

IMMEDIATE RESULTS OF THE COMMISSION.

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With reference to the transactions in Brazil, the Commissioners think it proper to state that although the coasting trade of that vast Empire would no doubt have been ultimately thrown open to the world if they had not visited Rio de Janeiro, this important measure was hastened by their opportune arrival; and the letter of Senr. Saraiva is the first official communication emanating from the Brazilian Government in which it was announced.

Since the return of the Commission, an unusual number of merchants from both the Foreign and British West Indies, as well as from Brazil, have visited the Provinces for commercial objects, while orders for sugars and molasses have been transmitted from Canada to some of the British West Indies on a larger scale than for many years past. It is also pleasing to know that orders for machinery for the Island of Santa Cruz have been received and are being executed as far inland as Oakville, Canada West. These are encouraging incidents, proving that the attention of commercial men has been attracted, and that without waiting for the aid or interference of Governments, they are taking steps to revive and extend direct trade with the countries visited by the Commission. The first experiments may or may not prove successful, but experience will be gained, which is of more value than any knowledge which a report, however elaborate, can convey; while the commercial energy and enterprise which it has been the object of the Commission to awaken and direct, will find ways of overcoming or removing the difficulties which may at first present themselves.

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