STATE TEACHERS GATHER IN FORCE FOR CONVENTION

Rutland Welcomes Large Number of Visitors to the 66th Annual Meeting—The Day's Program.

Rutland, Oct. 28.—The 66th annual convention of the Vermont State Teachers' association opened at the Shrine theatre in this city this afternoon at two o'clock and the pouring in of the school ma'ms by train, by trolley car and by automobile indicates that the attendance will fully reach expectations. The convention got down to business at once, five speakers appearing either in brief talks or addresses. With sessions in the theatre, the industrial exposition at the fair grounds, the book companies' exhibits in the high school and the collection of art work of Vermont schools in the Dana building to visit, besides attending social functions, the teachers will have a busy three days, the convention coming to a close Saturday noon.

Miss Caroline S. Woodruff of St. Johnsbury, president of the Vermont State Teachers' association, presided this afternoon and gave her address. She traced the development of the educational system of Vermont, speaking particularly of the excellent results obtained through compulsory expert supervision. She called attention to the demand for trained teachers, pointing out that it was necessary for the teacher to keep pace with the progress of the system. Her subject was "The Call of the School." While there was much said about the "Call of the Hills" and many other calls, the call of the schoolroom, she said, was one which is annually attracting many thousands of the best young men and women in whose heart there is a responding note, making them realize the importance of a calling which places the moulding of future citizens in their hands.

Commissioner of Education Mason S. Stone of Montpelier, who followed Miss Woodruff, also traced the history of the educational system of Vermont, pointing out more particularly what has been accomplished the last year. He said that in making school attendance compulsory the State guarantees the child shall be properly educated. It is one of the duties of the teacher to see that this duty is performed. Mr. Stone assured the teachers that they have the confidence of the State board of education.

He said:

"Never before were conditions more favorable and never before were prospects brighter for the establishment of a great and worthy system, a system that shall be adapted to Vermont conditions, a system that will establish an equality of educational advantages, a system that will meet the needs and natures of the pupils, a system that not only will vocationalize, industrialize and energize the boys and girls, but a system that will socialize, culturize and spiritualize them, a system that not only will produce a reading, thinking, serving and producing class of men and women, but a system that will make them deep-souled, full-orbed, far-visioned and high-minded.

Governor C. W. Gates spoke a few words of greeting to the teachers. There was also an address by James Hartness of Springfield, chairman of the State board of education, who urged the teachers to use the time of the convention in a constructive effort to inspire each other and not to use their energies in criticism. It needs pulling together to achieve the mighty task of the teachers.

Dr. Alvin E. Dodd of New York, secretary of the National Society for Promotion of Industrial Education, addressed the convention on "A Conservation of Human Resources."

The exhibit of art work from schools of the State is especially large, the following schools being represented:

Montpelier, courses in drawing showing the work by grades, week by week; Barre, drawing of various kinds; Brattleboro, drawing, sewing and woodwork; Rutland, drawing from first grade to high school; Bellows Falls, especially strong in original work; St. Johnsbury, drawings from nature a specialty; Fair Haven, drawing and sewing; Burlington, large general exhibit; Montpelier Seminary, oil paintings, water colors and charcoal sketches; Woodstock, paper construction work, basketry and drawing.

The Mill village school has an attractive exhibit representing an Indian village "where lived Hiawatha." Other smaller schools exhibiting are: Enosburg, Sheldon, town of Rutland, Richford, Berkshire, Proctor, especially strong in mechanical drawing, Ryegate, Groton, Caledonia, Chittenden.

JERSEY BREEDERS MEET.

George T. Chaffee of Rutland Elected President of Association.

Rutland, Oct. 28.—George T. Chaffee of Rutland, a member of the State board of agriculture, was elected president of the Vermont Jersey Breeders' association at the annual meeting here to-day. An address was made by E. S. Brigham of St. Albans, State cattle commissioner, on "Community Breeding of Jerseys." The following officers were elected: President, Mr. Chaffee; vice-president, H. M. Lee of Windsor; secretary, W. H. Harrington of West Hartford; treasurer, Ralph Denio of Bristol; executive committee, Frank D. White of Rutland, F. L. Davis of Hartford and E. S. Brigham of St. Albans. The secretary reported he had sent out over 500 cards but he had received thus far but 100 replies which entitled the breeder to membership in the Breeders' club.

CROSS-STATE ROAD.

Representative Men Consider Improvement of Brattleboro-Bennington Road.

Brattleboro, Oct. 29.—What Secretary James P. Taylor of the Greater Vermont association characterized as something new was a gathering in the Brooks house this afternoon of 214 representative men of the Bellows Falls chamber of commerce and the boards of trade of Bennington and Wilmington for the avowed purpose of having the cross-State road between Brattleboro and Bennington improved.

State Highway Commissioner Stoddard B. Bates of Derby was the principal speaker. He said that with a little effort on the part of the towns interested with help by the State the worst of the road could be eliminated. He promised that if the towns would raise money he would give every cent from the State fund that he could conscientiously. Other speakers included President F. H. Babbitt of the Greater Vermont association, Secretary Taylor, President W. H. Nichols of the Bennington board of trade and Secretary E. E. Harris of that organization, Frank E. Howe of Bennington, Charles N. Ware of Wilmington and President Horton Walker of the Brattleboro board of trade. There were 93 from Bennington, 56 from Wilmington, and 65 from Bellows Falls and all made the trip, without accident, in automobiles.

CONSIDER PREPAREDNESS.

St. Albans to Have Class in Instruction in Military Matters.

St. Albans, Oct. 29.—At a smoke talk on military preparedness held at the armory this evening by the St. Albans Business and Professional Men's association, the committee appointed at the recent meeting to investigate the advisability of organizing a class in military instruction presented a favorable report. The committee consisted of Adjt.-Gen. Lee S. Tillotson, John T. Cushing and Dr. Alan Davidson.

It was voted that instruction in military matters be continued in an educational way and that possibly later a practical course of instructions will be taken up. Papers will be circulated to determine how many desire to join the class.

Congressman Frank L. Greene of this city and Colonel Joseph T. Dickman, commanding officer at Fort Ethan Allen, were guests at the meeting.

COOKING CONTEST.

Vermont Boys and Girls Furnish Entertainment at Industrial Exposition.

Rutland, Oct. 29.—The Vermont Boys' and Girls' Industrial and Agricultural exposition which has been in progress here all of the week closed this evening with no let up in the enthusiasm of the young people who have been at work five days on the demonstrations and exhibits. Interest was stimulated to-day by a contest in cooking in which boys vied with the girls in producing the best results.

Principal A. G. Fletcher of Orleans agricultural high school conducted a conference on agriculture to-day. There was one on industrial training by E. E. Parlin of Bennington and one on home economics under the direction of Miss Jessie M. Cobb of Jeffersonville. The Vermont Industrial School band of Vergennes was heard again. E. L. Ingalls of the boys' and girls' department of the State Extension Service gave a motion picture exhibition, including photographs taken at the 1914 exhibition at Windsor.

TALAS GUILTY OF MURDER.

New York, Oct. 29.—Onnie Talas, a youthful houseboy, was found guilty of murder in the first degree to-night by a jury for complicity in the murder of his wealthy employer, Mrs. Elizabeth R. Nichols, who met death in her home several weeks ago at the hands of men who robbed her of many thousand dollars' worth of jewelry.

EXPOSITION SEEN BY SENATOR PAGE AND GOV. GATES

Several Prominent Officials of Nation, State and University View Handiwork of Vermont Children.

Rutland, Oct. 28.—Gov. Charles W. Gates visited the Vermont Boys' and Girls' Industrial and Agricultural exposition here to-day. The Governor has been on seven programs in as many different places this week. He has had to refuse some of the requests for his attendance, he said in his remarks to the young people, because of business pressure, but he made a special effort to attend the exposition to-day. He says that he believes in exerting energy in a direction where it will do some good. There will be no great change in people of middle age within the next 25 years but this is not the case with boys and girls. They are to be our future citizens and they need all the encouragement that can be given them. Governor Gates expressed great interest in the exhibits of handiwork of young people as did his daughter, Miss Edith R. Gates, who accompanied him to this city.

Another visitor who brought encouragement and compliments to the young Vermonters holding the exposition to-day was United States Senator Carroll S. Page. He explained the original vocational bill introduced by him in Congress; impressed upon the boys and girls the importance of remaining in school at least two years after the grammar school is completed; touched upon the economic importance of educating our farmers, of doing away with agricultural waste and advised "hitching up" the farmers' boys and girls with the fathers and mothers on the farms. He said good citizenship is a force in national defense.

This was a day of visits from notables at the exposition, others who were present being Commissioner of Education Mason S. Stone of Montpelier, James Hartness of Springfield, chairman of the State educational board, Commissioner of Agriculture E. S. Brigham of St. Albans, President Guy Potter Benton of the University of Vermont, Prof. J. Adams Puffer of Boston, director of the Beacon Vocational Bureau, Prof. George E. Farrell of the United States department of agriculture, Dr. J. L. Hills of the University of Vermont and Professor Thomas Bradlee of the Vermont extension service.

The exposition closes to-morrow evening.

MUDGUARDS.

Writing in The Autocar, an English publication, an English motorist seriously advises his kind who contemplate visiting America to provide themselves with dictionaries so that they may be able to understand the natives. As instances of outre Americanisms, he cites that Americans say they want to examine the "gasoline line" when they mean the "petrol tank." When we complain that the car "only hits on three" we imply that it is "possible only to make it fire on three cylinders." We further confuse this critic when we say "hood" instead of "bonnet." "Mudguards" should be called "scuttle dashes," and to use "cement" instead of "tyre solution" is also wrong.

FOUNTAIN PENS AT FREE PRESS.

MONEY AND NOT MEN WILL DECIDE THE GREAT WAR

Declares Dr. Green of American Peace League before Vermont Teachers at Rutland.

Rutland, Oct. 29.—That money, the last billion dollars the world has to spend, not the immense armies, will decide the present European war and bring peace, was the significant statement made before the Vermont State Teachers' convention at their second day's session here to-day by Dr. Thomas E. Green of Chicago, vice-president of the American Peace League, who was the principal speaker of the day. He gave a comprehensive review of the war and told a good many things that the average person does not know. Answering the question "Who Pays?" which was his topic, he said that the entire world and not any particular country would suffer greatly as a result of the conflict. Mr. Green's address was a stirring appeal for peace.

The convention also listened to an address to-day by Mrs. Dorothy Canfield Fisher of Arlington, the well known writer of Vermont stories. She told of the success of an outdoor school at Buffalo, N. Y., in which the pupils are taught many things besides the three "R's," including a sense of responsibility and when they go to other towns these pupils are found to be a year ahead of others of the same age.

The entire morning was given up to-day to department conferences, a number of educators of prominence taking part. Those on the list included: Prof. Isaac Thomas of Rutland, Prof. J. F. Messenger of Burlington, Principal Gardner Boyle of South Ryegate; Supt. W. H. Young of St. Johnsbury, Supt. S. C. Hutchinson of Montpelier, Dr. Charles H. Farnsworth of Columbia University, Arthur W. Hewitt of Plainfield, Dr. Fred W. Sears of Burlington, Miss Lillian Poor of Boston, Miss Ruth Farr of Proctor, Miss Ella M. Brownell of St. Johnsbury, Miss Josephine Hovey of Barre, Miss Emma Elliott of Johnson and Miss Bessie Salmon of Boston.

Following a conference on music with Dr. Farnsworth there was a meeting of 40 persons when an organization to be known as the Vermont Music Teachers' association was formed. These officers were elected: President, Miss Ella M. Brownell of St. Johnsbury; vice-president, C. V. H. Coan of Rutland; secretary, Miss Josephine Hovey of Barre; treasurer, Miss Margaret H. Ross of Rutland; executive committee, Charles E. Wood of Springfield, Miss Adelia A. Estabrook of White River Junction, Miss Lucy A. Proctor of Brattleboro, Miss Beryl Harrington of Burlington and Miss Emma Elliott of Johnson were appointed a committee by the president to prepare a constitution to be approved temporarily by the executive committee and to be submitted to the society at its meeting next year.

Officials of the State normal school at Castleton held a reception for teachers at the Shrine theatre to-day and at its close about 200 alumnae dined together at the Bardwell.

The convention will close to-morrow at noon. The attendance exceeded 1,200 to-day.

WOMAN GETS $4,098

Jury Favors Woman Who Sues Man for 17 Years' Service and Breach of Promise.

Brattleboro, Oct. 29.—After six hours' deliberation, the jury which has been since Monday hearing the suit of Ethel E. Cutler of Keene, N. H., against Merton A. Doolittle of Brattleboro for services for 17 years and breach of promise brought in a verdict in county court this evening of $4,098 for services. They allowed nothing for breach of promise. Her suit for services was for $9,000 with an additional claim for breach of promise. They had lived together for 17 years and she had access to his bank account and cash.

KING GEORGE INJURED.

Thrown from His Horse while Inspecting Army in Field.

London, Oct. 29.—The following official announcement was made to-day:

"While the King this morning (Thursday) was inspecting his army in the field his horse, excited by the cheers of the troops, reared up and fell. The King was severely bruised and will be confined to bed for the present.

"A later bulletin says the King had a fair night."

60 CARNEGIE MEDALS.

As Many Deeds of Heroism Recognized—Nine Pensions Granted.

Pittsburgh, Pa., October 29.—Sixty acts of heroism were recognized by the Carnegie Hero Fund Commission in the awards that were announced at the fall meeting of the commission here to-day. In eight cases silver medals were awarded, and in fifty-two cases, bronze medals.

Nine of the heroes lost their lives, and to the dependents of six of these, pensions aggregating $2,520 a year were granted; to the dependents of one of these and of three others who lost their lives, sums totaling $2,165, to be applied, subject to the direction of the commission, in various ways, were granted. In addition to these money grants, in six cases sums aggregating $11,000 were appropriated for educational purposes, payments to be made as needed and approved; and in forty cases awards aggregating $28,500 were made to be applied toward the purchase of homes and to other worthy purposes. Payments in these cases will not be made until the beneficiary's plans for the use of the award have been approved by the commission.

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Darling of Burlington represented the defendant. As Real was operating on Marcette's farm an ensilage cutter which he (Real) had improvised from an old straw cutter, his right hand was drawn into the knives and cut off and his right arm was broken above the wrist. He sought damages, charging that the defendant was negligent in not furnishing a cutter with proper safety devices.

The case of State vs. Elwin J. Courser of Richford for alleged criminal assault on Miss Ora Cheney of Richford was next taken up. State's Attorney S. S. Cushing is prosecuting and C. G. Austin of this city and A. B. Rowley of Richford appear for the respondent. Some time was occupied in empanelling a jury and Miss Cheney, the first witness called by the State, was on the stand during the remainder of the morning and until a late hour this afternoon.

Washington County Court.

Montpelier, Oct. 28.—Artisto Spinelli and Francesco Balconi, both of Barre, pleaded guilty through their attorneys in Washington county court this morning to breach of peace charges, their pleas being made after the jury had returned a verdict of guilty in the case of State vs. Eugene Galfetti. Sentence in each case was deferred. The Spinelli case was to have been taken up for trial this morning and the unexpected plea of guilty left the court without any case to be tried. The next case listed is that of State vs. Raffaele Mastriani, charged with impeding an officer.

A capias was served to-day on B. Giovannegell of Northfield, an information filed by State's Attorney Gleason charging that the respondent carried concealed weapons on June 27, 1915, with intent to do injury to Nazarino Pelaggi of Northfield. Bail was fixed at $1,000, which he was unable to furnish. The case will be tried at this term of court.

PETITIONS IN BANKRUPTCY.

Rutland, Oct. 31.—An involuntary petition in bankruptcy has been filed in the office of Clerk F. S. Platt of the United States court against Clive G. and Cleon W. Seaver, who do business in North Troy under the firm name of C. W. & C. G. Seaver. A voluntary petition has been filed by George Karkanides of Montpelier, a fruit dealer, Albert A. Sargent being his attorney. The 41 creditors include the following: Champlain Valley Fruit company, Burlington, $187.75; Arbuckle & Co., Burlington, $6.25; Vermont Fruit company, Burlington, $30. His total liabilities are $1,861.06 and he has assets of $1,320, of which $230 is claimed exempt.

AN INDUSTRIAL NOTE.

"Jist listen, Hiram Tailgrass, to this here piece in the paper, will ye?" excitedly exclaimed Ma Tailgrass. "It says as how old Deacon Medder's boy, Jim, what went ter the city tew years ago, has just got tew thousand dollars fer a new serial!"

"By heck!" answered Hiram. "I knowed Jim wuz buyin' up secondhand mattresses when he fust went ter the city, but I'll be hanged if I ever thought he wuz goin' ter make breakfast food outen them!"—Judge.

SURGEON'S KNIFE ON J. P. MORGAN FOR APPENDICITIS

New York, Oct. 29.—J. P. Morgan, who has been at his desk a little over two months since recovering from bullet wounds inflicted by Erich Muenter, the mad professor of languages, who attempted to take his life last July, is again confined to his bed and under the care of specialists, this time from an attack of appendicitis.

Mr. Morgan went under the knife today in an operation which three attendant specialists afterwards referred to as successful in every way. The appendix was removed at noon by Drs. Markoe, Lyle and Smith and the official bulletin issued by them shortly thereafter, said that Mr. Morgan was resting comfortably. Continued progress was reported, unofficially, during the afternoon.

The attack of appendicitis was mild in character it was said and was in no way attributed to the assault by Muenter. Apparently the financier has fully recovered from the effects of the two bullet wounds he sustained then. His general health, his doctors said, was so excellent that his prompt recovery from the operation of to-day was confidentally expected.

St. Johnsbury Wedding.

St. Johnsbury, Oct. 28.—Charles W. H. Hoyt, son of Mrs. Tessa M. Hoyt, and Miss Helen Margaret Bailey, daughter of Mrs. Flora Bailey, both of St. Johnsbury, were married at St. Aloysius' Catholic Church this morning. The Rev. Joseph W. Dwyer performed the wedding ceremony in the presence of a large gathering of friends and relatives. Miss Lillian Ryan played the wedding music and the ushers were S. A. Moore and James Cosgrove. Miss Bailey was married in a brown traveling suit and her bridesmaid, Mrs. S. A. Moore, wore gray crepe de chine. Albert Riley, a friend of the groom, was best man. Mr. Hoyt is a civil engineer in the employ of the Boston & Maine railroad and his wife has for some time been engaged in public stenography and has also worked in the Merchants' National bank of this place. After a short wedding trip, they will make their home in St. Johnsbury.

Charged with Theft of Beans.

St. Albans, Oct. 28.—Chief of Police J. F. Mahoney and Deputy Sheriff L. P. Martin placed under arrest this morning Frank Larow and John Lowell on the charge of burglarizing the storehouse of the Green Mountain Packing company and taking several cases of beans. It is alleged that E. S. Walker, manager for the company, caught the men taking some cans of beans yesterday afternoon. After they had returned the goods they were released. This morning several cases of beans were missing from the storehouse. Forty cans were found at the home of John Scanlon, eight at the backdoor at the home of Scanlon's mother, Mrs. Nelson Arpan, two at the home of "Babe" Brace and 15 at the store of Frank Mosher on Spruce street. It is said that Cain Larow and Mrs. Arthur Manor sold the beans to Mosher.

Scanlon and Cain Larow are under arrest on the charge of receiving stolen goods.

VERMONTER ELECTED.

Manchester, N. H., Oct. 28.—The annual convention of the Tri-State Master Bakers' association, held in this city to-day, elected L. M. Scott of St. Johnsbury, Vt., as president and chose C. G. West of White River Junction, Vt., the retiring president, a member of the executive committee.

ALL STEEL MILLS WORK NIGHT AND DAY TO CAPACITY

Activity of the Iron and Steel Trade in United States since July Is without Precedent.

New York, Oct. 28.—So great has been the sudden and general revival in the iron and steel trade of the United States, it was said by authorities to-day, that with virtually every blast furnace and steel mill in the country working night and day to capacity, the demand for iron, steel and steel products cannot be satisfied and it is to-day almost impossible to buy, for immedate delivery, any pig iron, any scrap or any ingots in sizable quantities at any industrial plant in the country.

The revival began about the first of last July has been coming on rapidly, with a deluge of orders since the middle of August, and may not yet have reached its high mark. Within three months, the price of pig iron, long regarded as the barometer of trade, has increased approximately 25 per cent. and that of steel and steel products—except steel rails—has gone up about fifteen per cent.

"At the present time the demand for pig iron and for the various lines of steel is in excess of the producing capacity of the furnaces and mills of the United States," reads a statement issued to-day by Judge Elbert H. Gary, chairman of the United States Steel corporation. "The manufacturers are unable to make deliveries entirely satisfactory to the purchasers with respect to a large majority of the different kinds of finished steel. There is nothing to indicate that there will be a decrease in the demand for any of these products for some time.

"Of course, these very satisfactory conditions are more or less affected by the war business, so-called, yet it is undoubtedly true that there is a better feeling throughout the general iron and steel trade than has been experienced for some years past."

Experts who have followed the rising fortunes of iron and steel within the past 12 months asserted to-day that the volume of business, both domestic and foreign, at present is more than double what it was a year ago and that there are to-day 175,000 men employed at iron and steel plants throughout the United States who were not on the payrolls a year ago. This is about 50 per cent. increase.

The fires have been lighted in virtually every blast furnace in the United States. In the case of the Steel corporation the last remaining idle furnace, at Columbus, Ohio, is now being put into operation.

To find a parallel for the greater activity in the iron and steel trade, it was said to-day, it was necessary to go back eight years, to the middle of 1907.

Steel and iron products are rolling out of the mills to-day at the rate of 50,000,000 tons a year, it is conservatively estimated, and iron is being manufactured at the rate of 40,000,000 tons.

INVESTIGATE PARMELEE DEATH

Public Service Commission Holds Hearing on Accidental Death of St. Albans Boy.

St. Albans, Oct. 31.—The hearing begun in this city yesterday afternoon before the Vermont public service commission on the death of Clayton E. Parmelee, the 14-year-old son of Alderman and Mrs. A. A. Parmelee, was adjourned late in the afternoon subject to the call of the commission on account of the necessity of the presence of important additional witnesses. After adjournment of the hearing the commission visited the scene of the accident.

All the members of the board were present yesterday, viz., Robert C. Bacon of Brattleboro, chairman, W. R. Warner of Vergennes and Park H. Pollard of Proctorsville; also Neil C. Clawson of Brattleboro, clerk.

It will be recalled that the body of young Parmelee was found Wednesday evening, October 20, at the corner of Smith and Congress streets under circumstances suggesting that death was caused by electrocution as the result of his coming in contact with part of the apparatus used in connection with an arc lamp which lights the corner.

Six witnesses were examined yesterday as follows: Edward F. Smith, by whom the body was found; Fire Chief F. J. Guerin and Chief of Police J. F. Mahoney, who went to the scene of the accident the night of its occurrence; A. W. Peterson, superintendent of Vermont Power & Manufacturing company; W. D. Heald, liveryman, who went to the scene with the ambulance, and George Bugbee, a lineman in the employ of the Franklin County Telephone company.

State's Attorney S. S. Cushing represented the State at the hearing, Warren R. Austin the Power company, A. A. Parmelee appeared pro se, and City Attorney Roswell M. Austin represented the city.

The report on the autopsy performed by Dr. C. F. Whitney of Burlington of the State board of health, received by States' Attorney Cushing, sets forth that death "in all probability was caused by electrocution."

KILLED BY TRACTOR ENGINE

Ralph H. Smith, Charlotte Farmer, Never Regained Consciousness after Terrible Injuries.

Charlotte, Oct. 31.—Ralph H. Smith, aged 46 years, a prominent farmer, died shortly after 11 o'clock to-night from injuries received early last evening when caught in the machinery of his tractor engine.

Mr. Smith went out early last evening to see if the lights on his engine would work. In oiling the machinery his coat became caught, a strong wind blowing, and he was whirled about with terrific force until a wheel broke, releasing his body. Over an hour later his unconscious form was found by John Dudley, who was on his way home from the village. Mr. Smith suffered internal injuries, one leg and three ribs were broken, and one arm was nearly torn from its socket. He never regained consciousness.

Besides his wife, Mr. Smith leaves one daughter, Miss Winnifred H. Smith, who attends Burlington high school; five sisters, Mrs. C. H. Keese of Middlebury, Miss Mary Smith of Northampton, Mass., Miss Catherine R. Smith of New York, Mrs. George F. Leavenworth of Atlanta, Ga., and Mrs. W. H. McNeil of Charlotte; and one brother, F. B. Smith of Charlotte.

TURN OF THE HUMAN TIDE

In Ten Months More People Have Left America Than Entered It.

What will be the effect of the European war on immigration? This is a question of portentous interest; a question far more important, in fact, than the effect of the war upon trade and commerce, for the life of America is being profoundly influenced by the alien blood and alien traditions which, in recent years, have come in increasing volume from the Slavic and Latin countries of the south of Europe rather than from the Anglo-Saxon and Teutonic countries of the north. Already in many of the industrial cities to the east of the Mississippi and north of the Ohio rivers, the foreign-born population and the children of foreign-born amount to 75 per cent. of the total, while the foreign-born population of the country as a whole has risen to over 13,000,000, or one-eighth of the total.

For several years incoming immigrants have numbered over 1,000,000 persons a year, of which from 300,000 to 400,000 returned to their native lands. Since the outbreak of the war, however, immigration has fallen to one-sixth of this number. The tide has turned. In the past ten months more people have left America than entered it. Military service at home and the closing of many of the ports of Europe have placed an embargo on the human tide which recent years has come predominantly from Italy, Austria-Hungary, Russia and the Balkan states.

In 1913, when immigration reached a total of 1,197,892 northern Europe, including Great Britain, contributed only 137,225 of this number, while southern Europe contributed 718,905. Of the latter, 236,478 came from Italy, 212,692 from Russia, and 225,355 from Austria-Hungary. The only north-European immigration of any consequence in recent years is from Scandinavia and Great Britain. France has never been generous in her contributions to our ethnic composite; while for 20 years Germany has been an almost negligible factor.—Frederic C. Howe in Scribner.

Defendant Not Liable.

St. Albans, Oct. 28.—The verdict in the case of Peter Real of Cambridge vs. Augustus Marcette, also of that town, for damages, was reported when Franklin county court convened this morning. The jury received the case at six o'clock last evening. The verdict was that the defendant was not liable. C. A. and Warren R. Austin of this city appeared for the plaintiff and W. H. Fairchild of Fairfield and the Hon. C. H.

BRYAN TO GO TO NORWAY.

Paris, Oct. 31.—The correspondent of the Havas News agency at Geneva transmits a despatch to the Frankfort Gazette from Christiania, Norway, which states that William J. Bryan will arrive in Norway in Mid-November.

VERMONT'S GREAT ADVERTISING AT N. E. FRUIT SHOW

Every Patron of the Boston Exhibition Gets an Apple Grown in Green Mountain State.

Boston, Mass., Oct. 28.—It is generally conceded that Vermont did some very effective advertising to-day at the New England fruit show in Mechanics' hall, when every person who presented at the Vermont booth a ticket given out at the door received free a fine Vermont apple. All day long a steady stream of people passed and they were loud in their praises of Vermont fruit.

"One of your apples is worth a bushel of ours," said a South Dakota man.

Many questions were asked concerning Vermont apples and how to obtain them and concerning Vermont apple lands. For two days previous, Vermont publicity had taken up generous space in the leading Boston papers to advertise the Vermont exhibit. As a result of the advertising and exhibit, some young men are coming up to Vermont with an idea of investing in apple lands.

Vermont fruit growers have won some of the best prizes in the show. No other New England State has won so many prizes in proportion to the number of exhibits. Prof. Sears of the Massachusetts Agricultural College today spoke to his class in high terms of the Vermont fruit exhibit. Most of the fruit is from Addison, Bennington and Windham counties. There were many new exhibitors. At the top of the exhibit was a great bank of McIntosh Reds with the word "Vermont" outlined in yellow apples. Below were many plates and boxes of choice fruit. The decorations consisted of running pine, several large tinted photographs of Vermont apple orchards in bloom and other attractive pictures of Green Mountain orchards. The exhibit was in charge of George D. Aiken of Putney, vice-president for Vermont, and Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Witherell of Cornwall. W. H. Crockett of Burlington represented the Vermont Publicity Bureau.

One of the most popular exhibits in the big hall was that of the Vermont Maple Sugar Makers' association, in charge of its president, A. A. Carleton of West Newbury. There was a large and attractive display of the highest grade of maple sugar and syrup. It was an education to the thousands who visited it, many of whom could not understand how the products could be so white. From morning until late at night, Mr. Carleton was kept busy explaining all phases of sugar making and marketing. The center of the exhibit is a model of a battleship in maple sugar and sailor boys from the ships in the harbor are engaged in keen competition as to which one shall have this model when the show is over.

Altogether, Vermont is very much on the map at this show.

Catch Rhode Island Men.

White River Junction, Oct. 31.—Two men supposed to be Henry Pecor and Albert Canton of Woonsocket, R. I., were arrested Thursday on suspicion that they were guilty of having robbed Joseph Cote, also of that city, of $900 in cash, and a diamond ring and watch.

LARGEST TEACHERS' CONVENTION EVER HELD IS CLOSED

Actual Registration at Rutland Was 1504—E. L. Ingalls of Burlington New President.

Rutland, Oct. 31.—With an actual registration of 1,504, the largest by more than 100 of any State gathering of educators yet held, the 66th annual convention of the Vermont Teachers' association was brought to a close in this city Saturday. A business session was held and the convention listened to an address by Miss Lucy A. Yendes of New York, author of "Preston Papers," and one by Prof. James L. McConaughy of Dartmouth College.

The following report of the resolutions committee was adopted unanimously:

"The Vermont State Teachers' association assembled at Rutland tenders to their officers and committees full appreciation of their successful conduct of this 66th annual convention, and also thank the citizen teachers of Rutland who, through their various organizations and committees, have contributed to our entertainment and comfort.

"This association recognizes with pleasure the presence of His Excellency, the Governor of Vermont, the State board of education and the commissioner of education as indications of their sympathy and support.

"Legislative enactment designed to change or revise to a large degree the laws governing any department of State government usually in some measure prove defective when put into actual operation. The present educational laws are no exception. There are some omissions and some inconsistencies, which make many matters of administration extremely difficult, therefore,

"Resolved, That we express our confidence in the progressive and yet conservative action of the State board of education and pledge them our loyal support in the development of a constructive school policy;

"Resolved, That we approve of the principle of legislation designed to equalize educational advantages in Vermont by lengthening the legal school year to 36 weeks, and by extending State aid for the employment of trained teachers in rural schools.

"Whereas, the Legislature of 1915 gave further recognition of the Vermont Teachers' Retirement Fund association and enacted favorable legislation, be it

"Resolved, That we again express our support of the principle of pensions for teachers and urge members of this association to use their influence in favor of more liberal legislative appropriations and more general local support.

"Resolved, That we strongly endorse the so-called vocational training bill now before Congress as of the utmost importance in the future development of Vermont's educational system.

"Resolved, That we heartily appreciate the magnificent gift of the Hon. Theodore N. Vail for the promotion of agricultural education in Vermont.

"The committee on resolutions under the present plan of appointment cannot present to this association resolutions intelligently drawn, therefore,

"Resolved, That it would be wise to amend the constitution, giving the president power of appointment of a committee on resolutions some weeks in advance of the October meeting."

The following officers were elected: President, Edwin L. Ingalls, Burlington; vice-president, Miss Alberta Beeman, St. Albans; secretary, Miss Etta Franklin, Rutland; treasurer, E. A. Hamilton, Newport; executive committee, H. O. Harriman, Middlebury, Miss Margaret Kelley, Derby, E. F. Green, Richford; director for three years, Miss Caroline S. Woodruff, Miss Rose Lucia, Montpelier, James C. Walker, Vergennes; for one year, Miss Eliza Allen, Lyndon, J. H. Fuller, Hardwick, in place of E. F. Green, resigned.

The following honorary members were elected: Theodore N. Vail, Lyndonville; United States Senator Carroll S. Page, Hyde Park; Gov. Charles W. Gates, Franklin; Miss Lucy Wheelock, Boston; Miss Helen M. Winslow, Boston; Arthur W. Edson, New York; Miss Emily Dutton Proctor, Proctor.

In her address this morning Miss Yendes took "Story Telling" as her subject. She advised its use in the schools as a reward of merit. She said it was better to read a well written story than to tell one poorly. The teacher should exercise care in telling her story just right the first time lest the impressionable young minds of her pupils criticize her the next time she tells it.

Professor McConaughy took as the subject of his address, "The Superfluous in Education." His principal message to the teachers was to "always go to the second mile." The teacher who merely earns her salary, who considers her day's work ended at the expiration of six hours is destined to remain in the little red school house all of her life.

Hears Criminal Case.

St. Albans, Oct. 29.—The State rested this morning in the case of State vs. Elwin J. Courser of Richford, criminal assault, which went on trial in Franklin county court yesterday morning. When the court came in this morning Miss Ora Cheney of Richford, upon whom Courser is charged with committing a criminal assault, was recalled to the stand for further cross-examination. She was the only witness on the stand yesterday. The State also examined to-day Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Gibney, and Deputy Sheriffs W. W. Reirden and P. H. Phanuef, all of Richford. Mrs. Courser was on the stand for the defence this morning and the witnesses this afternoon were Dr. and Mrs. George T. Gale, Mrs. Abraham Howe, Mrs. Jones and William A. Lawrence of West Townshend, Sheriff Mann of Brattleboro, Jack Raven and Miss Daisy Whaley of Richford.

NEAR SISTERS.

"Are you sisters?" asked the census-taker of two colored women who sat on the tiny porch of their cabin. "No, sir," one of the women replied, "us ain' no blood kin. You see"—pointing to a rather pretentious-looking house on the hill—"hit's dis er way. Sanders, up dar in de white house, he married me fu'st; den Sis' Liza heah come 'long, an' he 'vorsted me an' put me out heah in de cabin so he could marry her. But bimeby he fetch her down de hill to de cabin to make room for dat young gal, Cora, he done married. No, sir, us ain' no blood kin—I guess we's wives-in-law."—Everybody.