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**Baltimore Convention.**

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next convention, gathered in the hall and gave yells and sang songs.

Foremost in the shouting were the four cities that were fighting for the next convention: Kansas City, Minneapolis, Los Angeles and Seattle. They stood upon their chairs and with their banners waving far above their heads, they good naturedly shouted back at each other.

As each delegation gathered and took their seats they displayed paste-board signs bearing the name of their state and these they held high in the air with the name facing the Hoffman street entrance, so that all stragglers would know where to go.

Dr. Hill said, "someone once said that the C. E. society was dead, but if one had seen this remarkable demonstration before him, there must have been a resurrection."

On the front of the platform were more than fifty chairs heaped high with great bundles of envelopes. Each chair was for a state, territory or province. In the envelopes were the diplomas given by the Unites Society to the societies for successful work.

As each state was called out a delegate was sent forward. When all had assembled on the platform a hymn was sung and the delegates carried their pamphlets back to their delegations.

After the distribution of the pamphlets, Dr. Hill announced the presentation of penants and honorable mention for the local unions for a gain in number of societies of at least 10 per cent.

As the states were called there were some unusual demonstrations. In every delegation, by this time, a banner or penant of some kind had been erected and as the name of each state was called out the whole delegation cheered, their penant was waived and the leader came forward and received the recognition leaflets to which each state was entitled.

Ohio lead every state and county in the world in the gain made since November 1902. 753 new societies had been added to that state.

The great demonstration came, however, when Mr. Vogt made the presentation of the silken banners which were won by those states which have made a gain of 10 per cent and more in their membership since November 1902.

Mr. Jacobs announced that he had to leave the city at noon and that he would sing another solo before departing. While silence reigned, he sang a hymn that illustrated the purpose of the meeting and the convention joined in the chorus.

Mr. Vogt then resumed the distribution of the banners, after which three rousing cheers for Dr. Clark were given and the morning session was concluded.

Monday afternoon.—Sec. Tom Ogdon Vogt gathered what voice he had left from the morning and presided at this meeting.

A great reception was given Hon. Chas. J. Bonapart, Secretary of the navy. He spoke on "politics and religion."

Mr. E. T. Smith, of Birmingham, England, the well known temperance advocate, on being introduced, showed us a strip of newspaper clippings thirty six yards long from the England newspapers, for the week before Christmas and the first week of January, containing 3290 crimes, murders, suicides, caused by drink in those two weeks.

Commissioner McFarland, who spoke on the "responsibility of public opinion," expressed pleasure at the prospect of the Christian Endeavor memorial building and suggested that it be located at Washington. Mr. McFarland had a fine voice for speaking but another shower came up and he had to wait as he could not be heard. The choir sang a number of pieces while waiting for Mr. McFarland and when he resumed he said that it was the most restful speech he had ever delivered and he wished he might have the convention and Mr. Foster at hand to sing in the middle of all his speeches as he thought they would be more effectual. This was truly a christian citizenship session and worthy to rank with what had preceded.

Last evening of convention.—The supreme hour of the superlative convention had arrived. It was fitting that at this session Treasurer Shaw should again preside.

First came a song service led by Mr. Foster, the vast audience uniting with the choir in flooding the hall with "Onward Christian Soldiers and Forward."

Mr. Shaw announced a special message from Dr. Clark and Secretary Vogt read it. A tender and touching prayer was then offered by Vice President Grose for the speedy recovery of Dr. Clark. Mr. Vogt asked that no delegation give their yells and that they kindly turn down their state signs. Mr. Baer then read Dr. Clark's message, and then at his suggestion the audience arose and sang the long-meter Doxology.

Mr. Shaw then took the stand and introduced some features not on the program:

"Have you ever known such a con-

vention as this? This convention to me is the superlative convention. Baltimore has been great in everything. I never saw rain wetter or heat that was hotter; even the thunder is muffled by your applause and the lightning is dimmed by the brilliancy of these meetings. Think of it! Here is a hall one-third larger than any other hall or tent in which any other convention was ever held. Think of the crowds that have been here and of the enthusiasm that has been expressed; not momentary enthusiasm, but a solid week of it, and think of those responsible for it. Think of the committee of 1905. They are the people who ran the machine without a jar."

At this the committee of 1905, was introduced by Mr. Atwood, the chairman. He spoke in words of highest praise of the work of the sub-committees and the scores who contributed their part toward the achievement.

Then the musical directors were called for Messrs. Harris, Bonner and Foster (Mr. Jacobs had returned home.)

One of the prettiest impromptu incidents now occurred, due to Mr. Foster's quick wit. It was not the intention of Mr. Foster and Mr. Bonner to come forward, but a demand arose that could not be withstood; then at the suggestion of Mr. Foster the incident was contrived which was one of the happiest of the convention:

Led by Mr. Bonner, of London, the convention chorus sang "God Save the King," the national hymn of Great Britain. Led by Mr. Foster they sang "My Country 'Tis of Thee." Following this and amidst the most intense enthusiasm, the two leaders, one of Washington, the other of London, together led the assemblage in "Blest be the tie that binds." Mr. Bonner waived an American flag while Mr. Foster waived the flag of England; both then turned and shaking hands crossed flags while the chorus sang.

Then came the eagerly awaited roll call. As the states were called some arose and sang their state song, while others gave a verse of scripture. Louisiana said "Christ for Louisiana," as Mr. Shaw had asked the delegates to cut it as short as possible.

After the roll call of states Mr. Baer made the closing remarks, saying: "Now as we leave these doors to go from the best convention the C. E. has ever had, let us remember that the power of it will largely depend upon our work and our spirit. Let us wait before God in silence for his benediction and let the last words be His." After a moment of quiet we caught up our parting him, "God be with you 'till we meet again" and carried it into the streets of Baltimore and even to the street cars.

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