The Undersigned, Chargé des Affaires of The United States of America, presents his compliments to The Viscount of Santarem, Councellor Minister and Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, and hastens to acknowledge the receipt of noon this day, of His Excellency's note of 22d Inst. enclosing a representation made to His Imperial Majesty by Dn Luiz de Menezes de Vasconcellos Drummond respecting the rent of a house recently occupied by The Undersigned.

The Undersigned acknowledges himself to be indebted to the said Menezes in the sum of five hundred and sixty two mil five hundred reis, for the rent of the house No. 70 Rua de Calete from the 29th day of August 1825, to the 29th day of May last, which sum he is ready at any moment to pay, upon receiving a proper and legal receipt.

The Undersigned will in the course of a few days, have the honour to present to His Excellency, documents to prove—

That he rented the house in question from the said Menezes through the friendly agency of Mr Bento da Silva Lisboa, Chief Clerk of the Foreign Department—

all times ready to pay the amount due.
that on the 29th ult. the above amount
of Five hundred and sixty two mil, five
hundred reis, was tendered to the Mene-
=zes by Mr John L. Dabney, and refused—
and that no demand has ever been
made for the amount, except one or
31 ult. by the attorney of Mr Menezes,
to whom a note was addressed
by the said Dabney, offering to pay
the money upon a receipt drawn
up in conformity with the contract
and admitting that the tender of the
amount had been previously made.

The Undersigned renews upon
this occasion to His Excellency, the ex-
=pressions of his esteem and consider-
=tion.

Lindy Dabney

Rio de Janeiro.
Sept. 23. 1826.