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SOME MORE TARIFF ARGUMENT.

It requires no very great political sagacity to enable one to see that the present tariff must be revised at an early day. In his declaration in favor of revision, Secretary Taft speaks not singularly, nor as a pioneer in the tariff. The majority of the American people, and the majority, as we firmly believe, of the Republican party, has long believed that the time for revision has come. Republican New England is so strongly for a reduction of duties that here is actually reason to fear that some of the New England states will be lost to the Republican party unless the demand for revision is heeded.

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Not only does the steel trust sell its rails \$10 a ton cheaper to foreigners than it sells them at home, but it gives the foreigners good rails. The rails sold in this country are defective in construction, break readily when used and kill American citizens. But then, the steel trust is a special pet of the Republican party, whose policies created it.

A poll of the 5,000 members of the National Association of Manufacturers showed that 55 per cent of them favored immediate revision of the tariff, 20 per cent expressed a "hands off" sentiment, 17 per cent were indifferent and 8 per cent believed that the time for revision had not arrived. On the strength of this poll the association at its convention in New York adopted a resolution for immediate tariff revision. But it won't get it if its members vote for Republican congressmen, as most of them have done for many years.

MORE DOPE FOR THE FANS.

The Team is the Best and Real Live Sport is Assured the Fans.

By Boney.

According to our sporting editor, "Boney," there will be something doing Thursday afternoon.

The Marion Owls, who have been secured for the opening date, are one of the strongest semi-professional teams in the state and have defeated so far this season such teams as Hartford City, Indianapolis and the Indians. What better attraction could be asked for.

Yet, the third sacker, secured from Versailles, Ohio, during the practice yesterday afternoon made all the fans set up and take notice of his work around that bag. He is fast on his feet, has a good whip and has plenty of ginger. Can hit a pretty fair clip and can practically do any old thing in the base ball line that any other man can do, but he does it just a little faster. The fans have placed the O. K. stamp on this midget.

Big Bid Burns, our left fielder, is certainly all the goods when it comes to playing that garden, and that he has won a home is an assured fact. With an arm of steel and a pair of fast legs, nothing drops in his territory that he has the least opportunity of accepting. And say, oh my, how he can hit that horsehide.

Every loyal fan should turn out Thursday and help inaugurate the season in an appropriate manner. With two games scheduled with a fast team and only fifty cents asked for an afternoon of sport, the park should be taxed to its capacity. The local team looks like the goods and the management now wants you fans to put the O. K. stamp on the entire bunch. Attend this game yourself and drag your neighbor with you.

Pierce, the big jovial second baseman, will no doubt make a hit with the fans by his coaching stunt. He is witty and original and fully competent to keep you in good humor throughout the game. Not only can he coach, but he can play that second sack as it has not been played in years. Watch this big fellow and you cannot help but admit that he is a ball player.

Geyer, the left handed pitcher, worked out for a short time yesterday and during his stay on the mound had the batsmen guessing what was coming next. He has good control and a curve that is bound to fool the best of them.

The cold weather did not stop Manager Behringer from calling his men to the park and putting them through two hours of hard practice. The ground was in remarkable good shape after such heavy rains and the team as a whole did some remarkably fast work.

Winger, the little catcher, has the goods, and those who saw his work yesterday say he will do. He has a quick snappy throw, can hit well and what he does to pop foul is a plenty.

Either Welden or May will be used to pitch the first game Thursday and as both have the goods the fans will be given their money's worth in watching them hurl the sphere. Way was scheduled to go to Bluffton, but after a little conference with Manager Behringer, concluded that he would cast his lot with Decatur. Way did the right thing in this line and will never regret it.

Dutch Linderbeck is the same old Dutch of last season, and still has that habit of hitting the ball out of the lot. He has a perfect position at

the plate and swings on the ball with a vim that means something. Keep up the clip Dutch, we are with you to the finish.

In Daniels, Manager Behringer has undoubtedly made a find, as this big fellow is about the handiest thing you ever saw around first base. He has an excellent reach, being six foot tall, can block a ball neatly has much confidence in himself and looks like a ball player all over, and by the way, he can hit some.

Manager Behringer has eleven men on hand and in them he has eleven ball players that cannot be excelled in semi-professional circles. Every man knows the national game to perfection and plays it with a determination to do or die. They have the pepper instilled in them, and are the noisiest lot of men on the ball field you ever heard. While on the street they conduct themselves like perfect gentlemen. We want to congratulate Manager Behringer upon his selections.

McCLURE'S SUMMER READING.

The summer numbers of McClure's will contain an array of entertaining reading that is particularly adapted to the season. From an editorial announcement we find that there are to be several new features presented in early numbers. Among them the most noteworthy in promise, as shown by the first paper in the June number, are the Ellen Terry "Memories." This is no formal autobiography. The portions to be published from time to time deal with separate events of Miss Terry's life. Into the fifty years which have elapsed between her entrance on the stage to the wonderful jubilee celebration of last year, that crowned Miss Terry's fiftieth year on the stage, are crowded some of the most fascinating memories; but it is the peculiar merit of Miss Terry's recollections that, more than any description, they suggest her own delightful personality, her vivacity and the exquisite femininity which is inherent in every part she acts.

There could be no fascinating reading than Walter Wellman's account of his preparations for a voyage to the Pole in a flying machine to be made in July. Wellman's article is to be printed in June and July. It catches the imagination like a dream of the far distant future. Just conceive—a vast cigar-shaped balloon, nearly two hundred feet long, whizzing through the air suspended from it by threads that look finer than spun silk, is a long steel car. In it, as it hovers hundreds of feet above the earth, you can see four tiny figures—the crew—pushing this lever and that, dropping the lead, taking observations and shifting ballast, doing the hundred things the complicated machine requires.

"The Fight of the Copper Kings," C. P. Connolly's amazing story of Montana, is to reach its climax in July with the narration of the sensational struggle for the Minnie Healy mine. In July, also, Carl Schurz' "Reminiscences" reach their climax in the "High Tide of the Rebellion" at Gettysburg. The whole panorama of Gettysburg stretched before General Schurz' eyes, and no spectator of the battle was better fitted than he to become its historian. Georgine Milmine's "Life of Mary Baker G. Eddy and History of Christian Science" also continues with new phases of this remarkable woman and her cult.

The fiction for the summer promises to be a better feast than McClure's has ever before given. There are to be stories, by three new writers, Mary S. Watts, Will Adams, and Lucy Pratt. There are, also, stories by such well known writers as Joseph Conrad, Henry C. Rowland, Willa Sibert Cather, Viola Roseboro. These stories will be illustrated by such artists as F. Walter Taylor, James Montgomery Flagg, Sigismund de Ivanovski, Arthur I. Keilar, F. D. Steele, Blumenschein and other successful illustrators.

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OBITUARY.

Wilson H. Shepherd was born at Ethica, Ohio, March 17, 1840 and died May 15, 1907, at the home of his son in Muncie, Ind., aged 67 years, 1 month and 28 days. He was married at Greenville, Ohio, to lady Florence Leeds, who was his faithful companion until Sept. 30, 1895, when our heavenly father took her to be with him.

To father and mother Shepherd were born four children, of which two have gone to the other world. Melvin McClellan died in 1871 at the age of eight years. Annie Ermine, who became the wife of Edward Pontius, died in the year 1905 at the age of 39 years, leaving to mourn their loss two children, Clarence C. Shepherd and Nellie I. Steiner, eight grandchildren, two brothers and two sisters, besides a host of other relatives and friends.

Wilson H. Shepherd moved to Adams county, Ind., from Darke county, Ohio, in the year 1865 and settled on a farm. He followed the avocations of farming, carpentering and teaching school. He was of a pleasant and cheerful disposition, although his pathway through life was not all strewn with roses. He had the white swelling on his right shin at the age of 13 years, from which he suffered more or less the rest of his life, or until it was amputated on the 28th day of Dec., 1906, the wound never healed. But he was gaining strength and health slowly day by day until stricken with paralysis May 14, 1907, from which he never regained consciousness.

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