

## AMERICANS IN BRAZIL HOPE FOR NEW TRADE

### Stars and Stripes in South American Harbors Scarce Since Civil War.

RIO DE JANEIRO, Aug. 13.—Americans here and in other Brazilian ports are awaiting the return of the "good old days" of the supremacy of the American merchant marine with a feeling of confidence in the restoration of their commercial markets with a spirit of patriotism.

They are hoping to see in the near future the stars and stripes floating from at least 40 to 50 per cent of the ships in the harbors of Rio, Santos and Pernambuco, a condition that has not existed for more than a half century, since the decline of America's merchant fleet, following the civil war, and the introduction shortly afterward of steel vessels by Great Britain.

The Brazilians and other South Americans were closer to the United States than to any other country in the middle and fore part of the last century, through contact with Yankee shippers of Yankee trading ships, but the neglect of America's merchant marine, which dwindled after the "war" to practically nothing, coupled with the growing enterprise of the old world in the direction of the southern continent, distracted South America's interest from their powerful sister republic in the north and gave Europe a long lead in South America.

Only the world war succeeded in accomplishing any real results, and from the efforts of the United States shipping board, the United States chamber of commerce, the Pan-American Union and other organizations and individuals the outlook has again taken on a rosy hue.

In 1911 only three American vessels touched at this port, in comparison with 27 ships of American registry which entered Rio in 1914. From 1860 on there was a steady decline.

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