

The annual imports into Chili and Peru have averaged—

From England, . . . . .	\$6,000,000
“ the United States, . . . . .	1,500,000
“ France, . . . . .	600,000
“ Germany, . . . . .	500,000
“ other quarters, . . . . .	2,000,000
Total, . . . . .	<u>\$10,600,000</u>

The returns from Chili are in—

Copper and copper ore, . . . . .	\$2,000,000
Bullion, . . . . .	1,800,000
Hides, wheat, hemp, wool, . . . . .	700,000
Bullion and dollars, received in payment for goods sold for other ports, and transported to Valparaiso, for United States and Europe, . . . . .	1,700,000
Total, . . . . .	<u>\$6,200,000</u>

The revenue of the government is largest from commerce:

The custom-house receipts are fully . . . . .	\$1,000,000
Tobacco and wines, monopolies of government, . . . . .	400,000
Diezmos, or tithes, . . . . .	600,000
Alcavales, or internal sources of revenue, . . . . .	200,000
Making a total of . . . . .	<u>\$2,200,000</u>

The ordinary expenditure is about \$1,800,000.

The number of foreign vessels employed in the trade is about two hundred and seventy, the same vessels arriving generally twice. They are of the following nations:

English, . . . . .	90
American, . . . . .	80
French, . . . . .	70
Hamburg, Dutch, and Sardinian, . . . . .	20
Mexico, Colombia, and Sandwich Islands, . . . . .	10
Total, . . . . .	<u>270</u>

The population of Chili may be estimated at one million two hundred thousand.

Santiago contains about sixty thousand inhabitants, and is one of the few South American capitals, perhaps the only one, that is increasing in wealth and population. It has various private seminaries for both sexes, a national institute or college, on a liberal footing, an extensive hospital, a medical college, and a military academy. The Congress meets on the 1st of June, every year, when the President delivers his message.