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AT an early hour the church was well filled.

AMY Post called the meeting to order and stated that at a preliminary meeting, held the previous evening at Protection Hall, herself, Sarah D. Fish and Rhoda De Garmo, were appointed a Committee to Nominate Officers for this Convention, and that they had concluded to propose the following names: President—Abigail Bush; Vice-President—Laura Murray; Secretaries—Elizabeth McClintock, Sarah L. Hallowell and Catharine A. F. Stebbins.

The report of the committee was unanimously adopted by the Convention, excepting the case of Elizabeth McClintock, who declined accepting the office, on the ground of being unprepared to have a woman the presiding officer, therefore, she proposed the name of Mary H. Hallowell in her place, which being seconded by Mary Ann McClintock, she was duly appointed. To our great surprise, two or three other women—glorious reformers, well deserving the name—coming from a distance to attend the meeting, at first refused to take their seats upon the platform, or otherwise co-operate with the Convention, for the same cause. But as the meeting proceeded, and they had listened to some opening remarks from our gentle but heroic President, their fears for the honor of the Convention subsided, after which they worked nobly for the cause that had called us together, and the meeting proceeded harmoniously to the end.

Prayer was offered by Rev. Mr. WICHER.

The minutes of the preliminary meeting were then read by Sarah L. Hallowell, at which time much anxiety was manifested concerning the low voices of the women, and whenever reading or speaking was attempted, without giving time for adapting the voice to the size of the house, cries of "louder," "louder," nearly drowned every other sound, when the President arose and said:

With hearts overflowing with grateful joy, the meeting adjourned sine die.

> ABIGAIL BUSH, President. LAURA MURRAY, Vice-Pres.

SARAH L. HALLOWELL,
CATHARINE A. F. STEBBINS,
MARY H, HALLOWELL,

Secretaries.

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