



Lorena Pavement. Brig. João Costa Ferreira, of the Royal Engineering Corps.
In a drawing by Hércules Florense, c. 1825. VHM, p. 96.

The new governor, Bernardo José Maria de Lorena, realized the need for a road to bring sugar from the highlands to the Port of Santos and built the “Calçada de Lorena”, in 1792.

It was also determined that the sugar produced on the Northern Coast of the Captaincy of São Paulo was filtered through this port and not by Rio de Janeiro. With that, Santos created its export monopoly, which lasted from 1789 to 1796.