

Paris 30th January 1890

Dear Domingo

I received your kind letter of 10th Inst^t & I am please to hear that you had already spoken to Ayres about the Bill & hope everything went all right. I note what you say about Norma's letter, but you may be sure she was not vexed with you at all, it is you know her way of speaking but she does not intend to vex you at all. She has written to you by this mail & you will see what she says. You write constantly & sometimes we receive 2 or 3 letters within a few days & you may be sure we all are very pleased to read your letters, even if it is a small letter. I know you have plenty to do now, I have seen by the papers the coffee I. A. of have been shipping, & I hope it will continue to increase. Fotal has been a large shipper & if he has made money, he will soon have money again. I don't know if Ferreira Vianna has already come to Paris, I was with the ^{Brasilian} Consul two days ago & forgot to ask him. F. Silveira Martins is here, Marietta have seen him already in the Boulevard with his son in law, & Lafafette. Some of the papers are publishing Rui Barbosa's report to Deodoro, & very likely it will be the same in London. You will find enclosed some of the news published here by some of the papers, as regards Heiguerdr's Bank (Nacional). I wrote to Nagathas last week asking him to see if he could get Rui's Barbosa's opinion as regards increasing the duties, you did not understand what I asked you, what the paper said that the New Tariff was not put in execution in January & the Government was going to

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See about the alterations, & as I know you are very busy, Magalhães having less to do, he may have a chance to speak to Rui at his house, in the conversation he could "pop the question", it is individual opinion on the matter that I wish to know, he may ^{be} in favour of raising the article, Affonso Celso wanted to do, & he may be against it. I wrote to you on the 25th & sent you the Invoices & Bill of lading of the 2 cases for Maria Augusta, the first case went on the 17th & the other on the 25th. Samuels here have already paid the amounts, & the chief of the office has written to me saying that no Commission would be charged in Rio.

The winter was severe in the beginning but for the last 2 weeks we have had a very nice weather, it can not last long because it is not the right weather for winter. The thermometer runs about 5 to 10. above zero. Last Sunday was a beautiful day with sun & not cold. In the coast the weather has been very bad, strong storms, with heavy gales of wind, you will know already that the "Verthe" only left Verdum in the 25th in the morning, she left Bordeaux on the 20th came down the river but could not go to see, & when she left Verdum, there were 16 steamers there detained by the bad weather, & all went out on the 25th. I am glad to hear you have in Rio a good deal of rain, & hope there will no fever this year. I see by the papers that "Imbu & Higienae" that is more active now, & have more power to act, it is to be hoped they will continue so.

I must close this to send to the Post. Good bye Dear Domingo kind regards to Bellenho & all his family
 Julia & Magalhães
 Your Father
 J. L. Lacombe

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