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THROUGH RAIL ROUTE (Continued from First Page.) Only fifteen miles are now lacking of a through route from the Pacific to the Atlantic. A variation is suggested of the interior continental location from the Pacific to the Atlantic slope. The United Fruit company, which has railway lines on the Atlantic coast, has submitted plans for an extension to Bocas del Toro in Panama.

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The commissioner also discusses the Argentine railway systems and the national policy which has been very successful. He refers to the fusion of lines which are owned by English capital. This identity of interests and the large crops, he thinks, were the cause of the advance in the Argentine shares in London. The big crops are continuing and the railway growth he declares, is of world-wide interest, including the United States. The Argentine system consists of 11,200 miles. The net earnings on the total capital, which was \$200,000,000, were 3.71 per cent last year.

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Minerals of Peru. In Peru significance is given to the railway movement now in progress and to the \$10,000,000 investment of a United States syndicate in the copper mines of Cerro De Pasco and in collateral railway enterprises. The working of the bituminous coal deposits is predicted. With reference to Brazil, Commissioner Pepper quotes the article in the Acre treaty under which that republic, besides paying an indemnity of \$10,000,000 to Bolivia, agrees to build within four years a railroad from Santo Antonio around the Madeira falls to the Zamora. The length will be about 300 miles. The railway will insure the best of rail and water communication to a great region tributary to the Amazon.

The report praises the adaptability of manufacturers in the United States in meeting the special needs of local conditions, and recites the marked preferences shown by American consumers for American-made goods. Full accounts are given of the various railway enterprises in the different countries and the concessions in force, as well as the inducements to capital in the way of government guarantees and subsidies and exemption of railway material from customs and internal taxation. Commissioner Pepper comments on the friendly attitude toward American investments, the growing stability of the governments and their ability to carry out the guarantees. An analysis is made of the comparative status of United States exports to South America and grounds are given for the belief that this can be permanently increased. In the rivalry of Great Britain and Germany the report states that Germany has made headway, but emphasizes the ability of the United States to compete with Germany.

Commissioner Pepper says there is a reaction from German cheap goods, and the United States can compete with Germany in supplying the better grade, for which the demand now exists. The report will be translated into Spanish by the Bureau of American Republics.

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