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EDITORIAL ON ALEX POSEY

Alex Posey of Muskogee, the young Creek poet, political writer and interpreter for the Dawes commission, after a two month's stay among the full-bloods, talks entertainingly of the Indian and his political affiliations.

"The Republicans," said Mr. Posey, "can derive no comfort from the Indian situation. That party will not get the Indian vote; indeed, has not the faintest show in that direction. The Indian is a Democrat in preferences and has learned to think that way. Those who vote will vote the Democratic ticket. There will of course be a few who will vote the Republican ticket, but their number will be inconsiderable.

According to Mr. Posey, the great trouble with the Indian will be his political apathy. He will be too prone to regard politics as the white man's business and something that the Indian ought to let severely alone.

The Democrats, continued Mr. Posey are taking the

right step in printing campaign literature in the Indian languages, Such campaign information is being read by hundreds of thousands of copies and is awakening much interest among the Indians. Hitherto, the Indian has been neglected in this particular; but since the Democrats have taken the pains to explain political matters to him, he has begun to see wherein his interest lies and he will unquestionably use his own judgment in voting. Mr. Posey also said that the more intelligent Indian realized that the whole attitude of the government toward them had been a mistaken one in every particular.

There has been too much cash distributed; ration days have been too numerous; the Indian has not been taught to depend upon himself as he should have done. The policy of the government has not cultivated him in the right way."