AN ACCOUNT of the Importations and Exportations of BULLION and SPECIE registered in the Week ended 20th October, 1897.

	Imported into the United Kingdom.								
Countries from which Imported.		Gold.							
	Coin.	Bullion.	Total.	Coin.	Bullion.	Total.			
Germany Belgium France Portugal Italy The Gold Coast British South Africa China Mexico, Central and South	Ounces. 1,242 1,717 1,027 311 789 47	Ounces 600 49,096	Ounces. 1,242 1,717 1,027 311 739 647 49,096	Ounces. 403 3,621 10 2,624 3,660	Ounces. 46,900 20,900 95,000	Ounces. 47,303 24,521 10 2,624 3,660 95,000			
America (except Brazil), and West Indies United States Other Countries Aggregate of the Importations registered in the Week	283 178 5,544	9,249 350 177 59,472 £	9,532 350 . 355 65,016	20,445 317,464 5,800 354,027	609,000 1,189,800 50 1,961,650	629,445 1,507,264 5,850 2,815,677			
Importations	21,665	230,849	252,514	£ 41,085	224,248	£ 265,333			

	Exported from the United Kingdom.							
Countries to which Exported.	Gold.				SILVER.			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
	Coin.		Dullian	Total.	Coin.		Bullion.	, A
	British.	Foreign.	• • · · · · ·	Total.	British.	Foreign.		Total.
Germany	Ounces. 42,662 1,918 2,570	Ounces. 32 314	Ounces. 117,085 7,534 18,000	Ounces. 117,117 7,848 42,662 19,918 2,570 2	Ounces 3,640	•••	Ounces. 97,900 792,032 1548073 5,475	Ounces 97,900 792,032 1779973 288,400
Aggregate of the Exportations registered in the Week	47,152	346	142,619	190,117	3,640	524,245	2443480	2971365
Declared Value of the said Exportations	£ 183,506	. £ 1,320	£ 571,200	£ 756,026	£ 1,000	£ 54,929	£ 288,425	£ 344,354

Statistical Department, Custom House, London, October 21, 1897.

T. J. PITTAR.

DAMASK TABLE LINEN.

NENDERS will be received until twelve o'clock noon, on Thursday, the 4th November, for the supply of

DAMAŠK TABLE LINEN and NAPKINS under a standing contract.

Manufacturers only will be accepted.

Patterns may be seen at the Admiralty Pattern Rooms, 72, Great Queen-street, Lincoln's-inn, W.C., and also at the Chambers of Commerce at

Belfast, Leeds, and Barnsley.
Forms of tender, containing conditions of contract and all particulars, may be obtained on personal application at this Office, or by letter addressed "Director of Navy Contracts, Admiralty, Whitehall, S.W," and also at the above-named Chambers of Commerce.

Contract Department, Admiralty, Whitehall, October 15, 1897.

Chartered Bank of India, Australia, and China. Hatton-Court, Threadneedle-Street,

London, October 20, 1897. OTICE is hereby given, that an Extra-ordinary General Meeting of the Shareholders of this Company will be held at the Cannon-street Hotel, on Wednesday, the 10th day of November proximo, at one o'clock P.M. precisely, when the following resolution, passed by the Extraordinary General Meeting held on it the 20th day of October instant, will be submitted for confirmation, viz.:

"That the Court of Directors be authorized to apply for and to take all such steps as they may. deem expedient to obtain such an extension of the Bank's powers, under its present Charters, as will enable it to establish branch banks in places within which the Bank can now establish Agencies, any such extended Charter or Charters