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velt. Among Roosevelt supporters it was contended that a suggestion for the time being that the Governor was

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Poland to Exercise a Firmer Hand in Danzig; Policy Seen in Naming of New Commissioner

Special Cable to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

WARSAW, Feb. 12.—News of the resignation of Dr. Henryk Strasburger as Polish High Commissioner of Danzig, which was announced this morning, had been held up for several days by the Polish Government to avoid the impression that this change was in any way connected with the Lithuanian move against Memel's autonomy. Quite the contrary, the arrest of the Memel directorate by the Lithuanian Government was received here with an outburst of indignation against the Lithuanians.

Nevertheless, Dr. Strasburger's resignation and the appointment as his successor of the Polish Consul General at Koenigsberg, East Prussia, Dr. Kasimir Papee, a minor Foreign Ministry official, seem to mark an important change in the Polish policy toward the free city.

Dr. Strasburger, former Minister of Commerce and Under-Secretary of State in the Foreign Office, had a free hand in dealing with the Danzig authorities. In his first few years in office he succeeded in

greatly improving Danzig-Polish relations, but in the last two years experienced increasing difficulties caused by the new Nationalist Senate of the free city, which became a stronghold of the German Nationalists and Hitlerites. Dr. Strasburger's force of persuasion and diplomatic ability failed because of the Senate's hostility toward Poland. Last year he offered his resignation after a public dispute with the president of the free city, Dr. Ziehm, but it was not accepted. This time the Polish Government seems to see no useful purpose in keeping Dr. Strasburger in Danzig and decided to take matters into its own hands. Henceforth Danzig-Polish policies will be made in Warsaw, not in Danzig.

The pro-government newspaper Kurjer Poranny comments bitterly on Dr. Strasburger's resignation, saying it had been hoped last year that the free city would mind its own vital interests instead of becoming a centre for Berlin Nationalist activities.

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