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Ofício de James S. Packinon a W.K. Whytehead.
Nº 3073 do cat. da coleção Visc. do Rio Branco.

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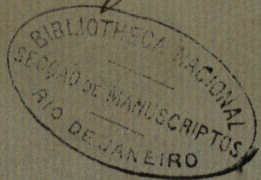
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ASSUNÇÃO

G. H. Whitehead Esq
Engineer in Chief

Assuncion.





Letallos cue Sept 28th 1864

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Sir

I beg leave to inform you that our ordinary engine-driven on account of having a bad foot is unable to attend to the engine altogether and that I placed a man last week to attend to it who has been accustomed to do so in the absence of the other, also that on three occasions last week the former allowed the water in the boiler to get low thereby having caused the explosion of the boiler and endangering the lives of the people, for which I reprimanded and showed him the danger. In order to prevent the recurrence of like danger I told the sergeant to place the ordinary engine-driven to attend to the water and the other one to the fire, but yesterday morning he did not do so, and on my going to look at the engine previously to commencing work found the water too low in the boiler and a large fire in it. As the man had committed the same error so frequently of late and through carelessness and not ignorance I told the sergeant to punish him which he refused to do. I give you the above information in order that you may report to the Minister of War and Marine the danger likely to arise from the insubordination and bad example displayed by the sergeant and that I may not be held responsible in case of any accident arising.

I am Sir

Yours obediently

J. J. Parkinson

W. K. Whytehead Esqr
Engineer in Chief

