

Yeas—Messrs. Allen, Anderson, Armstrong, Beall, Benge, Burke, Davis of Cherokee, Davis of Webb, Degener, Drake, Flanagan, Frazier, Gurley, Halbert, Hancock, Henderson, Hunt, Johnson of Tarrant, Jones of Bexar, Lane, Latimer, Ledbetter, Lindsey, McCormack, Middleton, Murchison, Norton, Norris, Parker, Paschal, Phillips, Porter, Ranck, Reeves, Roberts, Saunders, Saufley, Selman, Shuford, Smith of Colorado, Smith of Lamar, Taylor of Fannin, Varnell, Walker, Waul, Woods, and Young—47.

Nays—Messrs. President, Ball, Bryan, Bradshaw, Bumpass, Camp of Goliad, Camp of Upshur, Clements, Dalrymple, Dickson, Gentry, Giddings, Hart, Johnson of Titus, Nelson, Parsons, Perry, Randolph, Record, Richardson, Runnels, Shepard, Smyth of Newton, Spaight, Taylor of Houston, Thomas of Cameron, Thomas of Grimes, Thompson, Whitfield, and Wilson—30.

The substitute was taken instead of the substitute reported by the minority, and was then adopted.

On motion of Mr. Hancock, the Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms was excused until Tuesday morning next.

On motion of Mr. Davis of Webb, the Sergeant-at-Arms was instructed to remove the fragments of the national flag, which had been torn by the wind, from its present position, and to procure another, if practicable, and hoist it in its stead.

On motion of Mr. Henderson, Mr. Dalrymple was excused from attendance on the Convention until Tuesday next.

Mr. Shields moved to reconsider the vote adopting his amendment to the resolution reported by the committee on Privileges and Elections.

On motion, the Convention adjourned until Monday morning, 10 o'clock, pending Mr. Shields' motion.

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#### MONDAY, February 19th, 1866.

Convention met pursuant to adjournment. Roll called; quorum present; journal of Saturday read, amended and adopted.

On motion of Mr. Saufley, Mr. Mabry was excused from attendance in the Convention on account of sickness. On motion of Mr. Record, Mr. Harwood was also excused for the same reason. Also, on motion of Mr. Frazier, Mr. Selman was excused.

On motion of Mr. Camp, of Goliad, Mr. Whitfield was added to committee on Internal Improvements.

Mr. Stuart offered a resolution to the effect that the Conven-

sion and the people of Texas, by whom the members were elected, fully and cordially accept the terms and conditions offered by the President for the restoration of the State to the Union.

On motion of Mr. Henderson, the resolution was referred to the committee on Condition of the State.

Mr. Davis of Webb offered an amendment to the Constitution for the purpose of encouraging immigration to the State, and for sending agents to the northern states and countries of Europe to further said purpose, and providing funds for the same.

Read first time, and referred to committee on Condition of the State.

Mr. Camp of Upshur offered the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the committee on the General Provisions of the Constitution be instructed to inquire into the expediency of retaining in the Bill of Rights the power of the State to regulate the elective franchise in the State.

Adopted.

Mr. Bengé offered the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the amendment to the Constitution of the State of Texas, approved January 16th, 1850, be and the same is hereby adopted and continued in force as part of the Constitution of said State

On motion of Mr. Bengé, the resolution was referred to the committee on Privileges and Elections.

Mr. Waul offered the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the committee on General Provisions be instructed to inquire into and report upon the expediency of engrafting in the Constitution the following, or similar provision :

#### MODE OF CALLING A CONVENTION.

The Legislature, whenever three-fourths of each House shall deem it necessary, may call a convention of the people of the State, by bill, or otherwise: provided, that said bill shall be read on three successive days before its passage, the vote recorded by yeas and nays, and approved by the Governor.

Adopted.

Mr. Henderson moved to reconsider the vote ordering 200 copies printed of the substitute of the committee on Legislative Department for Art. III of the Constitution.

Carried.

Regular business being in order, Mr. Saunders' resolution, asking for certain reports to be furnished by the Comptroller, was read and adopted.

The ordinance introduced by Mr. Walker, relative to the right of secession, was read second time, and referred to committee on Condition of the State.

The report of Mr. Hancock, chairman of committee on General Provisions of the Constitution, relative to the prevention of marriages between the white and African races, was read and adopted.

Mr. Saufley's resolution, relative to the collection of debts, was taken up, read second time, and on motion of Mr. Roberts, that portion of the resolution instructing the committee was stricken out, and resolution referred to committee on Condition of the Country.

The report of Mr. Roberts, chairman of committee on Judiciary, relative to the furniture and records of the Supreme Court, was taken up and adopted.

The report of Mr. Jones, of Bexar, chairman of committee on Printing and Contingent Expenses, relative to contracting for the city papers, was taken up and adopted.

Mr. Henderson moved that the Convention go into committee of the whole, and that Mr. Dickson be called to the chair, on the report of the committee on Legislative Department, reporting certain amendments to the Constitution.

Mr. Hart moved to print 100 copies of the report.

Mr. Jones of Bexar, moved to increase the number to 300 copies, and to be printed on writing paper.

Mr. Dickson moved that it be made the special order for Thursday, at 11 o'clock.

Both motions carried.

The hour having arrived for the special order, viz: the report of the committee on Privileges and Elections, Mr. Latimer moved a further postponement of one day.

Mr. Phillips moved to postpone until Friday, at 11 o'clock.

Carried.

On motion, the Convention adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

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TUESDAY, February 20th, 1866.

Convention met, pursuant to adjournment. Roll called; quorum present; journal of yesterday read and adopted.

Reports of committees being in order, Mr. Henderson, chairman of committee on Legislative Department, made the following report: