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Tons of literature, a poorly informed and widely misguided general public, an opportunity for fascinating mental recreation, or prolonged intense study are conspicuous features of the present tariff realm. However, interest is growing and this book should afford guidance to a wide variety of readers. The material here presented is for (1) debaters, (2) students of political economy, and (3) citizens and general readers.

The book may well be used as a supplementary text in debating classes. The brief, tho not exhaustive, will suggest points of approach upon which the student may enlarge. From the bibliography much material has necessarily been excluded. The bibliographies listed herein will be useful to those wishing to go deeper into the subject. They are easily obtained.

It is believed that this book, as the others of the series, will be indispensable to libraries, debating classes and clubs, and helpful to many eager to be more intelligent citizens.

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BRIEF

Resolved, That protection is a better commercial policy for the United States than free trade.

INTRODUCTION

- I. The question is important.
 - A. It dates from the beginning of the government.
 - B. It has been an important issue in the campaigns of the leading political parties.
 - C. Both policies have been tried.
- II. It is generally granted
 - A. That protection is the policy of levying tariff duties for the purpose of restricting foreign trade in favor of home industries.
 - B. That free trade, in common parlance, is the policy of restricting trade only in ways non-protective to home industries, i. e. the policy of levying duties for revenue only.
- III. It may also be admitted
 - A. That the classes affected by a commercial policy of either kind are:
 1. The Nation, the people collectively,
 2. Producers and distributors,
 3. Consumers,
 4. Laborers.
- IV. The solution of the question presents four main issues.
 - A. Is protection beneficial to the nation?
 - B. Is it beneficial to the producers and distributors?
 - C. Is it beneficial to the consumers?
 - D. Is it beneficial to the laborers?