the steamer "Desterro" at S. Francisco and caused disturbances. Between these soldiers and a police force there ensued a fight in which several persons were wounded.

—On the 1st inst. the legislature of the state of Rio de Janeiro adjourned for 8 days, authorizing the chair to extend the adjournment if he deems advisable. On the following day the majority issued an address to the constituencies, in which they make severe strictures on the conduct of the governor whom they accuse of instigating the scandalous and disorderly scenes that have occurred at Petropolis, of resorting to violence, fraud and corruption, and of availing himself of the services of criminals implicated in the murder of Col. Gentil de Castro and Marshal Bittencourt and in the attempt on the life of ex-President Prudente de Moraes.

—Mr. Sullivan, a well-known American explorer, is stated to have made a very curious discovery in the Amazon valley. He seems to have encountered, on the banks of the Rio Negro, a race of veritable pygmies. They are of reddish yellow color, extremely ugly and of somewhat grotesque figures. This race of dwarfs is said to inhabit a country near the sources of the Oronoco, or in that part of Venezuela which impinges upon Brazil. They never exceed four feet seven inches in height, and the women are of still lower stature. The existence of still smaller pygmies than these in Central Africa is now an undisputed fact.—*Exchange*.

## In Memoriam.

Lilian Lupton. † 2nd May, 1899.

Readers of this paper may have noticed the publication in the issue of 4th April, of some playful verses written by guests at a birthday party, given in S. Paulo on the 2nd of March last by a lady whose name was for conventional reasons left unmentioned. The key note of these compositions was the high regard entertained by the writers for their hostess, and their desire that long life and happiness might be her portion.

Little did they, or any of the others who took part in the gaiety of the above occasion, imagine that just two short months of existence were all that remained to her. Yesterday (Wednesday) morning the lady to whom reference is made—Mrs. Lupton, wife of Mr. P. C. P. Lupton, H. B. M. vice-consul in São Paulo—the victim a terrible internal malady, passed away. She had been unwell about three weeks in all; but it was not understood that her illness was of a dangerous character. On Sunday last she seemed much better, and even saw and conversed with several friends. The following day, however, there was a change for the worse; and, in spite of all that anxious care and skill could effect, at half past three on Wednesday morning a period of intense suffering was closed by death. It is no mere figure of speech to say that the news of this most sad event created a feeling akin to dismay and consternation throughout the English-American colony here.



Each one laments her loss as that of a very dear personal friend.

Her kindheartedness, tact, and hospitality were known to all who had the privilege of her acquaintance, and the influence of her personal personality made itself felt in every phase of our social life.

There's the rosemary; that's for remembrance. Pray, love, remember.

Her services to the choir were yesterday acknowledged in the sweetest, prettiest way in the wreath of fresh flowers brought to her grave by the little girls with whose voices her own, now stilled forever, had so often mingled in prayer and praise.

Of her kindness to sick and suffering friends it is unnecessary here to speak. She did good without ostentation, and as a simple matter of course; while her bright and engaging presence will be missed wherever Paulista Britons and Americans are gathered together for innocent sport and pastime.

She never possessed that excellent gift of expressing the right thing in the right way, which is the surest mark of innate good breeding; and she never said, or if she could help it, allowed to be said before her, a word in disparagement, whether merited or unmerited, of any absent person.

In a word, as those who have known São Paulo longest can testify, she made social life here a brighter pleasanter thing for those around her, than she had found it.

Her memory will live long in the hearts of her friends. At yesterday's simple funeral there must have been many among the silent throng about the grave who for the first time fully realised, as the earth closed over all of her that was mortal, with what a profound affection and esteem she had inspired them.

To the bereaved husband and relatives all hearts must turn in deepest sympathy.

S. Paulo, 3rd May, 1899.

In Memoriam

Dead and buried is unexpected words that grate With harshness on the shocked equities ear.

Velled too soon in shroud, that charming face, Which ever wore for welcomed guest a smile.

The prayer for her loss, we sadly mourn, For each can say that he has lost a friend.

Next week we leave for England, one has left Already for a farther, fairer shore.

True, noble-hearted woman, God-possessed, Christ in his mercy grant thy soul His peace.

Guarujá, May 4, 1899.

RAILROAD NOTES

The traffic receipts of the Leopoldina railway for the week ended 29th ult. amounted to 227,116,000 against 308,692,000 in the corresponding week of last year.

It will be interesting to note the effect of the President's admission in regard to the leased state railways, on those who are opposed to the lease of the Central.

Complaints are made of the excessive tariff on currency remittances over the Central railway. In 1897, says a contributor to the Journal, the charge on 2,000 from Rio to the station of Benjamin Constant, Minas, was 78100.

The Commercio de Café commission of this city has been soliciting measures from the director of the Central so facilitate the transportation of coffee from São Paulo to this capital.

The Cooke Locomotive Works of Paterson, U. S. A., received an order last month for five railway locomotives for the Barry railway, Wales.

The traffic receipts of the Recife and São Francisco (Pernambuco) railway for the week ended April 15 were 29,954,120 against 36,837,580 in the corresponding week of last year.

SHIPPING NOTES

The American gunboat 'Marblehead' arrived at Pará on the 7th inst.

The American gunboat 'Wilmington' left Pará on the 7th inst., southward bound.

The Lamport & Holt steamer 'Hercules' left Rio on the 3rd inst. for Bahia, Pernambuco and New York, with the following passengers: Miss Hedwig Lindström, Mr. Gerardo Alsina and 30 third-class passengers.

The American cruiser 'Newark,' Capt. C. F. Goodrich, entered port on the 4th inst., 15 days from Santa Lucia, and proceeded to coal without communicating with the shore.

The passengers who left Rio on the 2nd inst. by the Royal Mail steamer 'Ondra,' were the following: For Buenos Ayres, Mrs. O. C. James and grandchild, Mr. H. Weiss, wife and child, Messrs. Alberto Joachim, S. C. Sheppard, Carlos Maia, Francisco Marconi, Jose Badia, José Varela and Carlos Zanoni.

The same Company's steamer 'Nile' left Rio on the 3rd inst. with the following passengers: For Southampton, Mr. Charles B. Mawson, Miss Mary Page, Mrs. Deliciera da Silva, Dr. Joaquim Nabuco, wife, 4 children and servant, Dr. Graça Aranha, wife and 3 children, Messrs. Hugh Le Cesne Smyth, Eugenio T. Oliveira, J. W. Hargreaves, Polydor Novak and infant and Edmond Seers.

During the month of April 7,426 persons are recorded as visitors to the Botanical Garden.

We hear that Mr. Carlos Brelaz, who has been employed at the United States consulate during the past year, is no longer connected with that office.

Owing to the pressure on our columns this week, we are compelled to postpone Uncle Abner's usual contribution. We are glad to see that his reminiscences of earlier times in Rio are read with interest and appreciation.

Cases of yellow fever are said to have appeared in Buenos Aires, and the Porteños are greatly annoyed because Uruguay and Paraguay have hastened to impose quarantine against them.

We were pleased to meet our old friend, Mr. Maitland S. Edey, the editor of our esteemed contemporary, the Review of the River Plate, on board the Oropesa today.

We deeply regret to note the death from yellow-fever of Miss Emily Hutchinson, one of the nursing staff of the Stranger's Hospital, which occurred on the 3rd inst.

The appearance of the church has been greatly changed, both within and without. The roof is new and has been raised much higher, the interior being finished in white pine and varnished.

The reopening services of the British Church which has been closed for some fifteen months, took place on Sunday last at the usual hour. There was an unusually large attendance, and the church had the appearance of being full though the seats were not crowded.

Amongst the passengers who left Rio today by the Oropesa was Mr. William T. Gepp, senior partner of the well-known firm of Messrs. Gepp, Edwards & Co., who is going home for a well earned vacation.

A brutal attack was made on Mr. George Warren, the U. S. consulate shipping master here, in the early part of the week.

What a number of English people are leaving Rio for a visit to Europe this season! Among the recent departures is Mr. H. O. Robinson with his wife, two daughters and two sons.

A popular wedding took place in Petropolis on the 6th inst. — the happy couple being Mr. John S. Keogh, manager of the widely known coffee house of Messrs. W. F. McLaughlin & Co. and D. Maria Elisa Romaguera Belfort, daughter of the well-known merchant, Sr. J. M. N. Belfort, of this city.

We have been favored with the following notice re the opening of the English Church: — The above place of worship, after having been closed for some 15 months for alterations and repairs, was opened for service yesterday.

The order of the service included special psalms and lesson. The Rev. Irvine Crawshaw chose for his text Psalms LXXXIV—L. 'How amiable are Thy dwellings, O Lord of Hosts' and in the course of his sermon referred to the length of time the sheep had been without a fold.

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PUBLICATION RECEIVED.

Revista Juridica, Vol. V. No. 1. This well known monthly enters upon its 5th year with the April number, just issued.

Abastecimento d' Agua da Capital Federal: a memorial presented to the President by Messrs. William Reid & Co. The petitioners are proprietors of lands lying on both banks of the Rio das Lages, in the municipality of Pirahy, about 70 kilometers distant from this city, and they propose to furnish electric power (which was recently vetoed by the municipal prefect), and also an additional water supply.

BUSINESS NOTES

How does the Jornal do Commercio suppose that business men, without agitating, can ever obtain relief from their burdens?

It is said that the Banco Nacional will deposit £10,000 in London to guarantee the coinage of 20,000,000 in nickel, for which it holds the contract.

The minister of industry has refused to cede the space between the two ferry stations to Alexandre Lavignasse Filho, because this space falls within the concession of the Obras Hydraulicas company.

Barão de Marajó has applied to the governor of Pará for a subsidy of 200,000 per annum for a line of steamers connecting Pará with New York, Rio de Janeiro, Bahia, Pernambuco and Maranhão.

Business men should have an organ in the press for the defence of their rights. The existing dailies are either partisan, or are secretly attached to government interests, and can not therefore be relied upon.

The new law, made by the government in the tax regulations, to the faculty of imposing fines has, it is contended, no foundation in law. Business men intend causing the legality of the claim to be tested in the courts of justice.

In the first three months of this year the port of Rosario de Santa Fé despatched to Brazil 115,990 tons of alfalfa, 18,225 tons of wheat, 3,025 tons of Indian corn and 218 tons of flour. Brazil was its only foreign customer for alfalfa in that quarter.

The Associação Commercial de Santos is reported to have directed a petition to congress asking for a reduction of the 11 per cent duty levied on coffee exported in cotton bags. We were under the impression that this 11 per cent duty is levied by the state government.

We trust that Messrs. N. M. Rothschild & Sons will not fail to congratulate the government on the meeting held by business men on last Saturday. That meeting is certainly of far more benefit to the country than anything that has been done by the government.

The Jornal do Commercio seems to think that some one has been giving bad advice to the business men who seek redress for their grievances. If the Jornal had existed in the time of King John, it would probably have thought that some one had given bad advice to the barons who wrested from that monarch the Magna Charta.

On Sunday Dr. Valentim Magalhães, president of the Educadora insurance company, complained to police delegate Pestana de Aguiar of a shortage of 30,000 which he had discovered in the company's accounts and which he attributes to the treasurer, E. Gambaró. The latter disclaims responsibility for the shortage and makes countercharges against Dr. Valentim Magalhães.

On the 1st and 2nd inst. the business men that protest against the new tax regulations held meetings, and on the 4th (Thursday) a committee went to Piriburgu palace to lay their grievances before the President. The President's answer was arrogant and even threatening. He refused to suspend the regulations and, without provocation, added that, if, unfortunately, it is necessary, the government will make use of all the means in its power to enforce obedience to the laws and respect for the authorities.

Among the assets that figure in the last two balance-sheets of the Banco Rural e Hypothecario we find the following:

	March 31	April 30
5% currency bonds (loan of 1895) . . . . .	2,298,866\$700	2,298,866\$700
6% do. do. (do. of 1897) . . . . .	6,492,300\$000	22,458,150\$000
4% gold bonds (do. of 1889) . . . . .	10,548,917\$800	none

In 1894 the Floriano Peixoto government, which had a bitter grudge against the Jornal do Commercio, sought to secure possession of that newspaper through a compulsory settlement of its indebtedness to the Banco do Brazil. The director defeated the scheme, however, by an issue of debentures to a large sum, which were promptly taken up by the business men of this city, who did not wish to see the paper pass into official hands. Now, however, the director of the Jornal has forgotten all this, and is rewarding his friends by supporting the government against them.





April Receipts

The Centro dos Cafestistas has issued the following statistical returns of the receipts of coffee in the market during the month of April, with particulars of origin, transport and consignees, according to the taxes paid at respective mesas de rendas.

Table with columns: Transport, Origin, Consignees, Exporters, Baggers, Other merchants. Lists various companies and their respective amounts.

Daily receipts and shipments of coffee at Rio de Janeiro

Table with columns: Receipts, Shipments, Exchanges, Stock at market. Lists daily figures for various coffee types and market status.

Imports.

Flour.—The fresh consignments to hand during the last week were 1,415 bags, ex Bahia and 1,000 bags ex Santos from the River Plate. The market is quiet and dull owing to the rise in exchange. Prices generally have dropped a mite...

Richmond ist. 37,000—28,000 nominal. Baltimore ist. 37,000—28,000 nominal. Western and Interior. 35,000—28,000 nominal. River Plate. 27,000—28,000 nominal. Local Mills. 35,000—28,000 nominal.

Turpentine.—No fresh receipts. The market preserves its firmness and the demand has been sustained. The latest quotations are 1300 to 1400 per kilo. Rain.—Arrivals all. The market is dull and prices for dark grades are still at 24500, and for light grades at 26000 per barrel.

SHIPPING NEWS.

ARRIVALS OF FOREIGN VESSELS.

MAV 4. TONGA ISLANDS.—Dan. lug. Franz; 358 tons; Pedersen; 90 ds; in transit. MAV 5. PENSACOLA.—Swed. bk. Magellan; 1,148 tons; Moller; 75 ds; lumber to Vellozo Barrocas & Co.

DEPARTURES OF FOREIGN VESSELS.

MAV 3. ILHA DO SAL (Cape Verde).—Arg. lug. Moses B. Trauer; 599 tons; Lima; ballast. MAV 4. NEW ORLEANS.—Germ. bk. Elia; 1,242 tons; Keckne; stone ballast.

FREIGHTS.

NEW YORK. 1-35 cents and 5% primage per bag of 60 kilos. GENOA. 1-30 francs and 10% primage per ton of 1,000 kilos. MARSEILLES. 1-30 francs and 10% primage per ton of 1,000 kilos.

ENGAGEMENTS.

MARSEILLES.—Fr. str. Aquitaine; 250 bags of coffee. RIVER PLATE.—Fr. str. Portugal; 1,700 do do. ANTWERP.—Germ. str. Trier; 250 do do.

Vessels Afloat & Charteredor Rio

Table with columns: Vessel Name, Origin, Date. Lists various ships and their schedules.

Arrivals of foreign steamers.

Table with columns: Date, Name, From, Consigned to. Lists incoming steamships.

Departures of foreign steamers.

Table with columns: Date, Name, For, Cargo. Lists outgoing steamships.

\* Calling at intermediate ports.

Foreign sailing vessels in the port of Rio de Janeiro, May 7th 1899.

Table with columns: Name, Tons, Arrived, From, Consignees. Lists foreign sailing vessels.

STOCKS AND SHARES

Table with columns: Sales of Stocks and Shares, May 1. Lists various stock and share transactions.

Banks

Table with columns: Bank Name, Amount. Lists bank balances.

Miscellaneous

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SATURDAY'S QUOTATIONS—S. PAULO.

Table with columns: Seller, Buyer, Amount. Lists Saturday's market quotations in Sao Paulo.

Stocks and Bonds and Joint Stock Companies -- May 8th.

Table with columns: Emission, Circulation, Public Funds, Nominal Value, Last Quotation. Lists various bonds and public funds with their respective values and market prices.

Table with columns: Capital, Shares, Emitted, Par, Banks, Paid, Reserve Fund, Last Dividend, Last quotation. Lists various banks and their financial details.

Table with columns: Capital, Shares, Emitted, Par, Railways, Paid, Reserve fund, Last Dividend, Last quotation. Lists various railway companies and their financial details.

Table with columns: Capital, Shares, Emitted, Par, Tramways, Paid, Reserve fund, Last Dividend, Last quotation. Lists various tramway companies and their financial details.

Table with columns: Capital, Shares, Emitted, Par, Steamships, Paid, Reserve fund, Last Dividend, Last quotation. Lists various steamship companies and their financial details.

Table with columns: Capital, Shares, Emitted, Par, Cotton Mills, etc., Paid, Reserve fund, Last Dividend, Last quotation. Lists various cotton mills and other textile companies.

Table with columns: Capital, Shares, Emitted, Par, Insurance, Paid, Reserve fund, Last Dividend, Last Quotation. Lists various insurance companies.

Table with columns: Capital, Shares, Emitted, Par, Miscellaneous, Paid, Reserve fund, Last Dividend, Last Quotation. Lists various miscellaneous companies.

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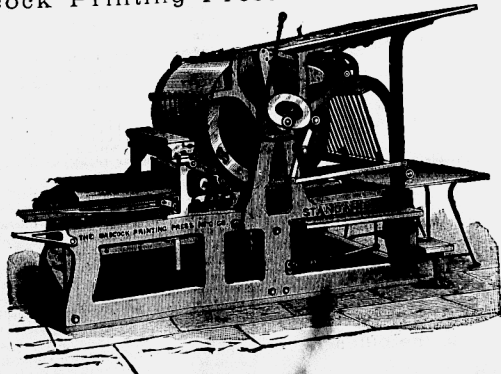
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