

TAWNEY IN A DILEMMA

WILL NOT APPOINT A POSTMASTER AT WINONA TILL AFTER NOV. 8

HE'S LOOKING FOR VOTES NOW

After the November Battle He Will Proceed to Hurt Somebody's Feelings—The Claims of Editor Sinclair to the Place—F. E. Gartside the Other Richmond in the Field—His Claims.

WINONA, Minn., Oct. 25.—(Special.)—In this first congressional district, like other portions of the state, political matters are not nearly as exciting as during the last presidential campaign. The most anxious and active ones engaged in the struggle for victory are the candidates themselves. Among the people there is, apparently, an apathy unusual even in a state campaign.

Hon. James A. Tawney, of this city, is making a canvass of the district, addressing his constituents from county to county, and endeavoring to mend his broken political fences, which he finds in dilapidated condition in many places, arising, principally, from broken promises given to too many aspirants for federal positions, postmasterships largely predominating. In several towns in this district anti-Tawney clubs have been formed whose members pledge themselves to vote against the Republican nominee for congress. A club of this character was organized at Spring Valley, where seventy-three Republicans have subscribed their names to a club to club Mr. Tawney on election day, all of which grows out of a postoffice appointment at that place.

In the distribution of federal patronage in this district, Mr. Tawney has found himself in the same dilemma of great men who have held office, that the applicants for place are infinitely greater than are the positions. In his own city he finds a perplexing problem, relating to a postoffice appointment which is kept in abeyance until after election. It is one which he is artfully evading until the voice of the people has declared their verdict, on the 8th of November. Doubtless, soon thereafter a successor to Postmaster Buck will be announced, as his commission under the four-year term expired Sept. 1. For the postmastership at Winona there are

TWO PRONOUNCED CANDIDATES, either of whom would accept the appointment with becoming grace. One is Mr. D. Sinclair, editor of the Winona Daily Republican, and the other is Mr. F. E. Gartside, proprietor of the Gate City laundry. Both of these gentlemen have filed their applications in the postoffice department, and both have consented to some extent to an endorsement. These candidates represent two distinct elements in the community. Their relative merits and demerits are summed up by their respective friends as follows:

For nearly forty years Mr. Sinclair has been at the head of the editorial management of the only daily Republican newspaper in this part of the state, and during his long career as a public journalist he has been the able and uncompromising exponent of the principles of the Republican party. During this long period of journalism, at times he has published his paper at a pecuniary loss, and during nearly his entire manhood in this city he has devoted his earnings and his labor not only to sustain a daily newspaper, in the advocacy of the principles which he so loyally espoused, but also a paper that has ever been a fearless and enthusiastic representative of the city in which he lives. And while he has in the past occupied the position of postmaster in this city, the emoluments therefrom have not been hoarded for his personal use or selfish purposes; that a large portion of the salary which he received from the federal government has been expended in the maintenance of a stalwart Republican newspaper, and one which has been an honor to the city, without regard to its political status; that he is a gentleman whom the community holds in high esteem for his honesty, his worth, his ability and his respectability; that there is no applicant for the appointment who is superior to Mr. Sinclair in all of these requisites, neither is there an applicant who, from a political standpoint, has devoted the better part of his lifetime in the advocacy and in the defense of the principles of the Republican party through the medium of an able and influential journal. As Mr. Sinclair has passed the medium of life, and undoubtedly this will be the last time that he will occupy the seat for this position, in justice to himself and a large circle of his influential friends in this city, who have known him during a long period of years, they are strenuously maintaining that his

LOST HIS JOB.

Began to Get Well When He Quit Coffee.

"You could not get me to return to coffee after my experience, if you were to give me a gold mine. Two different physicians who treated me helped me some, but as soon as I left off the medicines, I went down



ADDRESSED BY RINGDAL.

Enthusiastically Received by the Farmers of Clay County. HAWLEY, Minn., Oct. 25.—(Special.)—Hon. P. M. Ringdal, fusion candidate for congress, spoke at this place this evening. He was greeted by a large and enthusiastic audience, farmers having driven into town twelve and fifteen miles over the rough, frozen roads to hear him. Many leading Republicans and business men of this county are supporting Lind and Ringdal. These same business men were enthusiastic for Clough and Eddy two years ago. That John Lind and M. Ringdal will carry Clay county on Nov. 1 by an overwhelming majority is conceded by the shrewdest old time politicians of both parties. Mr. Ringdal was in good spirits and feels confident of his election.

CRONIN'S FAUX PAS.

It Kept an Innocent Stranger in Jail Four Days.

Louis Leblanc, living at 522 Eighth street north, Minneapolis, was before Judge Hine yesterday charged with loitering on the streets after midnight. Leblanc was arrested last Friday by Patrolman Cronin on a board house kept by a friend named West. He was not familiar with the locality, and while looking for the house was seen by the officer, who imagined he was a suspicious character.

ON THE OTHER HAND

The friends of Mr. Gartside are aggressive in behalf of his appointment, and present the following reasons in his favor: That Mr. Sinclair has repeatedly been postmaster in Winona, covering a period of twenty years, and that it is time that he gave way to some other Republican, instead of trying to get the office for another term; that he has drawn from the federal government nearly, if not quite, \$50,000; that his daughter has held a position in the postoffice during two or three terms, while he was postmaster and continues to hold the same or a similar position; that his son-in-law holds the most lucrative county office in the county and is a candidate for re-election; that the old fossils in the party should be placed on the retired list to place to the younger members of the Republican party who are coming to the front, and who are demanding recognition. It is alleged that Mr. Gartside said to Mr. Tawney: "Do as you think best for your own interest in this matter."

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