Deadlock Grips the Board of Health at First Meeting

The Question of Chairmanship Results in a Tie Vote.

Mayor Judd Called in and Votes for Dr. English.

Board Decides Ice May Be Cut Almost Anywhere This Season at Least.

The board of health was attacked by the deadlock malady yesterday afternoon, and it required the vote of Mayor Judd, who had to be sent for, to elect Dr. English to the chairmanship. In this case it can scarcely be argued that politics was at the bottom of the trouble, for of the seven members of the board, only one is a Liberal.

When the board met the first order of business was the election of a chairman, it being the inaugural meeting. Dr. English was proposed and so was Mr. W. D. Willis. A vote was taken and it resulted in a deadlock, as follows, the name of Mr. Willis being the first to be voted on:

Yeas—Messrs. Carrothers, Stevenson and Skinner.

Nays—Messrs. English, Willis and Taylor.

To Break the Tie.

The vote thus showed Mr. Willis to be in the magnanimous position of voting against himself, and also thereby creating a deadlock.

Somebody suggested that City Clerk Baker, the secretary, of the board, should break the deadlock, but the clerk declared there was nothing in the law which gave him this power.

Then Mayor Judd was sent for. It took some time to find him, and the board passed the time away discussing everything but the chairmanship. Finally his worship arrived.

"Gentlemen, can't you come to a decision without me?" he asked.

"No," said a couple of members, laconically.

"I guess I had better withdraw," remarked Mr. Willis.

"They had better retire and come to terms, don't you think so, Bob?" said the mayor to Mr. Carrothers.

"No," said Mr. Carrothers. "Give your vote. You've a vote the same as the rest of us."

"Then I'll vote for Dr. English," said his worship, and the doctor was elected.

The new chairman then thanked the committee, and promised to do his best for the city this year.

No Notices Sent Out.

Mr. Skinner complained that he had not received notice of the last meeting held last year. He said that owing to the irregular manner in which the meetings were held he did not know what was going on.

City Clerk Baker said he had sent out notices in the usual manner, and in time to give all members a chance to attend the meetings.

The chairman said as far as he was concerned, the meetings had been called in the usual manner.

Mr. Skinner wanted to know what had become of all the money the board had last year. He thought the board should have had a larger balance than $150.

Dr. English said the accounts were on hand, and could be scrutinized.

Then it was ascertained that the last meeting had been a minority one, and after a short discussion the minutes were confirmed as the record of a minority meeting.

The Ice Question.

Mr. Carrothers introduced the cool, and yet very warm, ice question when he moved that the ice men be allowed to cut ice now, as in the past, anywhere they can get ice fit to cut.

"Who will you say shall declare what ice is fit to cut?" asked Dr. English.

"Let them cut ice as in the past," retorted Mr. Carrothers. "Let them cut it anywhere."

"On the coves?" asked Mr. Taylor.

"Yes," Mr. Carrothers replied. "As good ice as was brought to London from other places last year has been cut on the coves."

Ald. Stevenson, in seconding the motion, asked if it wasn't time to settle the ice question and not have the ice men in a panic and the people in fear of a famine every year. The doctor added that the best ice brought here from Hamilton last year was not as good as the poor ice formerly harvested in London.

Mr. Carrothers said the cove ice, on one analysis was shown to be better than North Branch ice.

Mayor Judd said he feared that under Mr. Carrothers' motion the ice men might cut bad ice and sell it in the city.

"Stop them selling it," said Mr. Carrothers.

Is Pond Polluted?

The mayor then stated that he saw no reason why the ice men should not cut ice on the North Branch or the coves.

Dr. English said that it would be unsafe to allow ice to be cut off Clare's ponds as the water was impure.

Mr. Carrothers asked Dr. Hutchinson if he had not at one time reported that Clare pond ice was pure.

"I did not," said the doctor.

"I was at the board when you made the report," Mr. Carrothers declared.

Mr. Willis said that certain places where ice may be cut should be named by the board. He thought Mr. Carrothers' motion a little too sweeping.

Ald. Stevenson said the ice men, if the resolution was passed, would simply go to their old haunts, and there would be no trouble over the ice question this year.

Places Defined.

Mayor Judd asked if it is not true that Pond Mills ice is all right, but Dr. English said it has not as yet been tested.

Ald. Stevenson said that the Government bacteriologist condemned Springbank water and the city did not believe him; the same gentleman had condemned certain sources of London's ice supply, and the city believed him. He thought this rather queer.

Mr. Willis declared the board said last year that ice could not be cut in certain places and now Mr. Carrothers wanted to allow the ice men to cut ice anywhere. This looked like the board swallowing itself.

The board finally adopted a resolution to allow the ice men to cut ice for domestic purposes on the north and south branches, and the west cove, for this season.

The Contagious Hospital.

Dr. English brought up the matter of refusing any more consumptive patients in Victoria Hospital, owing to the danger to other patients. He also said that this year the question of a contagious hospital will need to be taken up by the board, Inspector Bruce-Smith having written the trust a very strong letter on the subject. If the contagious hospital is not built, it will mean that the Government grant to Victoria Hospital will be cut off, and London, like Toronto, and several other cities will be compelled to establish an institution for the care of contagious patients. When the hygienic deputation was in Toronto recently, several members of the board of health called on the provincial health department, and were given to understand that the above drastic measures would be taken in case the hospital is not built.

Dr. Stevenson said it would be a great hardship on the poor to absolutely prohibit the receiving of tuberculosis patients in the hospital.

Mr. Taylor took the same view.

Mayor Judd said matters had come to such a stage that no more tuberculosis patients could be cared for at the hospital.

Mr. Carrothers said he could not see where the great objection to contagious patients was coming from. When the hospital was built, the contagious wards were erected in accordance with the law.

The board finally adjourned without taking any action on the matter.

Wm. Siddell, of Ilderton, offered to sell the city ice, 10 inches thick, off his pond.—Filed.

On motion of Dr. Stevenson, seconded by Mr. Carrothers, the board decided to meet in future on the second Tuesday in each month, at 4 o'clock in the afternoon.

Chairman English, Dr. W. J. Stevenson, W. H. Skinner, Charles Taylor, R. A. Carrothers, W. D. Willis, Mayor Judd and City Clerk Baker were present.

WORKS WITHOUT FAITH.

Faith Came After the Works Had Laid the Foundation.

A Bay State belle talks thus about coffee:

"While a coffee drinker I was a sufferer from indigestion and intensely painful nervous headaches, from childhood.

"Seven years ago my health gave out entirely. I grew so weak that the exertion of walking, if only a few feet, made it necessary for me to lie down. My friends thought I was marked for consumption—weak, thin and pale.

"I realized the danger I was in and tried faithfully to get relief from medicines, till, at last, after having employed all kinds of drugs, the doctor acknowledged that he did not believe it was in his power to cure me.

"While in this condition a friend induced me to quit coffee and try Postum Food Coffee, and I did so without the least hope that it would do me any good. I did not like it at first, but when it was properly made I found it was a most delicious and refreshing beverage. I am especially fond of it served at dinner ice-cold, with cream.

"In a month's time I began to improve, and in a few weeks my indigestion ceased to trouble me, and my headache stopped entirely. I am so perfectly well now that I do not look like the same person [illegible] so gained in f[illegible]

CURE IN COAL MINES

Physician Discovers Remedy in the Gases Raised by Blasts.

Duquoin, Ill., Jan. 22. — If investigations and experiments made by Dr. M. C. Carr, this city, prove to be correct, a new and valuable factor in the treatment of tuberculosis has been discovered. Dr. Carr, who is surgeon for Illinois Central, physician of Duquoin Children's Home and examiner of many life insurance companies, claims that the gases produced in bituminous coal mines by the process known as "shotting" will cure tuberculosis and many other disease of the air passages.

He has found the inhalation of these gases to be virtually a specific for whooping cough, and his investigations have led him to believe that bituminous coal miners are immune from tuberculosis.

A communication from him to the Journal of the American Association, showing the corroboration of his theory of 600 physicians of coal towns in several states, has excited great interest in the medical profession.

A Bribery Charge.

Windsor, Ont., Jan. 22. — David Mooretsky, a second-hand dealer here, says he will begin legal proceedings against the people who, in their action to unseat Ald. Watson, alleged that Watson bribed Mooretsky and brother to vote for Watson. John [illegible] plaintiff in the action against [illegible] claims that he charges Wat- [illegible] insufficient property qualifi- [illegible] that he is not responsible [illegible] charge of bribery.

CHINA'S MILITARY PROGRESS AMAZES

Experts See Work of New Army and Marvel at It.

SOON TO HAVE 2,250,000 MEN

Officers Trained in Germany Returning to Organize Immense Force.

Berlin, Jan. 22.—With 1,000,000 rifles of the latest pattern on order in Europe, and contracts signed for 300 modern batteries, the Chinese Empire has made a highly effective start on its big army reorganization scheme.

The actual creation of China's great war machine of the future will probably begin in earnest some time in April or May, for late in March the man who has been chosen to take the business in hand will leave Europe for Pekin. This is Gen. Yin Schang, China's greatest soldier, who for the last three years has been representing his country at the Kaiser's court.

China's new army, which is to number 1,250,000 men and cost $600,000,000, will be modeled on that greatest of all European military machines—the army of Kaiser Wilhelm, and Gen. Yin Tchang is undoubtedly the person to do it. Sent as a young man to study the art of war in the school of Moltke and Von Clausewitz, he was brought up as a German officer, spent seven years in the Kaiser's service and returned to China in 1893, just in time to take an active part in his country's struggle against the Japanese a year later.

It was he who conducted the brilliant defense of Tien Tsin against the Mikado's army of invasion, and this performance made him recognized as undoubtedly the most able soldier under the dragon flag. A few years later, he left the army to enter China's diplomatic service, acting first as minister to Vienna, and later to Berlin. Slight of build and extremely youthful looking in spite of his 40 odd years, Gen Yin Tchang speaks both English and German fluently, and is the most accomplished after dinner speaker in the Berlin diplomatic corps.

Officers Trained in Germany.

Aided by the many Japanese experts who are already engaged in drilling the Chinese army, Gen. Yin Tchang may be expected to do great things with the forces of the Hermit Kingdom. And in that task he is likely to benefit greatly by the advice of seven keen-witted young Chinamen, who, following his example, have been serving their apprenticeship as officers in the German army and whom the world may some day have occasion to acclaim as the Oyamas, Kadamas, Nogis and Kurokis of their race.

Most of them are to return home as members of Gen. Yin Tchang's staff. Sons of mandarins and representatives of the new spirit of modern China, these alert, almond-eyed young men are not novices at the game of war. Each of them has finished a four years' course at the great Chinese military academy of Wuchang, which is founded on German models, and they are doing "post-gradute work" in Germany now. Three of them are assigned to the artillery branch, three to the cavalry (hussars), and one to the engineering corps. Their headquarters is Cassel, one of the most important military centers in North Germany. Almost all of them command the German language sufficiently to get the full benefit of German training. Some of them speak it fluently. They wear neither Chinese nor German uniforms, but a specialy designed costume, which is a combination of the French and Chilean uniform, white shakos being the only feature in which the three services represented are alike. The hussars wear helmets upon which the Chinese dragon is a conspicuous feature.

Learn Much in Germany.

As the father of the "yellow peril" theory, it is understood that Emperor Wilhelm was averse to permitting these young Chinamen to perfect themselves in the arts of warfare in Germany. He argued that it was inconsistent that Germany should train men who may at no distant day lead hostile armies against the Kaiser's own legions. The Chinese Government asked the permission as a great favor, however, and it was represented to Wilhelm that refusal would be prejudicial to German policy in the far east. So the Chinamen came and have been given every opportunity to learn.

It is supposed that their teachers have instructions from august quarters to withhold imparting too intimate knowledge on certain subjects, but the Chinese are keen question askers and are on record as having an annoying habit of launching persistent queries wherever they detect a desire to withhold information. The Chinese officers have no command over German troops, but accompany German officers at drill and at maneuvers and are given every opportunity of practicing the duties of command short of actual authority.

Big Army To Be Perfect.

That they will be more than ordinarily capable of leading Chinese troops against a possible enemy there is no doubt, and further details which I have obtained of China's new military policy confirm the statement that the equipment and discipline of the Chinese army of the future are to be brought as nearly as possible to perfection.

At the present time that army—which two years ago consisted of only 100,000 men—numbers 200,000, and it is now planned that before the end of next spring over 400,000 soldiers will be undergoing training under the dragon flag. The men wil be carefully chosen, and each will serve three years as regulars and six as reserves. At present the principal weakness of the Chinese forces lies in the rifles with which they are equipped, these being chiefly old style Mausers and Martinis, but in a few months they will be provided with the magazine rifles now on order, with modern field guns, and European equipment.

Given skilled and experienced instructors of their own nationality, such, for instance, as the young officers already mentioned and the others who are now studying the art of war at West Point and in Tokio, what will the army of the Flowery Kingdom be capable of doing at the end of half a dozen years from now? Remembering what a spectacle the cohorts of China furnished when last in action, one might be inclined to give a careless answer to that question were it not for many recent indications that our estimate of the Chinese as military men may have to be altered drastically.

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Mrs. Thryza Beckwith Gray, who won distinction as a writer of verse, died in Oswego, N. Y., recently at the age of 102. Much of her published work was accomplished after she had reached the century mark.

It is so much easier to borrow trouble than it is to pay debts.

Fifty thousand acres of alfalfa were raised in the Greeley district of Colorado this year, three crops being cut during the season. The average yield to the acre for the three cuttings is five tons