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A DEFINITE PERIOD FOR TARIFFS.  
The Review of Reviews discussing our tariff laws says that the worst thing about them is the fact that they are not enacted for a definite period. Every item in every schedule ought to have a time-limit fixed, at the end of which it would expire unless renewed by express act. When the government places a certain specified import duty upon a given article, it virtually enters into contract relation with three classes of people. These are: 1, The foreign manufacturers; 2, the importing merchants; and 3, the American manufacturers. This country is engaged in a large foreign trade, and it is absurd to look with unfriendly eyes upon European manufacturers who make goods to sell in our markets. When we fix a duty upon foreign goods we create a condition to which the foreign manufacturer for the American market must adjust his methods of production. We serve notice upon the importer, through whose hands these foreign goods pass, that his position in the market must be modified by the fact of the new rate of import tax. Upon American capital and labor we serve notice that their position in the home market as regards that particular kind of commodity will be materially affected by the amount of discriminating tax levied upon the foreign competitor. When once the duty is duly fixed and has become a part of the working law of the land, it is neither good public policy nor is it good morals to change it capriciously. It amounts in morals to a breach of contract with the entire business community. If the government chooses to prescribe the directions in which the industrial life of the country shall flow, it should enter this domain in an orderly and a calculable manner. Otherwise, it should keep its hands off. Whatever arguments there may be for a consistent and well-established system of protection, there can be no possible arguments for a wobbling and uncertain policy.

THE PARALYSIS OF BUSINESS.  
The Diamond Plate Glass Works at Kokomo have closed down, it is said, for thirty days. One of the officials of the Works the other day gave to the Tribune of that city the cause. He said:

The plate glass market is paralyzed and there is no demand for glass. Paradoxically, the financial dally and the unscrupulous policy of the government on money matters has practically stopped new construction in the business building line, more especially in the higher grades, effecting our trade. Builders are abandoning their projects, or changing their plans to use a cheaper grade of material. We have frequently had more finished plate in stock than now but the demand was steady and we were safe in continuing the manufacture. Now it is a different story. It would be insanity pure and simple for us to go on piling up stock in our warehouses with none going out. Then, there is the menacing attitude of the Democratic Congress and President Cleveland on the tariff question. That, together with their vague and distrustful financial policy, hangs over the country like a black pall. We propose to take in our China shop out of the way of the bill, and brace ourselves for the coming storm. We have too much capital invested to be sacrificed in such a way. We will resume work at the earliest moment conditions warrant, but not before. Five of the ten plate glass factories in this country are down and the other five are getting ready to shut down.

That tells the whole story in a nutshell. The threatening attitude of the Administration on both the financial and tariff questions is paralyzing the manufacturing, commercial and financial interests all over the country. Capital is taking in sail preparatory to the coming storm.

SECRETARY HORN SMITH made a pension ruling Saturday that will cut off many veterans from the benefits accruing to them from the result of their service in the late war. The decision was to the effect that applicants must be incapacitated from manual labor before they can be eligible to a pension. The secretary further held that partial disability, not of service origin will not be considered as sufficient to establish a claim. It is believed by those who have made the subject a study that this decision will reduce the payments of pensions under the act of June 27, 1890, by even \$20,000,000 and \$30,000,000.

DEMOCRATS have been for months and months groaning over "a bankrupt treasury" and now one of their organs asserts that "it will take two months and a half, with forty expert clerks, to count and weigh the money in the treasury at Washington." Thirty-two years ago when the Democrats turned the government over to the Republicans one expert clerk could have counted the money in the treasury in just two minutes and a half. Make a note of this fact.

KOKOMO investigated the cost of a garbage cremator plant and found that it would cost \$6,000, therupon it was the plant that was cremated and not the garbage.

WORLD'S FAIR guides charge fifty cents an hour. The average sight-seer can probably see everything that he will have time to see without a guide.

## FROM HOOSIERDOM.

Telegraphic News of Interest to Indianaans.

Shot His Friend in a Quarrel.

BRAZIL, Ind., June 1.—Leslie Bell was instantly killed Wednesday afternoon on the road from Caseyville to Cardonia by James Johnson. Bell is a prominent business man of Cardonia and the news of the murder caused intense excitement. Bell and Johnson have been warm friends and went out hunting Wednesday morning. On their return in the afternoon they passed through Caseyville and stopped in a store and began discussing a chicken fight which occurred there a few days ago. Both became angry, but finally ceased quarreling and started for Cardonia. They had gone only a few steps when Johnson pressed the muzzle of his double-barrel shotgun to Bell's stomach and discharged both barrels. Several men who were near by rushed to the scene, but by that time Johnson had reloaded his gun and succeeded in holding them at bay until he got a good start. Then he ran for the woods and disappeared. Officers from this city immediately started in pursuit of Johnson. He resides with his parents in this city. Bell leaves a wife and a small family.

Stopped the Fort Wayne Cars.

PORT WAYNE, Ind., June 1.—The Fort Wayne Electric Street Railroad company attempted to break the strike Wednesday at 9 a. m. by running out cars manned by nonunion men. The first car was stopped by 500 excited union men and it was taken back to the barn. The next two cars met with a like fate. This was kept up until 1 p. m., when rioting with eggs began in earnest. No cars were run after 2 p. m. Mayor Zollinger issued a proclamation that all mobs must disperse from the streets this morning, when another attempt will be made to run the cars with the aid of the police and sheriff's posse.

Young Barristers Take Degrees.

VALPARAISO, Ind., June 1.—The fourteenth annual commencement exercises of the Northern Indiana law school in the new college auditorium Wednesday night were attended by over 2,000 people. An address was delivered by T. E. Howard, judge of the supreme court of Indiana, followed by an address to the class by Mark L. Damotte, dean of the law school. There were twenty-five graduates representing twelve states, the following being from Indiana:

D. B. Bates, South Bend; A. Duncan, Odell; H. F. Hawkins; Valparaiso; J. A. May, Lincoln; W. D. McConnell, Sidney; H. L. Spink, Valparaiso; H. Wallace, Sherburn; H. A. Wright, Valparaiso.

Suit Against Congressman Conn.

EELKHART, Ind., June 1.—Eugene Vandenberg, of Philadelphia, and Marie Wartz, of Chicago, heirs of Eugene Dupont, the inventor, who died in March, 1888, at Washington, D. C., brought suit Tuesday in the United States district court to recover damages to the amount of \$75,000 from Congressman C. G. Conn of Elkhart, Ind., manufacturers of musical instruments. The complainants state that since the death of the father, Eugene Dupont, Conn has failed to pay the royalty he agreed to pay on a certain patent which their father held and which Conn has been using.

Two Plateglass Factories Close.

KOKOMO, Ind., June 1.—The Diamond Plateglass company of this city, employing 800 men, has been closed indefinitely. The same company's branch plant at Elwood has also been closed, throwing 600 men out of work. An official of the company said:

"We have more than \$600,000 worth of glass on hand, and the market is utterly demoralized. The greater the general situation has paralyzed construction, the wall will be closed off indefinitely. Five of the ten plateglass industries in this country are down and the other five are getting ready to close at once."

Broke His Skull Just for Fun.

HARFORD CITY, Ind., June 1.—Emile Dumont, the French glassworker, died Wednesday from an injury caused by being hit in the head with a brick Saturday. Dumont was always the butt of jokes and his associates threw bricks at him just to see him dodge them. He failed to miss one, which broke his skull. Jasper Brosscar has been arrested on a charge of manslaughter.

None Thirty Years.

WABASH, Ind., June 1.—Ransom Hurst suddenly died from his home and family near Wabash about thirty years ago. Nothing had been heard of him until one day last week, when he was met at Mansfield, Ill., by John Barnhart, an uncle of Mrs. Hurst. A plan was then arranged for a family reunion, when Mr. Hurst will be given an opportunity to explain where he has been during his little trip abroad.

The Crop Outlook.

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 1.—The department of agriculture in its crop bulletin issued Wednesday notes conditions in Indiana as follows: Weather favorable to crops and farm work; plowing and corn planting nearly finished; wheat, oats and rye and grass in good condition.

Cited to Appear.

KOKOMO, Ind., June 1.—John W. Paris and ex Gov. Chase, of the Paris-Dwiggins bank at Greenpoint, recently failed, were on Wednesday cited to appear before the Howard county grand jury and explain their connection with that institution and their methods of doing business.

Will Handle the Mails.

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 1.—New forty-class postmasters were appointed as follows on Wednesday for Indiana: Jonesville, Daniel Eckleman; Milltown, C. W. Rawlings; Tunnelet, S. H. Davis.

Swindled Out of Thousands.

BLOOMINGTON, Ind., June 1.—John Stipp, a farmer living near this city, was swindled out of \$4,000 by bunko men. He loaned that sum on an alleged \$50,000 stone quarry for security.

A Solid Knock-Down Blow.

The white blow while at play:

Trees blow in every gale:

The wind blows all the time.

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