

Transcription

"Settle this tax question"

I beg leave to say that the first thing to be done now, as I understand, is to settle this tax question. For one, I am prepared to say that, after what has been done in this house by Western members, I am prepared to face the consequences and give them a satisfactory adjustment of that question.

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