

COUNCIL HALL, SAN FELIPE DE AUSTIN, }
 December 8th, 1835. }

The following Resolutions were this day passed by the General Council, and are transmitted for your information:

Resolved, That the Governor be, and he is hereby directed to instruct our Foreign Agents to purchase seven hundred barrels of flour, instead of 350 required in the Ordinance providing supplies for the Regular Army.

SEC. 2. *Resolved*, That the Governor be, and he is hereby directed to instruct the Commissioners to the United States to contract with one or more bakers for and on account of this Government, to proceed to this place or to the Seat of Government, and report themselves to the Governor.

Passed, December 8, 1835.

JAMES W. ROBINSON,
 Lieut. Gov. and ex-officio Pres't of G. C.

E. M. PEASE,
 Sec'y of Gen. Council.
 Approved, December 9, 1835.

HENRY SMITH,
 Governor.

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Resolved, That John Forbes be, and is hereby appointed a Commissioner in place of John Laplasier, for carrying into effect the 14th section of the Organic Law of the Provisional Government, and that a majority of the said Commissioners shall have full power to act; and that the papers and archives of the Land Offices, and of the Political Chief be placed by said Commissioners into the hands of John Forbes and Arthur Henry, subject to the orders of the Provisional Government; and that Arthur Henry be hereby appointed a Collector of

Dues on land, giving the necessary security for faithful performance, approved by the Commissioners. ,

Passed at San Felipe de Austin, Dec. 8, 1835.

JAMES W. ROBINSON,

Lieut. Gov. and ex-officio Pres't of G. C.

E. M. PEASE,

Sec'y of Gen. Council.

Approved, December 9, 1835.

HENRY SMITH,

Governor.

An Ordinance and Decree for the Relief of Bartolome Pajes.

Be it ordained and decreed, and it is hereby ordained and decreed, That the Governor be required, and it is hereby made his duty to draw upon the Commissioners of Texas to the United States of the North, or either of them, for the sum of eight hundred and sixty-seven dollars, the amount awarded by the General Council of the Government aforesaid, to the said Bartolome Pajes, for fifty-one horses or riding animals pressed for the public service by Captain P. Dimitt, commandant of the garrison of Goliad; and that the same be paid out of the first monies received for the account of Texas in the city of New Orleans; and that the said Commissioners be instructed to take a receipt for the amount paid, which shall be their voucher in the settlement of their public accounts: *provided,* that the sum so received by the said Pajes, shall be no bar to any future claim for a balance upon the value of the said horses or animals which he can establish as his just due.

Passed December 9, 1835.

JAMES W. ROBINSON,

Lieut. Gov. and ex-officio Pres't of G. C.

E. M. PEASE,

Sec'y of Gen. Council.

Approved, 9th Dec. 1835.

HENRY SMITH,

Governor.

Be it resolved, That the services of Colonel Powers be

accepted, and that he be requested to repair immediately to Velasco or any other point, and wait upon General Mexia with a copy of the Resolutions passed this day, requesting General Mexia to proceed to Bexar and accompany the expedition, and extend all the aid in his power, with authority to draw on this Government for any amount of money necessary in forwarding the objects of said Resolutions.

Passed at San Felipe de Austin, Dec. 10, 1835.

JAMES W. ROBINSON,

Lieut. Gov. and ex-officio Pres't of G. C.

E. M. PEASE,

Sec'y of Gen. Council.

Approved, December 12, 1835.

HENRY SMITH,

Governor.

A Resolution for calling a Convention.

By the laws of Creation and Nature, all men are free and equal, and of these natural rights no man can be forcibly deprived of the principles of immutable justice: a desire for domination and power in man over his fellow man, subjects the weak and unambitious to the machinations of the more subtle and strong—to avoid such evils social compacts or Governments are formed for mutual and individual protection;—to this end each member of a community surrenders certain of his natural rights for common security;—thus, of necessity, all the legitimate powers of any Government are immediately derived from the governed. The people are sovereign, and all the officers designated for the execution of their civil compact are agents and accountable for their fidelity:—when such agents assume the character of principals or dictators, and attempt of their own will to subvert the form and true principles of the Governmental Compact and substitute another without the consent of the parties whose agents they are, resistance from the people is necessary and a virtue: in this situation are the citizens of Texas and a considerable portion of the Mexican Republic, of which Texas is a part—resistance is, therefore,

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