
APPENDIX I.

STATEMENT respecting the Export and Import Trade of the Island of Porto Rico.

EXPORTS.

Sugar.—The average annual sugar crop for exportation amounts to about 90,000 tons, which finds its chief market in the United States and Spain.

Coffee.—The average annual coffee crop is about 25,000 tons, valued at about \$8,000,000. As a large portion of labor is being withdrawn from sugar plantations for its cultivation the production is on the increase. About half the crop, consisting of the best quality, is shipped to England, France, Germany and Italy; the remainder being consumed in Spain, Cuba and in the island. Shipping season from November to July.

Tobacco.—The average annual tobacco crop is about 70,000 cwt., shipped chiefly to Spain, Hamburg and Cuba. Shipping season from May to September.

Cattle.—The island produces very fine cattle in large numbers, supplying the home market as well as that of many of the adjacent islands.

Sundries.—The exports of oranges, cocoanuts, hides, &c., amount to considerable value.

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APPENDIX K.

IMPORTS.

The total value of imports into the island is about \$14,000,000. France and Germany contribute about \$1,000,000; Great Britain about \$3,000,000, of which about \$1,000,000 is for rice from Liverpool, to the extent of about 2,000 tons. The total importation of rice from all parts reaches to about 20,000 tons.

Cotton manufactures, chiefly from England and Spain, sum up about \$1,000,000, and hardware, machinery, vegetables, beer, &c., also from Europe, represent about \$1,000,000. The balance is made up with flour, provisions, oil, lard, lumber and fish from Spain, the United States and Canada; nearly the whole of the fish consumed coming from Nova Scotia.

The island consists of about 3,750 square miles. Number of inhabitants about 800,000. Annual trade amounts to about \$30,000,000.