The Undersigned, presents his compliments to The Marquis of Queluz, Counsellor, Minister and Secretary of State for the Foreign affairs of Brasil, and has the honour, as Chargé des affaires of The United States of America, to communicate to His Excellency, the following extract from a despatch addressed to him by his Government, under date of 20th of January last—

"You will make to the Brasilean Government suitable acknowledgements for the accommodation afforded to our squadron, in admitting free of duties, the supplies destined for its use, imported in the Braco and Georgiana. It is believed to be according to usage to exempt from duties supplies belonging to the Public, imported under such circumstances, and not intend-

=ed to enter into the consump=
=tion of the country, but design=
=ed for the use of publick ships.
You may therefore, assure the
Brasilean government that, if
hereafter any of their publick
vessels should be placed in
our ports in an analogous con=
=dition, the like exemption from
duties shall be extended to their
supplies, according to which we
understand to be the prevailing
usage, or, if contrary to our be=
=lief, any defect of law should
exist in that respect, The Presi=
=dent will recommend to Con=
=gress to reciprocate the accom=
=modation which has been
extended to our publick vessels."

Should the assurance
here authorized to be given, not
be such a one, as was contem=
=plated in the Notes of The Mar=
=quis of Inhambupe under date
of 13th and 23d of November last,
Commodore Biddle on his

return to this port, will pay the
amount of the duties in question,
which are now amply secured
by property belonging to the
Government of the United States
imported in the Brig Draco,
and now lying in the Custom
House of this City.

After discharging this pub-
=lic duty, The Undersigned has
further the honour to state,
that he has caused to be de-
=posited in the Bank of Brasil
on 22 inst. the sum of five hun-
=dred and sixty two mil five hun-
=dred reis (besides 2 per cent
for the commission charged by
the bank) the amount due
to Luiz de Menezes Vasconcellos
e Drummond, for the rent of a
house at Catete from the 29th
of August 1825 to the 29th of May
1826, and payable to his order.
which had formed the subject
of a correspondence between His
Imperial Majesty's Govern-

and The Undersigned, from which it will appear, that The Undersigned acknowledged himself to be indebted, and has always been ready to pay, a greater sum than that claimed by Mr. Menezes.

The Undersigned pitending to sail in the Ship Flora for newyork on 11th or 12th Inst. will be happy to convey to The Brazilian Minister at Washington any despatches which His Excellency may be pleased to transmit. Previous to his departure he would be pleased to take a personal leave of His Majesty The Emperor, and for that purpose has the honour to solicit an audience.

The Undersigned begs His Excellency to accept the assurance of his high consideration.

Rio de Janeiro.
April. 5. 1827.