

In his annual report presented last week to the minister of finance, the retiring director of the mint says that coins of a value of 1,212,245 were coined last year in that establishment...

The Peruvian citizen Julio Benevides wants a concession for navigating the Putumayo, or Ica river and for creating a fiscal station on the Colombian frontier to suppress the contraband traffic in that district.

If the minister of finance still thinks that the critical state of business is only temporary, let him take a walk through the custom-house and make a note of the empty armchairs.

The board of directors of the Banco Nacional reports that bank to be in a prosperous condition and takes a very hopeful view of the general commercial and financial situation.

The board of directors of the Sociedade Anonima Fabrica de Antigos Botafogo candidly acknowledges that it was mistaken in supposing that business would improve in 1899.

The prefect is said to contend that the contractors who supply the city of Rio de Janeiro with fresh meat are required by their contract to slaughter 489 beves a day.

The exigencies of the minister of finance in regard to the enforcement of receipt stamps, have brought up a question of serious importance.

A Santos correspondent complains of the misleading advertisement in our columns for some years past in regard to the 'Hand Book of Rio.'

The following is a statement of the gold receipts of the Rio de Janeiro custom-house for the first quarter of the present year compared with those for the corresponding period of 1899.

THE DECREASE IN REVENUE.

The following is a statement of the customs receipts at the port of Rio de Janeiro in the first quarter of the last five years:

Table with 2 columns: Year and Receipts. Rows for 1896, 1897, 1898, 1899, and 1900.

The receipts of the Rio de Janeiro general revenue office for the first quarter of the last three years were as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Year and Receipts. Rows for 1898, 1899, and 1900.

Comparing the combined receipts of the customhouse and general revenue office for the first quarter of the present year with those for corresponding periods of 1898 and 1899 we have the following result:

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Total decrease, 10,716,056\$299

This decrease of 10,716,056\$299 or nearly 40% in two years is very significant and shows that we were right in warning the government that it might expect disastrous results from its deplorable policy of frantically seeking to increase the public revenue by heaping new burdens on an impoverished and already overtaxed people.

FINANCIAL NOTES

The papers relating to the government's purchase of the Santa Monica plantation for 400,000\$ have been sent to the tribunal of accounts.

On Saturday the minister of finance authorized revenue officers to grant an extension of ten days to the time fixed for payment of consumption taxes on stocks of merchandise.

By executive decree the government has made a deficiency appropriation of 332,227\$399 for payment of arrears of accounts and one of 189,391\$488 for payment of interest.

We can not hear that the Noticia is making any effort to answer our questions about the inclusion of recently developed expenditures in the balance sheet which was given us some weeks ago.

Councillor Andrade Figueira says that the residence of the President of the republic has already cost the tax-payers over 10,000,000\$.

The government has recently been making more deficiency appropriations by executive decree for paying last year's expenses.

The receipts of the Rio de Janeiro customhouse amounted last month to 3,767,985\$589 in currency and 574,304\$107 in gold.

From what we hear—and it was a department official who gave the information—the handsome return commission ever paid in this country, was earned only a very short time ago in an important transaction.

I can't make you patriotic, but I can make you pay taxes, were the words with which President Campos Salles once received a committee of merchants that had called on him for the purpose of obtaining relief from their burdens.

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Table with 3 columns: Year, (18% of imp. port duties collected in gold), and (10% of imp. port duties collected in gold). Rows for January, February, and March.

Total, 1,385,731\$076 vs 1,516,537\$451. The decrease was 130,806\$375. Thus this tax after being made 20% heavier produced nearly 10% less revenue.

The following stories of Mr. Kruger appear in Mr. Hobson's book about the Transvaal war. A few years ago he was induced to take part in the opening ceremony at a Jewish synagogue.

COMMERCIAL

Table with 2 columns: Description and Value. Rows for Rio de Janeiro, April 3rd, 1900, and various gold and silver values.

Table with 2 columns: Description and Value. Rows for Bank rate of exchange, official, on London, and Present value of the Brazilian mil reis.

EXCHANGE.

Table with 3 columns: Date, Description, and Value. Rows for March 26 and March 27.

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MARKET REPORT.

Rio de Janeiro, 3rd April 1900. Exports.

Coffee.—The market last week was comparatively dull, the sales being light and exporters showing an unwillingness to meet the slight advance imposed by factors.

Reports from foreign markets give the following sales for the month: New York 87,000 bags, Havre 488,000, Hamburg 231,000, London 163,000—total 1,475,000 bags.

The detailed movements of the market during the week were as follows:

Ruling prices during the week for N. Y. Type No. 7 at Rio, and for Good Average at Santos, with daily reported sales at the former market.

Table with 4 columns: Rio N. 7, Reported sales, Santos, Good Average, and per 10 kilos. Rows for Mar. 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, and 31.

The shipments since our last report have been: 15,741 bags for the United States, 2,294 Europe, Cape of Good Hope, River Plate, etc., 15,643 Coastwise.

Table with 3 columns: Description and Value. Rows for United States, Europe, Cape of Good Hope, River Plate, etc., and Coastwise.

Table with 3 columns: Description and Value. Rows for Baltimore Amer. bk D. Pedro II., New York Germ. str. Capri, Algiers Fr. str. Brazil, and Hamburg Germ. str. S. Paulo.

The receipts for the past week were 35,877 bags against 62,502 bags for the previous week and 61,203 bags for the week before.

Table with 3 columns: Date, Description, and Value. Rows for March 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, and 31.

The stock in all hands was estimated this morning at 295,441 bags, against 205,120 bags a week ago.

Daily receipts and shipments of coffee at Rio de Janeiro

Large table with multiple columns: Date, Description, and Value. Rows for March 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, and 31.

Imports.

Flour.—The receipts during the week were 7,650 barrels ex White Wings, 5,950 ex Doris and 7,000 ex Amy from Baltimore, 1,000 bags ex Straba from London and 300 barrels ex Aclaja from Trieste. The market is quiet, but higher quotations are expected. Prices are unchanged as shewn in the following table:

Table listing flour imports from various sources like Trieste, Richmond, Baltimore, etc., with prices per ton.

Coffin.—The Babington brought 40 cases and the Paraguassil 97 from Hamburg and the Buffon 50 cases, 58 half cases and 1,700 tubs from New York. There were no changes in broker's prices.

Lard.—The arrivals were 250 kegs by the Amy, 200 by the Doris and 200 by the White Wings from Baltimore, 4,450 kegs and 120 cases by the Buffon from New York. The wholesale price continues at 870 reis per pound.

Pork.—The entries last week were 50 barrels, 50 half-barrels and 50 cases by the Buffon from New York. Market unchanged.

Rice.—The receipts were 1,000 bags ex Babington from Hamburg. The bag of 60 kilos is now quoted from 20,500 to 21,000.

White Pine.—No arrivals. The Olivia is expected with about 300,000 feet from New York. The cargo is sold to arrive at 285 reis per foot.

Pitch Pine.—The receipts were nil. Broker's quote at 80,500 per dozen.

Spruce Pine.—No receipts. Prices unchanged.

Swedish Pine.—There were no arrivals and no changes in prices.

Kerosene.—The Buffon brought 16,600 cases from New York. Broker's continue to quote at 12,000 per case wholesale.

Rosin.—The receipts were 250 barrels by the Amy from Baltimore. We continue to quote from 2,500 to 27,500 per barrel of 250 pounds.

Turpentine.—No arrivals. Market nominal.

Cement.—The arrivals during the week were 1,000 barrels ex Belandem from Antwerp and 50 ex Bretagne from Marseilles. Quotations unchanged.

Indian Corn.—No receipts. The bag of 60 kilos is now quoted from 9,500 to 9,550 wholesale.

Bran.—No arrivals. There were no changes in prices of native bran.

Hay.—Receipts nil. The wholesale price continue from 350 to 380 reis per kilo.

Coal.—The vessels arrived with coal last week, from the following:

Table listing coal arrivals from various ships like Prince Victor, Cardiff, etc., with tonnage and prices.

SHIPPING NEWS.

ARRIVALS OF FOREIGN VESSELS.

Table listing arrivals of foreign vessels for March 27, 28, and 30, including ship names, origins, and agents.

DEPARTURES OF FOREIGN VESSELS.

Table listing departures of foreign vessels for March 28 and 30, including ship names, destinations, and agents.

FREIGHTS.

Table listing freight rates for various goods like flour, coffee, and other commodities from different ports.

Table listing arrivals of foreign steamers with columns for ship name, origin, and consignee.

ENGAGEMENTS.

Table listing engagements for various ships like Cape of Good Hope, Genoa, Buenos Aires, etc.

Vessels Afloat & Chartered for Rio

Table listing vessels afloat and chartered for Rio, including ship names and agents.

Arrivals of foreign steamers.

Table listing arrivals of foreign steamers for March, including ship names, origins, and consignees.

Departures of foreign steamers.

Table listing departures of foreign steamers for March, including ship names, destinations, and consignees.

Foreign sailing vessels in the port of Rio de Janeiro, April 1st, 1900.

Table listing foreign sailing vessels in the port of Rio de Janeiro on April 1st, 1900.

STOCKS AND SHARES

Sales of Stocks and Shares.

Table listing sales of stocks and shares for March 26, 27, and 28, including various bank and commercial stocks.

Table listing various bank and commercial stocks like Apolices, Republica, etc.

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SATURDAY'S QUOTATIONS—S. PAULO.

Table listing Saturday's quotations in S. Paulo, including various bank and commercial stocks.

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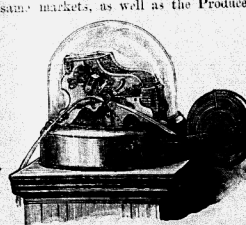
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