IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JANUARY 24, 1900.

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AMENDMENTS

Intended to be proposed by Mr. Platt, of Connecticut, to the bill (S. 2264) to provide a government for the island of Puerto Rico, and for other purposes, viz:

1. Strike out section eight and in lieu thereof insert the following:

SEC. 8. That on and after the passage of this Act and until further legislation by Congress there shall be levied, collected, and paid upon all articles of merchandise being the product of the soil or industry of the island of Puerto Rico, shipped direct from said island to ports in the customs districts of the United States, a sum equivalent to eighty per centum of the customs duties levied upon like articles imported into the United States from foreign countries; and on and after the passage of this Act and until further legislation by Congress there shall be levied, collected, and paid upon all articles of merchandise being the product of the soil or industry of the
United States, shipped direct from said ports in the customs
districts of United States to the island of Puerto Rico, a sum
equivalent to eighty per centum of the customs duties levied
upon like articles imported into the island of Puerto Rico
from foreign countries: Provided, That duties collected on
such articles of merchandise shipped from the island of
Puerto Rico into the United States under the provisions of
this section shall be held in the Treasury of the United States
as a separate fund to be used under the direction of the Presi-
dent of the United States for the government and benefit of
the island.

Also strike out the following:

"Sec. 36. That the qualified voters of the island shall,
on the first Tuesday after the first Monday of November,
anno Domini nineteen hundred, and every two years there-
after, choose one Delegate to the House of Representatives
of the United States, who shall be entitled to a seat, but not
to vote, in that body, on the certificate of election of the
governor of the island: Provided, That no person shall be
eligible to such election who is not a bona fide inhabitant of
the island, and who is not thirty years of age, and possessed
of property in his own right situated in the island of the value
of at least two thousand dollars."
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