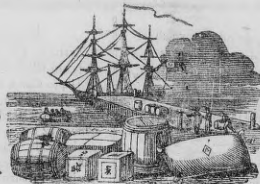


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BUENOS AYRES.

THE TWENTY-FIFTH OF MAY is a sort of camera obscura, reflecting back the national character, in its true colours and just proportions. Were it practicable to *daguerretype* the impression, what a source of amusement and instruction it would afford! We might then read the *living page* with its varying passions and blending emotions, and trace the successive stages of our social progress, from year to year and age to age. Whilst deploring the desideratum, we see, in the daily triumphs of human ingenuity, more cause to hope than to despair. Meanwhile we must content ourselves with a general outline; a few of the prominent lineaments that may serve as guides and landmarks to the future historian.

The patriotic enthusiasm, naturally called forth by the return of this ever-memorable day, was enlivened on this occasion, by a variety of incidental circumstances, all of a pleasing character. In the economy of human life, our pains and pleasures are enhanced by contrast: he that knows not what it is to suffer, knows not what it is to enjoy. Undisturbed possession degenerates into listlessness and insipidity; and it is only when the monotony has been broken in upon, by some untoward event, that deprives, or threatens to deprive us of the cherished object of our regard, that we can fathom or appreciate the depth and intensity of our sentiments. The bewildered traveller or the tempest-tost mariner, welcomes the return of day with an extasy of delight, that would be faintly and inadequately expressed by the vulgar terms satisfaction and pleasure.

This principle sufficiently explains the deep-toned earnestness, the buoyancy and self-complacency, that formed such pleasing features in the accustomed solemnities; feelings with which all readily and fully sympathised, because perfectly natural and appropriate in the circumstances. And here we must in justice record the proverbial generosity, courtesy and good taste of the Porteños. Not one vaunting word, not one supercilious look could remind the spectator, that a recent struggle had been maintained, that a recent triumph had been achieved. The word *reconciliation* had been pronounced, and the past appeared forgotten: and who is the churl that would not pray, that that reconciliation may be as lasting, as we believe it to be sincere and cordial!

The government *cortège* was numerous and brilliant. If anything could have given increased interest and *éclat* to the ceremony, it would have been the presence of the great Argentine statesman himself, whose person, owing to the casual indisposition of the Minister of Finance, was represented by the Inspector General.

The military formation under General Soler was imposing from its number and superior appointments. A considerable proportion of course were only *militia*, but to an unpractised eye it was difficult to distinguish between them and the veteran force. The perfect order and regularity, the ease and grace of their evolutions, and the soldier-like demeanour of the different corps, showed that discipline and careful training had never been spared nor spent in vain. In fact few countries, in proportion to their population, can boast so large and effective a militia force.

The weather throughout was highly auspicious. The "Sun of May" never shone brighter

nor diffused a more genial warmth, and the evening was equally delightful; so that the decorations and the illumination appeared to great advantage, and the amusements were enjoyed with perfect gratification.

The concourse of spectators was immense: all pleased and anxious to please. Decorum, propriety and cordiality marked every stage of the proceedings; and the 25th of May, 1849, we venture to predict, will long be remembered, with unalloyed satisfaction, by actors and spectators.

After witnessing the splendid exhibition of fireworks in the Plaza the immense assemblage repaired to the theatres, which were literally crowded to suffocation, especially the Victoria, where, as if it were to mark an epoch, Bellini's grand opera—*Norma*—was for the first time brought out.

There is one incident of the day which we take particular pleasure in recording. The compliment paid by the town on the Queen's birthday was returned in the most handsome manner on the National festival, H. M.'s steamer *Harpy*, tastefully dressed out with colours on the occasion, taking the lead of the foreign vessels in saluting the Argentine flag—a method of spending British powder, whatever Mr. Hume may say against it on the score of economy, certainly far more preferable than that which we had been so long doomed to see practised in these waters.

The projected armistice we alluded to in our last was established on the 24th ult., at 3 p. m. The *status quo* is to be preserved by both parties, and hostilities can not be renewed without 24th hours' notice.

The nominal French blockade of the Oriental ports was raised simultaneously with the establishment of the armistice.

A few days previous Admiral Leprédour addressed the following proclamation to his countrymen, and shortly after the suspension of arms took effect he despatched for France four vessels of his squadron, viz.—frigate *Erigone*, brig *Tactique*, and steamers *Chimère* and *Grondeur*, H. M.'s steamer *Lizard* sailing for England at the same time—

Frigate Constitution, May 22, 1849.
To the officers and privates of the legions.
O'ROZOS AND PATRIOTS!

I hope you have sufficient confidence in me to believe that I have not neglected the interests of your future in the draft treaties which I have just negotiated, by order of our government. Await, then, with all security the decision which it may be the pleasure of France to adopt in regard to those projects of treaties. Until then shew by your good conduct, and by your reluctance to meddle in any disorder, that you are worthy of the interest I profess for you and of that of all honest men. Profess due respect for the Oriental authorities, and protect, if it should be necessary, in conjunction with the seamen of the squadron, the inhabitants of a city for which we all feel so complete a sympathy.

We are on the eve of an epoch of peace which will indemnify you for all the privations which have been entailed upon you by war during so many years. We shall arrive at that honourable termination, and without commotions, if each of you will, in return for the interest I profess for you, accord to me a little confidence.

Do not sever the bonds which have so long united you with the officers and seamen of the squadron; and it will be very easy for you to thwart all the endeavours that malevolence may exert to prevent the accomplishment of a peace which France desires, and which our welfare imperiously demands.

The Rear-Admiral commanding-in-chief the Brazil and La Plata station.
F. Leprédour.

[We invite attention to the following interesting documents—

[Copy.]
Buenos Ayres, 21st May, 1849.
The undersigned has received the note which Y. E. did him the honor to address to him on the 17th inst., enclosing an authorized copy of the decree of the 15th inst., in which the Argentine Government suspends the operation of the decrees of the 27th August, 1845, and 15th July, 1848, which prohibited all communication with English and French ships of war.

The undersigned begs to acquaint Y. E. that he has lost no time in communicating to his Government the important document enclosed to him in Y. E.'s note, which he has great satisfaction in acknowledging as a pledge of the good will and friendly feeling which animate the Government of the Argentine Confederation towards that of H. M., and which he feels confident will be received in the same amicable spirit by H. M. Government.

The undersigned avails, &c.,
Henry Southern.

H. E. Sr. D. Felipe Arana,
&c. &c. &c.

[Copy.]
Buenos Ayres, 21st May, 1849.

The undersigned has had the honor to receive Y. E.'s note of the 16th inst., acquainting him, by order of H. E. the Governor, that the Argentine Government in the well grounded hope that the projected settlement of differences between the two governments will be accepted by that of H. M., and in its great desire to promote the most cordial sentiments between the two countries, had come to the resolution of suspending the post-ponement of the exequatur to the commission of Mr. Martin Tupper Hood, H. B. M. Consul, and in which Y. E. adds that H. E. the Governor, in taking this step, is animated by the most conciliatory and friendly sentiments, and by the desire of meeting the spirit of moderation and good will which H. M. Government has lately displayed in the question of the Plata, as well as the efforts which have been made by the undersigned to bring about an honourable peace for all parties interested.

The undersigned hastens to request that Y. E. will convey to H. E. the Governor the high sense the undersigned entertains of the friendly and conciliatory spirit in which the above resolution has been taken by the Argentine Government, which he cannot doubt will be received by H. M. Government as the harbinger of a long period of uninterrupted amicable intercourse, and as a return for those sentiments of moderation and good will which Y. E., in the name of H. E. the Governor, so justly attributes to it.

With regard to the high terms in which Y. E. is pleased to notice the efforts of the undersigned to bring about a termination of the differences which existed, the undersigned cannot flatter himself that he merits the distinguished expressions that Y. E. employs with respect to him, at the same time that he begs to assure Y. E. that it will be, as it has been, his constant endeavour to improve and cultivate the good understanding and amicable feelings which form the basis of those relations which it is of such great importance to both countries to draw as close as possible.

The undersigned avails, &c.,
Henry Southern.

H. E. Sr. D. Felipe Arana,
&c. &c. &c.

[Copy.]
Buenos Ayres, 26th May, 1849.

Sir,
With reference to the note which I had the honor to address to Y. E. on the 21st inst., I have now to acquaint Y. E. for the information of H. E. the Governor, that Mr. Martin Tupper Hood, appointed by Royal Commission H. M. Consul at Buenos Ayres, has arrived here with the object of entering upon the duties of his office.

I consequently hasten to place in Y. E.'s hands Mr. Hood's commission, with the request that Y. E. will be so good as to move the Government of the Argentine Confederation to grant the exequatur thereto, in conformity with its resolution communicated to me in Y. E.'s note of the 16th inst., in order that Mr. Hood may be enabled to exercise his consular duties.

I avail, &c.,
Henry Southern.

H. E. Sr. D. Felipe Arana,
&c. &c. &c.

(Extract.) Confidential.

Buenos Ayres, May 26, 1849.
H. E. the Governor, in view of Y. E.'s note above transcribed, has directed the undersigned to enclose to Y. E. in reply an authenticated copy of the decree issued this day, recognising Martin T. Hood, Esq., in the character of H. B. M.'s Consul in this city, in conformity with the resolution taken by this government, and to return to you, with the corresponding exequatur, the commission which you were pleased to enclose to him.
God preserve Y. E. many years.

FELIPE ARANA.
H. E. Henry Southern,
&c. &c. &c.

Foreign Department.
Buenos Ayres, May 26, 1849.

The Government of Buenos Ayres, Encharged with the Foreign Relations of the Argentine Confederation—

In view of the commission which H. E. Henry Southern, appointed Minister Plenipotentiary of H. B. M. to the Argentine Confederation, has presented, wherein Martin T. Hood, Esq., is named consul of H. B. M. in this city; hath determined and doth decree—

Art.—1. Agreeably to the declaration, made by the Argentine Government, in its note of the 16th inst. to his aforesaid Excellency Henry Southern, that it had determined to suspend for the present the post-ponement of the exequatur to the commission of consul of H. B. M. in this city conferred on Martin T. Hood, Esq., the said Martin T. Hood, Esq., is acknowledged in the character of H. B. M. consul in this city.

Art.—Let the commission be registered, &c.
ROSAS.

FELIPE ARANA.

[Copy.]
Buenos Ayres, 29th April, 1849.

Sir,
I have received from my Government orders to present to the Government of the Argentine Confederation various documents which have been laid before the British Parliament, as well as to make several communications on matters of business, which unless made in due time lose their importance or produce inconvenience and loss for the future. Hitherto I have refrained from taking any step with those objects, owing to the nature of the negotiations that have been on foot and are still pending; but at present, seeing the great probability of an amicable adjustment of differences, and the establishment of intimate and cordial relations of friendship between the two countries, and taking into consideration the prejudice to commercial affairs which might arise from a complete state of in-communication between the two Governments, I beg to suggest the propriety of admitting a confidential and provisional correspondence on such matters as those I have mentioned, which should be understood as a simple intercourse of temporary convenience, and as by no means compromising the principle which the Argentine Government maintains, insisting on a previous arrangement of the misintelligence which it alleges to have existed, or in any way impairing the strength of the position assumed by H. E. the Governor in the discussion on the resumption of the ordinary and established diplomatic relations between this Republic and England.

I trust Y. E. will be good enough to take the pleasure of H. E. the Governor on this suggestion, and in case of H. E.'s assent, I will proceed to submit the matters I have herein referred to to Y. E.'s attention.

I avail, &c.,
Henry Southern.

H. E. Sr. D. Felipe Arana,
&c. &c. &c.

[Extract.]
H. E. the Governor, in view of Y. E.'s above note, has instructed the undersigned to state to you in reply, that this government is ready to admit the provisional and confidential correspondence which Y. E. suggests upon the matters of common interest to which you are pleased therein to make reference.

The undersigned, in communicating to Y. E. the assent of H. E. the Governor to the friendly suggestion which Y. E. makes to him for this purpose, declares, by his command, that the said correspondence shall be regarded for the present as only an intercourse of temporary convenience, without compromising the principle

MERCHANT VESSELS

FROM SEA IN THE PORT OF BUENOS AYRES ON THURSDAY LAST
For arrivals and sailings of Friday see Marine List.

Table with columns: Date of Arrival, Vessels and Captains Names, Tons, Consignees, Destinations, etc. Includes sections for NATIONAL, BRITISH, AMERICAN, DANISH, FRENCH, SPANISH, BRAZILIAN, ITALIAN, HAMBURG, SWEDISH, PRUSSIAN, BELGIAN, PORTUGUESE, OLDENBURG, LUBECK, SICILIAN, HANOVERIAN, NORWEGIAN, CHILIAN.

FOREIGN VESSELS OF WAR IN PORT.

BRITISH.—Steamer Harry, Lieut. Charles L. Waddilove.
BRAZILIAN.—Brigantine Olinda, 10 guns, Lieut. Candido José Ferreira.
FRENCH.—Barque Astrolabe, 18 guns, Commander Motruvel.

For Liverpool.

The regular trader A. I. British brig
"Plata,"
245 tons register,
R. B. Pringle, Commander,
Is now loading and has disengaged room for a few tons of salted hides and light freight. This vessel is well known in the trade for the good delivery of her cargoes.
For further particulars please apply to the consignees Messrs. John Best and Brothers, or to John Higginbotham, Licensed Ship Broker, Calle San Martin, No. 20.
2nd June, 1849.

For London.

The very superior first-class British brig
"Regina,"
237 tons register,
Joseph Blyth, Commander,
Will be ready for sea in the course of fifteen days and has only room for 2000 salted hides, or a few boxes of tallow.
This vessel is very favourably known and is considered one of the fastest merchant vessels afloat, she is classed at Lloyd's A.1. for 12 years.
For further particulars please apply to the consignees Messrs. Bayley Brothers, or to John Higginbotham, Licensed Ship Broker, 20, Calle San Martin.
2nd June, 1849.

For London.

The British barque
"Leopard,"
300 tons register,
George Shire, commander,
Is classed A.1. at Lloyd's for 13 years, and only one year old, is acknowledged to be one of the fastest and finest vessels afloat, has only disengaged room for a few boxes tallow and light freight and will be despatched in the course of thirty days.
She has superior accommodation for passengers.
For further particulars please apply to the Consignees Messrs. Edward Lumb & Co., or to John Higginbotham, Licensed Ship Broker, 20, Calle San Martin.
2nd June, 1849.

PASSENGERS ONLY.

For Falmouth & the Continent,
The well known remarkably fast-sailing A. 1. Argentine brig
"Margaretha,"
Will sail for the above destination in the course of a month and can accommodate three or four passengers.
For further particulars please apply to the Consignees Messrs. Thode & Co., or to John Higginbotham, Licensed Ship Broker, Calle San Martin, No. 20.
2nd June, 1849.

For Liverpool.

The fast sailing A. 1. British barque
"Passenger,"
Walker, Commander,
280 tons register,
Will be ready to receive cargo in the course of a few days, and is warranted to have quick despatch, and has room for tallow, hides, and light freight.
For further particulars please apply to the consignees Messrs. J. C. Thompson & Co., or to John Higginbotham, Licensed Ship Broker, Calle San Martin, No. 20.
2nd June, 1849.

Passengers Only.

For Havre de Grace,
The very fine A. I. French barque
"Sultan,"
227 tons register,
Capt. Alfonso Masset,
Having all her cargo engaged will sail for the above destination on the 5th of June according to agreement.
This vessel is well known as a fast sailer, and having spacious cabins can comfortably accommodate passengers on going to France.
For terms of passage please apply to the consignees Messrs. Mathon, Raggio & Co., or to John Higginbotham, Licensed Ship Broker, Calle San Martin, No. 20.

For Liverpool.

The regular trader A. I. British barque
"Argentina,"
246 tons,
S. Morton, Commander,
Has only disengaged room for light freight, and having half her cargo on board will have quick despatch. This vessel has superior accommodation for passengers.
For further particulars please apply to the Captain, or to John Higginbotham, Licensed Ship Broker, Calle San Martin, No. 20.

For San Francisco, California.

The known, very fast-sailing, first class, coppered and copper-fastened Argentine barque
"Sirena,"
per register 313 tons,
Charles Amundsen, Master,
Is now loading for the above port, and having upwards of one half of her cargo engaged, will have very quick despatch.
Terms of freight, moderate, and a Supercargo goes on board of her, who is a gentleman of mercantile knowledge, as well as responsibility, who will take charge of any effects which shippers, who have no correspondent there, may deem proper to confide to his direction.
Her accommodations for Passengers are very superior, and she has a most spacious between decks offering an excellent conveyance for steerage passengers.
For terms of freight or passage, application to be made to her owner, Nelson Hartwig, Esq., or to Charles R. Horne, Licensed Ship Broker, No. 55 Calle la Reconquista.
May 8, 1849.

For London.

The superior and remarkably fast-sailing A. 1. British barque
"Sympheonien,"
Capt. W. Greaves,
Has already engaged a considerable portion of her cargo, and has only disengaged room for salted hides and light freight and a few boxes of tallow.
For rates of freight and further particulars please apply to the Consignees Messrs. John Best & Brothers, or to John Higginbotham, Licensed Ship Broker, Calle San Martin, No. 20.

For London.

The fast-sailing British built A. 1. brig
"Lydia,"
307 tons,
Thomas Grey, Master,
Has disengaged room for 100 pipes tallow which can be received on board immediately.
For further particulars please apply to the consignees Messrs. Louis De Chapeaurouge & Co., or to John Higginbotham, Licensed Ship Broker, Calle San Martin, No. 20.

For London.

The very fast sailing A. 1. British built barque
"Mary Miller,"
290 tons, per register,
Captain George Hall,
Will have quick despatch, having nearly three fourths of her cargo already engaged.
Her accommodations for passengers are excellent.
For freight or passage apply to the Consignees Messrs. Nuttall and Co., or to Charles R. Horne, Licensed Ship Broker, No. 55 Calle la Reconquista.

For San Francisco, CALIFORNIA.

The splendid fast sailing, coppered and copper-fastened Hamburg brig
"CONRAD,"
of about 800 tons burden,
Captain Harms,
Will positively sail for said port on 23rd May next, and will take passengers for San Francisco at the following prices:—
\$100 in the Steerage,
\$200 " Cabin,
Who will be provided for by the Supercargo, and freight will be taken at reduced rates.
The said vessel has a splendid cabin, a first rate and experienced navigator and the Supercargo will attend personally to the comfort and convenience of passengers.
Apply to the Consignee Luis Winter Esq. or to Richard Sutton, Jun., Ship Broker, La Reconquista No. 14.
To Journeuren Boot & Shoe Makers.

Notice.

WANTED, the following Journeymen, to whom will be given constant employment and wages according to the following list:—
Sewed Work:
1 Bootman, on charol.....\$45
1 Do. on calf skin.....35
1 Half boots.....30
1 Women's man.....18
1 Men's shoes.....25
1 Boys' shoes, from 1 to 5.....15
Pegged Workmen:
1 Bootman, best double soles....35
1 Do. do. single do.....25
4 Men's brogans.....8
2 Boys' do.....7
2 Do. do. fine, 1 to 5.....10
1 Children's do. 6 to 13.....7
Apply at Calle Piedra, No. 42.
M. PARKER.

Barraca to Let.

The Barraca Nos. 250, 252 and 256 Calle Potosí, comprising 50 varas front and 70 deep. It has 12 rooms, 2 kitchens, 2 privies, 2 wells, a tank, a store about 100 varas, and about 2000 square varas of patio. It is situated two squares from the Plaza Lora, and four squares from Plaza General San Martín, [formerly Monserat]. For further particulars apply at No. 8 Calle Representantes.

Just received from London at No. 56 calle Reconquistá, [formerly la Paz], an assortment of Stationery of superior quality, consisting of Letter and office papers, ruled and plain, account books of various sizes, visiting cards, envelopes sealing wax, Gillott's steel pens, Rodgers' pen knives, rulers, wafers, india rubber, bills of lading and bills of exchange in English and Spanish, &c. &c. &c.

Fashionable Furniture.

A large assortment of elegant and fashionable Furniture for sale at No. 125 Calle de Corrientes.
Don't Forget, 125, Corrientes Street.

Laundress!

Captains of vessels and others are hereby informed that an Englishwoman residing at Calle de Maypu, No. 308, takes in all kinds of linen to wash and iron, and hopes to give satisfaction by the attention bestowed in the care of all articles entrusted to her.

For Sale, at Reduced Prices—
Superior Hollands gin, London and Dutch prof.
Martell's brandy.
Scotch whiskey (very old)
China tea services.
A few crates containing dinner services.
A small parcel of telescopes.

N.B.—Persons requiring any of the above articles may rely on being served on the best terms by applying to

Thomas Nuttall,
42, Calle Reconquistá.

Cook.

A steady, experienced cook, wishes for a place in an English family. Apply at No. 97 Calle San Francisco, [formerly Restaurador].

WHOLESALE PRICES CURRENT.

IMPORTS.

Table listing various commodities and their prices, including ALE and Porter, ANCHOVIES, BRES WAX, CANDLES, CASIA, CARDS, CHINA, COALS, COCOA, CIDER, CLOVES, COD FISH, COFFEE, HAVANA, HONEY, IRON, LARD, LEA, MOLASSES, NAILS, OILS, PEAS, PEPPER, RICE, SOAP, SPIRITS, SUGAR, TEA, TOWEL, TRINIDAD, WINE, and ZINCK.

Table listing various commodities and their prices, including FIRECRACKERS, GLASS, HAMS, HONEY, IRON, LARD, LEA, MOLASSES, NAILS, OILS, PEAS, PEPPER, RICE, SOAP, SPIRITS, SUGAR, TEA, TOWEL, TRINIDAD, WINE, and ZINCK.

Table listing various commodities and their prices, including Rum, STARCH, SUGAR, TOBACCO, TWINE, WINE, YERBA, ZINCK, FEATHERS, HAIR, HIDE CUTTINGS, HIDES, HORSE, HORNS, and JERKED BEEF.

Table listing various commodities and their prices, including SKINS, BISCUIT, BRANDY, CHARCOAL, CHEESE, FLOUR, FRUIT, GRAIN, LIME, OLIVES, POTATOES, SOLE LEATHER, EXCHANGE, STOCK, BULLION, and FREIGHTS.