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Changes In The Sugar Duty.

The sugar planters of Louisiana have shown themselves willing to accept revenue reform, and to agree to a reduction in the duties on sugar. They have as a matter of fact, accepted more and greater reduction than made in any other leading product of the country.

The history of tariff legislation in the United States has been a history of changes in the sugar duty—almost as many as have been made in this schedule since the Wilson bill was introduced. The duty has never remained stationary, and the planter has cultivated his crop under the most adverse circumstance because when he planted it the chances were that the harvest would be under an entirely new and different duty.

When the Republicans inaugurated their tariff policy in 1864, the duty on raw sugar not above No. 12 Dutch standard was three cents a pound, and on raw sugar above No. 12 and not above No. 15, the duty was three and a half cents a pound. On refined sugar the duty was five cents a pound. Reduced ad valorem, the duties on raw sugar under that tariff were about 70 per cent, or nearly twice as much as proposed under the Wilson bill.

The tariff in 1872 fixed the duty on raw sugar not above No. 10 Dutch standard at two cents a pound, and on refined sugars three and a quarter cents, which was changed in 1872 to two cents a pound and 25 per cent ad valorem on raw and four cents on refined sugar. In 1883 the duties were reduced to two and three and a half cents respectively, or 72 per cent ad valorem. Then followed the McKinley bill, which did away with the duty save half a cent on refined sugar, and paid a bounty on the home produced sugar.

The duty now proposed on sugar is the lowest ever in this country, and brings it down to the Walker tariff bill of ante bellum days, which was then considered a free trade measure. In no other article does the Wilson tariff bill make such reduction as compared with previous bills of the same character. We mention this as showing that the planters have been willing to accept their full share of the reduction in duty; indeed, they are asked to submit to greater reductions than any other industry in the country.—Times-Democrat.

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