

It is an universal and fundamental political principle, that the power to protect, can safely be confided only to those interested in protecting, or their responsible agents...

the last resort, when all reasonable hope of relief, from the ordinary action of the government, has failed, when the right of intermeddling did not exist, the alternative would be submission and oppression on one side, or resistance by force on the other...

country. Where there is no exports, there would be no tariff. It would be perfectly useless. On the contrary, so long as there are States, which raise the great agricultural staples, with a view of obtaining their supplies, and which must depend on the general market of the world for their sales...

The application may be painful, but the remedy, I conceive, is certain and simple. There is but one effectual cure, an honest reduction of the duties to a fair system of revenue, adapted to the just and Constitutional wants of the Government...

cannot be much longer delayed, and that the more promptly it may be met, the less excitement there will be, and the more secure and calmness for a cautious and skillful operation in making the transition, in which it sometimes comes more immediately assessed duty to consider...