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ORIGIN OF THE STATE IMMIGRATION CONVENTION.

On the 21st of November, 1879 there was a meeting of citizens of St. Louis, called "to consider the best practicable means of promoting immigration to Missouri."

It was then resolved to organize an association, to be called "The St. Louis Immigration Society," and a committee was appointed to draft a constitution and by-laws for its government. The constitution adopted provided that "the affairs of the society shall be managed by an Executive Committee, to consist of thirteen persons." The

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

As finally selected, were:

THOS. C. FLETCHER,	WALDO P. JOHNSON,
CHAS. P. JOHNSON,	THOS. W. FITCH,
ENNO SANDER,	R. D. LANCASTER,
N. J. COLMAN,	A. W. SOPER,
CHARLES E. SLAYBACK,	THOS. RICHESON.
HENRY C. YAEGER,	WEB. M. SAMUEL.
E. C. CABELL.	

The committee was permanently organized by the election of Thos. W. Fitch, Chairman; Thos. C. Fletcher, Chairman *pro tem.*, and E. C. Cabell, Secretary.

An address to the people of Missouri was prepared and published by the committee, recommending:

1st. That the people of each County of the State organize a County Immigration Society.

2d. That each Society should select persons well qualified to collect, collate, summarize and put in shape, for easy reference,

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all available information touching any matter that may be of interest to the citizen or foreigner.

3d. That a State Convention be called, to meet in St. Louis, for the purpose of organizing a State Immigration Society.

4th. That each County be invited and requested to appoint delegates to the State Convention, and to submit to the Convention detailed reports descriptive of their respective counties.

5th. That citizens of distinguished ability be invited to read before the Convention carefully prepared papers upon subjects relating to the social, commercial, manufacturing, mineral, and agricultural interests of the State.

The execution of this plan devolved on the Executive Committee of the St. Louis Immigration Society.

The result of the labors of the Executive Committee will appear in the proceedings of the Convention.



THE CONVENTION.

TUESDAY, APRIL 13th.

MORNING SESSION.

At 11 A. M., Thomas W. Fitch, Chairman of the Executive Committee of the St. Louis Immigration Society, called the Convention to order, and made the following remarks :

THE OPENING ADDRESS.

As Chairman of the Executive Committee of the St. Louis Immigration Society, I will call this Convention to order. You have met here in response to a call from that Society, to present to the sister States of Missouri and to Europe a full report of the resources of our State, its natural adaptation to the cultivation and the manufacture of various products, its systems of education and of law, its advantages for the investment of capital, and the desirability of its location for agriculturalists and skilled workmen. A complete record of the proceedings of the Convention will be made, and, if it please you, it will be the duty of the Executive Committee of the St. Louis Immigration Society to properly arrange all matter here presented, and to have the same put into book form for general and generous distribution in the United States and in Europe.

I believe that the work for which you have assembled will be well done, and upon you now rests the responsibility of making this movement a permanent success. It must be made popular throughout the entire State by what you will do here now and by your efforts and influence afterward. The interest of the people in the State must be maintained and kept alive in the cause of immigration, that the resources of our State may be more rapidly developed and an impetus given to the growth and population of its cities, towns and villages.

Other States have at times appropriated large sums of money and made liberal laws to attract capital and immigrants, and to this may be due the fact that they are better known and appreciated than the State of Missouri. Gen. Sherman, when here last week, told me of what occurred at a dinner table in Berlin some eight years ago. He was the guest of Gen. Von Moltke, near whom he sat, and opposite sat an old Baron, who said: "Gen. Sherman, we have one very great grievance against you Americans. You decoy our young men from us." "Decoy?" replied Gen. Sherman; "that depends upon what you mean by

<i>County.</i>	<i>Name.</i>	<i>Post-office.</i>
<i>Atchison</i>	John R. Lewis.....	Rockport.
	John D. Dopf.....	“
	A. E. Wyatt.....	“
	P. A. Thompson.....	Langdon.
<i>Audrain</i>	W. H. Kennan.....	Mexico.
	Jno. P. Clark.....	“
	James Carroll.....	“
	J. McD. Trimble.....	“
	R. M. White.....	“
	D. H. McIntyre.....	“
<i>Barry</i>	Charles S. Bryan.....	Cassville.
	Wm. Talbert.....	“
<i>Barton</i>	Charles H. Brown.....	Lamar
	P. B. West.....	“
<i>Bates</i>	Levi Moler.....	Papinville.
	Jno. B. Newbury.....	Hudson.
	J. N. Bradley.....	Papinville
	Philip Zeal.....	“
	E. A. Henry	Butler.
	A. Henry	“
<i>Benton</i>	E. H. Richardson.....	Warsaw.
	P. D. Hastain.....	“
	R. H. Melton	“
<i>Bollinger</i>	F. M. Wells.....	Marble Hill.
	M. R. Smith.....	“
	J. H. Grant.....	“
	Lindsay Murdoch.....	“
<i>Boone</i>	S. S. Laws.....	Columbia.
	G. C. Swallow.....	“
	S. M. Tracy.....	“
	W. F. Switzler.....	“
	R. L. Todd.....	“
	J. S. Dorsey.....	“
	E. C. More.....	“
	W. J. Boothe.....	Centralia.
	J. F. Rucker.....	Sturgeon.
	T. S. Carter	“
<i>Buchanan</i>	A. N. Schuster	St. Joseph.
	M. B. Chapman	“
	J. T. Berghoff.....	“
	Silas Woodson	“
	J. H. Stringfellow.....	“
	George C. Catlett.....	“
	F. M. Posegate.....	“
George W. Samuels	“	
<i>Butler</i>	H. C. Davidson.....	Reeves Station.
	James F. Tubb.....	Poplar Bluff.

<i>County.</i>	<i>Name.</i>	<i>Post-office.</i>
<i>Caldwell</i>	J. E. Hitt.....	Hamilton.
	S. C. Rogers.....	Kingston.
<i>Callaway</i>	R. A. Crews.....	Fulton.
	Wm. H. Thomas.....	"
	J. W. Boulware.....	"
	John L. Erwin.....	"
<i>Camden</i>	L. J. Roach.....	Linn Creek.
	E. W. Craig.....	"
<i>Cape Girardeau</i>	Louis Houck.....	Cape Girardeau.
	R. B. Oliver.....	"
	Wm. E. Alexander.....	Jackson.
	A. S. Coker.....	"
<i>Carroll</i>	John A. Horrell.....	"
	R. L. Turpin.....	Carrollton.
	A. C. Blackwell.....	"
	Jos. H. Turner.....	"
	Wm. M. Eads.....	"
	J. B. Jewell.....	"
	J. M. Wilcoxon.....	"
<i>Carter</i>	George W. Brasher.....	"
	Henry Schupp.....	Van Buren.
<i>Cass</i>	Francis M. Coleman.....	"
	Bernard Zick.....	Harrisonville.
	Gage S. Spring.....	"
<i>Cedar</i>	James T. Farris.....	Stockton.
	James M. Jackson.....	"
<i>Chariton</i>	O. F. Smith.....	Keytesville.
	John Knappenberger.....	Brunswick.
	R. M. Musser.....	"
	Isaac H. Kinley.....	"
	Charles Hammond.....	"
	J. Ben. Naylor.....	"
	John M. Spencer.....	"
	John F. Cunningham.....	"
	A. Mackey.....	Keytesville.
J. A. Hudson.....	"	
<i>Christian</i>	J. C. Wallace.....	"
	W. C. Applegate.....	"
	F. T. Dysart.....	"
	J. F. Kindrick.....	Ozark.
	W. H. Pollard.....	"
<i>Clark</i>	J. B. Cole.....	Cahoka.
	R. L. King.....	"
<i>Clay</i>	Samuel Hardwicke.....	Liberty.
	J. C. Evans.....	Harlem.
	Sam'l Archer.....	Kearney.
<i>Clinton</i>	Charles W. Porter.....	Plattsburg.
	Ed. W. Turner.....	"

<i>County.</i>	<i>Name.</i>	<i>Post-office.</i>
<i>Clinton</i>	N. Fred Essig.....	Plattsburg.
	Andrew E. Meiminger.....	"
<i>Cole</i>	H. Clay Ewing.....	Jefferson City.
	Phil. E. Chappell.....	" "
<i>Cooper</i>	J. H. Johnston.....	Boonville.
	Robert McCullough.....	"
	T. V. Hickox.....	"
	J. L. O'Bryen.....	"
	J. H. Walker.....	Bunceton.
<i>Crawford</i>	George Hamed.....	"
	Thomas R. Gibson.....	Steelville.
	F. B. Webb.....	"
<i>Dade</i>	Thomas Eldredge.....	Cuba.
	W. M. Taggart.....	Eldridge.
	John A. Ready.....	Greenfield.
	Thomas H. Cannon.....	"
<i>Dallas</i>	W. L. Morrow.....	Buffalo.
	R. S. Brownlow.....	"
	J. P. Brownlow.....	"
<i>Daviess</i>	Thomas B. Yates.....	Gallatin.
	W. M. Bostaph.....	"
<i>DeKalb</i>	Henry E. Glazier.....	Maysville.
	W. J. Franklin.....	"
<i>Dent</i>	E. T. Wingo.....	Saline.
	Sam'l Morrison.....	"
	F. H. Barnitz.....	Lake Spring.
<i>Douglass</i>	A. C. Kice.....	Ava.
	H. P. Kelley.....	"
<i>Dunklin</i>	Daniel B. Haynes.....	Malden.
<i>Franklin</i>	E. N. Parker.....	Washington.
	B. F. Burch.....	"
	Glenn O. Hardeman.....	Gray's Summit.
	T. W. B. Crews.....	"
	Charles Reinhard.....	Union.
<i>Gasconade</i>	Jos. M. O'Shea.....	"
	Robert Robyn.....	Hermann.
	Wm. Herzog.....	"
	Chas. D. Eitzen.....	"
	F. L. Wenzel.....	"
	E. Rhodius.....	"
	Casper H. Riepe.....	Drake.
Wm. Bumpass.....	Cooper Hill.	
<i>Gentry</i>	Chas. G. Comstock.....	Albany.
	David Cranor.....	"
	M. M. Campbell.....	"
	S. W. Clark.....	"
<i>Greene</i>	John S. Phelps.....	Springfield.
	George A. C. Woolley.....	"

<i>County.</i>	<i>Name.</i>	<i>Post-office.</i>
<i>Greene</i>	George M. Jones.....	Springfield.
	J. E. Tefft	"
	D. C. Kennedy..	"
	L. H. Murray.....	"
	D. C. Leach.....	"
	F. S. Hefferman.....	"
	H. F. Fellows.....	"
	N. J. Morrison.....	"
	E. T. Robberson	"
	John O'Day.....	"
	Henry C. Young.....	"
<i>Grundy</i>	J. M. Doling.....	North Springfield.
	Ralph Walker.....	Ash Grove.
<i>Harrison</i>	B. Lockhart.	Trenton.
	George H. Hubbell.....	"
<i>Harrison</i>	T. D. Neal.....	Bethany.
	Samuel W. Vandivert.....	"
	J. H. Phillebaum.....	"
<i>Henry</i>	W. H. Cock.....	Clinton.
	H. W. Salmon.....	"
	James M. Avery.....	"
	W. H. Brinkerhoff.....	"
	B. G. Boon.....	"
<i>Hickory</i>	M. N. Neihardt.....	Hermitage.
	J. W. Silsby	Wheatland.
<i>Holt</i>	Wm. A. Gardner.....	Oregon.
	Bryan O. Cowan.....	New Point.
	E. J. Kellogg.....	Craig.
	John W. Stokes.....	Oregon.
<i>Howard</i>	Sid. B. Cunningham.....	Fayette.
	Frank Dodd	"
	Sam'l C. Major.....	"
	James R. Estill.....	Estill.
	James S. Thompson.....	Glasgow.
	John Walker.....	White Stone.
<i>Howell</i>	Charles H. E. Shuttee.....	West Plains.
	E. F. Hynes	"
<i>Iron</i>	J. W. Emerson.....	Ironton.
	J. W. Berryman	"
	C. R. Peck.....	"
<i>Jackson</i>	D. S. Twitchell.....	Kansas City.
	M. Woodson.....	"
	Wm. T. Johnson.....	"
	M. H. Stevens.....	"
	Henry H. Craig.....	"
	Morrison Mumford.....	"
Theodore Winningham.....	"	

<i>County.</i>	<i>Name.</i>	<i>Post-office.</i>
<i>Jackson.</i>	E. T. Hill.....	Kansas City.
	Steven C. Ragan.....	Hickman's Mill.
	James A. Shaw.....	Lee's Summit.
	W. Z. Hickman.....	Independence.
	Jos. W. Mercer.....	"
<i>Jasper.</i>	John H. Taylor.....	Carthage.
	E. P. Searle.....	"
	J. M. Richardson.....	"
	J. M. Hurley.....	"
<i>Jefferson.</i>	John L. Thomas.....	Hillsboro
	Anton Yerger.....	Antonia.
	John H. Morse.....	Morse's Mill.
	Sam'l Byrns.....	Hillsboro.
	W. R. Donnell.....	
	Henry Stelbrink.....	
	John M. Bailey.....	
	Thos. A. Charles.....	
	Wm. S. Jewett.....	
C. C. Fletcher.....		
<i>Johnson.</i>	Henry C. Fike.....	Warrensburg.
	Finis C. Farr.....	"
	C. C. Tevis.....	Holden.
	J. M. Starkey.....	"
<i>Knox.</i>	Wm. Clancy.....	Edina.
	E. V. Wilson.....	"
<i>Laclede.</i>	George W. Bradfield.....	Lebanon.
	John W. Farris.....	"
	E. B. Hellerman.....	"
<i>Lafayette.</i>	A. A. Lesueur.....	Lexington.
	Joseph Davis.....	"
	J. D. Connor.....	"
	John Reid.....	"
<i>Lawrence.</i>	Charles Lawson.....	Phelps.
	R. H. Landrum.....	Mt. Vernon.
	Henry Brumback.....	"
	Geo. A. Purdy.....	Peirce City.
	Thomas Carlin.....	"
<i>Lewis.</i>	H. P. Tate.....	Durgen Creek.
	J. W. Barrett.....	Canton.
<i>Lincoln.</i>	Jos. A. Mudd.....	Argentville.
	Wm. E. Brown.....	Chain of Rocks.
<i>Linn.</i>	George W. Stevens.....	Linneus.
	A. W. Myers.....	Brookfield.
<i>Livingston.</i>	Daniel G. Saunders.....	Chillicothe.
	John N. Boyd.....	"
	James C. Minter.....	"
	James E. Cadle.....	"

<i>County.</i>	<i>Name.</i>	<i>Post-office.</i>
<i>McDonald</i>	A. W. Chenoweth	Pineville.
	J. L. Barr.....	"
	M. R. DeGroof.....	"
<i>Macon</i>	Wm. M. Vancleve.....	Macon City.
	M. C. Tracy.....	"
	S. G. Brock.....	"
	C. P. Hess.....	"
<i>Madison</i>	J. M. Anthony	Fredericktown.
	J. D. Perkins	"
<i>Maries</i>	J. W. Harbison.....	Vienna.
	T. B. Anderson.....	"
	J. W. Halloway.....	"
<i>Marion</i>	L. L. Suydam	Hannibal.
	H. C. Whaley	"
	W. S. McClintic.....	Hunnewell.
	E. P. Moore.....	Palmyra.
	J. C. Moore.....	Philadelphia.
<i>Mercer</i>	M. F. Robinson.....	Princeton.
	H. G. Orten.....	"
<i>Miller</i>	A. Fulkerson.....	Tuscumbia.
<i>Mississippi</i>	Messer Ward.....	Charleston.
	James M. Brown.....	"
	Chas. W. Dunnifer.....	"
	James H. Bethune.....	"
<i>Moniteau</i>	J. H. Anderson.....	California.
	R. Q. Roache.....	"
	S. E. Hoge.....	"
	Jacob Reider.....	Tipton.
<i>Monroe</i>	L. P. Bashaw.....	Paris.
	James W. Johnston.....	Monroe City.
	F. L. Pitts.....	Paris.
<i>Montgomery</i>	Solomon Hughlett.....	Wellsville.
	C. W. Brandt.....	"
	W. W. H. Jackman.....	Middletown.
	H. W. Johnson.....	Jonesboro.
<i>Morgan</i>	B. R. Rirchardson	Versailles.
	John A. Hannay.....	"
	Conway Jones.....	"
	Hamilton Walker.....	"
<i>New Madrid</i>	T. J. O. Morrison.....	New Madrid.
<i>Newton</i>	M. H. Ritchey.....	Ritchey.
	M. E. Benton.....	Neosho.
	J. M. Perdy.....	"
	T. L. Harrison.....	"
<i>Nodaway</i>	Cyrus A. Anthony	Maryville.
	Wm. W. Ramsey.....	"
<i>Oregon</i>	M. G. Norman.....	Alton.

<i>County.</i>	<i>Name.</i>	<i>Post-office.</i>
<i>Oregon</i>	Wm. U. Evans.....	Alton.
<i>Osage</i>	J. K. Kidd.....	Kidderidge.
<i>Ozark</i>	R. Q. Gilleland.....	Gainesville.
	Thomas W. Price.....	"
<i>Pemiscot</i>	Geo. W. Carleton.....	Gayoso.
<i>Perry</i>	Chas. A Mann.....	Perryville.
<i>Pettis</i>	Wm. Gentry.....	Sedalia.
	F. A. Sampson.....	"
	J. H. Bothwell.....	"
<i>Phelps</i>	C. H. Frost.....	Rolla.
	Henry Dean.....	"
	F. E. Dowd.....	"
<i>Pike</i>	David L. Caldwell.....	Bowling Green.
	Harrison G. Mackey.....	"
	Champ Clark.....	Louisiana.
	John E. Forgey.....	Paynesville.
	Ed. C. Murray.....	Louisiana
<i>Platte</i>	W. C. Wells.....	Platte City.
	R. P. C. Wilson.....	"
	W. H. Hunt.....	"
	T. W. Park.....	"
<i>Polk</i>	A. C. Lemmon.....	Bolivar.
	O. D. Knox.....	"
	Burr H. Emerson.....	"
<i>Pulaski</i>	Godfrey Luthy.....	Richland.
	W. T. Wright.....	Waynesville.
<i>Putnam</i>	H. C. Dean.....	Dean, Iowa.
	B. H. Bonfoey.....	Unionville..
<i>Ralls</i>	No Representatives.....	
<i>Randolph</i>	John H. Penny.....	Jacksonville.
	W. R. Samuel.....	Huntsville.
	Chas. H. Hammett.....	"
	Henry A. Newman.....	"
<i>Ray</i>	Jacob T. Child.....	Richmond.
	Louis C. Bohannon.....	Morton.
	Wm. F. Yates.....	"
	John W. Spurlock.....	Richmond.
	George W. Trigg.....	"
	Lewis Slaughter.....	"
	James W. Garner.....	"
	W. S. Seymour.....	"
<i>Reynolds</i>	Elvis Harrison.....	Centerville.
	A. P. Shriver.....	"
	M. Mackensie.....	"
<i>Ripley</i>	Wm. H. Righter.....	Doniphan.
	Pink Mabrey.....	"
	John P. Fagan.....	"

<i>County.</i>	<i>Name.</i>	<i>Post-office.</i>
<i>Ripley</i>	Joel G. McClarren.....	Doniphan.
	D. B. Young.....	"
	A. J. Ponder.....	"
	Frank O'Neal.....	"
<i>Saline</i>	James Baskin.....	Malta Bend.
	Jacob Vandyke.....	Marshall.
	N. B. Noble.....	"
	Sam'l Davis.....	"
<i>Schuyler</i>	James Raley.....	Lancaster.
	Wm. B. Hays.....	"
	Wm. P. Murphy.....	"
	J. M. Hale.....	"
<i>Scotland</i>	J. W. Barnes.....	Memphis.
	E. R. McKee.....	"
	L. Mott.....	"
<i>Scott</i>	John M. Cooper.....	Morley.
	D. L. Hoffman.....	Commerce.
	Wm. Ballentine.....	"
<i>Shannon</i>	G. W. P. Smith.....	Eminence.
	James P. Creagar.....	"
<i>Shelby</i>	H. B. Dines.....	Shelbyville.
	J. W. Towson.....	Shelbina.
<i>St. Charles</i>	B. A. Alderson.....	St. Charles.
	Albin Morgner.....	"
<i>St. Clair</i>	Robert Latz.....	Osceola.
	John H. Lucas.....	"
	Joseph P. Landes.....	"
	J. H. Ieiney.....	"
<i>St. Francois</i>	John F. Tandy.....	Rosco.
	L. D. Walker.....	Farmington.
<i>St. Genevieve</i>	F. M. Carter.....	"
	Miles A. Gilbert.....	St. Mary.
<i>St. Louis City</i>	Wm. F. Cox.....	St. Genevieve.
	E. O. Stanard.....	St. Louis.
<i>St. Louis City</i>	Chas. Gibson.....	"
	D. R. Barclay.....	"
	Thomas Walsh.....	"
	D. P. Rowland.....	"
	B. Gratz Brown.....	"
	E. S. Rowse.....	"
	J. J. O'Brien.....	"
	George W. Updyke.....	"
	Chas. Hoyle.....	"
	N. O. Nelson.....	"
	P. McGrath.....	"
W. H. H. Russell.....	"	
R. M. Parks.....	"	

<i>County.</i>	<i>Name.</i>	<i>Post-office.</i>
<i>St. Louis City</i>	J. J. O'Neill.....	St. Louis.
	J. L. D. Morrison.....	"
	Chas. Todd.....	"
	Alex. Martin.....	"
	Michael Helmbacher.....	"
	Chas. P. Chouteau.....	"
	R. P. Tansey.....	"
	Adolphus Meier.....	"
	Samuel J. Gaty.....	"
	Isidor Bush.....	"
	Dr. J. C. Page.....	"
	Ferd. Gottschalk.....	"
	Chas. Parsons.....	"
	Louis Fusz.....	"
	Thomas W. Fitch.....	"
	R. D. Lancaster.....	"
	Chas. P. Johnson.....	"
	Norman J. Colman.....	"
	Enno Sander.....	"
	Thomas C. Fletcher.....	"
	E. C. Cabell.....	"
	Waldo P. Johnson.....	"
	Henry C. Yaeger.....	"
	Web. M. Samuel.....	"
	A. W. Soper.....	"
	Thomas Richeson.....	"
	Chas. E. Slayback.....	"
	O. P. Gooding.....	"
	C. W. Murtfeldt.....	"
<i>St. Louis</i>	Logan Hunton.....	Bridgeton.
	James C. Edwards.....	"
	Samuel W. Forder.....	Oakville.
	Fred. Wengler.....	Allenton.
	Robt. C. Schnecko.....	Black Jack.
	Mortimer F. Taylor.....	Ferguson.
<i>Stoddard</i>	D. Stark Crumb.....	Bloomfield.
	Henry H. Bedford.....	"
<i>Stone</i>	J. R. Harris.....	Galena.
	J. F. Seaman.....	"
<i>Sullivan</i>	George W. Butler.....	Milan.
	W. H. Craig.....	"
	E. F. Lane.....	"
	W. Halliburton.....	"
<i>Taney</i>	Thomas A. Layton.....	Forsyth.
	J. H. Sanders.....	"
<i>Texas</i>	C. M. Ross.....	Houston.
	R. T. Foard.....	"

<i>County.</i>	<i>Name.</i>	<i>Post-office.</i>
<i>Texas</i>	Joel Sherrill.....	Houston.
	T. N. Bradford.....	"
	F. P. Rutherford.....	"
	F. M. Geiger.....	"
<i>Vernon</i>	C. A. Buck.....	Nevada City.
	C. G. Burton.....	"
	W. W. Prewitt.....	" "
<i>Warren</i>	C. E. Peers.....	Warrenton.
	J. V. Hays.....	Wright City.
<i>Washington</i>	N. W. Bliss.....	Kingston Furnace.
	Wm. Riehl.....	Potosi.
	H. C. Poston.....	Irondale.
	— Richeson.....	Potosi.
<i>Wayne</i>	C. D. Yancey.....	Piedmont.
	W. T. Lieper.....	Mill Spring.
<i>Webster</i>	James L. Rush.....	Marshfield.
	E. W. Barnes.....	"
	Thomas Bradford.....	" (Dec'd).
	W. H. Dutton.....	"
<i>Worth</i>	O. P. Garver.....	Grant City.
	S. J. Townsend.....	"
<i>Wright</i>	T. J. Montgomerie.....	Hartville.
	W. B. Tunnell.....	"

It was moved and seconded that each delegation furnish the Secretary with a corrected list of the delegates present from their respective counties. Adopted.

R. D. Lancaster, of St. Louis, moved that the chair appoint a committee of thirteen [on permanent organization and order of business. Adopted.

The chair appointed as said committee: R. D. Lancaster, St. Louis; D. Robert Barclay, St. Louis; Alexander Martin, St. Louis; Messer Ward, Mississippi County; Harvey W. Salmon, Henry County; P. E. Chappell, Cole County; Robert McCullough, Cooper County; C. A. Anthony, Nodaway County; J. W. Farris, Laclede County; A. W. Myers, Linn County; B. T. McDaniel, Saline County; H. P. Tate, Lewis County; J. W. Hays, Warren County.

After the appointment of the committee, the Convention, on motion of Norman J. Colman, of St. Louis, took a recess to 2 P. M.

TUESDAY, APRIL 13th.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Convention re-assembled at 2 P. M., the temporary President, Thomas C. Fletcher, in the chair.

PERMANENT ORGANIZATION.

R. D. Lancaster, Chairman of the Committee on Permanent Organization and Order of Business, announced that the committee were ready to report: but before reading the report offered the following resolution from the Executive Committee of the St. Louis Society:

Resolved, That the members of the State Board of Immigration be invited to seats on the platform, and to participate in the proceedings of the Convention. Adopted.

The Report of the Committee on Permanent Organization and Order of Business, as read by the Chairman, R. D. Lancaster, was as follows:

Your Committee on Permanent Organization report:

For President of the Convention,
Gov. JOHN S. PHELPS, of Greene County.

For Vice-Presidents,

<i>First</i>	CHARLES E. PEERS.....	Warren Co.
<i>Second</i>	E. O. STANARD.....	St. Louis City.
<i>Third</i>	M. H. RITCHEY.....	Newton Co.
<i>Fourth</i>	T. J. O. MORRISON.....	N. Madrid Co.
<i>Fifth</i>	J. J. O'BRIEN.....	St. Louis City.
<i>Sixth</i>	J. L. THOMAS.....	Jefferson Co.
<i>Seventh</i>	JOHN REID.....	Lafayette Co.
<i>Eighth</i>	W. L. HICKMAN.....	Jackson Co.
<i>Ninth</i>	SAMUEL C. MAJOR.....	Howard Co.
<i>Tenth</i>	A. W. MEYERS.....	Linn Co.
<i>Eleventh</i>	J. W. BARNES.....	Scotland Co.
<i>Twelfth</i>	C. H. FROST.....	Phelps Co.
<i>Thirteenth</i>	A. W. SCHUSTER.....	Buchanan Co.

For Secretary of Convention,
E. C. CABELL, of St. Louis.

For Assistant Secretaries,

First	MORRISON RENSHAW.....	St. Louis.
Second.....	E. A. NOONAN.....	"
Third.....	W. W. IVORY.....	"
Fourth.....	JOHN LAMB.....	"
Fifth.....	W. H. TOWEY.....	"
Sixth.....	A. R. SMITH.....	"
Seventh.....	NIC. M. BELL.....	"
Eighth.....	JAMES H. BETHUNE.....	Mississippi Co.
Ninth.....	W. H. BRINKERHOFF.....	Henry Co.
Tenth.....	JACOB T. CHILD.....	Ray Co.
Eleventh.....	D. C. KENNEDY.....	Greene Co.
Twelfth.....	JOS. A. ROBERTSON.....	St. Louis.

For Sergeant-at-Arms,
JAMES HARDY.

For Assistants,

THOMAS BRADY, St. Louis.	CHRIST. OVERBECK, St. Louis.
JOHN P. BULL, "	J. T. MURPHY, "
JAMES COFF, "	JOHN LOHRAM, "

That seats on the platform and side seats be reserved for gentlemen especially invited to attend, and those elected to prepare articles for the Convention.

On motion, the report was unanimously adopted.

It was moved by R. D. Lancaster, of St. Louis, that a committee of four be appointed to notify Governor Phelps of his election and escort him to the chair. Adopted.

The chair appointed to serve on said committee: R. D. Lancaster, of St. Louis; Anton Yerger, of Jefferson County; Joseph L. Stephens, of Cooper County; Chas. A. Mann, of Perry County.

The committee retired and in a few minutes reappeared with the President elect of the Convention who was warmly received, and having been formally introduced to the audience and delegates by the retiring chairman, Ex-Governor Fletcher, spoke as follows:

ADDRESS OF GOVERNOR PHELPS.

MR. CHAIR AND GENTLEMEN:—I highly appreciate the honor you have conferred upon me to preside over the deliberations of this assembly. You have come from every portion of this State to bear testimony to the genial and salubrious climate of our State; to the fertility of its soil, to the riches which abound in the bowels of the earth and which are brought forth by the sturdy hands of the miner, and also to the enterprise manifested by our people in the establishment of manufacturing institutions and in the extension of the commerce of the State. Hitherto we have been content to not publish to the world the great blessings we enjoyed in this State, but we have been content to enjoy those blessings, and if friends came from distant lands or from the sister States of this Union to unite their destinies with ours, we welcomed them. But we did not seek to invite immigration to our State. In this I think there was a mistake, and we should have made known the great natural advantages which Missouri possesses. Central so far as politics are concerned—cultivating and wielding an immense influence with the Southern as well as the Northern, the Eastern as well as the Western States—such is the position of our own beloved Missouri. As far as the mineral resources of our State are concerned, we have been waiting to some extent that others should come and help us, forgetting that in ancient times the wagoner, when the wagon was stalled, fell upon his knees and prayed to Jupiter that he should help him out, but Jupiter responded: "The gods help only those who help themselves." So it is with us. How can we expect our neighbors to come and assist us unless we assist ourselves? But, gentlemen, I come not before you to make a speech; I come before you merely to refer to these matters, because you have before you an excellent intellectual treat, which I know you will receive from the hands of the gentlemen selected to deliver the addresses pertaining to the great interests of our State. I thank you again for the great honor you have conferred upon me, and when the convention is in session it shall be my earnest duty to facilitate its discussions, and I earnestly invoke your assistance in this duty you have assigned me.

COURTESIES EXTENDED TO THE CONVENTION.

Communications were then read from the President and Directors of the Merchants' Exchange, extending an invitation to the Convention to visit the merchants of St. Louis at their place of business; from D. P. Rowland, President of the Cotton Exchange; from Albert Todd, on behalf of the St. Louis Agricultural and Mechanical Association; and from the Directors of the Mercantile Library Association, offering the courtesies of the Association and use of the library to the delegates while in the city.

The invitations were accepted, and the communications referred to the Committee on Arrangements.

THE DAY'S PROGRAMME.

The President then introduced to the Convention the first speaker—

HON. CHARLES P. JOHNSON,
Of St. Louis.

Subject:—"The Valley of the Mississippi; Missouri the Central State."

In regular order of programme the following papers were then read:

By JAMES L. MINOR,
Of Jefferson City.

Subject:—"The Physical Description of Southern Missouri."

By G. W. BRADFIELD,
Of Laclede County.

Subject:—"Railway and Public Lands."

By DR. WM. L. BARRET,
Of St. Louis.

Subject:—"The Health of Missouri."

The regular order of business being concluded, the following resolutions were introduced by John L. Thomas, of Jefferson County:

Resolved, That the chairman of this Convention appoint the following committees:
On Manufactures.
On Stock Raising.
On Agriculture.
On Dairies and Cheese Factories.
On Mines and Mining.
On Commerce and Trade.
On Water Courses and Water Power.
That each committee shall consist of nine members.

Resolved, That said committees report to this Convention such suggestions as they deem important in the furtherance of the designs of the Convention, and all resolutions and addresses delivered on the above subject shall be referred to the appropriate committees.

On motion of E. C. Cabell, seconded by R. D. Lancaster, of St. Louis, the resolutions were laid over to the next day.

Thomas C. Fletcher, by instruction of the sub-executive committee, reported the programme for Wednesday.

A resolution to hold night sessions, commencing Wednesday, was adopted.

On motion, the Convention adjourned to Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock.



WEDNESDAY, APRIL 14th.

MORNING SESSION.

The Convention met at 10 A. M., pursuant to adjournment, the President, Governor Phelps, in the chair.

E. C. Cabell, of St. Louis, stated that the Convention was called for the purpose of organizing a State Immigration Society, and with a view to facilitate and expedite business, moved that a committee of thirteen—one from each Congressional District—be appointed by the Chair, to prepare and submit to the Convention a plan of organization for a State Immigration Society.

As a basis of action, Mr. Cabell read and submitted the following draft of a plan, which he said was similar to that adopted by the St. Louis Society, and which had been found to work smoothly and efficiently, and asked that it be referred to the committee without debate.

PLAN OF ORGANIZATION.

ARTICLE I. We, the undersigned, delegates appointed to the State Immigration Convention to represent the local immigration societies in our respective counties, hereby organize ourselves into a society to be known as the State Immigration Society of Missouri.

ART. II. The business of this Society shall be solely to induce immigration to the State by the collection, compilation and dissemination of valuable information, and by all such other means as may be deemed expedient by the Executive Committee hereinafter to be designated.

ART. III. The affairs of the Society shall be managed by an Executive Committee, to consist of thirty-four persons, one from each Senatorial District of the State. The persons who shall first constitute the Executive Committee shall be chosen by the delegates to the State Immigration Convention representing the counties composing the several Senatorial Districts, one for each, who shall hold the office until the annual meeting, to be held——

ART. IV. No debt or liability whatever for or on account of the Society shall, at any time, or for any purpose, be contracted or permitted to accrue in excess of the amount actually in the treasury of the Society at the time of making or permitting such liability and applicable to the payment thereof, and it shall be the duty of the Executive Committee to strictly enforce and observe this article.

ART. V. No change or modification of these articles shall be binding on us unless the same be made by a vote of three-fourths of the members present at some regular meeting, the proposed amendment having been first submitted to the regular meeting next previous.

Adopted.

Mr. Cabell requested that the Chair would not appoint him on the committee, as it would interfere with his duties as Secretary of the Convention.

The Chair appointed the following as said committee :

<i>First District</i>	—Thomas C. Fletcher, St. Louis.
<i>Second</i>	“ Waldo P. Johnson, “
<i>Third</i>	“ J. J. O'Neill “
<i>Fourth</i>	“ Louis Houck, Cape Girardeau County.
<i>Fifth</i>	“ George W. Bradfield, Laclede “
<i>Sixth</i>	“ John L. Rush, Webster “
<i>Seventh</i>	“ H. Clay Ewing, Cole “
<i>Eighth</i>	“ S. C. Ragan, Jackson “
<i>Ninth</i>	“ J. W. Stringfellow, Buchanan “
<i>Tenth</i>	“ Geo. H. Hubbell, Grundy “
<i>Eleventh</i>	“ J. F. Rucker, Boone “
<i>Twelfth</i>	“ F. M. Harrington, Adair “
<i>Thirteenth District</i>	—L. P. Bashaw, Monroe “

Logan Hunton, of St. Louis County, moved that the gentlemen selected to prepare articles on designated subjects to be presented to the Convention, be allowed to present the same by their titles, or to read the whole or parts thereof, as they may elect.

G. C. Swallow, of Boone County, seconded the motion, and said he would announce his paper by title, and allow the Publication Committee to consider its value.

Joseph W. Turner, of Carroll County, offered as a substitute : “ That the roll of the counties be now called, and that one of the delegates from each county be allowed to submit the report from his county before the regular programme of the day shall be proceeded with.”

C. E. Peers, of Warren County, and E. C. Cabell, of St. Louis, opposed the substitute, on the ground that it would be discourteous to the gentlemen specially invited to address the Convention.

The whole matter under discussion was finally, by vote of the Convention, laid upon the table.

The Chair called the attention of the Convention to the resolutions of J. L. Thomas, of Jefferson County, laid over from the previous day.

Mr. Thomas stated that as he had discovered that the object he intended would be secured in another way, he would withdraw the resolutions for the present.

THE COUNTY REPORTS.

J. L. Erwin, of Callaway County, moved that a special time be set for hearing county and local immigration society reports.

A. W. Myers, of Linn County, offered the following resolution as an amendment :

Resolved, That in order to accommodate members of this Convention who cannot be in attendance after to-day, the afternoon session be devoted exclusively to the general business of the Convention, and the receiving of reports from the delegates of the several counties of the State.

R. D. Lancaster, of St. Louis, suggested as a substitute "the evening session."

The substitute was lost and the amendment carried.

THE DAY'S PROGRAMME.

The Convention then proceeded with the day's programme, and the chairman introduced the speakers and essayists in the following order :

JOSEPH L. STEPHENS,
Of Boonville, Cooper County.

Subject :—"Railways of Missouri."

LOUIS HOUCK,
Of Cape Girardeau.

Subject :—"The Lowlands of Southeast Missouri."

THOMAS ALLEN,
Of St. Louis.

Subject :—"The Commercial Relations of Missouri with the Southwestern States and Mexico."

DAVID S. TWITCHELL,
Representing George M. Shelly, Mayor of Kansas City.

Subject :—"Kansas City ; Its Wealth and Industries ; Its Progress and Prospects."

On motion the Convention took a recess to 2 P. M.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 14th.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Convention re-assembled at 2 P. M., C. E. Peers, first Vice-President, in the chair.

Henry A. Newman, of Howard County, moved to reconsider the resolution of A. W. Myers, of Linn County, changing the order of business for the afternoon session.

The motion was adopted; whereupon Mr. Newman offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Convention meet this evening at seven o'clock for the purpose of receiving county reports. Carried.

TO REFLECT THE SENTIMENTS OF THE CONVENTION.

Charles P. Johnson, of St. Louis, offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the President of this Convention appoint a committee of five to report resolutions expressive of the sentiments of this Convention on the subject of immigration. Adopted unanimously.

The chair appointed as the members of said committee: Chas. P. Johnson, of St. Louis; W. F. Switzler, Boone County; T. J. O. Morrison, New Madrid County; Silas Woodson, Buchanan County; H. F. Fellows, Greene County.

By unanimous consent,

F. M. POSEGATE,

Of Buchanan County,

Addressed the Convention on the subject of "The City of St. Joseph and Northwest Missouri.

THE PROGRAMME—CONTINUED.

The Chair then introduced the following speakers, who addressed the Convention in the order named:

JOHN H. MORSE,

Of Jefferson County.

Subject:—"Inland Rivers, Springs and Water Powers."

JOHN WALKER,

Of Howard County.

Subject:—"The Culture of Tobacco."

NATHANIEL HOLMES,

Of St. Louis,

Submitted to the Secretary his paper on "The Migration of Peoples," without reading.

Prof. G. C. SWALLOW,

Of the State University,

Submitted a paper on "The Geology of Northern Missouri."

E. G. GOULD,

Of St. Louis,

Submitted a paper on "Water Transportation, and the Improvement of the Mississippi and Missouri Rivers."

By request, N. J. Colman, of St. Louis, read the paper of

K. H. ALLEN,

Of St. Louis County.

Subject:—"Stock Raising in Missouri."

Secretary E. C. Cabell announced that he had received a letter from Judge John R. Woodside, of Oregon County, regretting his inability to attend on account of official duties, and submitting his paper on "The Timber of Southern Missouri."

The Secretary also announced the receipt of a paper entitled: "The Manufacture of Cotton, Wool and Paper in Missouri," from the writer,

LEE R. SHRYOCK,

Of St. Louis,

who was prevented from attending by sickness.

On motion, the papers were ordered filed.

The Secretary having stated that he was in receipt of a paper entitled: "Why I Came to Missouri," written by

L. J. FARWELL,

Ex-Governor of Wisconsin.

By general request Mr. E. A. Noonan read the same to the Convention.

On motion of Henry A. Newman, of Randolph County, a unanimous vote of thanks was extended to the writer for his able and interesting paper, and to the reader, Mr. E. A. Noonan, of St. Louis.

Letters expressing sincere sympathy with the objects of the Convention were read by the Secretary from Senator Frank M. Cockrell, Hon. J. S. Rollins, Columbia, Mo., and Congressman W. F. Rothwell.

A letter was read from the manager of the Belcher Sugar Refinery inviting the members of the Convention to inspect their extensive works. The invitation was accepted with thanks.

On motion, the Convention then took a recess to 7:30 P. M.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 14th.

NIGHT SESSION.

The Convention re-assembled at 7.30 P. M. President Phelps in the chair.

The Chair announced that in accordance with the resolution of the Convention, the roll of counties would be called for the presentation of reports.

COUNTY REPORTS FILED.

The Secretary thereupon called the roll, and the following county reports were presented, accompanied by short addresses:

Adair County.....	Presented by.....	{ F. M. Harrington.
		{ W. F. Smith.
Andrew "	"	Isaac R. Williams.
Atchison "	"	John D. Dopf.
Audrain "	"	Wm. H. Kennan.

Barry CountyPresented byCharles S. Bryan.
Barton	“	“Charles H. Brown.
Bates	“	“A. Henry.
Benton	“	“E. H. Richardson.
Bollinger	“	“M. R. Smith.
Boone	“	“W. F. Switzler.
Buchanan	“	“A. N. Schusterman.
Butler	“	“James F. Tubb.
Caldwell	“	“J. E. Hitt.
Callaway	“	“W. H. Thomas.
Camden	“	“L. J. Roach.
Cape Girardeau	“R. B. Oliver.
Carroll	“	“Jos. W. Turner.
Carter	“	“Henry Schupp.
Cass	“	“Barnard Zick.
Cedar	“	“James T. Farris.
Chariton	“	“O. F. Smith.
Christian	“	“J. F. Kindrick.
Clark	“	“R. L. King.
Clay	“	“Sam'l Hardwicke.
Clinton	“	“E. W. Turner.
Cole	“	“H. Clay Ewing.
Cooper	“	“J. H. Johnston.
Crawford	“	“Thomas R. Gibson.
Dade	“	“T. H. Cannon.
Dallas	“	“J. P. Brownlow.
Davies	“	“Thos. B. Yates.
DeKalb	“	“Hy. E. Glazier.
Dent	“	“E. T. Wingo.
Douglass	“	“H. P. Kelly.
Dunklin	“	“Dan'l B. Haynes.
Franklin	“	“E. N. Parker.
Gasconade	“	“R. Robyn.
Gentry	“	“C. J. Comstock.
Greene	“	“G. M. Jones.
Grundy	“	“Geo. H. Hubbell.
Harrison	“	“Not yet received.
Henry	“	“W. E. Brinckerhoff.
Hickory	“	“M. H. Neihardt.
Holt	“ (2 reports)	“ { B. O. Cowan.
		“ { E. J. Kellogg.
Howard	“	“Frank Dodd.
Howell	“	“C. H. E. Shuttee.
Iron	“	“J. W. Berryman.
Jackson	“ (2 reports)	“ { S. C. Ragan.
		“ { W. Z. Hickman.
Jasper	“	“E. P. Searle
Jefferson	“	“John L. Thomas.
Johnson	“	“H. C. Fike.

Knox County	Presented by	E. V. Wilson.
Laclede	"	John W. Farris.
Lafayette	"	A. A. Lesueur.
Lawrence	"	R. H. Landrum.
Lewis	"	H. P. Tate.
Lincoln	"	J. A. Mudd.
Linn	"	A. W. Myers.
Livingston	"	D. G. Sanders.
McDonald	"	A. W. Chenoweth.
Macon	"	S. G. Brock.
Madison	"	J. M. Anthony.
Maries	"	J. W. Harbison.
Marion	"	L. L. Suydam.
Mercer	"	M. F. Robinson.
Miller	"	A. Fulkerson.
Mississippi	"	J. M. Brown.
Moniteau	"	R. Q. Roache.
Monroe	"	S. P. Bashaw.
Montgomery	"	W. W. H. Jackman.
Morgan	"	B. R. Richardson.
New Madrid	"	T. J. O. Morrison.
Newton	"	M. H. Ritchey.
Nodaway	"	C. A. Anthony.
Oregon	"	W. N. Evans.
Osage	"	J. K. Kidd.
Ozark	"	Not yet received.
Pemiscot	"	G. W. Carleton.
Perry	"	C. A. Mann.
Pettis	"	By Delegates.
Phelps	"	C. H. Frost.
Pike	"(2 reports)"	C. Clark.
Platte	"	T. W. Park.
Polk	"	A. C. Lemon.
Pulaski	"	Godfrey Luthy.
Putnam	"	Hy Clay Dean.
Randolph	"	Henry A. Newman.
Ray	"	Louis C. Bohannon.
Ralls	"	No Report.
Reynolds	"	Elvis Harrison.
Ripley	"	W. H. Richter.
St. Charles	"	B. A. Alderson.
St. Clair	"	Jno. F. Tandy.
St. Francois	"	L. D. Walker.
St. Genevieve	"	Wm. F. Cox.
St. Louis	"	Mortimer M. Taylor.
Saline	"	N. B. Noble.
Schuyler	"	James Raley.
Scotland	"	J. W. Barnes.

Scott County.....	Presented by	J. M. Cooper.
Shannon "	"	J. P. Creager.
Shelby "	"	J. W. Towson.
Stoddard "	"	H. H. Bedford.
Stone "	"	Not yet received.
Sullivan "	"	Geo. W. Butler.
Taney "	"	Thomas A. Layton.
Texas "	"	C. M. Ross.
Vernon "	"	By delegates.
Warren "	"	J. V. Hays.
Washington	"	Wm. Riehl.
Wayne "	"	J. N. Morrison.
Webster "	"	J. L. Rush.
Worth "	"	O. P. Garner
Wright "	"	By the Delegates.

On motion the Convention adjourned to Thursday at 10 A. M.



THURSDAY, APRIL 15th.

MORNING SESSION.

The Convention met at 10 A. M., pursuant to adjournment, President Phelps in the chair.

A resolution offered by W. F. Smith, of Adair County, that the Convention visit the Merchants Exchange in a body, during the noon recess, was unanimously adopted.

J. M. Hurley, of Jasper County, requested the privilege of the floor for fifteen minutes, to address the Convention on the special attractions and advantages of Jasper County and Southwestern Missouri.

The Convention, by vote, declined to change the order of business.

INDORSED BY THE CONVENTION.

Charles Hoyle, of St. Louis, offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That this Convention recognize the German Emigrant Aid Society as a useful ally, in the important work of aiding and inducing immigration to the State of Missouri, and that the officers of said association are hereby tendered the privileges of delegates to this Convention. Adopted, after debate.

C. H. E. Shuttee, of Howell County, offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That twenty thousand copies of the proceedings of this Convention be printed in the German language. Referred.

A. Henry, of Bates County, introduced the following resolution:

Resolved, That we, the representatives of the people of the State of Missouri in Convention assembled, knowing the superiority of Missouri to any of the surrounding States in the quality and cheapness of its lands, in its inexhaustible mineral deposits, and in its mild and healthy climate, do hereby cordially invite and welcome to its soil all persons, irrespective of their religion, politics or nationality, who can aid by their labor or capital in the development of its vast resources. Adopted.

N. J. Colman, of St. Louis County, submitted the following preamble and resolution:

WHEREAS, Dr. Albin Morgner, a delegate to this Convention from St. Charles County, intends to visit Germany the coming summer and is desirous of working in the interest of emigration from that country to this State; therefore

Resolved, That this society authorizes and empowers Dr. Albin Morgner to work in behalf of this society to promote immigration to the State of Missouri, and that the secretary of this society be authorized to give the proper credentials of his appointment.

The resolution was seconded and indorsed by C. E. Peers, of Warren County, and Henry A. Newman, of Randolph County, and was unanimously adopted.

GEOLOGICAL SURVEYS.

Ralph Walker, of Greene County, submitted to the Convention the following :

Resolved, That as the geological surveys of this State heretofore made are merely preliminary, and as the creation of a Geological Board by the State is necessary for the successful development of its mineral interests, it is, therefore, the sense of this Convention that our Legislature should take some action having such an object in view. Referred to Committee on Resolutions.

THE PROGRAMME.

The Chairman then introduced

E. C. MOORE,

Of Boone County,

Whose subject was "Physical Description of Northern Missouri."

And next in order,

PETER L. FOY,

Of St. Louis.

Subject :—"Newspapers and Periodicals of Missouri."

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STATE ORGANIZATION.

Waldo P. Johnson, Chairman of the Special Committee on the organization of a State Immigration Society, reported as follows :

Resolved, That whereas the citizens composing the First, Second and Third Congressional Districts, have formed a District Immigration Society, and whereas the Ninth Congressional District has also formed a society for the purpose of promoting immigration, this Convention recommends that each of the other Congressional Districts be requested to organize district immigration societies, to aid the State Board of Immigration in collecting and disseminating information in regard to the resources of the State and in promoting the cause of immigration and the introduction of capital to this State; and that said district societies be requested from time to time to communicate such information as may be obtained to the State Board of Immigration.

F. M. Harrington, of Adair County, moved to amend as follows :

And further recommend that said district organizations annually hold a State convention for the purpose of disseminating and comparing results in some favorable location to be agreed upon by the presidents of the local organizations.

The amendment was accepted and the report adopted as a whole by unanimous vote.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PROMOTION OF IMMIGRATION.

Charles P. Johnson, of St. Louis, chairman of the committee appointed to express, in fitting resolutions, the sentiments of the Convention in regard to the best methods of promoting immigration to the State, reported the following preamble and resolutions:

WHEREAS, The peopling of the State of Missouri is necessary to the development of those vast and varied resources which should command for her a rank second to no State of the Union; that we are convinced that the character of Missouri and her internal wealth are unknown as well to the people of the Eastern States as of Europe; and,

WHEREAS, The development of these resources, so long neglected and delayed has become of vital importance to our State, and in our belief it is only necessary to make these resources known to have them appreciated, and so turn the flood-tide of immigration to Missouri; and,

WHEREAS, In the present excited political and social condition of Europe, it is natural to believe that the hopes of struggling thousands are turned to the refuge of the New World, so we may confidently expect by a united and purposeful effort to direct these hopes to our State; therefore, be it

1. *Resolved*, That, as citizens of Missouri officially delegated to represent her in this State Convention, we pledge ourselves by all honorable means within our power to advance, in conjunction with the State Board of Immigration and all other agencies, the cause of immigration to this State.

2. *Resolved*, That immigration to Missouri be made a feature of the coming political canvass in the State, and that candidates for State and Legislative honors without regard to the political party to which they belong be requested to promote all such legislation as will be properly necessary to a fulfillment of her manifest destiny.

3. *Resolved*, That as without material aid we must despair of achieving any beneficial results, therefore the Legislature at its next session be asked to make an unusual annual appropriation to aid the State Board of Immigration, adequate for the purpose of an active and extended canvass in the cause of immigration.

4. *Resolved*, That the law heretofore authorizing counties to appropriate a sum not to exceed five hundred dollars in aid of organizations for the promotion of immigration, and declared by the Attorney-General to have been repealed by the last Legislature, should be re-enacted by the next General Assembly, and that a committee of five be appointed by the President of this Convention to draft an appropriate bill and urge its passage before the next session of the General Assembly.

5. *Resolved*, That it is the sense of this Convention that in the State of Missouri there exists and are enforced as effective, legal and constitutional protection to every religious, civil and political rights as in any other State in the Union.

6. *Resolved*, That our senators and representatives in Congress be requested to urge upon the general government the speedy establishment of a branch mint in the city of St. Louis.

7. *Resolved*, That our senators and representatives in Congress be requested to work harmoniously together, and persistently, for an appropriation to improve the channels of the Mississippi and Missouri rivers, as a measure of justice to the whole State, and a commercial necessity to the several States of the Mississippi valley.

CHARLES P. JOHNSON,
Chairman, of St. Louis.
SILAS WOODSON,
Of Buchanan.
WM. F. SWITZLER,
Of Boone.
T. J. O. MORRISON,
Of New Madrid.
W. F. FELLOWS,
Of Greene.

William F. Switzler, of Boone County, in seconding the motion to adopt the report, stated that the object of the resolutions was to have harmonious and efficient agencies co-operating with

the State Board of Immigration, who would make the issue in the forthcoming State and county campaigns the advancement and fostering of immigration interests, by appropriate legislation.

The resolutions were adopted as reported.

The Convention then took a recess to 2 P. M.

VISITING THE EXCHANGE.

During the recess the Convention proceeded to the Merchants' Exchange in a body, where they were received by the President, Directors and members, and given the freedom of the hall.

THURSDAY, APRIL 15th.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Convention re-assembled at 2 P. M., President Phelps in the chair.

THE PROGRAMME—CONTINUED.

The President introduced the following speakers :

DR. GEORGE ENGELMAN,

Of St. Louis.

Subject :— "The Climatology of Missouri."

PROF. S. S. LAWS,

Of the State University.

Subject :—"Universities, Colleges and Academies of Missouri, (outside of St. Louis)."

By request of Rev. W. G. Eliot, of Washington University, Prof. Laws also read Prof. Eliot's paper, entitled "Universities, Colleges and Academies of St. Louis."

HENRY OVERSTOLZ,

Mayor of St. Louis,

To whom was assigned "The City of St. Louis, its History, Growth and Industries," excused himself from reading his paper in full, as the time of the Convention was becoming short, and making a few remarks, filed it with the Secretary.

THOMAS E. TUTT,

Of St. Louis,

Presented his paper, entitled "Banks and Banking in Missouri," to be filed with the Secretary without reading.

WALDO P. JOHNSON,

Of St. Louis,

Read a paper on the "Financial Condition of the State and Counties of Missouri."

W. F. SWITZLER,

Of Boone County,

Filed his paper, entitled "The Manufacturing Industries and Capabilities of Missouri," without reading.

W. H. HORNER,

Of St. Louis,

Submitted a paper: *Subject*:—"Labor and Wages in Missouri," making a brief address to the Convention.

THOMAS W. FITCH,

Of St. Louis,

Filed his paper on "The Iron and Steel Manufactures in Missouri"

R. D. SHANNON,

State Superintendent of Public Schools,

Read a paper entitled "The Common Schools of Missouri Outside of St. Louis."

THOMAS C. FLETCHER,

Of St. Louis,

Delivered an address on "Society in Missouri."

NORMAN J. COLMAN,

Of St. Louis,

Submitted his paper on "The Agricultural Capabilities of Missouri," at the same time giving a brief outline of the subject.

The following papers were then submitted to the Convention with short addresses, and filed with the Secretary:

"The Cotton Trade of St. Louis."

By J. W. PARAMORE,

Of St. Louis.

"Manufacture of Pottery and Granite Ware in Missouri."

By H. M. THOMPSON,

Of St. Louis.

"Beef Canning in Missouri."

By N. C. HUDSON,

Of St. Louis.

"The Culture of Northern Cane or Sorgo."

By ISAAC A. HEDGES,

Of St. Louis.

"The Geology of Southern Missouri."

By G. C. BROADHEAD,

Of Cass County.

Secretary Cabell announced that he had received the following papers from the respective gentlemen named :

By SEYMOUR D. THOMPSON,

Of St. Louis,

“The Laws Relating to Debtor and Creditor, Exemption,
Homestead and Tax Laws of Missouri.”

By HENRY C. YAEGER,

Of St. Louis,

“The Grain Trade and Flour Manufacture in Missouri.”

By W. M. T. HARRIS,

Superintendent of Public Schools, St. Louis,

“The Common Schools of St. Louis.”

By REV. R. D. McANALLY,

Of St. Louis,

“Churches, Asylums, Hospitals and Eleemosynary Institutions.”

By DAVID A. ELY,

Of Adair County,

“Dairying in Missouri.”

By DR. I. G. W. STEEDMAN,

Of St. Louis,

“Game and Fish in Missouri.”

By CHRISTIAN PEPPER,

Of St. Louis,

“Manufacture of Tobacco and the Tobacco Trade in Missouri.”

By JOHN MONTIETH,

Of Jefferson County,

“Poultry in Missouri.”

By N. W. BLISS,

Of Washington County,

“The Grasses of Missouri.”

By PROF. S. M. TRACY,

Of Boone County,

“Horticulture in Missouri.”

By WM. STARK,

Of Pike County,

“Fruit Culture in Missouri.”

By G. W. C. BELCHER,

Of St. Louis,

“Manufacture of Sugar from Northern Cane or Sorgo.”

By JOSEPH MULHALL,

Of St. Louis.

“The Cattle Trade of Missouri.”

By PROF. GEORGE HUSSMAN,

Of the State University,

“Vineyards and Wine in Missouri.”

By SAMUEL ARCHER,

Of Clay County,

“Wool Growing in Missouri.”

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By PROF. W. B. POTTER,
Of Washington University,
"Mines and Mining in Missouri."

By SAMUEL HAYS,
Of St. Louis,
"Post Offices, Post Routes and Telegraph Lines."

By CHARLES W. MURTFELDT,
Of St. Louis.
"Solicited Foreign Immigration."

The Secretary stated that he had received a letter from John C. Teas, of Jasper County, to whom was assigned the subject "Forests and Forestry in Missouri," asking a few days further time in which to prepare his paper, sickness having caused the delay.

He also stated that the Hon. Henry Clay Dean, who had been appointed to deliver an address on "The Relation of Manufactures to Population," would submit a paper on that subject in time for publication in the forthcoming book.

TO MEMORIALIZE THE LEGISLATURE.

The President announced that he had appointed Charles Gibson, Thomas C. Fletcher, Alexander Martin, E. O. Stanard and W. P. Johnson, the committee to memorialize the next Legislature and to draft a bill providing means for the promotion of immigration, in conformity with clause 4 of the resolutions reported by the committee appointed "to express the sentiments of the Convention in regard to the best methods of promoting immigration to the State."

RESOLUTIONS OF THANKS.

E. P. Searle, of Jasper County, introduced a resolution of thanks to the Belcher Sugar Refinery of St. Louis, for courtesies extended. Adopted.

N. J. Colman, of St. Louis, offered a resolution as follows :

Resolved, That the thanks of the State Immigration Convention are hereby tendered its able President, Governor Phelps, and to Secretary E. C. Cabell, of St. Louis, and his two assistants, Messrs. Morrison Renshaw and E. A. Noonan, for the manner in which their onerous duties have been performed. Adopted.

Alexander A. Lesueur, of Lafayette County, offered the following :

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention are tendered to the St. Louis Immigration Society, for their earnest and unceasing labors in organizing and bringing to a successful completion, this State Convention. Adopted.

SUPPLEMENTARY RESOLUTIONS ON STATE ORGANIZATION.

W. H. H. Russell, of St. Louis, offered the following preamble and resolutions :

WHEREAS, The respective counties in the State of Missouri have responded to the call of the "St. Louis Immigration Society" by sending an earnest and intelligent class of delegates to this Convention for the purpose of devising and suggesting the best and most practical mode of inducing immigration into this State; therefore, be it

Resolved, That this Convention suggest to the citizens of each and every county the organization of permanent local immigration societies.

Resolved, That said local organizations report annually to the State Board of Immigration their success, wants, etc., and that a general fund be created by proper legislation for the purpose of aiding those counties (that may need pecuniary aid) in securing immigration into the respective counties and sections.

Resolved, That the executive committee be and are hereby authorized to print as many copies of the proceedings of this Convention in the English and German languages for distribution among the counties represented in this Convention as they may deem expedient.

Resolved, That Missouri hereby proclaims to the world her unqualified adherence to the Constitution of the United States and her determined purpose to maintain the republic as founded by our forefathers, and extends her right hand of fellowship to all industrious and liberty-loving persons from all quarters of the globe. Adopted.

THANKS TO THE PRESS AND RAILROAD LINES.

A. N. Shuster, of Buchanan County, offered the following :

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention are hereby tendered to the press of the city of St. Louis, for the accurate and faithful reports of the proceedings published in the columns of the daily papers.

By resolution of Thomas W. Fitch, of St. Louis, the hearty thanks of the Convention were tendered to the different railroad and steamboat lines for furnishing transportation to the delegates.

Professor G. C. Swallow, of Columbia, offered the following resolution :

Resolved. That the Secretary of this Convention be requested to publish a full list of the delegates to the Convention, and those who have prepared papers, with the post-office address of each, and that he send a copy to each member of the Convention. Adopted.

Governor Phelps, President of the Convention, then paid the delegates a high compliment for the enthusiasm and wisdom displayed during their labors ; he also returned thanks for the uniform courtesy shown the presiding officer, and closed by announcing the State Immigration Convention adjourned *sine die*.



APPENDIX

Names and Post-office address of gentlemen who submitted papers to the Convention, by special invitation :

"Stock Raising in Missouri," K. H. Allen, O'Fallon, St. Charles County.

"Commercial Relations of Missouri with the Southwestern States and Mexico," Thos. Allen, St. Louis.

"Wool Growing in Missouri," Samuel Archer, Kearney, Clay County.

"Health of Missouri," Dr. Wm. L. Barret, St. Louis.

"Manufacture of Sugar from Northern Cane or Sorgo," G. W. C. Belcher, St. Louis.

"The Grasses of Missouri," N. W. Bliss, Kingston Furnace, Washington County.

"Railway and Public Lands in Missouri," George W. Bradfield, Lebanon, Laclede County.

"Geology of Southern Missouri," Prof. G. C. Broadhead, Pleasant Hill, Cass County.

"Agricultural Capabilities of Missouri," N. J. Colman, St. Louis.

"The Relation of Manufactures to Population," Hy. Clay Dean, Putnam County; P. O., Dean, Iowa.

"Universities, Colleges and Academies of the City of St. Louis," Dr. W. G. Eliot Washington University, St. Louis.

"Dairying in Missouri," David A. Ely, Sublette, Adair County.

"Climatology of Missouri," Prof. Geo. Engelmann, St. Louis.

"Why I Came to Missouri," L. J. Farwell, (ex-Governor of Wisconsin,) Grant City, Worth County.

"Iron and Steel Manufacture in Missouri," Thomas W. Fitch, St. Louis.

"Society in Missouri," Thomas C. Fletcher, St. Louis.

"Newspapers and Periodicals of Missouri," Peter L. Foy, St. Louis.

"Water Transportation and the Improvement of the Mississippi and Missouri Rivers," E. G. Gould, St. Louis.

"Common Schools of the City of St. Louis," Prof. W. T. Harris, St. Louis.

"Post-Offices, Post Routes and Telegraph Lines in Missouri," Samuel Hays, St. Louis.

"Culture of Northern Cane or Sorgo," Isaac A. Hedges, St. Louis.

"Migration of Peoples," Nathaniel Holmes, St. Louis.

"Labor and Wages in Missouri," W. H. Horner, St. Louis.

"The Low Lands of Southeast Missouri," Louis Houck, Cape Girardeau, Cape Girardeau County.

"Beef Canning in Missouri," N. C. Hudson, St. Louis.

"Vineyards and Wine in Missouri," Prof. George Hussmann, State University.

"The Valley of the Mississippi, Missouri the Central State," Chas. P. Johnson, St. Louis.

"Financial Condition of the State and Counties of Missouri," Waldo P. Johnson, St. Louis.

"Universities, Colleges and Academies in Missouri (outside of St. Louis)," Prof. S. S. Laws, State University.

"Churches, Asylums, Hospitals and Eleemosynary Institutions," Rev. R. D. McAnally, St. Louis.

"Physical Description of Southern Missouri," James L. Minor, Jefferson City, Cole County.

“Poultry in Missouri,” John Montieth, Kimmswick, Jefferson County.

“Physical Description of Northern Missouri,” E. C. More, Columbia, Boone County.

“Inland Rivers, Springs, and Water Powers,” John H. Morse. Morse’s Mill, Jefferson County.

“The Cattle Trade of Missouri,” Joseph Mulhall, St. Louis.

“Solicited Foreign Immigration,” Charles W. Murtfeldt, St. Louis.

“Growth of St. Louis, its Wealth and Industries,” Henry Overstolz, Mayor, St. Louis.

“The Cotton Trade of Missouri,” J. W. Paramore, St. Louis.

“Manufacture of Tobacco and the Tobacco Trade in Missouri,” Christian Peper, St. Louis.

“Mines and Mining in Missouri,” Prof. W. B. Potter, Washington University, St. Louis.

“Common Schools of the State (outside of St. Louis),” R. D. Shannon, Superintendent of Public Schools, Jefferson City.

“The Manufacture of Cotton, Wool and Paper in Missouri,” L. R. Shryock, St. Louis.

“Fruit Culture in Missouri,” William Stark, Louisiana, Pike County

“Game and Fish in Missouri,” I. G. W. Steedman, St. Louis.

“Railways of Missouri,” J. L. Stephens, Boonville, Cooper County.

“Geology of Northern Missouri,” Prof. G. C. Swallow, State University.

“Manufacturing Industries and Capabilities of Missouri.” W. F. Switzler, Columbia, Boone County.

“Forests and Forestry in Missouri,” John C. Teas, Carthage, Jasper County.

“Manufacture of Pottery and Granite Ware in Missouri,” H. M. Thompson, St. Louis.

"Laws Relating to Debtor and Creditor, Exemption, Homestead and Tax Laws of Missouri," Seymour D. Thompson, St. Louis.

"Horticulture in Missouri," Prof. S. M. Tracy, State University.

"Kansas City, its Wealth and Industries, its Progress and Prospects," David L. Twitchell, by appointment of the Mayor, Kansas City.

"Banks and Banking in Missouri," Thomas E. Tutt, St. Louis.

"Culture of Tobacco in Missouri," John Walker, White Stone, Howard County.

"The Timber of Southern Missouri," Judge John R. Woodside, Thomasville, Oregon County.

"Grain Trade and Flour Manufacture in Missouri," Henry C. Yaeger, St. Louis.



