The Undersigned, Chargé des Af-
-faires of the United States of America,
presents his compliments to the
Viscount of Inhambupe, Counsellor,
Minister and Secretary of State for
Foreign Affairs, and begs leave to draw
the attention of His Excellency, to a
publication which appeared in the
"Spectador" of 12th Inst (a copy of which
is enclosed) purporting to be a
correspondence between the admiral
Rodrigo Pinto Guedes Commander of
His Imperial Majesty's naval Forces
in the River Plate, and Mr Joshua
Bond, Consul of the United States
at Monte Video. The Undersigned,
does not pretend to assert that
the said letters are genuine, or that
they have been published by autho-
-rity, but from the appearance in
the same gazette at former periods,
of other correspondence, which has
never been publickly contradicted,
between the same Commander and
the Consul of His Britannic Majesty
at Monte Video, as also with the

Admiral Rozamel, commanding the naval forces of His Most Christian Majesty on this station, he is induced to conclude that those now referred to, are authentic.

It is not the province of the undersigned, to take upon himself to compat the doctrines advanced by any commander in His Imperial Majesty's naval service. Individuals holding subordinate stations, are sometimes led into extravagancies, and erroneous opinions differing from those which are entertained by their Governments, and these latter are often placed in the unpleasant situation of being obliged to disavow sentiments and principles ushered forth under the sanction of their names and authority.

In the correspondence alluded to, the doctrine supported by the Brazilian Admiral, is altogether opposed to the practice and the morals of the age. Its publication is calculated to do infinite mischief to neutral nations, and amongst these, the United States by holding forth the pernicious assurance, that

an Officer of high rank under the Go=
=vernment of Brasil, is prepared, not
only to justify the violation of contracts
solemnly entered into, between Foreign
merchants and their seamen, but
to assist the violators in the commis=
=sion of the crime of desertion; and
afterwards to give them protection.
The extraordinary nature of this
doctrine, precludes the possibility of
any serious attempt to refute it,
and therefore the Undersigned, will
content himself with a simple state=
=ment of the case, in the assurance
that the Government of His Imperial
Majesty will give immediate or=
=ders for the surrender of the deserters,
therein referred to, agreeably to the
very proper and decorous demand
presented to Admiral Pinto, by the
Bourne of the United States at
Monte Video.

The Undersigned feels great
regret at the necessity thus im=
=posed upon him, of making with=
=in so short a time a second repre=
=sentation to His Imperial Majesty's
Government, against the improper

conduct of naval officers, and as he shall not lose a moment in transmitting to his Government a copy of the documents which form the subject of this communication, he assures His Excellency, that it will give him great pleasure to be able at the same time to announce to the President that the Government of His Imperial Majesty disavows the pretensions and the transactions herein protested against.

The Undersigned renews to the Viscount of Inhambupe, upon this occasion, the expression of his great respect and consideration.

Condy Raguet

Legation of the United States of America
Rio de Janeiro. September 15. 1826.