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GRIT ASSEMBLY SPLIT ON BLAIR.

Motion Endorsing His Appointment Broke Up Meeting.

The Liberal Convention Wouldn't Listen to Words of Commendation for the Old Leader.

The convention of the New Brunswick Liberal Association opened this morning in Berryman's hall. The hall was crowded with delegates from every section of the province, and until just before the close of this morning's session apparent unanimity prevailed.

But a motion from an adherent of Mr. Blair that a resolution should be passed endorsing his appointment to the railway commission, caused at once some little confusion. The motion was never carried, those present showing their hostility to it by getting up and leaving before the adjournment was moved.

Senator King, of Chatham, occupied the chair as being the president of the association, and C. J. Milligan was secretary.

Senator King, in calling the meeting to order, said that in the present convention he expected to have one of the finest gatherings of Liberals ever held in the province. The meetings of the convention were open to the press as the Liberal had nothing to conceal.

A committee was then appointed to secure a list of the names of the delegates and their addresses.

Senator King made a few remarks as to the object of the convention, the main object of the convention, he said, was to revive the Liberal organization in New Brunswick, as a preliminary step to the coming general election. He therefore considered that the convention should be confined to liberal principles and that every one present should have his say. While he was sure that there were no dissensions in the Liberal ranks, he did not think that the convention would go so far as to dictate to the delegates of the convention should, upon its conclusion, at once put themselves into communication with their respective county presidents and proceed without delay with county organization. He suggested that two committees be appointed, one to draft a resolution endorsing the government policy, and the other to draft a resolution endorsing the appointment of Mr. Emerson to the cabinet position of minister of railways.

The minutes of the last convention of the N. B. Liberal Association, which was held seven years ago in St. John, were then read by the secretary, C. J. Milligan.

Mr. Emerson, the new minister, was then called upon to address the gathering, and upon rising received the applause of his followers. He said it was gratifying to him to meet on such an occasion so many prominent Liberals. About five minutes he spent in confronting a problem in his appointment to a cabinet position.

He then referred to the present organization of the Liberal party throughout the province, so as to place Liberal ranks in a position to assault successfully the citadel of the enemy.

He referred to the present by-election in St. John. He said that St. John Liberals should not be satisfied with the mere election of their candidate, but they should rest content until they had heaped up such a majority as would show unmistakably the prevailing sentiment in New Brunswick.

He then referred to the coming general election. He told them in confidence what he wanted them to do. They should send back to the new parliament no fewer than thirteen representatives. He said that as a Liberal he had always regarded as lucky, and certainly in the coming juncture it could not be un-lucky, to accomplish this. The Liberal must proceed on the co-operative plan, and so ensure victory.

The election was then proceeded with. Upon motion Senator King was re-elected to the position of president and C. J. Milligan to that of secretary. The other officers are: Richard O'Brien, first vice-president; F. B. Carvell, second vice-president; Dr. G. Godet, third vice-president; Geo. McAvity, treasurer.

A committee was then appointed to recommend names for the executive, of which one is to be from each county. The committee appointed to draft a resolution endorsing the government policy are: Richard O'Brien, O. Turgeon, of Beauséjour county, and F. B. Carvell, of Carleton county.

The committee to draw a resolution endorsing the appointment of Mr. Emerson to the position of minister of railways are: J. T. Hawke, Senator Thompson, W. S. Loggie and Geo. E. Mercer.

Some one then arose and moved that a committee be also appointed to draw up a resolution approving of the appointment of the Hon. Mr. Blair to the chairmanship of the railway commission. At this some confusion arose and it was only two apparent that some were trying to prevent the mover from being heard. John L. Carleton, to avoid the coming discussion jumped to his feet and moved that the meeting adjourn. The motion was seconded by all present getting up and moving out. The convention closed its afternoon session at 2:30 o'clock.

WAR DECLARED.

TOKIO, Feb. 11.—The existence of a state of war with Russia was formally announced today by an imperial proclamation.

JAPAN STRIKES AGAIN.

LONDON, Feb. 11.—A special despatch from Tien Tsin confirms the report that the Manchurian railroad has been blocked by the blowing up of a bridge on the line and that thirty Russians were killed in the explosion. It is reported, the despatch adds, that the Russian steamers Neni and Muldon belong to the Chinese Eastern Railway Company have been captured by the Japanese.

MORE RUSSIAN SHIPS TAKEN.

LONDON, Feb. 11.—Lloyd's agent at Shanghai, cabling under date of yesterday, says it is reported and generally believed that a Japanese warship has destroyed the Russian mail steamer Mongolia, bound for Hongkong, at Dalney. The cablegram adds that the three Russian warships damaged by torpedo at Port Arthur sank.

THE BATTLE OF CHEMULPO.

TOKIO, Feb. 11.—The destruction of the Russian cruiser Varieg and the Russian gunboat Korietz, at Chemulpo, on Tuesday is officially confirmed but the details are unknown.

Admiral Uru, commander of the Japanese squadron, sent a cablegram to the navy department, saying that the two Russian vessels weighed anchor at noon, steamed down the bay and encountered the Japanese fleet while rounding the island, nine miles from Chemulpo.

It is not known who first opened fire, but the exchange lasted 34 minutes. The Russian ships withdrew to Chemulpo. The Korietz exploded about 10 o'clock. It is not clear how the Varieg was destroyed. The loss of life and the effect of the shells on the Russian was unknown. It is possible that the Russian crews aided in the destruction of their vessels to avoid capture and annihilation. The Japanese did not lose a man and their ships were not injured. The names of the Japanese ships are withheld for strategic reasons. The Russian crew, it is reported, surrendered to the Japanese at Chemulpo. Japan is entitled by its success in the engagement. The navy department does not confirm the report that the Japanese fleet is still off Port Arthur.

Advices of a general naval engagement are expected. The success of Japan on the sea would carry enormous advantage and practically decide the war. It is reported that the Japanese fleet is superior to the Russian fleet. They say that a naval battle would be really a Japanese victory on account of Russia's lack of facilities to dock and repair her larger craft.

ENGLAND WILL BE NEUTRAL.

LONDON, Feb. 11.—King Edward, at a council held at Buckingham palace this afternoon, signed a proclamation declaring Great Britain's neutrality during the war between Russia and Japan.

ALEXIEFF THE BOSS.

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 11.—It is officially announced that Admiral Alexieff has been appointed to the supreme command of the Russian land and sea forces in the far east.

LYING IN WAIT.

SHANGHAI, Feb. 11.—The Russian gunboat Mandjur is still here. It is understood that two Japanese warships are awaiting her at the mouth of the Yang-Tse-Kiang.

RUSSIANS LEAVE JAPAN.

NEW YORK, Feb. 11.—Several Russians are leaving by the German mail steamer Geratofsky, says a Herald despatch from Nagasaki. The French mail steamer Yara, which will sail from Yokohama on Feb. 12, will convey the Russian consuls from Kobe and Nagasaki back to Europe.

Baron de Rosen telegraphed his compatriots from Tokio, "Pray do not delay your departure."

It is reported that the government mines have been laid down at Dalney by the Russians.

A WARNING FOR DOMVILLE.

OTTAWA, Feb. 10.—A proclamation will be issued by the government warning enjoining absolute neutrality on the part of Canadians in the war between Japan and Russia.

BERLIN, Feb. 11.—A despatch received here from Tokio says the imperial decree concerning the seizure of Russian merchant vessels excepts those leaving Japan or sailing direct from other Japanese ports for Japan up to February 12, provided the latter leave

FAIL IN ATTEMPT TO LAND TROOPS AT PORT ARTHUR.

But They Gave Russia a Severe Blow by Blocking Manchurian Railway—Battle of Chemulpo Described.

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A man who said he came from Montreal claimed the body and said that it would be found \$500. He secured a permit to take away the body. He claimed it as the body of his wife, a woman 30 years of age, when he brought the permit to remove the body, he stated that it already had been identified as that of Mrs. Helen Miller, 28 years of age.

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THE WEATHER.

TORONTO, Jan. 11.—Forecast—Fresh northwesterly winds and fair, Friday. Strong north and northeasterly winds snow in eastern districts.

Synopsis—There has been little change and the temperature is this morning below zero nearly everywhere in Canada. The disturbance now near the South Atlantic coast is not likely to move very near Nova Scotia, but will cause gales at sea. To the Banks—North and northeast gales on Friday; to American ports, fresh northeasterly winds.

The lowest temperature in the city during the night was 6 above. At noon today it was 21 above.

10 p. c. to 30 p. c. REDUCTION IN FURS.

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ST. JOHN CURLEWS SUCCESS.

WINNIPEG, Man., Feb. 10.—The Grand challenge cup competition, the first of the bonspiel programme, open to all clubs, was begun at 9:30 a. m. Ship Milligan, was opposed by Winnipeg's crack skip, Pittblado, and was defeated thirteen to nine.

In the afternoon Ghaw was pitted against Pipestone, winning by ten to seven, Shaw winning with his last stone. The competition will be continued through the night and until finished.

The funeral of the late Miss Rachael Thompson was held at half past two o'clock this afternoon from her late home, 128 King street east. Rev. W. C. Matthews officiated and the body was interred in Fernhill cemetery.

said dated Feb. 10, report the arrival at Sasebo, Japan, of two large Russian steamers. One is the volunteer transport, Ekaterinovsk, which recently landed troops and arms at Port Arthur, and the other is the str. Argun, belonging to the Chinese Eastern Railway Co. Both were captured by the Japanese cruisers Sal Yen and Hei Yen in the neighborhood of Fusan, Corea.

The Ekaterinovsk is of 10,000 tons displacement, and had been fitted up as an auxiliary cruiser. She had thirty rifles on board and was on her way from Vladivostok. The Argun was going to Vladivostok from Nagasaki. The Russian whalers Gorgon, Nicolai, Alexander and Michael, captured by the Japanese, have also arrived at Sasebo.

JAP TROOPS REACH SEOUL.

LONDON, Feb. 11.—Special despatches from Tokio this morning announce the arrival of Japanese troops at Seoul, but beyond this the despatches published in the newspapers here this morning add practically nothing to the knowledge of the actual situation.

The Tien Tsin correspondent of the Standard sends in a report that the Russians have massacred 100 Chinese at Liao-Yang, in consequence of which the officials at Shan-Hai-Kwan are greatly alarmed and are appealing to Fekin for protection.

Other despatches from Tien Tsin state that 400 French troops have been ordered from there to Seoul for the protection of the French legation at the Korean capital, the emperor having taken refuge there. These reports lack confirmation.

The correspondent of the Daily Mail at Tien Tsin says that Li, the favorite court official of the Dowager Empress, has been decoyed away and headed by order of Yuan Shi Kai, commander in chief of the Chinese army and navy. Li was pro-Russian in his feelings.

The Chefoo correspondent of the Daily Express asserts that the Russian cruiser Diana, was injured by a shot from the Russian shore battery at Port Arthur, and that the cruiser Novik and the battleship Poltava have also been beached at Port Arthur.

Special despatches from Tokio report that fugitives from Vladivostok accuse the Russians of openly looting Japanese houses there without interference by the police.

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