

either. It is simply a question of revenue. And it is submitted that in no way can the necessary revenue be so wisely obtained as from foreign luxuries consumed only by the rich and most extravagant class of the people. My tariff would about double present duties upon all these luxuries.

When brought face to face with the fact that the principal change produced by the Wilson bill was thus to reduce duties upon two-thirds of the total tariff revenues exclusively for the benefit of the rich, who alone use imported goods, one asks how so able, honest, zealous, and pure a man as Mr. Wilson could represent himself as "lifting the unnecessary burden of onerous tariff taxation from the masses of the people"—the explanation is easy: he was inexperienced. He had not studied the question. I very much doubt whether he would to-day produce a measure so foreign to his published intentions. It is a matter of serious import that such a man as he is relegated to private life simply because one district votes for another. Our custom of choosing only Representatives resident in the district loses us many invaluable men. Mr. Wilson is to-day capable of performing work of the best character, because he has now the only quality he lacked before—knowledge of affairs. We need just such men as he in public life, and I for one hope for his speedy return to it. Some day he will advocate a tariff, I believe, upon