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APPOINTMENTS.

METHODIST PREACHERS ASSIGNED VERMONT CONFERENCE FIELDS.

Bishop Warren's Address the Feature of the Last Day of the Bradford Conference - Reports of the Secretary and Treasurer - Marvellous Growth of the Methodist Denomination.

BRADFORD, April 18.—The second day of the 50th session of the Vermont annual conference opened at 8:30 this morning.

At 10:15 the secretary, Rev. G. L. Story of Bakersfield, called the conference roll and 59 responded.

The following standing committee was elected: Stewards, A. L. Cooper, D. D. of Newport, H. L. Bruce of St. Albans, A. H. Webb of Montpelier, G. S. Granger of West Burke, education, H. F. Foster, John S. Tupper, H. A. Spencer; Sunday schools, Albert B. Blake, J. E. Farrow, E. H. Bartlett; church extension, A. G. Austin, F. H. Roberts, P. L. Mantion; Freedman's Aid and Southern Education society, W. L. Todd, F. W. Hamblin, E. E. Reynolds, D. D. Clapp, Leonard Dods; tract cause, George H. Wright, W. B. Atkinson, George H. Rogers; Bible cause, Elhinn Snow, N. W. Wilder, A. B. Enright; missions, Joseph Hamilton, L. O. Sherburne, I. L. Beaman, missionary societies, George L. Story, John McDonald, M. H. Cooper, Knickerbocker relations, Pliny N. Granger, Clark Wedgworth, Elihu Snow; church literature, J. H. Wallace, Sylvester Donaldson, H. W. Worthen; resolutions, A. H. Webb, J. O. Sherburne, R. L. Bruce; pastoral address, W. R. Davenport, W. E. Douglass, C. F. Partridge; public worship, L. P. Tucker, publishing, George L. Story, W. R. Davenport, L. P. Tucker.

On Dr. Cooper's motion the conference morning session will begin at 8:30 and close at 11:45. Bishop Warren then introduced Rev. John F. Goucher, D. D., of Baltimore and Dr. Parkhurst, editor of Zion's Herald, and H. F. Barnard, pastor of Bradford Congregational church. Thomas Tyrie was transferred from the New Hampshire conference and James K. Dively transferred from the northwest Indiana conference. It was resolved that the conference appoint a committee of five to meet a similar New Hampshire committee to define the conference boundaries.

President Elder Joseph Hamilton made the following report for the St. Johnsbury district, which was adopted: There are 43 charges, a gain of 19, with 73 regular preaching places, served by 28 members of the conference, six probationers and 11 supplies. In the past two years the only death in a member's family was that of the daughter of Rev. James E. Knapp of Westfield. Rev. John Morse of Hartwick a local preacher, died; also Judge Isaac N. Hall, a prominent layman. A church was organized at South Albany and asks for a preacher. A church costing \$1800 was erected at West Danville, and foundations laid for a church at Barre. One thousand dollars were raised for a church at Woodbury and over \$1000 has been raised in the district for repairs of parsonages. Twelve hundred dollars were added to pastors' salaries. Benevolent contributions have increased, and there are 38 Epworth leagues, a gain of eight chapters and 370 members. The district committee at Lyndonville was well attended and of much spiritual benefit.

Dr. Parkhurst presented the claims of Zion's Herald and the Wesleyan association, and presented the conference with a check for \$201 as its share of the profits arising from publishing Zion's Herald. John F. Goucher, D. D., president of the Women's College of Baltimore, spoke half an hour on the higher education of women as taught in his college, which was the first woman's college to have a regular scientific department of physiology and hygiene, and which now has the best women's gymnasium in the world.

Rev. E. M. Smith, principal of Montpelier seminary, was transferred from the Maine to Vermont conference. N. W. Wilder was granted a supernumerary regulation. A praise service was conducted by Dr. Cooper and Rev. F. A. Spencer of Montpelier read a paper by Rev. William J. Knickerbocker of Northfield, one of the surviving members of the original conference, who was unable to be present on account of his health.

Of 182 members of the old New Hampshire conference 73 fell to Vermont, of whom 49 were effective preachers. Of these 1890 were in 1884, and 1884 was the only one in Vermont conference. C. N. Smith is a supernumerary of the New England conference and John Perrin a local preacher in Lebanon, N. H.

J. A. Sherburne of Barre delivered an address on the educational work of the Vermont conference in 1884. Last year the Vermont and Vermont conference founded the Methodist seminary at Newbury, Vt., a fund of \$24,000 being raised by the conference and Newbury, Charles Adams was the educator and principal, asso-

ciated with Rev. O. G. Baker, afterward Bishop. The seminary continued 34 years. In 1847 a seminary was started at Springfield, Vt., and in 1863 both schools were consolidated at Montpelier for the best interests of the conference and people. Montpelier gave over \$20,000 and purchased military and hospital grounds. In 1874 the present academy buildings were erected at a cost of \$50,000.

The Third Day. BRADFORD, April 19.—At the third day's session of the Vermont Methodist conference, the morning service was conducted by Rev. Dr. L. B. Bates, seaman's missionary at Boston. Bishop Warren presided at the business session and Secretary Davenport's report was read and accepted. Reports were lacking from 10 charges in the Montpelier district, from nine in the St. Albans district, and from five in the St. Johnsbury district.

After the appointment of Dr. A. L. Cooper, R. L. Bruce and Pliny N. Granger as a committee on boundaries, the 14th question was resumed. Presiding Elder L. O. Sherburne was passed in character and made the following report from the St. Albans district: There are 39 charges; Eden is left un supplied; East Warren has union services; the remaining 37 charges had 20 effective, three probationers and 15 supplies. There are eight supernumeraries and \$3000 have been expended in improvement to church property. The church at Fairfax has been built and \$1000 were raised for the church at Watfield, and \$3000 for the church at Georgia. Plans have been made for a district parsonage. Over \$700 were paid on church debts. There have been no deaths in the district. The number of the 28 Sunday schools has been slightly reduced. The conversions number over 300. The net gain in church membership over deaths is 314. Camp meetings are helpful and the 21 Epworth leagues are prospering.

The following preachers were passed in character: Rev. B. B. Baker, George L. Story, A. B. Truax, A. B. Blake, S. S. Brigham, C. S. Hubbard, H. E. Howard, S. C. Howard, S. C. Vail, L. L. Nanton, G. B. Hyde, J. H. Wallace, R. L. Bruce, D. O. Thatcher, John S. Tupper, H. F. Reynolds, W. E. Douglass, F. W. Hamblin and Clark M. Edgeworth.

Presiding Elder L. L. Beaman passed in character and made a report for the Montpelier district. It has 42 charges, 59 preaching places, 21 effective, three on trial and 15 supply preachers. Rev. O. R. Edwards and Richard Morgan died; also the wives of Rev. J. W. Guernsey, W. N. Roberts, A. H. Webb and A. Bryant. Rev. A. Bryant died in December and P. F. Palmer later. Three thousand dollars were expended on repairs to church property. Windsor received \$10,000 by the will of Mrs. Rachel Harlow for a church. The Northfield camp meeting was a spiritual help; \$7000 were raised for the seminary debts, the 50 Epworth leagues have 1300 members, there were 500 conversions and 350 new church members. The report advises progressive work.

The following preachers passed in character: Revs. James E. Dively, L. P. Tucker, A. J. Hough, C. F. Partridge, G. F. Forrest, A. H. Webb, S. Donaldson, G. A. Emery, W. A. Evans, G. H. Wright, E. H. Roberts, W. L. Todd, G. B. Hyde, W. B. Roberts, E. H. Bartlett, Elihu Snow, R. T. C. McKenzie, O. D. Clapp, C. F. Webb, O. H. Farnsworth was transferred to the New Hampshire conference. The following supernumeraries passed in character and their relations were continued: W. R. Davenport, M. H. Cooper, Peter Morrill, Joseph Enright, J. W. Beaman, W. J. Kidder, W. H. Hyde, Dennis Wells, Alonzo Hitchcock, Austin Scribner, W. D. Malcolm, J. W. Guernsey and these supernumerary preachers: W. H. Deane, A. H. Honsinger, E. S. Morse, C. P. Flanders, G. L. Wells, Isaac McAdon, L. B. Carrier, W. S. Jenne, Church Taber, A. Bryant, H. A. Bushnell, P. D. Goodrich, Rev. W. C. Robinson was granted supernumerary relations.

Dr. Bradford P. Raymond, president of Wesleyan University, Middletown, Conn., spoke on the work of the university, championing co-education and higher education. Rev. J. C. Beck, D. D., corresponding secretary of the missionary society, presented his talk on missions by pleasant allusions to Vermont, where he was educated, converted and taught for a time. Several visiting delegates were introduced to the conference, also the New Hampshire conference boundary committee.

The Fourth Day. BRADFORD, April 20.—The fourth day of the Methodist conference opened at 8:30 this morning with a devotional service led by Dr. L. B. Bates of Boston. Bishop Warren presided at the business session. Secretary Davenport read the report of Thursday's proceedings and it was accepted. Harvey Webster was made effective, H. E. Howard, D. C. Thatcher and Leonard Dods were changed from effective to supernumerary relations.

Rev. L. H. Elliott, secretary of the Vermont Bible Society, reported progress and urged regular Bible reading on Sundays. Col. Fortiers visited 11,000 families and found one in 15 without Bibles, while only 46 per cent of protestants attend church. L. P. Tucker reported for the committee on the constitution of Vermont conference domestic missionary society, and the report was adopted.

Miss Mary E. Lann, superintendent of the New England Deaconess Home of Boston, spoke on the great usefulness of the order among the foreign element in America and in foreign countries. Secretary George L. Story read a letter from Dr. W. N. Broadbeck, appealing for aid for the establishment of a hospital.

After a discussion on organizing a Conference Missionary society, the matter was tabled. Rev. J. W. Hamilton, D. D., who took the place of Dr. Hartzell as secretary of the Freedman's Aid and Southern Education society, addressed the conference on the great needs of the society.

The afternoon session opened at 2 o'clock. Mrs. Barrett of Bradford presiding. After Scriptural reading and prayer by Mary E. Lann of Boston, Mr. Harvey, the singing evangelist of Boston and Dr. Bates, his assistant, sang "Cast Thy Bread Upon the Waters." Miss Lann then spoke very interestingly on a deaconess work. During the evening a heavy thunder storm raged outside.

conference in New England. He closed by singing "The Battle Hymn of the Republic." The benediction was pronounced by H. W. Worthen.

The Woman's Home Missionary society held its annual meeting. The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. E. A. Barrett of Bradford; recording secretary, Mrs. J. T. Cochran; treasurer, E. C. Elmer of Cabot.

Dr. Bates held a children's service at the Congregational church and it was largely attended. This evening Dr. Bates conducted revival services, preaching from Acts iv, 31. Several hundred people attended and much interest was felt.

The Fifth Day. BRADFORD, April 22.—In the Vermont conference Saturday Bishop Warren presided and Secretary Davenport's report was accepted. Silas Van Meter was continued on trial, and Milo S. Eddy of Conway was admitted to the full membership. H. G. McLaughlin of Thetford was passed out of the studies of the third and fourth years, and W. H. Atkinson of Milton, C. M. Stebbins of Binghamville and George H. Wright of Barton Landing were continued in third year studies.

Under the 14th question W. M. Newton and J. W. Narramore of Union Village were elected deacons. Robert J. Christie of Waterbury Centre was passed in studies of the fourth year. News was received of the death of J. W. Beaman, one of the oldest members of the conference. Homer Eaton, D. D., of New York presented the claims of the Methodist Bible cause. Vermont's share of the dividend was \$994. E. H. Bartlett was granted supernumerary relations by request. Ex-Gov. Dillingham of Waterbury, president of the board of trustees of the Vermont Methodist seminary, presented the report of the seminary and its claim on the conference. The seminary had \$291,000, with interest of over \$4000 annually. The conference sent letters of sympathy to Mrs. J. W. Beaman, Peter Merrill and D. C. Thatcher. Bishop Warren spoke strongly for the cause of education. H. A. Spencer, financial agent of the seminary, raised \$3500. Mr. Spencer was re-appointed financial agent. Dr. Bates conducted an overflow meeting in the evening in the Congregational church.

This afternoon the anniversary of the Women's Foreign Missionary Society was held. Mrs. L. L. Beaman of Windsor presided. Last year \$2012 were raised. Miss Mary A. Danforth, missionary from Japan, spoke on the work there. At 2 o'clock memorial services were held. C. P. Taplin in the chair. Members were read for the pastors and the wives of pastors deceased during the past conference year. Dr. Bates, assisted by L. S. Harvey, conducted an overflow meeting at the Congregational church.

The evening session opened at 7 o'clock. J. A. Sherburne presiding, S. Hart, corresponding secretary of the Church Extension society, delivered the anniversary address and gave interesting statistics of its work. At the same time Dr. Bates and L. B. Harvey held an overflow revival meeting in the Congregational church, both meetings being largely attended. At the Methodist church, after an address by Bishop Warren, the members considered the subject of church extension, after which the conference went into session. H. A. Spencer for committee on education made the following nominations: General delegates to the Congregational State convention, the Vermont Epworth League, the Vermont Baptist church to the Baptist State convention, A. J. Hough; Free Baptist visiting meeting, A. H. Webb; visitors to literary institutions: Wesleyan university, L. Olin Sherburne; Women's college, Baltimore, R. L. Bruce, E. M. Smith; Boston university, W. S. Smith; Vermont Methodist seminary, A. J. Hough, H. H. Lane, W. J. Kidder, W. H. Hyde, Dennis Wells, Alonzo Hitchcock, Austin Scribner, W. D. Malcolm, J. W. Guernsey and these supernumerary preachers: W. H. Deane, A. H. Honsinger, E. S. Morse, C. P. Flanders, G. L. Wells, Isaac McAdon, L. B. Carrier, W. S. Jenne, Church Taber, A. Bryant, H. A. Bushnell, P. D. Goodrich, Rev. W. C. Robinson was granted supernumerary relations.

Sunday Songs and Sermons.

BRADFORD, April 22.—The sixth day of the 50th annual session of the Methodist conference opened at 9 o'clock this morning with a love feast, L. L. Beaman presiding. After singing and a prayer by Dr. Bates of Boston 169 testimonies were given. At 10:30 Bishop Warren ordained as deacons Milo F. Eddy, Joseph A. Narramore and William S. Fargo and a charge to Keep It Holy" was sung and an impressive prayer was given by Bishop L. B. Harvey of Boston, followed by a solo "Fear Not, I am with Thee." Scripture reading from first and second Ephesians, and singing by the choir "Oh, How the Thought of God Attacks." The bishop preached, his text being from Ephesians III, 14. He said in effect: The Bible has the first and loftiest ideals for man. We must be enlarged to attain heaven. We must be strengthened by prayer, faith and love, that we may be filled with all the fullness of God. If we are not led by love, then our living is in vain. Be strong in mind, body and devotion to God's lofty ideal. It is just as much and sometimes more a man's duty to master new books as to attend prayer meeting. If you want to grow abundantly in faith set yourself to do things you can not do in your own strength. After a prayer of the congregation sang "Celestial Goodness."

At the same hour in the Congregational church Dr. Manly S. Hard of Philadelphia spoke to a large congregation. At 3 p. m. a prayer meeting was held, led by P. M. Granger. Horace G. McLaughlin was elected and ordained an elder by Bishop Warren, after which Mr. Harvey sang "While the Years are Rolling On," and Dr. L. B. Bates, D. D., of Boston, who for 15 years was a pastor of the Seaman's Bethel, and is now a missionary to sailors, spoke from Luke X, 20, "Rejoice because your names are written in heaven." A revival service followed. At 5 p. m. Dr. Bates held a well attended children's meeting at the Congregational church.

At the evening session in the Methodist church a praise service was led by S. B. Harvey. Dr. Bates delivered a strong address from the text: "Jesus came into the world to save sinners." During his discourse he said: "Parishes demand preachers who can lead sinners to Christ and they must walk in the light. Christ came to save sinners, not only for pardon, but for the fullness of his love, which is the triumph of the gospel."

The address was followed by a revival service at the Congregational church. A. J. Hough presided. All the meetings were well attended, the church being packed.

Closing Meeting. BRADFORD, April 23.—The closing meeting of the 50th annual session of the Vermont Methodist conference opened at 8 o'clock this morning, several hundred filling the church to listen to the most impressive feature of the convention, Bishop Henry W. Warren's address on "Verbal felicities and necessities of the Bible." The Bible has a critical elegance of expression, and the high-

est incentive to poetry is gained from the Bible. Question four was taken up by W. H. White, W. E. Atwater, A. A. Estabrook, W. M. Newton, Ralph Glueker, S. H. Smith, were received on trial. Question five was taken up and James H. Wills, George E. Denel, William J. McNeil, John A. Dixon, J. W. Narramore, S. G. Lewis, George H. Rogers, Marcus B. Parsonnagat, were continued on trial. Secretary L. L. Beaman of the missionary committee, reported \$1,350 to be appropriated to mission stations. P. N. Grange reported \$2,900 from the Clark will fund for distribution to beneficiaries.

Treasurer Charles F. Partridge reported offerings for missionary and other benevolent purposes from Montpelier district of \$24.79, from St. Albans district \$52.29, from St. Johnsbury district \$52.72; total, \$142.79, \$91 less than last year. Bishop Warren congratulated the conference for so well holding its own. Reports were given by committees on literature, Sabbath observance and the Bible cause. The following were elected a board of examination: H. A. Spencer, Robert J. Christie, W. C. Johnson, George Howe, R. L. Nanton, W. L. Lewis, E. E. Reynolds; delegates to Neal Dow's ninetieth birthday temporary congress, George L. Story, O. D. Clapp, W. R. Davenport, H. F. Reynolds, P. N. Granger, Dr. Manly S. Hard spoke on church extension. Statistical Secretary W. S. Smith reported the total probationers 1389; full membership, 11,506; local preachers, 62; number of deaths, 255; children baptised, 129; adults, 547; number of Sunday schools, 1734; Sunday school teachers, 2639; scholars, 13,289; churches, 136 2/3; value, \$188,350; parsonages, 15, value, \$135,400; improvement to buildings, \$16,747; paid on indebtedness, \$1,534; present indebtedness, \$102 1/4; house rent, \$1946; support of pressing orders, \$4226; support of bishops, \$750; church expenses, \$8724; Sunday school expenses, \$1024; increase in pastors' salaries and rents, \$5441. The bishop said there were no hard times in Vermont when they increased pastors' salaries in a panic. A committee of nine was appointed for a board of deaconesses. The committee of the Historical society was re-elected. A. L. Cooper, A. B. Truax and N. Granger were re-elected trustees of the Vermont Methodist seminary. Resolutions of thanks were offered the people of Bradford and Bishop Warren. Pleading the appointments, the bishop impressed the idea of self-sacrifice and obedience. The Methodist was the 11th denomination started in America. Since that time the other members are Methodists; a marvelous growth from a small beginning.

The Appearances. Montpelier district, L. L. Beaman, presiding elder. Athens, George H. Bolster; Barnard and East Barnard, supplied by A. C. Fuller; Bellows Falls, J. W. Narramore; Bondville, supplied by S. H. Tucker; Bradford, L. P. Tucker; Brattleboro, A. J. Hough; Brownsville, H. G. McLaughlin; Chelsea, H. E. Forest; Corinth corners, supplied by E. T. Hutchins; Cuttingsville, supplied by F. D. Handy; Gayville and Bethel Lympus, C. W. Morse; Granville and Hancock, supplied by Z. B. Wheeler; Hartland and North Hartland, supplied by L. C. Greeley; Jacksonville and Sadanga, supplied by E. T. Hutchins; Lyndonville, C. N. Krook; Ludlow, A. E. Atwater; Mechanicsville, F. D. Handy; Montpelier, A. H. Webb; North field and Goldville, Sylvester Donaldson; Ocleot, A. A. Estabrook; Perkinsville, to be supplied; Pittsfield and Stockbridge, G. A. Emery; Proctorsville, supplied by William L. Joseph; Quebec, supplied by Joseph E. Dively; Putney, supplied by E. W. Sherris; Randolph, C. F. Partridge; Rochester, W. H. Wright; South Londonderry, supplied by George H. Sisson; South Reading, N. B. Parsonnagat; South Royalton, F. H. Roberts; South Tisbury, supplied by F. H. Roberts; Springfield, L. P. Tucker; Stafford Center and North Tisbury, W. H. White; Union village, W. A. Evans; Wardsworth, George H. Rogers; West Berlin, supplied by S. L. Putnam; West Fairlee and Coppelfield, supplied by E. H. Bartlett; West Randolph and Bethel Glend, W. M. Roberts; Weston, supplied by C. N. Krook; White River Junction, Elihu Snow; Williamsville, supplied by H. B. Edwards; Highgate, supplied by A. B. Riggs; Isle La Motte, to be supplied; Johnson, Hyde Park and Waterville, W. H. Stanley; Middlesex, supplied by O. L. Barnard; Milton, R. J. Christie; Moretown and Duxbury, S. C. Vail; Montgomery, supplied by J. Q. Angell; Morrisville, R. L. Nanton; North Ferrisburgh, supplied by H. B. Edwards; North Hero, supplied by Richard J. H. Wallace; St. Albans, R. L. Bruce; St. Albans Bay, supplied by W. H. Hyde; Sheldon, Clarke Weidgworth; Stowe, H. W. Worthen; Swanton, E. E. Reynolds; Underhill, H. F. Reynolds; Watfield and Kayston, W. E. Douglass; Warren, to be supplied; Waterbury, W. M. Newton; Waterbury Centre, M. S. Eddy; West Berkshire, East and South Franklin, W. H. Atkinson; West Enosburgh, supplied by J. E. Bowen; Westford, to be supplied; Wolcott, C. M. Stebbins; Worcester, G. E. Deuel.

St. Johnsbury district, Joseph Hamilton, presiding elder. Albany, J. S. Allen; Barre, W. R. Davenport; Barton, F. W. Lewis; Barton Landing, George H. Wright; Bloomfield, supplied; Cabot, J. A. Dixon; Canaan, J. L. Wesley; Coventry, supplied by J. M. Stephens; Craftsbury, W. E. Allen; Danville and West Danville, F. E. Currier; Derby, F. T. Dechy; West Burke and East Haven, C. F. Taplin; East Charleston, supplied by E. H. Snelling; Evansville and Brownington, supplied by O. E. Newton; Glover and West Glover, John McDonald; Groton, O. M. Bottwell; Guildhall, supplied by D. C. Howard; Greensboro and Starksboro, M. H. Smith; Hartwick, W. S. Smith; Holland and Morgan, J. T. Haxendale; Irasburgh, A. G. Austin; Island Ford, George O. Howe; Jay, supplied by G. W. McDonald; Lunenburg and East Concord, supplied by H. H. Tucker; Lyndon and Lyndonville, W. C. Johnson; Marshfield, S. G. Lewis; Newbury, J. S. Tupper; Newport, A. L. Cooper; East North Ferrisburgh, supplied by R. C. Vail; Peacham, supplied by M. H. Ryan; Plainfield, J. E. Farrow; South Albany, Ralph Glueker; South Barre, J. A. Snerburne; St. Johnsbury, Thomas Tyrie; St. Johnsbury Centre and East Lyndon, I. P. Chase; Shelburne and Wheelock, supplied by A. G. Armstrong;

Topsiam and East Corinth, Thomas Trevillan; Victory, supplied by J. E. Knowles; Waits River, West Topsiam and East Orange, supplied; Walden and South Walden, Silas Van DeCar; West Burke and Newark, Pliny N. Granger; West Concord, A. Gregory; Westfield and Lowell, James E. Knapp; Williamstown and Brookfield, J. O. Sierburne; West Groton, supplied by E. T. Hutchins; Woodbury, supplied by N. A. Ross.

REPUBLICAN STATE CONVENTION

To be held at Montpelier June 20th - G. M. Powers Chosen Chairman.

The Republican State committee met in this city Wednesday the 18th. Ten of the 14 members of the committee were present. They were: Charles E. Welling, North Bennington; Hamilton S. Peck, Burlington; G. E. Clarke, Island Pond; Olin Merrill, Enosburgh Falls; R. H. Hathaway, North Hero; Philip K. Glead, Morrisville; Frederick W. Baldwin, Barton; George E. Lawrence, Rutland; James W. Brock, Montpelier; H. D. Holton, Brattleboro; J. C. Stevens of Bradford, Col. M. K. Paine of Windsor, T. M. Chapman of Middlebury and A. F. Stone of St. Johnsbury were the absent members.

Col. J. H. Goulding of Brattleboro, private secretary of Gov. Fuller, who was in the city, attended the meeting by invitation. The meeting was held in the parlors of the Van Ness, Chairman Redwin presiding and Judge Peck presiding. The proceedings of the convention were unanimously selected as the place and Wednesday, June 20, as the time for holding the next state convention. Some of the committee, including Dr. Holton of Brattleboro, thought a late convention and short canvass would bring the greatest result, but after full discussion all concurred that the date fixed upon will best accommodate the farmers. It was voted to recommend that the canvasses for the choosing of delegates behold the Saturday preceding the day of the convention.

On the suggestion of Hon. P. K. Glead the committee agreed unanimously to invite Mr. George M. Powers of Morrisville to be chairman of the convention, and it was decided to confer upon Hon. Kittridge Haskins of Brattleboro, the chairmanship of the committee on resolutions. The matter of securing some distinguished republican to address the convention was brought up by Mr. Merrill and discussed, and while a man of wide reputation and high distinction was sought it was thought best not to fix its name public until he had been communicated with and his acceptance received. The committee know that it has been the custom to have a noted speaker address the republicans on such occasions, and in this they may rest assured that they will not be disappointed this year.

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Dress Goods Department. Full line of wash goods, such as Percales, Ginghams, Ducks, Satines, etc., etc., at 12 1/2 cents per yard.

27-inch Wool Challies, dark grounds with colored figures, 25 cents per yard.

Scotch Chalmers in pink and light blue, 20 cents per yard.

French Satines in pretty designs, Our price 21 cents per yard.

38-inch All-wool Serges in a full line of plain colors, 39 cents per yard.

46-inch all-wool Serge in a full line of plain colors, also black, 50 cents per yard.

42-inch silk and wool mixed goods, 50 cents per yard.

42-inch Debeiges in fancy weaves and delicate colors, 75 cents per yard.

Ladies' Cloth in tan, navy blue and black, 45 and 75 cents per yard.

Broadcloth in a full line of colors, \$1.00 and \$1.35 per yard.

Cloak Department. Our success in this department this season has been remarkable. The values given are what make the trade.

We have been informed by customers that our wool suits at \$5.00 are the best value in the city. The best is the thing you want.

In Children's and Misses' Garments our assortment is very large, all styles and prices in this line, from the plain reefers at \$1.50 to finely trimmed styles at \$12.50 each.

Ladies' Capes and Jackets, all styles and prices.

Underwear and Hosiery. Jersey and Balbrigan Underwear for Gents, Ladies and Children. Also a full line of Cotton Hosiery.

John W. McAuslan Burlington, Vt.