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In protesting against the tax on cigars, as proposed in the senate tariff bill, the cigar makers are arguing that the increased tax will result either in increasing the cost of the cigars to the consumer or in a radical decrease in the salaries of those who are employed in their manufacture in this country. The cigar makers leave out entirely the profits of the manufacturers in their calculations. It is quite possible that the tax may distribute itself in varying proportions among all three of the parties concerned. The disinterested position of the cigar manufacturers is hardly to be **undoubted.**

Section 106 of the pending bill repeals section 3 of the McKinley act, which authorized a president to suspend so much of that act as admits sugars and other products free of duty when satisfied that the countries producing the articles given free admission discriminate against the admission to such countries of the agricultural and other products of the United States. It is also provided in this section that the repeal of the reciprocity clause of the present law shall not affect any act done or any right accruing

the Carnegie company. On inquiry by telephone graph he learned that the latter was in the process of reversing the vote to be taken on the resolution. The telegram did not give him any greater personal knowledge of the matter than he had before, but it worked like a charm in inducing him to withdraw his objection. In amounts then to this, that an investigation can only be ordered by congress after the consent of the parties to be investigated has been obtained. Instead of investigating the armor plate contract because it has been the

federal tax-rather than under the income tax bill to get at his income through an examination of his papers. And that case it would be broad enough to nullify many of the means by which the customs taxes are now collected. In fact the scope of the decision seems to be wide enough to break down a considerable part of the machinery by which existing laws are commonly enforced.

by the recent bomb outrages is illustrated by the proceedings of the House committee of the Austrian Reichsrath, who have been in consultation as to the best means of defending themselves and their fellow legislators from the militant anarchists. Among other devices which they examined

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