

REPUBLICAN NEWS ITEM
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Political Announcement.
 We are authorized to announce the name of W. M. Botsford of LaPorte Twp. as a candidate for County Commissioner, subject to the action of the Republican county convention.

CUBAN RECIPROACITY
PRACTICAL RESULTS OF THE FIRST SIX MONTHS.

United States Has Largely Increased Purchases, but Sales to the Island Show Little Advance—Other Nations Are the Chief Gainers.

After making repeated efforts to secure from the government officials of Cuba detailed reports regarding the imports and exports of the island during the past year the department of commerce and labor has obtained certain statistics covering the international trade of Cuba for half of the year 1904. Some facts are shown in these figures that are important as bearing upon the advantages obtained by the United States as a result of the reciprocity treaty with Cuba. So far as they go, therefore, the figures are valuable. They demonstrate the fact that if the relative increase of the trade of the United States with the island during all the year 1904, compared with the trade of other nations, the results would be not what the people of the United States were led to believe would flow from the reciprocity treaty. It is perhaps unfair to judge from the first half year's operations of the reciprocity treaty, yet the first results are so striking that they cannot fail to attract universal attention.

The bureau of statistics of the department of commerce has prepared these data on the subject covering the trade of Cuba with all the leading nations for the first half of 1904. After commenting upon the increased import and export trade of Cuba with the United States during the first six months of trade under the operations of the reciprocity treaty the chief of the bureau in a published statement said:
 "The figures of Cuba's trade with other countries are also given and show in practically all cases a larger percentage of increase in imports from these countries than of imports from the United States. From the United Kingdom, for example, the increase in imports is 34.5 per cent. from Spain 23.2 per cent. from France 43.4 per cent. and from Germany 39.9 per cent., while from the United States the increase is but 12.8 per cent. Thus in the case of each of the countries named the percentage of increase in imports during the first six months of 1904 was greater than that in imports from the United States. Comparing the imports during the first half of 1904 with those of the corresponding period of 1903, Cuba increased her imports from all countries 22.8 per cent. her imports from countries other than the United States 30.3 per cent. and her imports from the United States alone 12.6 per cent. In the first half of 1903 the United States supplied, according to these figures, 42 per cent. of the total imports of Cuba and in the corresponding period of 1904 39 per cent."

Such are the deductions made by the official bureau of the government charged with the duty of procuring and publishing the facts regarding the national trade. It is important, therefore, to note precisely what the results were in order to ascertain just what has been accomplished. Taking only the trade statistics of the United States, Great Britain—or the United Kingdom, rather—Germany, France and Spain since our treaty of reciprocity went into effect or for the first half year of trade since the ratification of the treaty, it is found that during those six months the imports into Cuba were as follows from the countries named:

| | Six months ending June 30, of 1904. | Per cent. of increase. | |
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| United States... | \$12,096,673 | 12.6 | |
| United Kingdom 4,910,910 | 6,097,430 | 34.5 | |
| Spain | 4,825,535 | 6,050,994 | 23.2 |
| France | 2,249,197 | 3,337,961 | 43.4 |
| Germany | 1,863,116 | 2,536,233 | 39.9 |

It will be seen that the United States has not secured a fair proportion of Cuba's trade under the reciprocity arrangement and that competing countries have obtained the lion's share of Cuba's increased purchases.

Charges Lacked Substance.
 Judge Swayne's acquittal on all charges is in no degree a surprise despite the fact that articles of impeachment drawn by the house are supposed to constitute a formidable prima facie case. When the charges were first filed they did not impress the country profoundly, and when the case was presented to the senate they seemed to lack substance.—Washington Star.

Wanted a Few Pointers.
 It is barely possible that Mr. Bryan object in calling on the president Saturday was to obtain a few pointers as to the most efficient method of reorganizing the Democratic party.—Chicago Tribune.

An Unbustable Trust.
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 —Walter Small in Boston Journal.

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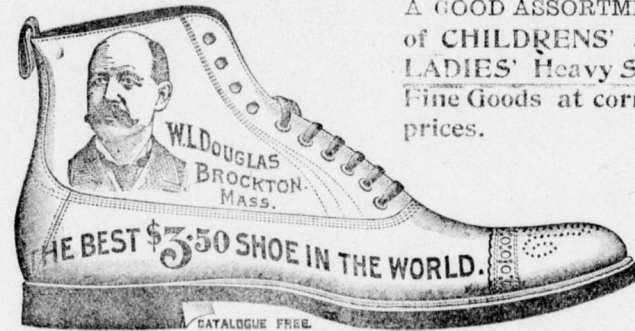
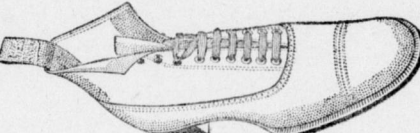
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