A motion was then made to adjourn until two o'clock; but after some discussion it was withdrawn.

A motion prevailed that a Committee of one from each State be appointed to nominate permanent officers for the Convention. The Committee consisted of Rev. L. A. Grimes, of Mass.; Abram J. Morrison, of Conn.; Stephen Myers, of N. Y.; and John C. Bowers, of Pa.

During the absence of the nominating Committee, the following Committee was appointed on rules: J. C. White, J. S. Rock, J. C. Morrell, G. D. Washington and J. McCrummell.

The Committee on nominations for permanent officers then made the following report:

For President—Rev. AMOS G. BEMAN, of Connecticut.


The report was adopted.

A committee of two, consisting of Drs. J. J. G. Bias of Pennsylvania, and J. McCune Smith, N. Y., was appointed to conduct the President elect to the Chair.

On taking the Chair, the President returned his thanks for the honor conferred on him; and promised to discharge his duties in an impartial manner, and requested the aid of the members in carrying out the objects of the Convention, &c.

Mr. J. C. White was excused from acting as one of the Vice Presidents, and Dr. J. J. Gould Bias appointed to fill the vacancy.

The following committees were then appointed:


Finance Committee—Stephen Smith, of Pa.; Aaron Still, Pa.; Chas. L. Remond, Mass.; G. V. Nelson, Pa., and J. J. Simons, N. Y.

The committee on rules then made a report recommending "Cushing's Manual of Parliamentary Practice."

A motion then prevailed, after some discussion, to return the report to the committee, with instructions to report a few written rules for the government of the Convention. Whereupon all the committee resigned.

A Committee was then appointed to draw up a set of written rules. The committee consisted of Messrs. Wm. H. Topp, of N. Y.; S. Golden, Pa., and J. C. Morrell, N. Y.

Convention then adjourned for one hour.

Afternoon Session.

The Convention met according to adjournment, the President in the Chair.

Prayer was offered by Rev. Wm. T. Catts.

On motion, E. J. Marsh was appointed on the committee on credentials, in place of Beman, appointed President.

On motion, Edward Galpin, of Connecticut, was admitted a corresponding member.


On motion, Mr. Reese, of New Jersey, was admitted a corresponding member.

The Chair then announced that he had a communication from Dr. J. W. C. Pennington, of New-York, which was referred to the business committee.

On motion, Mr. William Whipper, of Columbia, Pa., was admitted a corresponding member.

A communication from Mr. J. W. Lewis was referred to the business committee.

A motion to appoint a committee of three to read letters of correspondence, was lost.