

MAUÁ BANK, CALLE CANGALLO, Nos 101-103

The Offices of this Bank having been removed to the above spacious building, in order to suit the increasing flow of business, the public is informed that the following transactions are carried on in currency and in bills of exchange...

Fourth—Money is received in account current, bearing interest from day of deposit, which is accumulated in favor of the parties every three months, the depositors being allowed to retire at any time, by means of cheques, part or the full amount at their wish, save when the quantity exceeds three hundred doubloons or one hundred thousand dollars currency, in which case forty-eight hours previous notice is required to be given at the Treasury of the Bank.

For balance in favor of Customers 5 per cent. For balance in favor of Customers 10 per cent. For balance in favor of Customers 10 per cent.

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INTEREST FOR CURRENT MONTH. IN ACCOUNT CURRENT, SPECIE. For balance in our favor, 10 per cent. For balance in favor of Customers 5 per cent. For balance in favor of Customers 10 per cent.

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Established in this City, under moderate premiums and with the most extensive facilities for the benefit of the insured.

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BUENOS AYRES, THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 1867. CIRCULATION 2500

LONDON AND RIVER PLATE BANK (LIMITED).

80-CALLE DE LA PIEDAD-80. Authorized Capital £2,000,000 sterling. Subscribed Capital £1,500,000 do. Reserve Fund Jan. 1st 1867 £135,000 do.

LONDON AND RIVER PLATE BANK (LIMITED).

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GUINNESS'S Celebrated Extra Stout.

in quarts and pints at BARKY & WALKER'S, Sole Agents, 97-Calle Defensa-97.

FOR ROSARIO AND PORT.

Passengers and Cargo, the Oriental Steamer SOLE, Captain ADOLFO FLORES.

English Family Wine Merchants.

EDWARD MEDLICOTT & CO. Beg to advise Consumers that we have received, per several steamers, from the first Wine Growers in Europe, the following choice assortment of Spanish, Portuguese, and French Wines.

SPANISH WINES.

Superior Montilla, Duff Gordon. Table Sherry, do. Superior Port, do.

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AT MIXED PREMIUM. Authorized by decrees of the National and Provincial Governments. CAPITAL 2,000,000 HARD DOLLARS.

STEAMBOAT AGENCY OF ALVAREZ & RISSO.

FOR MONTEVIDEO. The Italian Steamer TIVOLI, Captain Macca, will leave on Tuesday, February 28, at 5 p.m. returning on Friday and Sunday, at daybreak.

FOR MONTEVIDEO.

The English Steamer VILLA DEL SALTO, Captain H. Magliocco, will leave on Saturday at 5 p.m., returning on Monday, February 29, at 5 a.m.

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FOR SALTO AND PORTS.

The Oriental Steamer RIO DE LA PLATA, Captain C. Anavitarte, will leave on Saturday at 10 a.m., returning on Wednesday at daybreak.

FOR CORRIENTES AND PORTS.

The National Steamers PROVIDOR and AMILIA will leave alternately on Sundays, at 10 a.m.

FOR SAN NICOLAS AND ROSARIO.

BRITISH STEAMER CASTOR, CAPTAIN E. DAVIS. Will leave this on Saturday morning at 10 a.m., for the following ports:

BARON LIEBIG'S EXTRACT OF MEAT.

(EXTRACTUM CARNIS LIERIGI). PREPARED BY THE BUENOS AYRES EXTRACT OF BEEF COMPANY.

REDUCTION IN PRICE.

Having received of late numerous applications for this invaluable restorative, together with many testimonials of very respectable families as to its efficiency in infirmity, at the same time we are enabled to offer it at a lower price than we have heretofore done.

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TEATRO COLON

Gran baile de Mascaras.

EN LOS SALONES Y TEATRO El domingo 3, lunes 4 y martes 5 de Marzo de 1867.

North American Circus

PLAZA CONCEPCION. LAST TWO PERFORMANCES.

THURSDAY, FEB. 28; SUNDAY, MAR. 3.

Little Isabela and the rest of the Company in various Gymnastic exercises.

Entrada, \$10; Luneta, \$10. Doors open at 7 to commence at 8.

Great Southern Railway Co. (LIMITED).

Buenos Ayres Share Register.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

In accordance with instructions received from the Board of Directors in London the necessary arrangements have been made for the registration and transfer of Shares in Buenos Ayres.

Notice is hereby given that the Buenos Ayres Share Register will be open for this purpose from this date, at the office of the Local Committee, 121 Calle 25 de Mayo, between the hours of 11 a.m. and 3 p.m.

N.B.—The Transfer Book will be closed every year between the 20th day of March and the 31st day of May, both inclusive.

Pro Chairman of the Local Committee Buenos Ayres, Jan. 21, 1871.

Subscription to the "Standard," \$30 PER ANNUM.

ADVERTISEMENTS

Not exceeding five lines inserted three times for \$5.

TO CORRESPONDENTS.

No notice can be taken of anonymous communications. Whatever is intended for insertion must be authenticated by the name and address of the writer; not necessarily for publication, but as a guarantee of good faith.

The Standard.

"Mil falci andam, nil veri non audam dicere." Cicero.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 1867.

THE RETURN OF THE PRESIDENT.

When the return of his Excellency was first decided on, we devoted our columns to the subject (February 2d.) We then said pretty much all we had to say on the matter. It may, however, be expected that as he is now amongst us we should again salute him, and, indeed, the great crowds that thronged the Mole, on Tuesday, to welcome his return suggest many new reflections.

The Argentine people, as a nation, have little enthusiasm. We have on many occasions witnessed futile efforts to get up a cheer of hearty applause, and are convinced that this popular method of approbation is not indigenous, and but faintly understood in this country. Still, on the occasion in question there was no mistaking the popular mind, there was a "cand milha faitha" depicted in every countenance. People were glad to see Mitre back, proud to shake hands with the old President; a few political malcontents may have hung back in the street doors and crossings, but the public of Buenos Ayres gave unmistakable proofs of satisfaction at the return of his Excellency to Buenos Ayres.

Had President Mitre returned flushed with victory, and made his triumphal entry into the city mounted on a white charger, caparisoned with gold lace and trappings, he would have been less a subject for our pen than returning as he does, after a fatiguing campaign of nearly two years, having given to his country and the world the most irrefragable proof of an extraordinary and unending perseverance.

In all the varied topics of the day, in all the many questions of the hour, we could not have selected one more delicate to treat than the return of President Mitre; for whilst we wish to keep aloof from the crowd of flatterers and avoid adulation, our ambition is to welcome his Excellency on behalf of the foreign residents in a most cordial manner.

President Mitre's claims on his country are great and many; they are appreciated by the foreigners of B. Ayres, who justly regard him as the most enlightened President this country has ever had.

We believe we interpret the wishes not only of the foreigners, but the great bulk of Argentines, when we say they all sigh for peace. The country is rid of the Paraguayan invaders, and if terms honorable for this Republic, and guarantees for their performance, can be obtained, the River Plate public will bless the day when President Mitre landed here, to put an end to this disastrous war.

CITY WATER SUPPLY.

There is a remarkable coincidence with respect to this very vexed question which it may be interesting to lay before our readers.

The city of Dublin from the commencement of the present century suffered all the inconvenience of a bad supply of water, which was supposed moreover to increase the rate of mortality. Two open canals conveyed water to the city, but the remains of cats and dogs that had come to a premature end, and the accumulation of vegetable matter in the pipes rendered the water in a measure poisonous. In fact the inhabitants were obliged to drink poison.

Dr. Gray, the popular editor of the Freeman's Journal, about two years ago, took up the matter with great

zeal, and advocated a project to lay down pipes from Lake Vartry in the county Wicklow. As usual there were many "old fogeys" who opposed the project without exactly knowing why, and Dr. Gray chastised them in the columns of the Freeman. They got up a lawsuit against Dr. Gray, not in the collective name of the Municipality (an outrage on free press that could not be attempted in Dublin), but on the part of an individual of their body who pretended to be aggrieved.

Dr. Gray was victorious, and non-suited the retrograde municipal officer. He was afterwards elected member of Parliament. Finally he triumphed over all opposition, and the Viceroy of Ireland in person inaugurated the Vartry Water-works, and conferred on Dr. Gray the honor of knighthood in appreciation of the lasting service he rendered to the city of Dublin.

So far our own case is a repetition of the above. We have clamored for Water-supply and held up the Municipality to the gaze of an indignant public: we have sustained an action at law and come off victorious, and with God's blessing and the irresistible impulse of public opinion we shall sweep down every remaining obstacle and be instrumental in endowing Buenos Ayres with a proper Water-Supply.

THE NEW PROVINCIAL LOAN.

Credit, we often hear, is a plant of very slow growth, needing much care and gentle treatment in its youth, but yielding with these precautions an abundant fruit in due season; in no case should any forcing process be resorted to, for however pleasant it may appear to reap the advantages of one's own raising, yet it will undoubtedly stunt the growth of the plant which would otherwise have been tall and shady.

This may serve as our idea of the mode in which Don Mariano Varela purposes obtaining a loan to finally settle the currency question, as mentioned in his circular now before us. The gist of this scheme is, that the Provincial Government raise a loan of four million patacons in Bank Bills, at 98 per cent., bearing a 7 per cent. annual interest, with a yearly amortisation of 2 per cent., these Bank Bills being also received at par in payment of public lands bought in this province.

The first question, to be asked is, what class of people are likely to buy these securities? That they will rise above par, even the most sanguine man cannot plead. Thus to the capitalist or speculator the employment of money at 7 per cent. per annum, in a security that cannot rise more than 2 per cent., and might fall much more, does not present an inviting prospect.

Then, again, to any one engaged in business the inducement of 7 per cent. is small. The only class likely to invest are the holders of small deposits in the Provincial Bank, and experience has proved that unless a loan is well supported by capitalists, it is seldom invested in by men of less means. It is evident therefore that a greater attraction should be held out to the public, so that an immediate and successful issue of the loan take place: the best way would probably be to lower the price to 85, at which figure the competition to obtain allotments and desire to purchase, would soon send these Bank Bills to 90, and even 95, in this manner giving them a permanent credit to all investors.

Experience has repeatedly proved that when a public loan is brought before the public at a high figure, allowing of little or no profit to the first purchaser, that capitalists naturally hold back, causing the sale of the loan to be slow and often impossible, whereas with a margin of profit the general anxiety to buy is immense, creating a most favorable impression, redounding to the greater credit of the borrower.

No one can for a moment doubt the benefits of the Exchange-office,—it has become in every sense of the word popular; yet we cannot recommend M. Varela to endeavor to reap the utmost advantages of his excellent management of the currency question, but rather leave it to time to show the increased credit arising from the measure, than attempt to force credit because the money market happens to be glutted.

The receiving of the Bank Bills in payment of public lands would be of no good, if the price were not lower than 98; the slight difference would neither facilitate the sale of lands or bonds, both of which measures should be taken into consideration in fixing the price of issue.

EDITOR'S TABLE.

The steamer from Montevideo brought us the startling news of the re-arrest of Dr. Navarro Viola, Colonel Plaza Montero, and E. Martinez: the cause of this is not yet made public.

Our office was crowded yesterday with subscribers who called to congratulate us on our sweeping victory over the Municipality. It was indeed a pleasing satisfaction to witness such intense sympathy for the Standard. Some of the first men in Buenos Ayres called to express their high satisfaction at the termination of the suit. It was the first time we had ever been

brought before a court, and our victory was doubly auspicious.

Dr. Velez Sarafeld has written a very strong article to the Government about the new arrangements introduced by the Board. We have no space for the document, it is so long, but unfortunately disagree with the learned doctor in his thesis. The Bank Directors seem to be men of the right stamp: they pay high for deposits and discount liberally, and at a lower rate than any other bank in town. This is the true programme for the Provincial Bank, which enjoys such privileges and rights that in no case can it lose. We hope, therefore, the Government will not interfere with the Board, but leave the Bank to itself.

On the 1st inst. the Justice of the Peace of Arrecifes will sell by auction a flock of 1,800 sheep, belonging to Richard Robinson. The sheep are of a good class, and may go cheap.

To-day a meeting of the creditors of Mr. Patricio Fitzsimons will be held at the Tribunal of Commerce.

The question about continuing the Southern Railway tramway to the Calle Rivadavia, is now before the Municipality. As a matter of course, the measure meets with the most decided opposition from some of the members of the board. Yet all B. Ayres is in favor of the measure. It would be an immense convenience; therefore, as a matter of course, it must be thrown out.

Admiral Gouon paid his farewell visit to Buenos Ayres, and has returned to Montevideo. He returns in the Brooklyn to the United States, and all the noise about his efforts to bring about peace has proved nonsense. We have not as yet heard the name of his successor.

The pavement of the Boca road is going ahead fast. As we came into town yesterday we noticed an immense number of workmen at the road near Lezama's "quinta." People who object to private companies ought to pay a visit to these works, and then go and look at Municipal pavements. Montevideo is now crowded with Portenos, availing themselves of the saltwater baths.

Last week an English barque going down the river chanced to cast anchor on the electric telegraph cable and picked it up. The captain and pilot, along with the crew, had hard work of it for nine hours to get the anchor free of the cable.

On Tuesday evening a batch of prisoners heavily ironed passed up the Barraca road they were accompanied by a small piquet of soldiers, and we believe were sent in from the far South.

We have just heard of a very fine estancia two leagues Government land bought in the cheap figure of \$114,000 per league, six thousand sheep at \$20 per head, and a large rodeo of cattle at 70, the seller giving 12 months time to pay for the cattle and sheep: this we regard as one of the cheapest bargains of the day.

The stupendous fall in the price of Indian corn must have attracted the attention of our country readers; only a few days past maize sold for \$100 per fanega, yesterday the highest price going was \$75. The chief reason of this is the heavy arrivals and the diminution of consumption for the army. We hear that a party has a contract with the Brazilians to deliver some 10,000 fanegas (half of which has been already shipped) at the high price of ten patacons the fanega, the corn deliverable in Itapiru; at the present price of maize this contract must leave splendid profits.

The gloomy intelligence of another invasion of Indians has reached us. It is said that all Calafucura's tribes have risen, they have entered the camps of Las Flores and swept away cattle and mares. The commander called out the National Guard, and we believe gave chase to the savages, but the stock is gone; the neighbours are of course in the greatest alarm, and seem to fear another invasion.

The mooted retirement of Dr. Rawson has caused great astonishment; few thought that there was any such topic going on in the Government house, but our colleague the Puelo asserts that Dr. Rawson only waits the arrival of Sr. Sarmiento to retire into private life. Foreigners particularly would lament the resignation of so excellent a man as Dr. Rawson; he has gained a very high reputation, and is one of the pillars of the Nat. Government. We cannot dispense with Dr. Rawson's services at present; when things assume a quieter aspect, then possibly a more favorable opportunity than the present will occur for so important a step.

On Sunday night a most wholesale robbery was perpetrated in Calle Victoria No. 551. It seems there was no one belonging to the establishment on the premises, the office door was forced open, false keys used, and the large sum of ten thousand pounds sterling in sovereigns walked off with. We must say that it does seem strange to us that so much gold should be on the premises. For what have we banks, if people keep fifty thousand patacons in their private office?

In the neighbourhood of the Pobre Diablo a corpse has been washed ashore, and we believe has been iden-

tified to be a Sr. Rodriguez, but we could learn no particulars.

On high authority we have been assured that if the party who offered to clear the port of wrecks and anchors, now thinks proper to send in his project, to the National Government it is probable that it will be entertained: we mention the matter as we believe the offer was made by a subscriber, Mr. Petty, the famed pilot.

Colonel Machado, it is said, has received a private letter from the frontier, announcing a surprise by some Chilean Indians. Commander Lopez and his men were all taken prisoners and murdered.

On mid after the 1st March the Western Railway changes its timetable. The first train for Chivilcoy leaves at 7 o'clock a.m.; second, for Moron, at 8; third, for Moreno, at 10; fourth, for Chivilcoy, at 2; fifth, for Moron, at 4; and sixth, for Moreno, at 5 p.m.

M. Marshall, the lessee of the Hotel La Paiz, has left in the packet for Europe. "On dit" he has some accounts to collect in England. He gave a grand dinner last week to his hotel friends.

General Flores may be expected this morning; he will come ashore for a few hours, and then proceed up the Uruguay to Salto.

There are grave fears that the steamer Edward Everett is lost; she is out now more than 60 days. Sr. Sarmiento, it is rumoured, was a passenger on board; the steamer may have put into a Brazilian port in distress.

Yesterday the 'Corps Diplomatique' visited the President, and welcomed him back to Buenos Ayres. During the morning the President's private house was crowded with private parties, who called to pay their 'devoirs' to his Excellency.

THE FALKLAND ISLANDS.

Port Stanley, Feb. 10, 1867.

There is but little news to send you from this, but such as we have I send you. We have been blessed with good weather for the last week, which has greatly improved all the gardens, and now bids fair for a good crop of turnips and potatoes. The Narcissus, Admiral Ramsay, arrived here some days ago, and was followed by H.B.M.'s ship Spiteful, which made our little town quite lively. His Excellency the Governor gave a dinner-party, which was well attended by all the town officials and officers that could be spared from the Narcissus and Spiteful.

The dinner would have done credit to the Lord Mayor of London, and in the evening singing and dancing was kept up. On the following days the noble Admiral and the ward-room officers gave parties in return, which were well attended by the principal residents of the place. The Admiral's gig came alongside with Captain Smyley, the United States Consul, and Dr. McClin-ton, the Colonial surgeon, who were received by a salute, and soon after H. E. the Governor and lady came, who were likewise received by a salute being fired. The band struck up its sweet notes, which sounded sweeter to us who are only accustomed to the music of a piano or concertina, the quacking of the johnny rook, the screeching of the sea-gull, or the braying of the jack-ass penguin. Whilst we were at dinner the boats were sent on shore to bring the people from town on board to see the theatre, which I must acknowledge was well played. Everything passed off well, and all returned highly pleased with their trip, only sorry that the Admiral was going to leave them very soon.

The Admiral leaves to-morrow morning, with the best wishes of all the colony, and mine in particular; hoping he may succeed in pleasing all in the River Plate as he has done here.

LIST OF VESSELS IN PORT STANLEY.

Narcissus, Spiteful, Kate Sargent, Orissa, Charles Cooper (condemned), brig Matildo, brig Anna, schooner Piltar, schooner Louisa, ship Adriana, barque Lettice Catharine.

The latter vessel put in here with her rudder damaged and the loss of her captain, who died at sea: she is bound to Cork for orders, with a cargo of wheat. The Adriana goes to England in ballast, having shipped part of her cargo of guano on by the Orissa.

LATEST FROM FRAYLE MUERTO.

18th Feb. 1867.

I am glad to report that this detestable spot is still progressing, in spite of the Indians. The petition asking for 10 square leagues of land for the benefit of the proposed military colony, has been presented in Cordoba, and the request granted by Government. The difficulty of funds still remains and causes a stand-still in the meantime. The settlers not being large estancieros, but only beginners of comparatively small means, cannot afford to give the necessary sum, and neither are they in the position of poor colonists who could ask others to help them. When the Government proposed to establish a military colony it was not understood by the settlers that they should have to furnish each a sum. It seems after all rather absurd to talk of such extra defences, when the ordinary frontier forces cannot be maintained. The Government no doubt is well intentioned in the matter but has many difficulties to contend

with. It is to be hoped good will come out of evil, and that once this revolution is quelled, the troops will march against the Indians and sweep them from the Pampas.

The settlers are in good spirits. azotea houses are rising in all directions, and no one has left the place.

On Thursday last a large number of the estancieros assembled near the Monte del Loro to run for a silver cup presented by a Buenos Ayres gentleman, and two English ladies braving the dangers of the camp, rode a distance of several leagues to grace the meeting with their presence. The place usually so solitary presented quite a gay appearance, and to add to the general happiness a cart with refreshments unexpectedly made its appearance from Frayle Muerto. Truth compels me to state that these did not consist of ices or champagne, but such as they were, they were very acceptable. Five horses were entered for the cup, ridden by their respective owners. The race was well contested, and was won by Mr. Goodrich, who as he passed the winning post was received with shouts of applause. Mr. Calder's tostado came in second, and Mr. Miller on his roquilla followed.

The cup, with the inscription, 'To the winner of the Frayle Muerto Races 1867,' was presented to Mr. Goodrich by Mrs. Fairbairn, who on receiving it drank to the health of the presenter and the giver. Various other races were run, and the meeting was prolonged until the heat of the mid-day sun compelled us to return to our homes.

LATEST FROM THE GRAN CHACO.

THE CALIFORNIAN COLONY.

The interest we take in the advancement of this settlement has induced us to make room always for the most trifling data, some times supplied us by surveyors and visitors, and not unfrequently by the guides. The present observations come from a more reliable source, being the simple statement of two of the settlers, Messrs. Moore and McKillop, and will serve to show how rapidly they are going ahead.

There is no necessity to refer our readers to the time when the colony was first founded; it is so short, that it must be still quite fresh in their memory. It seems but the other day since these bold pioneers of civilisation, after suffering innumerable hardships, crossed, at the imminent risk of their lives, the pathless Cordillera of the Andes, and settled down in the midst of the wilderness of the Chaco, which had hitherto been uninhabited by aught save the Indian.

No sooner were they settled than they commenced to cultivate the land, which they report as very prolific. All the seeds brought from the States have taken well, none have missed, and although sown rather late, all their wants are more than supplied by the return.

At first, serious fears were entertained respecting the Indians, who had hitherto held undisputed sway of these fertile lands, but we are assured by the colonists that since their arrival, excepting the half-civilised natives, who come to barter skins, &c., not a single Indian has been seen. The new frontier line, which runs far away to the north of them, will now remove all fear and throw open a rich and boundless field for immigration. Besides seed, the Americans brought some agricultural implements, which they find to work admirably, the only fault being their scarcity. All the samples we have seen reflect the greatest credit on these gentlemen. Mr. Maclean showed us a pumpkin, which measured 66 inches in diameter. The potatoes and other products of the kitchen-garden were remarkably fine, and the maize promises to be the best grown in the Republic.

In a word, these colonists want nothing: with a genial climate, a fine soil, and a never-failing supply of wood and water, a short time only is necessary to make this a smiling "parterre." Some of the settlers sent home very favorable accounts of the place, and many more are shortly expected out to join them.

WONDERFUL ESCAPE ON THE SOUTHERN RAILWAY.

The appalling accidents which from time to time we hear of on the European and North American railways are by philosophers of the 'Grougrind' school accounted for upon scientific principles. Thus—given a certain number of trains carrying as many million passengers, and as many collisions must occur and a certain percentage of the travellers be killed, maimed, or bruised, and as long as this percentage does not exceed the average rate they are satisfied that nothing is left undone to avoid these catastrophes, nor has the public any right to complain. It would appear that the manager of the Great Southern Railway considers that the time has now come for the usual percentage of destruction, as may be judged from the following circumstance.

On Saturday evening last the Chascomus train was due at the Lomas de Zamora Station at half-past seven, but fortunately was some ten minutes late, and consequently did not leave for town until about a quarter before eight. Five minutes after starting,

and before full speed was put on, another train was perceived approaching from town. The driver of the Chascomus train immediately shut off steam, the guards put on the breaks, and as soon as possible the train was stopped, the whistle sounding continually. The approaching train did not appear to notice the signals, and only immediately before stopping did the driver whistle in return to the Chascomus train, from which upon being actually stopped it was only separated by a very few yards. As the distance from the Lomas Station was short the Chascomus train returned there to allow the other, a goods train, to pass on, and then started afresh for town.

Had the Chascomus train not been behind time, but started from the Lomas at the hour fixed in the table, a collision could not have been avoided, as in the interval full speed would have been attained, and the train would have arrived somewhere about the curve in the line whence the out train could not have been seen until the two were close together. As Mr. Banfield himself was a passenger in the said out train, perhaps he will explain what it was doing on the line at a moment when the Chascomus train was known to be due.

INTERESTING FROM BRAZIL.

(From our own Correspondent.)

The latest news from Goyaz city gives the Brazilian expeditionary forces as still at Miranda. On the 9th of November a Bolivian Officer presented himself at Cuyabá with despatches from his Government demanding the retirement of Brazilian forces on some points of the frontiers, under the pretext that they were in Bolivian territory. It was also reported at Chiquitos, 12 leagues from Villa Maria, that Bolivian forces were being concentrated on the frontiers.

The fine weather having continued, the traffic on the S. Paulo railway has been reopened. On the D. Pedro II railway, the line is now in a state to permit of trains passing over it in all but one spot and even this difficulty the Director hopes will be removed in a few days.

In the province of S. Paulo a slight shock of earth-quake was felt in some localities on the 20th Dec. last and 1st January this year according to the provincial papers.

The Visconde de Porto Alegre was waiting at Rio Grande for a steamer to convey him to the River Plate, where he will again assume the command of the 2nd. division of the Brazilian army in Paraguay.

On the night of the 21st. ult., a fire broke out in the Pernambuco Custom House but most fortunately after consuming a fine case of goods' went out of its own accord so that it was only on opening the building next day that it became known in what risk the whole Establishment had been.

A handsome Clock has been put up in the tower of the Candelaria Church in Rio, and strikes the hours and quarters on the big bell, which I informed you a short time ago, had been replaced in its Tower after a fifty years' sojourn among the dust and rubbish in some out of the way part of the Church.

The friends and acquaintances of Senator Octaviano have chartered a steamer to carry them out to the entrance of the harbor to meet the packet in which he returns to Rio and give him a grand welcome with Music and fireworks.

The total funded debt of Brazil, both home and foreign, amounted on 31st December last to reis 251,234,400 \$800 or about £25,133,440 sterling. The internal debt is reis 105,078,400 showing an increase of reis 19,912,600 during the past year, and the external debt is £14,615,000 sterling. The funds sent to London during 1866 by the Imperial Government were £740,000.

The customs revenue on imports during 1866 was reis 17,561,749 \$130 which is larger than that of any other year since 1857; the revenue on exports was reis 4,750,370 \$840 which is about equal to that of 1865 and above that of any of the last 10 years with exception of 1861.

Owing to the stagnant state of trade generally in Rio for some time past, there has naturally been a want of good and approved trade-bills in discounting of which the extensive funds at the disposal of our various banks might find employment, and for this reason it is that we find London Brazilian bank with a balance of cash in the till of reis 1,551,336 \$600 and the English bank of Rio Janeiro with a balance of cash in the till of reis 1,057,945 \$878 on 31st Decr. last, forming in the case of the latter establishment a fourth part of the paid-up capital.

In my next letter I shall take the liberty of offering a few remarks on the British prospects in Brazil relative to enterprises, such as Railways or other companies, and as to its being a good field for British emigrants on the contrary, with a comparison of the prospects in Brazil and in the Plata; I also intend saying a few words about English shops, English hotels and the scale of charges at the latter places.

INTERESTING STATISTICS OF PARANA.

The table before us which is drawn up with the most careful and studied exactitude presents a very flattering picture.

Since the erection of a Parochial church in 1764 to Dec. 3, 1866.

Marriages..... 5,207 Births..... 32,427 Deaths..... 16,735

The Registry for births and marriages for the three 'partidos' during the years 1790, 91, and 92 as likewise from 95 to 99 and again from 1815 to 1817. The most striking epochs in this long list are in the first year 1764. Marriages 2, Baptisms 25, Deaths 8. 1770 Marriages 18, Baptisms 101, Deaths 58. A proportional increase continued till 1809, when we find, Marriages 44, Births 24 deaths 54. Since then the increase has been even more rapid. We have not time now to enter into the details of each 'partido' many of them are deplorably backward, and on all of them the blighting effects of civil war are painfully visible.

Comercio.

ABOLITION OF TONNAGE DUES IN FRENCH PORTS.

Gentlemen, I found the above in an English paper and it will be agreeable to the shipping interest.

Can you or any of your readers add to this information by stating when the differential duties charged in France upon merchandise imported or exported in foreign bottoms, are to cease?

Yours, FREE TRADER.

Napoleon, by the grace of God and the national will Emperor of the French, to all present and to come greeting.—On the proposition of our Minister of Agriculture, Commerce, and Public Works; in view of the convention of navigation and commerce concluded the 24th of June, 1822 between France and the United States of America; in view of the convention of navigation concluded the 26th of January, 1826, between France and the United Kingdom of Great Britain.

In view of the treaties of commerce and navigation concluded by France with Denmark, February 9, 1842; with the Dominican Republic, May 8, 1852; with Portugal, March 9, 1853; with Prussia, August 2, 1862; with the united kingdoms of Sweden and Norway, February 14, 1865; with the Hanse towns of Bremen, Hamburg, and Lubeck, March 4, 1865; in view of Arts. 4 and 6 of the law of 19th May 1866, we have decreed and decree as follows:—Art. 1. The tonnage dues established by way of compensation duties in virtue of the treaties and conventions concluded by France with Denmark, the Dominican republic, Portugal, Prussia, Sweden and Norway, and the Hanse towns of Bremen, Hamburg, and Lubeck, are and remain suppressed. Art. 2. French and English vessels arriving at ports in the French Empire, from any port in Great Britain or the British possessions in Europe, shall be exempted from the tonnage duty established in virtue of the dispositions of Art. 1 of the treaty of 26th January, 1826. The like immunity will be enjoyed by all flags assimilated by conventional acts to the French flags as such liable, on their arrival in France from British ports, to the tonnage duty above mentioned. Art. 3. Until it shall please the government of the United States of America to suppress—as it has done for its own vessels—the duty of 94 cents per ton levied on French vessels arriving in the ports of the American union, vessels of the United States arriving at ports in the French Empire will remain subject to the duty of 5f. per ton, conformably with the disposition of Art. 5 of the convention of commerce and navigation of 24th June 1822. Art. 4. The present decree will be carried into execution in all the ports in the empire, and in Algeria, from the 1st January, 1867. Art. 5. Our Ministers of Agriculture, Commerce, and Public Works, and of Finance, are charged, each in such portion as may concern him, with the execution of the present decree.

Done at the Palace of the Tuilleries, the 27th Decr., 1866.

By the Emperor NAPOLEON.

The Minister of Agriculture, Commerce, and Public Works

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ANOTHER MISSING STEAMER.

Salto Oriental, Feb. 14th 1867. It is rumoured that the double screw Steamer "Salto" that left the Clyde for this port on the 24th Decr. last had to put into a port in England on account of having sustained heavy damages, and I wish to know if this is true or not.

I beg of you as a special favor you will be kind enough to have a look through your newspapers per last mail, and see if there is any account of said vessel: being personally interested in her, I feel very anxious to know something about her.

She was built in the Clyde by Messrs. Thomson of said place.

I remain, Gentlemen,

Very truly

SALTENO.

We hope some of our marine readers can throw some light on the missing steamer.

CONVERSION OF THE CURRENCY.

"There is a tide in the affairs of men, which, taken at the flood, leads on to fortune." Such a tide awaits for a brief time our Minister of Hacienda.

Government authorities have been communicated with on the subject of the treasure. It is a wonderful story that Commissioner Wilson, of the General Land-office, has to tell in the report he has just presented to the President of the United States.

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MISCELLANEOUS.

It is stated that at a large military hospital established in Breslau, on the Oder, in Silesia, by order of the Prussian Government, a circular saw worked by steam, is to be used for the purpose of amputating such limbs of wounded soldiers as the surgeon will direct to be taken off.

At the close of the year there have appeared 4,204 new books and new editions—Religious books and pamphlets 849; biographical and historical, 194; medical and surgical, 160; poetry and the drama, 222; novels, 390; minor fiction and children's book, 544; travels, topography, and geography, 195; annuals and serials (volumes only), 225; agriculture, horticulture, &c., 64; English philology and translation, 161; law, 84; naval, military, and engineering, 39; science, natural history, &c., 147; trade and commerce, 78; politics and questions of the day, 167; illustrated works, 83; art, architecture, &c., 34; miscellaneous, not classified, 359; total, 4,204.—The Book-seller.

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