

MUNICIPAL LIFE

CONVENTION TAKES UP MANY RESOLUTIONS

Accounting an Important Matter—City Building—Elective Police Boards Defeated

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FORMAL OPENING OF PARLIAMENT

DUKE OF CONNAUGHT READS FIRST SPEECH

Permanent Tariff Commission to Be Formed—Control of Terminal Elevators

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Flashlight photograph taken by Times photographer Wednesday.

VOTE IN FAVOR OF AGREEMENT GETS BIG MAJORITY IN CROW'S NEST PASS

Majority of Mines Likely to Be Reopened Early Next Week

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BUYERS YMR MINES

Spokane Capitalist Pays \$140,000 for Property—Compressor Plant.

Nelson, Nov. 16.—Bob Mabry, Spokane capitalist, to-day closed a deal whereby he acquired the Yankee Girl, independent, in Vancouver.

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Man Sentenced at Vancouver to Five Years in Penitentiary.

Vancouver, Nov. 16.—A sentence of five years in the penitentiary was imposed by Magistrate Shaw yesterday on Joseph Keitley convicted of stealing about \$200 worth of jewelry from the Tromberg jewelry store on Cordova street about a fortnight ago.

Search among his effects discovered two ladies gold watches and chains, a large chronometer and several articles of jewelry. He had no explanation to give further than that he had been drinking and did not know how the goods came into his possession.

Will Not Desert Union. Montreal Lacrosse Club Decides to Stand by National Organization.

Montreal, Nov. 16.—The Montreal Lacrosse Club will stand by the National Lacrosse Union in the event of the president's resignation from the ranks of the old organization.

BORDEN SHOWS TOUCH OF TEMPER

DUEL OF WORDS WITH SIR WILFRID LAURIER

Former Premier Expresses Surprise at Departure From British Customs

Ottawa, Nov. 16.—Those who have predicted a quiet session for the opening of the new parliament have changed their minds, for it has been made evident from the commencement that it would be a fighting session throughout.

The ceremony of the election of a Speaker yesterday was marked by a duel of words between the new premier, Hon. R. L. Borden, and the leader of the opposition, Sir Wilfrid Laurier.

Incidentally the latter drew first blood and the premier showed the first traces of temper evinced in his new capacity. It was a duel of a stiletto against a heavier weapon, the delicate thrust for which the ex-premier is noted being met with a broader repartee marked by considerable heat.

As the members filed from the chamber at the adjournment the atmosphere was charged with intensity which had not characterized the somewhat boisterous ceremonies of the morning.

Following the speech made by the new premier on the nomination of the Speaker, in which he spoke in high terms of various qualifications which fitted Dr. Sproule for the important position, Sir Wilfrid rose to support the nomination.

Delicately and without trace of personal reflection upon the Speaker he evinced surprise that upon this occasion the champions of British institutions had not adhered to British customs and re-elected Hon. Charles Mair.

Respect for British institutions, he supposed, was to be forgotten and to be brought out and burnished only in time of election campaigns.

He took occasion to refer to the coalition of Nationalists and the Imperial Conservatives, expressing surprise that the nomination of Dr. Sproule should be endorsed by the minister of public works, Hon. F. B. Monk.

He himself in 1906 had been accused of being in conspiracy with Dr. Sproule to rob the Catholic people of Saskatchewan of their schools. "If the new Speaker had read the Nationalist press he would have learned what a bad man he really was."

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YUAN SHI KAI PREMIER OF CHINA

FORMATION OF CABINET OFFICIALLY ANNOUNCED

Report That Revolutionists Are Massing for Attack on Peking

Peking, Nov. 16.—A cabinet formed by Premier Yuan Shi Kai was announced in an imperial edict issued to-day. It includes a few Manchus but no nobles.

Some of the ablest men of China are omitted, but under the circumstances the ministry is considered satisfactory. Yesterday's Official Gazette contained an expression of thanks from Yuan Shi Kai to the throne for his appointment.

but the truth is that he did not undertake the task without receiving guarantees that he would have practically a free hand in conducting affairs while he retained his official position.

In conversation with a foreigner, Yuan Shi Kai said he would endeavor to carry on the government by gaining the support of as many provinces as possible, allowing the remainder to re-

tain their independence for the time being. It would be his endeavor also to gradually win back their allegiance to the throne.

Telegrams from Kai Feng, capital of Honan province, say that in accordance with a temporary arrangement, the independence of the city has not been declared, but there is an anti-Manchu feeling and an outbreak of hostility is likely at any time.

Fighting For Control. Amoy, Nov. 16.—Practically the entire southern part of Fo Kien province has gone over to the revolutionists and there are disorders in the interior.

At Chang Chow rival factions are fighting for the control of the local government. Foo Chow people who had fled are returning to the city and the shops are being opened.

Hing Hwai, a coast city about fifty miles south of Foo Chow, has accepted of the new government. Many of the old officials remain at their posts.

In this city the Radical element is organizing the Republican movement. The moderates are not being consulted.

Preparing For Attack. San Francisco, Cal., Nov. 16.—Attack on Peking in the near future is contemplated by the rebels, according to cables received to-day by the Chinese Free Press of this city.

The dispatch came from Hongkong and said that the rebel government in Quong Tung province had received from General Li Yuen Heng orders to send reinforcements to Wu Chang, here to concentrate in preparation for the attack on Peking. Upon receipt of the order the assembly met and decided to send Brigadier-General Jung Wan Quai and a brigade of troops to Wu Chang.

No Orders to U. S. Troops. Washington, D. C., Nov. 16.—Not a soldier would leave the Philippines for China except on orders from President Taft. Such orders have not yet been given and it is said that before acting the president is awaiting the arrival in Washington late to-day of Secretary of War Stimson and Major-General Leonard Wood, chief of staff, who are returning from the west.



China's New Premier Whose Cabinet Was Announced To-day.

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