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REPUBLICANS NOT TO BLAME

Attribute Failure to Convene the Joint High Commission to the Canadians.

Senator Fairbanks' Overtures Have Not Been Taken Up By Premier Laurier.

Republican Answer to John Sharp Williams Assent the Canadian Reciprocity Resolution.

From the Journal Bureau, Colorado Building, Washington. Washington, Dec. 5.—Republicans in congress have got their second wind, and are now making the same old story over again.

Specifically, it is asserted that Mr. Williams' resolution, calling for the reconvening of the joint high commission, was purposely drawn up so as to ignore the fact that the administration had already done everything possible to bring the commission together.

In this connection it should be said that while Eugene G. Hay of Minnesota, now a member of the board of general appraisers in New York, was representing the Minnesota branch of the National Reciprocity League, he had interviews with Laurier and with John Charlton, the leading reciprocity advocate in the Canadian commons.

A Chance for a Meeting. In the interim, it is suggested by friends of reciprocity that the proper thing at this juncture is for reciprocity advocates to do a little missionary work in Canada.

Obviously, President Roosevelt does not want the joint high commission in session during the presidential campaign, and no republican, desirous of party success, wants it. But if the meeting can come in time to close the work of drafting a treaty before the campaign opens, it will be welcomed.

It may also be true that Sir Wilfrid Laurier, who is thinking of appealing to the country in February—perhaps in January—does not want the joint high commission to meet at this time.

TWO HOUSES BURNED

Stillwater Child Snatched from a Burning Building and Saved.

Stillwater, Minn., Dec. 5.—Fire this morning burned the homes of John Plumbaum and Mrs. Klesow. The loss was \$1,000, partly insured. A child was taken from a burning bed just in time to save its life.

The Elk memorial service will be held tomorrow afternoon. The oration will be delivered by Daniel W. Lawler of St. Paul.

PINE SALE IS A GREAT SUCCESS

Bids Opened at Cass Lake for Timber Offered Under the Morris Bill.

Weyerhaeuser Makes a Bid on Everything—Prices Tendered for White and Norway.

Special to the Journal. Cass Lake, Minn., Dec. 5.—The work of opening the bids for the sale of the timber advertised under the provisions of the Morris bill began promptly at 9 o'clock this morning.

The first bid this morning was from the Cross Lake Logging company, which covered 152 sections, aggregating \$738,000, the price for 9,000 white pine and \$3 a thousand for Norway.

The Mississippi Logging company bid on 164 sections in the Boy Lake country, prices ranging about as in the previous bid. Thirteen bids had been examined by 11 o'clock and the prices ran from \$7 to \$10 for white and \$2 to \$3 for Norway.

Governor Richards says: "In view of the fact that lumber has depreciated in value about \$3 a thousand during the past year on account of labor troubles, I consider the sale an emphatic success.

Weyerhaeuser Would Take All. A personal bid by the Weyerhaeuser company's bid, the Weyerhaeuser syndicate bid, was opened. It contained an offer for the entire pine offered for sale, aggregating over \$24,000,000.

TOWNE OUT OF IT

Tammany Has Decided, for Practical Reasons, That He Mustn't Go to Congress.

New York, Dec. 5.—Tammany men today said that A. C. Towne was no longer considered a candidate for the congressional nomination to succeed McClellan.

The question is raised in Tammany circles whether it would be good policy to elect to congress now a man conspicuously a follower of Bryan, who might be a candidate for the presidential nomination next year.

Loneliness At Carlisle. Young Indian Buck Runs Away from School.—A Long Tramp.

Cannonball, N. D., Dec. 5.—Bernard Green Plum, a young Indian, arrived here late last night. He had made a tramp half way across the country, having run away from the Carlisle Indian school.

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HANNA TO LEAVE THE COMMITTEE

Tells the President That He Cannot Manage the Republican Campaign.

Events May Shape Themselves So That Hanna Will Be a Candidate.

At Any Rate the Senator Won't Stand Sponsor for Roosevelt Campaign.

From the Journal Bureau, Colorado Building, Washington. Washington, Dec. 5.—It is understood that Senator Hanna, in the course of his visit to the White House last night, informed the president definitely that he could not consider the request repeatedly made that he act as chairman of the republican national committee next year.

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VOTERS' LEAGUE TO GET GOOD MEN

Well Known Citizens of Minneapolis Organize to Encourage Nomination of Clean Men for City Offices.

The League Will Work In and Thru the Political Parties Already Established, and Will Devote its Principal Attention to the City Council.—Chicago League Plan Has Been Largely Adopted Here.

Seventy Minneapolis citizens, representing every political party and practically every interest, have organized a Voters' league to encourage a clean, businesslike handling of city affairs.

It is not a new political party. It is not a body of extremists or fanatics. It is not a movement in favor of any established political party. But in city affairs it will look at the man seeking office and at his record rather than at the party to which he belongs.

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is that the president must now look for another campaign manager.

Hanna's excuse to the public will be his ill health, but in reality he does not, at heart, relish the idea of Roosevelt's being a candidate and his alliances in the party and in business are such that he does not care to be prominent in an effort to secure his election.

Within the past ten days the president, in talking with visitors, has repeatedly said that he expected the republican campaign next year to be run with less money than has been available for campaign purposes for many years.

Almost all the boys who went from here to Carlisle last fall have drifted back. They say they get so lonesome for home they cannot stand it.

Government experts who were here to examine the feasibility of irrigating the Cannonball river bottoms were not favorably impressed.

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This decision does not affect those parts of the former Leech Lake or Winnibigishish reservations or Cass Lake reservations which were reserved by the treaty of Feb. 22, 1835.

The situation is said to be without precedent. It has been argued in the senate that if the nomination of Wood failed of confirmation thru the fault of the senate committee on military affairs will convene Monday at 11 a. m. to resume its hearing of the Wood case.

Members of the senate say they were ready to adjourn ten days ago, and a resolution of adjournment probably would have been sent to the house if it had not been represented and not denied, that the house would not give it consideration.

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