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The Coming Convention.

Sir. Wilfrid Laurier, Premier of Canada and Honorary President of the Canadian Forestry Association, has announced that a convention in the interests of the conservation of the forests and other natural resources of the Dominion will shortly be held in Montreal. The date had not yet been fixed at the time of going to press.

Following the passage of the bill to provide for the formation of a Canadian

Conservation Commission and the subsequent appointment of the commission, as noticed elsewhere in this issue, this is an important advance in the direction of the formation of a policy of proper management and economical use of the resources of the Dominion, and as such the convention should receive the hearty support of the members of the Canadian Forestry Association. Further particulars will shortly be announced.

The Regina Meeting.

The special meeting of the Canadian Forestry Association which convened at Regina on Friday, Sept. 3rd, proved to be a thoroughly successful one. The highest officials of the province lent the weight of their presence and hearty commendation to the occasion, and at both the day and evening sessions on Friday large numbers of citizens also were present. The day sessions were held in the spacious Council Chamber of the Regina City Hall, and at the opening meeting on Friday morning this was well filled, about two hundred persons being present, many of whom were ladies. The attendance of a large number of the Normal School students was a much appreciated feature and was one from which good results will no doubt follow. The lectures in the evening were given in the large auditorium of the same building and were also largely attended.

The excursion to Indian Head on the following day and the visits to the Forest Nursery Station and the Experimental Farm were well patronized and the wonderful progress made at each

of these places won high praise from the visitors. Especially was this the case at the Forest Nursery Station, where the beautiful grounds of the station and the various experimental plantations were viewed with intense interest. It was indeed hard to realize that five years ago there had been but bare prairie where now was to be seen beautiful lawns and flowers and a wealth of trees and shrubbery, and many were the words of praise uttered for Mr. N. M. Ross and his corps of helpers at the station.

THE OPENING SESSION.

The first session of the convention opened at ten o'clock on Friday morning, Sept. 3rd, in the Council Chamber of the City Hall, Regina, the chair being occupied by Hon. W. T. Pipes, Attorney-General and Commissioner of Crown Lands for Nova Scotia and Vice-President of the Association for that Province. The President, Mr. Thos. Southworth, of Toronto, had found it impossible to attend the convention owing to pressing business engagements in the East.