

this office after an extensive exploration trip in the southern provinces of Brazil, bringing nearly two tons of plant material including budwood of the best oranges from the Bahia and Rio districts. For the first time in the history of the office a party consisting of more than a single person has made an exploration trip of this kind. On October 4, 1913 Messrs. Dorsett and Popenoe accompanied by Mr. A. D. Shamel of the office of the Horticulturist sailed from New York bound for Bahia. For six months they journeyed through the provinces of lower Brazil visiting Rio, Santos, Campinas, Lavras, and other places of importance where interesting and valuable fruits were reported to be growing. Mr. Dorsett and Mr. Popenoe studied particularly the myrtaceous fruits, while Mr. Shamel investigated the citrus fruits, paying particular attention to the culture and history of the Navel Orange. A large number of photographs, covering a wide range of subjects was obtained by the party and their excellence of quality is far above the average. This excellence is due, no doubt, to the fact that all the negatives were developed in the field by Mr. Dorsett soon after they were taken. How Mr. Dorsett was able to develop these twenty-two hundred negatives in connection with his other work still remains a mystery, but it remains to be said that their excellence must be due, in a large measure to his untiring efforts. We are all glad that they are back with us again and it is particularly gratifying to know that the trip has been so beneficial to their health.