



The London Gazette.

Published by Authority.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 21, 1868.

(C. 98.)

*Board of Trade, Whitehall,
January 20, 1868.*

THE Right Honourable the Lords of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, from Her Majesty's Chargé d'Affaires at Rio de Janeiro, a translation of a Decree, dated 27th November, 1867, of the Brazilian Government, which continues till the end of December, 1868, the disposition of the Decree of 27th March, 1867, which permitted foreign vessels to carry on the coasting trade in that country between ports at which there were Custom-houses.

(C. 99.)

*Board of Trade, Whitehall,
January 20, 1868.*

THE Right Honourable the Lords of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, from Her Majesty's Chargé d'Affaires at Rio de Janeiro, the annexed translation of a Decree of the Brazilian Government, dated 20th November, 1867, establishing a new copper coinage:—

ART. 1. For the substitution of the copper coin which is at present in circulation, coin shall be struck, containing 95 parts of copper, 4 of tin, and 1 of zinc.

ART. 2. The new coin shall have the following value, weight, and diameter:—

Value in Reis.	Weight in Grammas.	Diameter in Millimeters.
20	7	25
10	3.5	20

ART. 3. The difference in weight allowed shall be more or less of 2 cents in such coin, and of 1 cent for the copper, and half a cent for each one of the other metals in the composition of the alloy.

ART. 4. The coin of which Art. 2 treats shall have the likeness of the Emperor on the face with the date of the coinage on the edge below; for inscription, the same as that on the silver coin, in conformity with Art. 3 of Decree, No 3966 of 30th September of the current year;

on the reverse the Imperial Crown over the arms of the Empire, and on one side the figures which represent the respective value, on the other, the word *Reis* abbreviated.

Sole Paragraph—The rim of said coin shall be smooth.

ART. 5. In conformity with Art. 3, the new coin shall be given and received in payment to the amount of 200 Rs., which is the value of the smallest silver coin; and this in conformity with Art. 3 before-mentioned of Law No. 1083 of 22nd August, 1860.

ART. 6. The Minister of Finance putting in execution Sections 3, 4, and 5 of the afore-mentioned 3rd Art. of Law, No. 1083, shall definitively regulate by instructions, the form and conditions of the substitution of the copper coin which is in actual circulation, as well as the time at which the coin shall cease to be legal currency.

ART. 7. The dispositions to the contrary are revoked.

(C. 110.)

*Board of Trade, Whitehall,
January 20, 1868.*

THE Right Honourable the Lords of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade have received, from the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of a Despatch from Her Majesty's Chargé d'Affaires at Mexico, inclosing copy and translation of a Mexican Decree, dated 28th November, 1867, which introduces certain changes into the standard of money at present in use in the Republic, based on the exclusive adoption of the decimal system of coinage.

The dollar is retained as the unit of currency in the Republic, and is subdivided into centavos, the centavo to be of copper. The silver coinage is to consist of pieces of the value of 1 dollar, 25 centavos, 10 centavos, and 5 centavos, respectively. The gold coinage is to consist of pieces of the value of 20 dollars, 10 dollars, 5 dollars, 2½ dollars, and 1 dollar, respectively.