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MONTEVIDEO, MAY 18, 1898.

NEWS OF THE DAY

MONTEVIDEO
WEDNESDAY, MAY 18, 1898.

St. Pierre, Felix Cantalicio and Venancio—Rotation Day.—Nicholas II, Czar of Russia, born, 1868.—138 days past, 227 to the end of the year.

BANK OF THE REPUBLIC.

We condense below the balance sheet of the Bank of the Republic dated April 30, adding for the sake of comparison some of the figures from the balance sheet of the previous month.

Credit.—Unissued shares of 2nd Series, \$5,000,000.—Unissued bonus shares \$1,977,696.83; Various Debtors of head office and branches, \$7,193,469.75 (in March, \$6,724,156); Values deposited, \$4,012,241. (in March \$3,887,798);—Guarantees of Judicial Deposits, \$650,000 nom. in bonds of the Extraordinary 1897 Loan at 67.50 %; \$438,750.—Cash in hand \$3,411,128 (in March, \$3,330,800)—Total, \$22,035,277.37.

Debit.—Capital, nominal, \$12,000,000.—Various creditors \$2,983,885.49 (in March, \$2,852,880);—Judicial Deposits, \$418,747.56;—Service of the Extraordinary 1897 Loan, payments by the Direction General of Direct Taxes, \$79,650.83;—Silver cheques conforming in circulation \$6000 (in March, \$9000);—Notes in circulation, \$2,514,498.50 (in March, \$2,173,695.50);—Reserve Fund, \$20,308.17.—Total, \$22,035,277.37.

These figures continue to show a steady expansion of the Bank's business on a safe basis. The most notable item is the increase in the amount of notes in circulation. On August 31st, the amount was only \$515,850, so that in eight months this has been nearly quintupled. This shows not only increased confidence and increased business in the Bank itself, but also signifies a general increase of business throughout the country.

POLITICAL NOTES.

The abortive conspiracy is the topic of the day, though our contemporaries seem to think there is more in it of political intrigue than of actual conspiracy. In any case, the power of the "collectivity" is regarded as too thoroughly broken and the new regime as too firmly established for any such attempt to create serious alarm. As regards bare facts, we can add little to what were given in our last So far the arrests have been confined to Colonels Escobar (who was brought from the interior yesterday) Tezanos and Echeverry and Lieut. Belen. There was a rumor that the last-named had been shot in trying to escape from the barracks, but it did not prove true. General Estevan, regarded as the centre of the plot and long marked as a dangerous man, has not been arrested but is under close surveillance. The Decree has been published accepting the resignation of General Casimiro Garcia as Chief of the Staff. The 2nd Chief Col. Antonio Marquez is temporarily entrusted with his duties. The Nation stoutly denies that the Government has had any reason to lose confidence in General Garcia and Estevan, but as regards the others insinuates very plainly that they were engaged in subversive intrigues of which the Government was fully aware, and which it thought it time to cut short. All three of the Colonels arrested are well known to be ad-

dicted to Dr. Julio Herrera and the past regime. What there may be beyond this it is impossible to say. It is expected that the affair will lead to several military changes of more or less importance. Col. Lucas Fernandez has already been dismissed from the post of adjutant to the Ministry of War, and Col. Clark has resigned the post of 2nd Commandant of the Port. Both of these officers are close friends of General Estevan.

The confidence in the Government is well shown by the little excitement the affair has produced outside political circles. In the Bolsa it had practically no effect at all.

The following vigorous sentences from the *Nacional* of yesterday are worth quoting, as showing the feeling of the "blanco" or nationalist party towards the present situation.—"What would be the consequences of a sedition or mutiny? The consequences would be to put on foot immediately 10,000 nationalists with more than enough arms and munitions to suffocate it incontinently and to reestablish the order of things which it was pretended to overthrow, at least in the interior, since it is no longer attempted to make an administration for the benefit of a party or a circle, but to give a national administration, reconstructing the public powers in conformity with the laws and with the progress of public reason.... It is true that some of the political-administrative acts of Sr. Cuestas have merited our censure in the name of principles which should never be sacrificed to momentary conveniences, but it does not follow that we find his government a bad one, or that we do not recognise that in general it deserves respect and applause. Those who venture to combat it frankly and openly will find in us a decided opponent so long as it maintains the line of conduct which has procured for it the sympathies of public opinion."

The vigorous and prompt action of the Government has been approved by all our native contemporaries except the *Razon*, though the latter is unable to advance any intelligible reason for its discontent. The *Razon* apparently holds the extraordinary opinion that the Government ought to pursue a "broader" policy towards the adherents of the past regime and conciliate them by readmitting them to office and influence! Most people, we venture to say, think the exact contrary. If the Government has erred at all, it has been on the side of leniency in not bringing some of them to the punishment they deserve for their offences against the laws and the country. As to readmitting them to office and influence, that should be entirely out of the question knowing the habits of political intrigue, corruption and dishonesty which constitute their sole policy.

LONDON AND BRAZILIAN BANK

The twenty-seventh annual ordinary general meeting of the London and Brazilian Bank, Limited, was held on Monday, April 18, at 7, Tokenhouse-yard, E. C. The Hon. Pascoe C. Glyn (the chairman of the company) presiding.

The Secretary (Mr. A. W. Saunders) read the notice convening the meeting. The Chairman said the proprietors would no doubt share the regret the board felt in being obliged to present on this occasion a report not quite so favourable in one respect as many of its predecessors; at the same time he hoped that, after due and careful consideration of the present position, the proposal of the board to suspend the payment of a bonus on this occasion would meet with the concurrence of the proprietors as a more matter of precaution. He had ventured at previous meetings to remind the proprietors that they must not always rely upon a bonus. At the same time they had paid bonuses so repeatedly of late that it was no doubt difficult for them to realise the fact that it was proposed to suspend the payment on this occasion. The report, on the whole, was not an unfavourable one (Hear, hear). The net profit amounted to about £123,000, compared with £123,000 in the preceding year. This profit had been earned through the zeal and energy of the staff in the face of increasing competition, and, moreover, it must be recollected that the bank did not now earn the large profits from exchange business which it used to do, owing to the altered conditions of that business. Their financial year closed on January 31, and on February 1 last exchange stood at 67.8 d., whereas on February 1, 1897, it was 83.4 d. This caused a loss of nearly £9,000 in making remittances from Brazil. The gist of the report lay in paragraph No 4,

which stated that owing to the continuous fall in the exchange since the last meeting the capital of the bank employed there showed a further depreciation amounting to £47,285 and the directors, therefore, did not consider it advisable to recommend the payment of a bonus on this occasion. It was true that this was not the first time on which they had had to complain of the fall in exchange, but it had now reached a point which no one hardly ventured to suppose it would reach, the present quotation being only 57.8 d. It was difficult to point out the cause of this great fall in the exchange. He thought that the political unrest in the country during the greater portion of 1897 had had something to do with it. Then they might assume that the administration was carried on in too costly a manner; and it was also asserted that the excessive paper issue of the country was a helping cause. Strange to say, the record coffee crop which was now being shipped, amounting to about 10,000,000 bags, had not been sufficient to maintain the rate of exchange, in consequence of the much smaller sterling value of the article. The crop would only produce something like £17,500,000 sterling against £21,000,000 sterling for the previous crop and £26,500,000 sterling for a much smaller crop in 1894-95. The directors proposed to pay the customary dividend, which would absorb £75,000, leaving a balance of £207,789 out of the available balance mentioned in paragraph 2 of £234,789; £46,722 had been appropriated to the reduction of the rate of exchange at which the capital employed in Brazil stood in the books to 1s. per milreis, leaving £163,067 to the credit of profit and loss new account. It was a satisfactory feature that these reductions had always been made out of profits earned. They had never entrenched upon their public reserve, nor made any call for that purpose. (Applause.)

It might be argued that the directors could have paid something of a bonus because they were carrying over a much larger balance on this occasion. He admitted that that was the case; the sum they were carrying forward amounted to just under £40,000, but he wished to point out that the appreciated capital in the River Plate amounted to £16,763. He sincerely hoped that Argentina had started once more on an era of prosperity; but the board did not feel justified in looking upon this as a perfectly reliable quantity. If they deducted that sum from the total amount of margin they would find that the sum carried forward was very much the same as in previous years. After dealing with the figures in the balance sheet and profit and loss account, he remarked that it was not only futile but foolish to attempt to prognosticate with regard to the future. At the same time, as far as Brazil was concerned, the political prospects were brighter than they had been. The effect of the dastardly attempt in November last to assassinate the President was that the enemies of law and order were discomfited. The new President, who had been elected by an overwhelming majority, would take office in November next. He was a statesman of whose patriotism and probity there appeared to be but one opinion, and in his public announcements he had distinctly stated that he intended to carry out the policy of the present Government. That policy he (the chairman) took to be firm rule, so as to prevent as far as possible all political disturbances, and a more rigid economy in the public administration. (Applause.) They had had already proofs of the Government's desire to economise. They had been selling warships in Europe to other nations, and that had, no doubt, brought into the Government exchequer a very handsome sum. Then at home they had been suppressing unnecessary expenses, and, in fact, wherever they could they were introducing retrenchment. The commercial prospects, he ventured to say, were not bad. They were on the eve of another large coffee crop, and although the sterling price was not what those who produced the article would wish it to be, still, it ought to realise a very large sum of money. The price of indiarubber, on the other hand, was abnormally high. Then there were symptoms of an increase in the imports. The national indebtedness of Brazil was not so very heavy. Taking the external and internal debt at £90,000,000, it was only equal to £6 per head of the total population. Through evil report and through good report the Brazilian Government had always punctually met its engagements, and he had no doubt, therefore, that if it possibly could it would do so in the future. (Applause.) If the present Government and the future Government carried out the policy which he had indicated, he thought they might venture to hope that it would mean a new era

of prosperity to the country, and that this would be indicated by a rise in the rate of exchange and by things generally assuming a more favourable aspect than they had of late. (Applause.) The Chairman then moved: "That the report and accounts be received and adopted, and that, in accordance with the recommendation of the directors, a dividend of 10s. per share, free of income tax, making, with the interim dividend of 10s per share paid in October last, a dividend for the year at the rate of 10 per cent. per annum on the paid-up capital of the bank be declared, the same to be payable on and after Friday, the 22nd inst."

Mr. O. E. Johnston seconded the motion which was carried unanimously.

The retiring directors (Mr. W. D. Hoare and Mr. W. W. Phipps) were elected, as were also the auditors (Messrs. Gerald van de Linde and Son.)

THE WAR.

There was scarcely a single reliable item of news to be found yesterday. Judging from the contradictory notices of the telegrams the Spanish fleet seems to be spreading itself all over the West Indies and appearing in half a dozen ports at once. It has left Curacao, and vessels are reported as having been seen at St. Thomas (Danish Antilles) at St. Pierre (Martinique) near Kingston (Jamaica) and even off the north of Cuba itself. Another message represents the Spanish squadron, Admiral Sampson's squadron and Com. Schley's flying squadron as all converging towards Key West. If they meet there will be a lively time. The Spanish vessels "Cataluña," "Princesa de Asturias" and "Cardenal Cisneros," which were thought to be still in Cadiz, are reported as having appeared at St. Pierre, for about the eighth time it is said that Admiral Sampson has been repulsed in another attempt to bombard San Juan, but the telegram is evidently a fabrication, like several others that appeared yesterday. The whole news about the movement of the fleets is so entirely unreliable that we prefer to leave it alone.

The Spanish and U.S. Governments now seem to be amusing themselves by firing off protests against each other, not a very deadly form of warfare. The U.S. Government has protested before the Dutch Government against the Spanish vessels having been allowed to take in coal at Curacao. (At St. Thomas they were forbidden to do so.) The Spanish Government, it is said, has protested before the European Powers against the Anglo-American alliance. (It had better first make sure that such an alliance exists.) This in addition to the protests we mentioned yesterday.

The "Oregon" and consorts are reported as having reached Cayenne (French Guiana)

The news of most importance is that of the ministerial crisis in Spain. This time it would appear that the whole Cabinet has really resigned. The Queen Regent has asked Sr. Sagasta to form a new one, and he is trying to find for the purpose Ministers of a more warlike disposition who will pursue a "vigorous" policy—but he finds difficulty in doing so. The fact seems to be that the people of Spain, excited to frenzy by the mad and criminal propaganda of the majority of the Spanish papers, are bitten with a war fever and want to fight the whole world and to see the whole world involved in their quarrel. History has given other examples of such national madness, and we can quite understand that it is difficult to get statesmen of any worth willing to embrace so wild a policy. We shall be curious to see how it ends. Meanwhile the war is without direction or fixed policy on the part of Spain, not a very hopeful state of things for the Spanish cause.

N American refugees arrived at Kingston from Cienfuegos say that the Spanish population there are openly hostile to the British and U.S. residents and that there is great difficulty in restraining them from a general massacre (Like the Chinese and some of the African tribes.) The telegrams insist on trying to drag Great Britain into the quarrel and also still talk of war between Great Britain and France. We do not think much serious attention need be given to this. According to the latest papers, France and Great Britain were rarely bitter friends, and the whole thing is probably due to the insanity of

the Spanish papers which try to elevate their wretched quarrel into a war of races. We do not know of anything more criminal than this.

SUNDRIES.

—As we expected, Dr. Sierra Carranza having published a letter defending the action of the United States, the local Spanish papers immediately proclaim him an enemy to Spain, and warn all their readers against employing his professional services. They not only quarrel themselves but wish to make all the world quarrel as well, and will not even allow an impartial expression of opinion in a neutral country. In any case, such a proclamation as they have made is libellous and it would serve them right if Dr. Carranza prosecuted them for damages.

—The attention of members of the Golf Club is called to the announcement of the 2nd monthly competition for the President's Cup, which will be played next Wednesday (holiday.) We note that the Committee have also decided to offer a Silver Medal for Ladies, to be played for during June and July.

—The present Pope, although he was not young when elected to the Pontificate—for he was sixty-seven at the time—has already held it for a longer time than the great majority of his long line of 252 predecessors. Only eleven Popes in all have reigned more than twenty years, and Leo XIII. has already reigned twenty-one years. Longevity is traditional in his family. A brother who died a few years ago was ninety-two and a half years old. The present year brings the sixtieth anniversary of Leo XIII's first Mass, the fifty-fifth anniversary of his episcopal consecration, the twenty-first anniversary of his Pontificate, and the eighty-eighth anniversary of his birth. During that Pontificate he has already seen 121 Cardinals die, and of the Council which elected him in 1878 there are only two survivors, Cardinal Martel, born in 1806, and Cardinal Canassa, born in 1809.

—Mr. Paul du Chailu tells this story: "Once in New York I conducted a very drunken gentleman to his home in Fifth Avenue. 'What is your name, my benefactor?' says he. 'Paul,' says I. 'Paul!' cries he impossible—it cannot be!' Then, after looking seriously for a time, he whispered confidentially 'I've long wanted to meet you, Paul. Tell me, did you ever get an answer to that epistle you wrote to the Ephesians?'"

—In a country where the opera is endowed, it is only logical that a professor of the art of ballet-dancing should also be supported by the State. The Parisians have at last come to this conclusion, and a Chair of Dancing will henceforward be attached to the National Academy of Music, its first occupant being Mlle. Rosita Mauri. Professor Mauri, who needs no introduction to opera-goers, was born in Majorca, where she made her debut at the age of ten. At the Milan Scala she attracted the attention of Gounod, and consequently made her appearance in "Polyeucte." Since then her career has been a long sequence of triumphs.

—The following is a specimen of the painful balderdash we are compelled to accept as war news. It is quoted from a Havana telegram of yesterday (probably fabricated in Buenos Aires).—"The enemy's squadron advanced to within rifle shot. The vessels could be perfectly distinguished. Vessels that could not be distinguished when within rifle shot would indeed be remarkable."

—The telegraphic offices at Las Palmas, Canary Islands, have been intervened by the Spanish authorities.

—The U.S. steamer "Pennsylvania," of the Empire line, put into this port yesterday in distress. She is of 2497 tons, and left Philadelphia on April 9 bound for San Francisco. On April 12 and 13 and again on May 7 she encountered violent storms, the latter of which partially disabled her, so she has had to put in for repairs and coal. We believe there are some passengers for Klondyke on board.

LONDON NOTES

TUESDAY, APRIL 19.
The House of Representatives at Washington yesterday adopted the Cuban resolution of the Senate, striking out, however, the clause recognising the independence of the island. The latter body in turn rejected a motion in favour of concurring with the Lower House, and returned the resolutions, at the same time deciding not to ask for a Conference Committee. This was followed by another vote in the House raising to accept the Senate's resolutions in their original form. Conference Committees were then appointed, and both

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SEE THE GAS COMPANY'S ADVERTISEMENT ON THE 3rd PAGE.

Houses were to meet again at 8 o'clock. Intense excitement prevailed at Washington throughout the day, and all the talk was of war.

Yesterday the House of Commons reassembled after the Easter recess. There was not, however, a large attendance, and the Civil Service Estimates set down for consideration were speedily disposed of, the House adjourning at half-past eight.

A marble bust of the late Lord Randolph Churchill, which has been placed in the corridor of the members' staircase leading to the House of Commons, was unveiled yesterday by the Chancellor of the Exchequer.

Mr. Charles Frohman's company of comedians appeared at the Garrick Theatre last night in the piece "Too Much Johnson."

"La Martyre," a new religious drama by M. Jean Richepin, was successfully produced at the Théâtre Français last night.

Last evening the Lord Mayor presided over the festival dinner of the Metropolitan Hospital, Kingsland, held at the Hotel Métropole.

An extraordinary meeting of the proprietors of the Crystal Palace Company was held at Cannon-street Hotel yesterday, when general approval was expressed of the Bill now before Parliament for making provision for reintroducing further capital and for rearranging that at present existing.

Important resolutions were passed at a conference held at Cardiff yesterday, at which representatives of 100,000 South Wales colliers were present.

Under the chairmanship of Mr. T. Burt, M. P., the annual conference of the Miners' National Union was held at Durham yesterday.

As Mrs. Young, the wife of a bicycle maker, was crossing a street in Birmingham yesterday, she was knocked down by a steam tram, and she and a two-year-old child she was carrying were killed.

COMMERCIAL

STOCK EXCHANGE.

Montevideo, May 17, 1898. Business was duller today than it has been for some time past. Prices were fairly firm at first, but closed weak and falling. Sales as follows.

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Business Notes.

The Custom House paid into the London Bank yesterday \$13771 on account of the Consolidated Debt and Railway guarantee service and \$1683 on account of the 5% Loan service.

Buenos Aires, May 17, 1898 Gold, cash, 256.40. Do. end of month, 257.20. Cédulas G Nacionales, cash, 84.20.

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Steamers to leave.

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The Defeating of Henrietta.

(A SHORT STORY)

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A few days sped by in sight-seeing; the shops in the Kulver Straat were an irresistible attraction to Sybil, who squandered sums of money on old silver, blue Delft, and other treasures.

Miss Lambert rejoiced to see the parted lovers once more together. She had always liked Keith Hunter, and looked forward to reading the third volume of that romance, so cruelly interrupted by Henrietta. She awaited the denouement with impatience, as a week passed with no visible sign of a declaration.

«But then dear Sybil's widowhood is so recent, he wishes to give her time,» she consoled herself by thinking; «and at any rate there is no one to interfere with them now.» But Miss Lambert had reckoned without her host. A bolt from the blue was yet to fall which would upset her calculations.

One day the little party of three went by steamer down the Y to Zaandam, on the usual pilgrimage to the hut where Peter the Great lived while studying shipbuilding there. Arrived at the hotel, to which they were the only pilgrims that day, Miss Lambert cried nervously. «What a little dark place! I am quite content to look at the outside, without venturing in;» so Keith Hunter stooped his lofty head and followed Sybil alone.

The dim light revealed bare walls, ornamented only by portraits of the great Czar and his Catherine. Sybil's foot slipped on the uneven floor; she stumbled, and would have fallen had not Keith caught her in his arms. He held her closely for a moment as he whispered, «Darling, have you forgotten?» Their lips met, but parted suddenly, as a too well-known voice outside exclaimed:

«In there, do you say, Miss Lambert?»

The rustling of a stiff silk skirt was heard, a large presence filled the doorway, and Henrietta entered. The culprit trembled, as in a would-be playful voice she cried:

«Here's a surprise for you! We've taken advantage of the Whiteside recess to come over and see what the attractions are that have kept you so long in Holland. We came straight on to Amsterdam from Flushing, and they told us at the hotel where you were. What a dark hole! Come out into the light of day, child.»

Sybil obeyed, feeling very young and very naughty, as she always did in Henrietta's presence. Miss Lambert was nervously making conversation for a small and mild-mannered man, who gazed in a startled manner at his formidable spouse, when he saw who was Sybil's companion.

Henrietta kept her piercing eyes fixed upon Sybil's flushed face.

«It must have been very hot in there,» she remarked astutely. «Not very,» said Sybil hastily. «Henrietta, don't you remember Captain Hunter?»

Mrs. Mantering looked as if she were ransacking the recesses of her memory; then, endowing him with two fingers and an icy smile, she turned her back.

«There's nothing more to see here,» she said. «We'll drive to Zaandijk, that is the correct thing to do,» for Henrietta, armed with a guide book, always knew more of a foreign land than even the natives themselves. «We'll take two of those extraordinary market carts which pass for carriages here. William, you go with Miss Lambert; Sybil and I have so much to say to each other,» and marshalling her party, she was gone.

Captain Hunter, left forlorn by the Czar's but, saw his lady-love whirled away from him without time for a word. He muttered a malediction on Henrietta, as he returned to Amsterdam, thinking:

«Confound the woman! She turns up at the most awkward times. She ruined my life once, and she'll do it again, if she can.»

Sybil, carried off like some captive princess by a fiery dragon, cared little for the quaint toy-box scenery through which she passed. She turned a listless ear to the platitudes of her stepister, who avoided the subject of Captain Hunter and was in an unusually gracious mood.

At dinner, Sybil was hemmed in by her relations, and could only exchange a smile with Keith. She was carried off to Henrietta's private sitting-room afterwards, and so the evening passed. Next morning, feeling that the case was a desperate one, and demanded desperate remedies, Sybil walked boldly up to him, under Henrietta's very eyes, saying, with a fine assumption of courage:

«We are going to The Hague and Scheveningen to-day, Captain Hunter. Will you come, too?»

Henrietta looked daggers, but said nothing, and the expedition started. Sybil soon found that her revolt was unsuccessful, for no moment of that day did she escape from under her stepister's ample wing; not a word could she exchange alone with Keith.

Instead of lingering in the «House in the Wood,» that most home-like and charming of Royal palaces, she was dragged through at railway speed, rushed back to the museum at The Hague, bidden to admire Potter's «Bull» and Rembrandt's «School of Anatomy.»

Then there was a short pause for luncheon, after which Henrietta conducted her party to Scheveningen. It was too early for that gay watering-place, so the smooth sands were deserted, save by fishermen in baggy red breeches, and their women folk in broad-brimmed hats and petticoats innumerable.

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