

must have the Atlantic States as well, and it seems to me no more convenient point can be selected than Cleveland.

Mr. McIntyre—A year is a long time to wait for a Convention. I think a Convention should be held in June or July. If we are determined to get a 21-foot channel the sooner we get to work the better.

Mr. Boyle—It seems to me that what we want behind this movement is influence. There is no city on the Lakes that has larger influence than the City of Chicago. I would move the next Convention be held in Chicago not later than the first of July.

Mr. W. I. Mackenzie seconded this motion.

Mr. Cooley—In prosecuting this movement a great deal of work will have to be done by individuals selected for the purpose. That is the province of the Executive Committee. I believe the greatest work of legislation has been done by individuals. Public sentiment has to be created. That can be created in a measure by Conventions, but if you attempt to hold Conventions every six months they will soon peter out, and this subject has to be kept up for a series of years. The Mississippi Valley movement was started in 1874. They held meetings every two years. In the mean while they had an active organization in every city of the Mississippi Valley and a General Committee to bring together all the results of that organization and distribute literature in all directions. I believe our Executive Committee is the proper organization to attend to the holding of the Convention. For some reason it might be advisable to hold it at Ottawa or Washington and the Committee should be free to take advantage of conditions which may arise favorable to the project. I think therefore the original motion should prevail.

Mr. Smalley—I think it would be in order to refer all these invitations to the Executive Committee. I will move that the invitations already made be referred to the Executive.

Mr. Suydam—I second the motion.

Carried unanimously.

Mr. McGuirok—I move we tender the thanks of this Convention to His Worship the Mayor and the citizens of Toronto for the hospitality they have accorded to us.

Mr. Smalley—I second the motion.

Carried.

Mr. Howland—I think the thanks of this Convention are due the President and two Vice-Presidents, the Secretaries, and the Chairman and Secretary of Committees who have brought the labor of the Convention to such a successful issue. I make a motion to this effect.

Seconded by Mr. Connee and carried

Mr. Thompson—On behalf of myself and associates I thank you very kindly for the passing of this resolution. I my say on my part the work has been a