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Surveyor,

Rio de Janeiro.

any:           0.2.53 Received 25.2.53 Answered           

In reply to your  letter of the 5th instant of the steamer "SANTA BARBARA"? I have to inform the owners state that it is not their intention the vessel meantime for the carrying out special Survey and extensive repairs with a view of crossing the vessel. They further state that this will be advised when such a step is contemplated.

With reference to your letter of the 27th ult., crossed with mine of the same date, regarding the "RIO DAS ANTAS" and "LLOYD CUARTO" I have to advise vessels are expected in this port within the next

Respecting the instruction that a registered letter be sent to the owners I have to inform you that post used in Brazil for the delivery of local letters is the necessity of, and is much better than, registration. Local mail is delivered by hand and a special book kept for the purpose of receiving the receipt of the recipient. No office boy would leave any without receiving the appropriate signature.



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