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PURCHASES AND SALES INCREASE UNDER PROTECTION.

History Proves the Fallacy of the Free Traders' Claim That Low Tariff Duties Promote Imports and Increase Customs Revenues.

Customs tariffs of the United States, adequately protective, tend to increase foreign trade. They produce prosperity among the American people, increase the production and exportation of domestic commodities, and by increasing the purchasing and consuming power of the people of this country tend to increase importations of foreign commodities. A study of the changes in imports and exports for the years immediately before and after tariff changes will demonstrate that the claim of the free traders and the "tariff smashers" that lower tariffs increase our foreign trade and that only under lower tariffs will foreigners buy largely from the United States and sell largely to this country is wholly unfounded.

As a practical study in the results which might be expected from a reduction of the present tariff duties below the protective line or such reductions as are now called for by the "tariff rippers" for the purpose of increasing trade and revenues, an examination of the results which have obtained in the years before and after every change in the United States tariff from 1880 down to the present day shows that under lower tariffs revenues fell off, under higher protective tariffs revenues increased. It will now be shown from the records of the same years that under protective tariffs our foreign trade has invariably increased; that under lower tariffs our trade with foreign countries, both in exports and imports, has declined. This being the fact, demonstrable from a study of the experiences before and after the changes which have been made in the tariff laws of the United States in 1882, 1890, 1894 and 1897, it becomes a matter of special interest to note what becomes of the claim of the "tariff smashers" and dual tariff agitators that we should now reduce the rates of the tariff law in order to promote our foreign trade.

There never was advanced in the whole course of discussions of the economics of American industry a more hollow humbug than that our protective system destroys our foreign trade. The facts of history prove beyond a shadow of doubt that the claim of the opponents of protection that the protective tariffs discourage foreign trade, compelling foreigners to refuse to buy American products because "foreigners will not buy where they cannot sell," has not a solitary fact in experience upon which to hang as a demonstration to the people of the actual results in our foreign trade.

If there is one thing certain besides the fact that protection gives revenues where lower tariffs fail to supply adequate funds for government use it is the plain truth recorded in the pages of the experiences of the American people, under all the tariff laws which the country has known in twenty-five years, that adequate protective tariff laws are accompanied by increased foreign trade, exports as well as imports.

Foreigners do not refuse to buy American products when we have protective tariffs. Under protection they buy more generously than they do under lower tariffs. Foreigners do not fail to sell commodities to the American people during the existence of protective tariffs, because under protection the American people are prosperous and they are better able to buy high priced foreign goods, luxuries, etc. If, then, it can be shown not only that protective tariffs are the only kind of tariffs which produce revenues and that under their operations our foreign trade, including both our sales to foreign countries and our purchases from foreign countries, increases, what becomes of the basis for the present day agitation for a lowering of our tariff duties?

The recent agitation of trade questions in Germany incident to the proposed establishment of closer protective lines upon German industries has had the effect of producing a general clamor throughout this country among the "tariff smashers" that our protective tariff system is shutting us out of foreign markets, decreasing our sales to foreigners, "who will not buy of us because we do not buy of them." And this statement is made in the face of the facts, easily shown from the government records, that under our protective system we sell more commodities abroad and we buy more foreign goods than we did under the experiments with lower tariffs.

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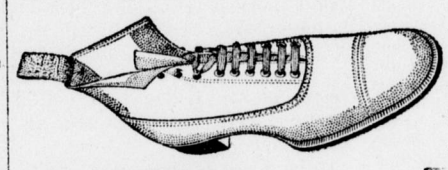

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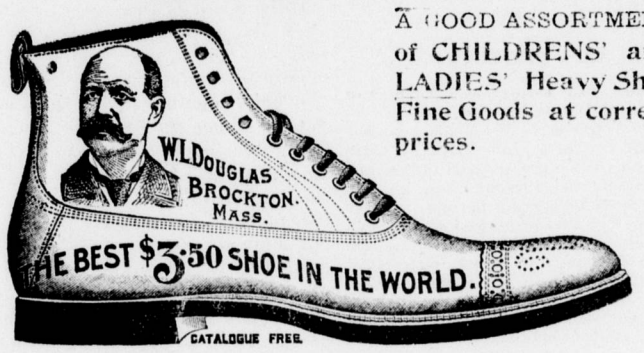

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