

Department of State,

Washington, November 26, 1890.

Elias Carr, Esq.,

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North Carolina.

Sir:

In pursuance of the recommendations of the International American Conference, The Bureau of the American Republics has been established at Washington. The object of this bureau is the dissemination of authentic and useful information concerning the commercial conditions and advantages of the several American republics for the benefit of manufacturers, merchants, and others who may be interested in the extension of trade.

It is proposed to issue at frequent intervals, for free distribution to the public, printed pamphlets or bulletins, containing:

1. The existing customs tariffs of the several countries and all changes of the same as they occur, with such explanations as may be deemed useful.
2. Official regulations which affect the entrance and clearance of vessels and the importation and exportation of merchandise at the ports of the several countries; also, circulars of instruction

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which relate to customs procedure or to the classification and appraisal of merchandise.

3. Sample quotations from commercial and parcel-post treaties between any of the American republics.

4. Important statistics of commerce and other information of special interest.

The bureau will at all times be available as a medium of communication and correspondence to persons applying for reasonable information pertaining to the customs tariffs and regulations and to the commerce and navigation of the American republics; and any suggestions as to the character of information that may be found useful will receive careful attention.

While the utmost care will be taken to insure accuracy in the publications of the bureau, it will assume no pecuniary responsibility for inaccuracies that may occur therein.

Address all communications to The Bureau of the American Republics, Department of State, Washington, D. C.

Very respectfully yours,

James G. Blaine

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Very truly yours,
