

A SECRET ARRANGEMENT

Said to Have Been Made Between Premier Laurier and the American Government for a Temporary Agreement on the Alaskan Boundary

In Order to Allow the Canadian Elections to Take Place in October—Canadian Ministers to Carry on a Jingo Campaign and Then Agree to the American Terms.

(Montreal Star.) The following remarkable despatch was sent out from Washington last night to the newspapers in the United States by the Associated Press. It was not sent to any Canadian newspapers, possibly because there was a desire that its contents should not be known in this country. As will be seen, the statement that an agreement has been arrived at is confirmed from several other sources, and it may be that the Laurier ministry has notified the United States commissioner—and not the people of Canada—of its intention to spring an election upon Canada at a few days' notice.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 28.—In spite of the apparent abandonment of the negotiations, it is learned on the authority of an official whose connection with the Canadian boundary question has been constant and confidential, that a secret agreement has been reached, as the result of which a temporary arrangement will be accomplished before congress meets in December. As the result of negotiations conducted with the utmost secrecy, assurances have been given the American commissioners, it is said, that if they will hold their tongues until after the Canadian elections in October, a temporary agreement will be readily reached, and the basis of the new modus vivendi has been thoroughly sketched out and practically agreed upon by both the American and Canadian commissioners. The British foreign office, of course, understands the situation, and will agree to anything the Canadians do.

The basis of agreement is the postponement of the meeting of the high joint until November. In the meantime, Sir Wilfrid Laurier will conduct an active and aggressive campaign. He will appeal to the Canadian people on the boundary and lumber question, and his stump-speaking will make much of the determination never to give an inch of so-called British soil in the far Northwest. The campaign will be permitted to drift into jingo lines, and there will be hints or insinuations of war for the express purpose of inducing the voters of Canada to put Sir Wilfrid and his associates in firm possession of the dominion government.

the United States are to have absolutely free access to the Canadian fisheries, with rights of landing to secure bait or prepare the catch for market. Great Britain also consents to a modification of the treaty regulating the building of war ships on the lakes, in such a way as to permit the creation of a reasonable fleet of modern ships to be built above the Niagara Falls.

Canadian coal is to have free entry over the New England boundary, which will relieve the mills of that section of their present dependence on Pennsylvania and West Virginia. In return, the western coal, including that from the bituminous fields of Ohio, Indiana and Illinois, is to be admitted free across the Canadian border.

These features are already incorporated in a secret agreement, and it is understood, although the authority is not so good as for the other points, that Great Britain also agrees to a radical modification of the Clayton-Bulwer treaty, so as to permit the building of the Nicaraguan Canal by the United States, with certain guarantees in regard to neutrality in case of war. The temporary agreement modus vivendi thus made the basis of a secret agreement, or informal understanding, is to continue in force until November, 1900.

BREWER SUSPENDED.

Methodist Pastor Pleads Guilty to Charge of Being Intoxicated.

FREDERICKTOWN, Aug. 30.—The committee appointed to investigate the charges of drunkenness, preferred against Rev. W. W. Brewer, Methodist minister at Marysville, met yesterday. Rev. G. M. Campbell, the chairman of the district and president of conference, presided. The charges, acknowledged the offence, and was suspended from the office of the ministry until the ensuing annual conference of N. B. and P. E. I., when the whole matter will be investigated and finally disposed of.

WOMEN IN LIVERY. (Washington Star.) Liveried women butlers, instead of men, are now seen in many of the smart houses in New York. For some time past there has been a gradual dispersing of supercilious "jeans" in the clothing room by two neat maids, while two neat maids, instead of men, are now seen in many of the smart houses in New York.

HIS NEW LOVE. She was a telegraph operator, young, pretty and able to pleasantly entertain customers who had a desire to hand over their desk and talk after the manner of the "Chicago Times." Her office was in a cozy corner of a drug store, and the amount of fancy work she did in a week was marvellous.

DOUBLE TRAGEDY. A Miner Kills a Variety Actress and Then Ends His Own Life.

DAWSON, Y. T., Aug. 12, via Vancouver, B. C., Aug. 28.—Because of her infatuation for a bank clerk, Harry Davis, a prosperous Dawson miner, shot and killed Maud Roselle, a theatrical woman, then turned the weapon upon himself, taking his own life. The tragedy occurred yesterday in a room over the Monte Carlo theatre, which had been the scene of three murders and two suicides. Davis was the son of James H. Davis of Emporia, Kan.

THE QUEEN TENDS TO HER HOUSEHOLD. (The Churchman.) Notwithstanding the enormous amount of business with which she has to deal, the Queen is to a large extent her own housekeeper.

IDIOSYNCRASIES. Lord George Hamilton has, when listening to speeches in the house, a curious habit of tearing up paper into minute pieces, with which he sprinkles the floor.

A STUMPING SONG.

(Montreal Star.) That we did not keep our promise is true, we broke them, all both great and small, which caused us much distress, but we kept the piece, and now, not simply through accident, we should like to bring it back to you.

HAVANA. Cattle Which Are Being Sent to Cuba Unfit for Human Consumption.

HAVANA, Aug. 28.—Gov. Gen. Echevarria does not know that Jimenez, the aspirant to the Santo Domingo presidency, has been arrested at Santiago de Cuba, as reported. He says he received a telegram from Gen. Yrujo, military governor of the province of Sancti Spiritus, asking if Jimenez should be detained, and he immediately answered in the negative.

THE LATE MRS. JOHN SULLIVAN. After only two weeks' illness, Mrs. John Sullivan died Tuesday afternoon at her home, Marsh bridge, St. John city. She was in the 64th year of her age.

BIBLE CONFERENCE. A Great Rally of Christian Workers at Yarmouth.

IRELAND. Congress of County Councils a Close Approach to Home Rule.

HALIFAX EXHIBITION. Very little interest apparently is taken in the Nova Scotia provincial exhibition in this portion of the province.

NO CHANGE GIVEN. (London Answer.) A well known dean of Norwich tells the following good story against himself:

THE GLADNESS THAT FAILED. "The sky is blue," sighed the maiden fair, "and the clouds that come from the fields O, the world is glad, but what do I care? My heart is overcrowded with fear!"

CASTORIA For Infants and Children.

THE SAGAMORE

Displays the Robertson Tartan and Calls for War.

The Reporter Explains Matters and the Old Man Takes to the Woods.

The Millicent sagamore was arrayed in full war paint and feathers, and his belt was full of knives and tomahawks. He bounded into the reporter's den with a loud whoop that made the portrait of the Rev. Saturin Hartley, K. C. T., dance on the wall, and made the reporter's teeth chatter. "My brother," gasped the reporter, "why are you here in this guise? Are you off for the Transvaal—or Fort Howe? Why these habiliments of war? This thunder of the voice?"

PARRISBORO NEWS. PARRISBORO, N. S., Aug. 28.—Bark Bellows arrived in West Bay on Sunday to load leads. When off the wharf on Saturday, Arthur Kerr, a seaman, a native of England, fell overboard and was drowned.

IRELAND. A Violent electric storm passed over the town yesterday morning. The house of Edward Dunne, at Riverside, was struck by lightning, the chimney torn down and bricks and plaster scattered in all directions.

DISTINGUISHED CYCLISTS. The czar of Russia was, as a boy, very fond of cycling. He is now grown tired of pedalling his own machine, and has had a record-breaking petrol engine made for him in Paris.

CURRY OF CODFISH. Cook two pounds of codfish in boiling salted water for fifteen minutes; remove it from the water; boil for five minutes; with two forks pick it in rather large pieces; make a white sauce with one tablespoonful of butter, one-fourth of a pound of curried powder. Serve on slices of toast that have had a little cream poured over them.

FOUR HALIFAX HORSES. Billmont, Parsons, Romp and Bessie Rampart, purchased through St. John yesterday on their way to Lewiston for the races. They are all owned by J. A. Leaman.

MIDNIGHT TELEGRAMS.

VICTORIA, B. C., Aug. 28.—H. M. S. Amphion, Captain Frank Finnis, sailed Saturday for England, having completed her three years on this station. It is not known here what vessel will succeed the Amphion.

WINNIPEG, Aug. 28.—The new crop is threshing out splendidly. Ten thousand harvest helpers from the east can all find employment. Thunder storm, three Galicians were killed by lightning.

OTTAWA, Aug. 28.—The Merchants' Bank of Halifax has opened a branch here. MONTREAL, Aug. 28.—The Elder Dempster-Beaver line has come to an agreement with the other steamship lines as to east bound cargo steamer rates.

OTTAWA, Aug. 28.—T. W. H. Leavitt, late inspector of customs for Ontario, has been appointed organizer of the conservative party for dominion purposes for the province of Ontario.

The "Albert" Toilet Soap Co's Baby's Own Soap makes young-sters, clean, sweet, and fresh. It keeps their delicate skins in good order. Made entirely from vegetable fats, it is an emollient as well as a cleanser, and is as useful on a baby's toilet as in the nursery. Faithfully and exquisitely aromatic. Beware of imitations.

SHERIFF'S SALE. There will be sold at Public Auction on SATURDAY, the SIXTIETH DAY of SEPTEMBER next, at fifteen minutes past twelve o'clock, in the afternoon, at Clinton's corner, in the City of Saint John, in the Province of New Brunswick, all the real, right, title and interest of Hiram B. White, and to any claimants of said estate, lying and being in the said City, described as follows:—

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and New Brunswick, location of the marriage one Grand Lodge, in the three meetings of Grand this city we are in motion of Judge by Mr. Marshall, Dr. John A. Watson, and Forbes were appointed to meet a like committee on the 12th upon the above in union, not having to definitely bind the matter.

MATTERS. A box has been placed on the morning train John from Moncton, for delivery. People will find this a great relief.

has been authorized by the board of directors of the Kings parish, Kings county, re-opened.

BOUNDARY. Prof. John R. Soarez, concluded the Anglo-American commission at noon at Great Britain could certify beyond 1850.

SPORT. John W. Dodge, aged 77, arrived today from Portland and gave the police, stating that his father's name on a

BURRILL LOST. N. S., Aug. 28.—A from Cuba, Philippine is the total loss of the Capt. W. D. Robertson was saved and landed in Manila, coal laden.

TRAIL DEAD. Mrs. Catharine, the well known author, died in her ninety-second year.

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