

Balance.—Gross amount of imports, as per No. 2, 797,850. 9
 By direct annual gain to the Revenue, brought
 forward No. 2, 207,878. 9
 Balance of national industry, being the differ-
 ence between the sum of 463,234. 19s. as
 per Statement No. 1, and 154,116. 13s. 6d.
 charged to the Revenue as above, 308,923. 6

Total annual gain to the nation, direct and in-
 direct, exclusive of ship-building, &c. 4516,696. 19
 Nett cost of Foreign goods, deducting transit
 and other charges, 89,450. 0
 Cost of raw materials for English manufactures,
 including Iron, Wool, and other articles,
 wholly of English growth and production, 78,875. 0
 Insurance, 35,000. 0
 Interest on capital 7½ per cent. returns not
 in cash on an average in less than 18 months;
 merchants in England and traders' profit in
 Africa, 77,828. 0
 4797,850. 0

SOCIAL STATE AND FUTURE PROSPECTS.—Of the domestic condition of the people in Western Africa we know but little,—and that little while it is favourable to our hopes of improvement, leads us to lament the more, the terrible and sanguinary political despotism spread over the whole continent. Our own settlements have made no slight progress in social improvement; life and property are secure, and example and education are now exercising their all powerful influence, time, and a wise and generous policy on the part of England, will do the rest, if England compel Spain and Portugal to cease the nefarious and extensive slave trade now carried on under their flag,* Sierra Leone and Gambia ought to be placed on a similar footing of government with Cape Coast

* I give the following on the authority of M^r. Nisbells, the Secretary to the African Committee. In order to prevent slave vessels bound to Whydah and Bagadry, from purchasing their cargoes at these great marts, it would be desirable that a soldier or two should be placed at Dix Cove and Winneba to hoist the British flag, and by British influence prevent canoes being supplied, without which at the above mentioned ports no slaves could be procured. The Governors of St. George D'Elmina (Dutch), and Christiansborg (Danish), are imperatively forbidden by their respective governments, to allow the natives to supply canoes, or in any way mix themselves up in the carrying on a slave trade; and this country in conjunction with France, are in a situation to command the total abolition of that trade by Spain and Portugal, declaring that any person found engaged in it should be considered as a pirate; unless some strong measures are adopted, and that speedily, the legitimate African trade must be annihilated, for the natives will not sell produce except to those who purchase their slaves. If this object