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A REMARKABLE CAVE.
[From the *Monitor Sul Mineiro*.]

PROVINCIAL NOTES

—The provincial assembly of Maranhão opened its session on the 22nd ult.

—The old Ferro Carris company, of Maranhão, has gone into liquidation.

—On the 26th ult. there were five Brazilian and one British steamers, and five sailing vessels in the port of Maranhão.

—The president of the province of Amazonas has called an extraordinary session of the provincial assembly for the 14th of January next.

—The president of Rio Grande do Norte has given official notice that there will be no further public relief after the end of the present month.

—Late advices from Campinas report wide-spread injury from drouth in the corn plantations of that district.

—Malarial fevers and measles and small-pox are raging in many localities throughout the interior of the province of Pará.

—The president of Pará has suspended the municipal council of Breves because of various charges made against it.

—The Agua Verde station on the Itaipu railway was inaugurated on the 28th ult., with the customary ceremonies.

—The custom house receipts at Fortaleza for the month of September were 134,148,261, against 87,318,885 during the same month of last year.

—The Rio Grande custom-house receipts for the month of September were 153,658,849, same month of last year 135,864,841.

—Manoel Carlos Soares, of Nova Almeida, province of Espírito Santo, was recently imprisoned two hours for flogging an Indian woman.

—The municipal authorities of Pelotas, Rio Grande do Sul, are taking steps for the erection of a bronze statue to General Osorio in that city.

—At Capoeiras, district of Lagoa Vermelha, Rio Grande do Sul, an Italian named João Foth recently killed João Pacheco with a stone.

—The bishop of Pará has petitioned the provincial president against the coming *festa* of Nazareth. He has also issued a pastoral letter counselling the people to abandon the celebration.

—The journals of Pará are complaining of the insecurity of life and property in that city. Crimes of the most aggravating and mysterious character are daily occurring.

—The *Cruz Alta*, of Cruz Alta, Rio Grande do Sul, says that during the week ending August 31st, one troop of 600 mules was sold at an average price of 40¢ per head.

—The captain of the American packet *City of Rio de Janeiro* was fined 2000 for leaving that port on her last voyage without the required clearance paper from the custom house.

—The *Epoca*, of Amparo, province of São Paulo, says that there is so much coffee at that railway station that the company has been obliged to suspend receiving more until the stock on hand can be shipped.

—A new steamer—the *Guanayra*—was completed at Maranhão on the 27th ult. The vessel has a length of 75 feet, a width of 18 feet, and was built for the transportation of cattle, of which it will carry 70 head.

—Great suffering from drouth is reported from Rezende, in this province. The fields have dried up so that there is no pasturage, and the plantations are being damaged to an unprecedented extent through a lack of rain.

—The Rio Grande correspondent of the *Cracina* says that the maritime movements of that port have diminished because of the bad state of the sea. Some ships have been compelled to remain in port 60 days before they could get away.

—The Venezuelan government has appointed a commission of three—Miguel Tejera, Miguel Jeronimo and Raphael Rojas—to determine the boundaries of the republic. This commission will probably co-operate with the Brazilian commission now in the field.

—The U. S. naval expedition for the determination of longitudes on the coasts of Brazil is expected soon at Pará. A part of the expedition has already arrived under Lieutenant Norris, which will be employed in the erection of an astronomical observatory.

—The second thought of the people at Porto Alegre, on the receipt of the news of General Osorio's death, was the erection of a monument to the memory of the gallant old soldier. A committee was appointed to raise the necessary funds, at the head of which is the Visconde de Pelotas.

—Professor J. B. Stowe of the University of Michigan, United States, who has been making a scientific excursion up the Amazon with a party of students from that institution, has offered the Para museum a collection of 65 prepared skins of birds and squirrels.

—As Augusto Ilanc of the Bom Jesus colony, Rio Grande do Sul, stood in the door of his house talking to Manuel Tejo on the 28th ult., the latter treacherously stabbed him three times in the back, causing his death soon after. The assassin escaped and had not been captured at last accounts.

—The *Correio Mercantil*, of Pelotas, says that letters from different localities throughout the interior of Rio Grande do Sul report the existence of a wide-spread drouth which is wasting the campos and causing great mortality among the cattle. The damage is already incalculable, and is constantly increasing.

—On the evening of the 13th inst. the national steamer *Santa Maria* ran aground on the rocks at the entrance to the harbor of Victoria, and was lost. She belonged to the Navegação Paulista company, was valued at 262,000\$, and was insured for 140,000\$.

The crew, passengers, baggage and some of the cargo were saved.

—During the month of September 39 vessels crossed the Rio Grande bar inward bound. Their nationalities were: Brazilian 20, British 6, German 3, Dutch and Portuguese 2 each, American, Belgian, Danish, Italian, Norwegian and Spanish one each. This number includes 5 steamers and one dredge boat.

—The president of Parahyba has selected the 28th of December next for the primary election of electors who are to choose a successor to Senator Frederico de Almeida, deceased. The electors are called to meet on the 27th of January. This is the election which Senator Silveira Lobo is trying to postpone until some future time, because of the alleged interference of the government in elections.

—The long continued drouth in the province of São Paulo is causing serious apprehensions. Great injuries are reported from various parts of the province. Extensive damages are also occasioned by fires in various parts of the country, not a few of which are caused by a foolish belief among the people that the smoke from large fires will form clouds from which the rain will fall.

—The *Provincia do Paraná* relates that two residents of Campo Largo, Paraná, named Natel and Mattoso, made a trip into Santa Catharina some three months ago, taking a small dog with them. Arriving at the Iguaçu river the dog refused to cross with them. In trying to persuade the animal to accompany him, Mattoso was bitten. Natel, who had already crossed, then returned and tried to carry the dog across, but was also bitten like his companion.

Fifteen days after, while at Curitiba, Mattoso was attacked with hydrophobia and died within twenty-four hours. Natel finished his business and returned home, where, two months after the accident, he also was seized with the same malady and died after forty-eight hours of intense suffering.

—Telegrams just received from Pará state that the Nazareth *festa* has been celebrated with great splendor, notwithstanding the prohibition of the bishop. The episcopal letter enjoining the people to close their doors was not observed, scarcely two observing it. It is said that 1,600 pounds of wax were received from the devotees.

—The provincial assembly of Santa Catharina, which was called to meet on the 10th inst., did not organize because of a failure to get a quorum together.

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