

All Formalities Can be Disposed of in Few Hours' Negotiation - Differences Relate Only to Phraseology

WASHINGTON, June 29 .- All formalities necessary to final conclusion of the general arbitration treaty beerica and Great Britain could tween An be completed, within four hours, assuming that diplomatic machinery was working smoothly, according to an oficial declaration today.

The differences between the two ountries now relate merely to phraseology and can be adjusted The British ambassador has full power

to sign the treaty, and the adminis-tration so far has failed to find any signs of objection to the compact on the part of the senate. It is said that, notwithstanding an impression to the contrary, the treaty conserves to the utmost the constitutional powers of the senate in treaty-making, and that every question to be submitted to ar-bitration must first receive the approval of the senate. But it is pointed out that the very negotiation of the treaty will almost certainly have the effect of lessening the number of issues to be arbitrated.

This is explained by the fact that

through the creation of a commission of the issues that may arise between the two governments can be settled satisfactorily by the adoption of the findings of that commission and without the necessity of proceeding to arbitration.

Unofficial advices indicate that the French government is practically ready to enter into treaty relations with

America on the bases of Secretary Knox's proposal, and it is hoped that action may be had in that direction soon after Ambassador Jusserand, who is now on his way across the Atlantic. arrives in Paris and has had an opportunity to confer with the Foreign Office officials.

Nothing definite has been heard from Germany since the Knox proposal was handed to Ambassador Bernstoff upon his application. Holland also showing marked interest is the sub-

An interesting feature of the projected treaty is the provision for the reference of issues to a tribunal, which is so framed as to forecast the creation of the permanent court of arbitration, towards which the administra tion is working steadily.

RECIPROCITY DEBATE

Iowa Senator Has Several Objections Against Agreement-Raises New Point of Interpretation.

Tune

Cummins continued his argument against the Canadian reciprocity bill in the senate today but did not conclude. He attacked the measure not only for its alleged injustice and political inexpediency, but on the ground that it was, not properly drawn as a tariff

If passed in its present form, Senator Cummins said, the agreement would give Canada .ne opportunity of recognizing one half of it without accepting it all. This statement, explained in ...etail by the Iowa senator.

drew the attention of the senate, many members questioning the interpretation thus put on the bill as sent to congress by the president.

Senator Cummins said the passage of the bill would be followed by a storm of disapproval against which the Re-

publican party could not stand. He said it would be accepted by the agricultural interests as notice that congress had determined that they were not entitled to the same consideration that is given to other producers.

ALDERMEN WIN OUT

Frivy Council Gives Judgment in Case Involving Alleged Illegal Payment

MONTREAL, June 29 .- The case in. stituted by Henri Larin against aldermanic members of the civic finance committee who paid for Mayor Payette's trip to Paris, in what was alleged to be an illegal manner, was decided to day by the judicial committee of the privy council, judgment being given in favor of the aldermen, with costs to the plaintiffs.

Aldermen Lapointe, Lavalle and Rot inson are the three in the council who had the action taken against them The case went through four Canadian courts, the superior court, court of apa peals, court of review and finally the supreme court of Canada, where the aldermen were condemned. Now the privy council has reversed the decision of the highest Canadian tribunal.

Long Bridge Opened.

PHOENIX, Aris., June 29.—The bridge over Salt river at Phoenix, the largest con-optic structure of its kind in the world was opened today. The bridge proper in 2,150 feet in length, while with the ap proaches it measures 4,600 feet.

Had Money for President