

a chairman, and allow the committee to then elect its own chairman.

Chairman Moighan then explained that the present committee had been elected at the last fall's convention, to serve until the next convention, when a new committee would be elected. At the meeting two weeks ago the committee had waived its right to elect its chairman, and had delegated that privilege to the Republican party. An adjournment of two weeks had been taken to allow the Republicans to consider who would be the best man for the place, and the meeting to-day was for the election of that man whom the Republicans thought would be the best man.

Judge Patton urged a shorter method of election than by ballot, but Judge Boreman favored the ballot plan, as being a calmer, more dispassionate way of making a choice than by viva voce.

The motion to ballot having been carried unanimously, the chair appointed W. M. Hanson, Walt Richey and Joseph Belnap tellers.

At this point Judge A. C. Bishop introduced a resolution, reciting that, as a means of preserving harmony in the Republican ranks, and of eliminating the element of dissension and discord, no candidate for office should be a member of the Central Committee, and that should any member of that committee become a candidate he should at once resign from the committee.

Judge Bishop moved the adoption of the resolution, and the motion carried with a full vote unanimously.

#### CRANE CLEARED.

During the balloting Bishop Wade of Pleasant View introduced a resolution, which reads as follows:

Whereas, Certain papers in Utah have, for reasons unknown to this convention, made the charge that Hon. Charles Crane, chairman of the Territorial central committee, has attempted to dominate the selection of a chairman of the Republican committee of Weber county, through secret and underhand methods, and,

Whereas, There is no evidence that such charges have any foundation, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Republicans of Weber county, in convention assembled, after due inquiry, find that such charges are without foundation; and be it further

Resolved, That this convention declare its disapproval of the action of such papers in making such charges, whereby dissension and division is created in the ranks of the party.

Mr. A. R. Heywood spoke briefly, saying that Mr. Crane had evidently been given credit with things that he doubtless never intended, and sentiments had been credited to him that possibly had never entered his breast. Mr. Crane, he actually believed, desired the success of the Republican party, but that being peculiarly constituted, he undoubtedly did many things which a man differently constituted, having not so much rashness in his nature, would not do. For these reasons he thought the resolution ought to be adopted.

No other remarks were made, and the resolution was adopted.

#### WHIPPLE ELECTED.

The result of the first ballot as announced showed R. H. Whipple 33 votes, George J. Kelley 27, and the balance scattering.

The second ballot showed Whipple 57, Kelley 43, and five scattering. One hundred and eleven votes being cast, and fifty-six being necessary to a choice, Mr. Whipple was declared elected. The choice was then made unanimous.

Mr. Whipple being called for, responded in a few brief remarks, saying in substance:

Mr. Chairman, and Members of the Republican Party:—Of course, I thank you for the compliment of this election. There is but little to be done before a new committee and a new chairman are to be chosen, but the election to this position is a compliment, just the same, which I appreciate very highly.

Some remarks were made two weeks ago about dissensions in the party, but I want to say to you that there are no dissensions. Every man who votes the Republican ticket and supports the Republican cause, and announces himself as a supporter of Republican principles, is a Republican, and entitled to the same consideration to which every other Republican is entitled. I will do all I can for you. It is impossible that any one man can please all the people, but it is a rule of the Republican party that the majority must and will control, and I shall do all I can to help along the cause of Republicanism, with the hope that I may do that which may meet the approval of the great mass of the party. But whether the acts of this committee shall please all or not, every man in the Republican ranks should stand shoulder to shoulder and when the call comes be ready to shoulder a gun and go to war. Let bygones be bygones, and all fight together for the success of the Republican party.

At the conclusion of Mr. Whipple's remarks, the meeting adjourned.

#### SIDE LIGHTS.

Mr. Whipple is as good a man for chairman as can be found in Weber county. He understands how to conduct a campaign to win success, as was abundantly proved in the last city campaign.

The convention should have adopted a resolution of thanks to the retiring chairman for his valuable labors during the past year.

The Crane resolution was a beauty. It was passed, as the secretary's minutes showed, by a unanimous vote. By that is meant that no one voted against it, but the vote in its favor was confined to a scattering few in various parts of the house. As a matter of sympathy, the convention declared it had investigated what it had not investigated, and allowed the matter to pass; this, also, with the desire not to stir up any discord in the proceedings. On a square Reed rules vote the resolutions were overwhelmingly defeated.

Mr. Heywood, in the kindness of his heart, spoke in favor of the Crane reso-

in a forgiving spirit, even toward Charles Crane.

ADEN DEPARTMENT.

CHAIRMAN SELECTED.

Monday morning at 10:30 Chairman of the Republican Central of Weber county called the of Republicans to order, there about 100 present, and stated chief business on the pro- was the election of a chair-