

# COLLEGE PRESIDENTS DISCUSS STANDARD.

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Dr. Foster Made Head of a Committee on Matter, at College Presidents' Meeting at Topeka— President Price's Paper.

At the meeting of the presidents of the denominational colleges of the state held at Topeka last Friday and Saturday, President Price and Dr. Foster were present.

One of the many things of vital interest considered was some means of standardization for the denominational schools of the state. A committee composed of Dr. H. H. Foster, of Ottawa University, chairman; Dean McEachron, of Washburn; President Smith, of Salina Wesleyan, was appointed by the body to look into the matter. In explanation to the general public, it may be said that a recent move has been started by the State Board of Education to cut down the number of accredited schools from nine, the present number, to five. The state board's power in the matter will simply be that of suggestion. Whether it is wise to do thus, is to be duly considered. The denominational school feel that the idea of

standardization is not a bad one. Whether the system of standardization adopted should be on the basis of a certain amount of endowment, the size of the faculty, number of students, etc., is being discussed. The scheme finally adopted, should one that is satisfactory be evolved, will probably take into consideration these and other vital points.

At another meeting of the presidents to be held at Topeka on December 28, the day before the State Teachers' Association convention, a report from the standardization and other committees will be heard.

At the meetings last week Dr. Price read a paper on 'The Duty of Denominations to their Students in State Universities.' Dr. Foster read a paper on "Carnegie Foundation," in which paper the Carnegie standard of founding colleges was discussed in a masterly manner.