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The question was then taken on the adoption of the resolution and carried.

Mr. Rusk moved that the interpreter be allowed \$4 per diem.

Upon which the ayes and noes were called, and stood as follows;

Ayes—Messrs. President, Armstrong of R., Baylor, Brashear, Cazneau, Evans, Forbes, Hemphill, Hunter, Irion, Jewett, Jones, Love, Mayfield, McGowan and Parker—16.

Noes—Messrs. Anderson, Bache, Bagby, Burroughs, Clark, Cunningham, Darnell, Henderson, Hicks, Hogg, Horton, Stewart, Latimer of L., Latimer of R. R., Lewis, Lumpkin, Lusk, McNeil, Rains, Scott, Smyth, Standefer, White, Wright and Young—25.

Lost.

On motion of Mr. Darnell, the resolution authorizing Mr. Burroughs to receive the pay of Mr. Oliver, &c., was taken up and adopted.

On motion of Mr. Burroughs, the Convention adjourned until 8 o'clock, p. m.

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The Convention met pursuant to adjournment.

Roll called—Quorum present.

Mr. Mayfield offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the door-keeper be allowed the sum of one dollar per day for furnishing water, &c., for the use of the Convention, to be paid out of the contingent fund of the same.

On motion of Mr. Mayfield, the rule was suspended, and the resolution adopted.

Mr. Parker offered a resolution allowing mileage from the city of Houston to George Fisher, interpreter.

Mr. Young moved to amend, by inserting the names of Dr. John S. Ford, Dr. S. Peters, Edwin Moorehouse and Daniel D. Culp. Which amendment was adopted.

The question was then on the resolution, which was rejected.

Mr. Love moved to adjourn until 8 o'clock, to-morrow. Lost.

Mr. Cazneau moved to adjourn until half-past 7 o'clock, tomorrow.

Lost.

On motion, the Convention adjourned until 7 o'clock, to-morrow morning.

Thursday, August 28, 1845.

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment—Roll called—Quorum present—Journals of the preceding day read and adopted.

Jewett presented the following, which was ordered to be spread on the Journals:

Committee Room, August 28, 1845.

To the Hon. T. J. Rusk,
President of the Convention:

We, the undersigned, members of the select committee on the land titles, &c., of the Republic, not having had sufficient time, nor sufficient data to investigate the subject, dissent from many of the conclusions of the report made by the Hon. L. D. Evans, chairman of said committee.

JOHN HEMPHILL,
HENRY J. JEWETT,
GEO. W. SMYTH,
JOHN D. ANDERSON.

Aug. 27, 1845.

Mr. Lipscomb offered the following resolution:

Resolved. That Thomas William Ward, Esq, Commissioner of the General Land Office, for the faithful discharge of his duties, and the prompt and satisfactory manner in which he has responded to the calls made on him, is justly entitled to the thanks of the Convention.

On motion, the rule was suspended, and the resolution adopted.

Mr. Hemphill, from the select enrolling committee, made the following report:

Committee Room, Aug. 28th, 1845.

To the Hon. THOMAS J. RUSK,
President of the Convention:

The committee appointed to superintend the enrollment of the Constitution, have examined its various provisions, as they are enrolled, and comparing the same with the engrossed copy, have found the Constitution to be correctly enrolled.

JOHN HEMPHILL, Chairman.

Which report was adopted.

Mr. Horton moved that the Convention take up the resolution of yesterday, requiring 250 copies of the Reports of this Convention to be printed.

Upon which the ayes and noes were called, and were as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. President, Anderson, Armstrong of R., Baylor, Bache, Brashear, Brown, Caldwell, Cazneau, Cunningham, Darnell, Evans, Forbes, Gage, Hogg, Horton, Stewart, Holland, Jewett, Jones, Lewis, Love, Lusk, Lipscomb, Mayfield, McGowan, Navarro, Parker, Ochiltree and White—30.

Noes—Messrs. Burroughs, Bagby, Clark, Cuney, Hicks, Hunter Latimer of L., Latimer of R. R., McNeil, Miller, Rains, Scott, Smyth Standefer, and Young—15.

So the resolution was taken up, read and adopted.

On motion of Mr. Latimer of R. R. the Delegates to the Convention proceeded to sign the Constitution.

Mr. Lewis offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention are hereby tendered to James M. Long, for the admirable manner in which he has executed the enrollment of the Constitution of the State of Texas, and that he be paid the sum of \$100 for the same.

Rule suspended, and resolution adopted.

Mr. Parker offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the committee on printing be authorized to continue the subscription to the New Era, until the publication of the journals are completed in said paper, and that the publishers forward to the members of the Convention the number each member is entitled to.

Rule suspended, and resolution adopted.

On motion of Mr. Horton, the whole proceedings of this morning, together with the Constitution as enrolled, was ordered to be spread upon the journals.

The question was then taken on the final passage of the Constitution, which was carried *unanimously*.

On motion of Mr. Mayfield, the Secretary of the Convention was required to transmit a copy of the Constitution to the President of the Republic of Texas, and one copy to the President of the United States.

The President of the Convention arose and delivered the following address :

Gentlemen of the Convention :—

Before putting the motion of final adjournment, allow me to return you my most sincere thanks and acknowledgments for the honor conferred upon me by the passage of the resolution yesterday, coming as it does from such a body. I shall cherish it, gentlemen, as long as life shall last with me, and transmit it to my children as a bright inheritance which the poor services of their father little merited. Our labors have now drawn to a close. The important duties we were called upon to perform, on the part of the people of Texas, are discharged, and I trust in a manner which will be satisfactory to all the people of Texas, satisfactory to the Congress and people of the United States, and satisfactory to the friends of Republican government throughout the civilized world. We are about, after a short season, considering the immense labor performed to adjourn. We are about again to go and mingle among our constituents, many of us never again to take part in political strifes, or to be engaged in political action. The proceedings of this Convention, I think I may safely say without vanity or any undue prejudice in favor of Texas, our adopted land, may well compare with those of any similar body which has met within the last hundred years. They have been marked by a degree of decorum, and a spirit of good feeling, which I trust in God will continue to characterize the people of Texas, as long as our country shall endure. In the ardor of debate, from the difference of opinion which may have existed with regard to some prin-

ciple adopted in this Constitution, for a moment the feelings of gentlemen may have been slightly excited; I am glad to see that all this has passed away; I am glad to see that the spirit of harmony and good feeling, and the emotions of patriotism which were manifested upon the first day of our meeting, have continued to preside over our deliberations, until this the day of our adjournment: And I trust they will continue to exist in our bosoms, and that whether separated or together, we shall ever entertain towards each other those kind feelings which have been manifested here. I trust that each member of this Convention will carry them home to his constituents, and do all in his power to make this Constitution as acceptable as possible to the people, in order that it may appear to the government of the United States, that we go into the Union in the proper manner, and that the vile slanders hurled against us by our enemies, that we are a band of disorganizers, is false and foul.

I trust, too, that when this Constitution shall go into operation, the angry passions attendant upon political dissensions will be hushed, that all sectional feelings and jealousies, and the strifes of personal ambition will cease, and that for many long years to come, it will continue the organic law of a people united as a band of brothers, animated by the best feelings of the human heart, and prompted in action by that pure and lively patriotism which has characterized Texas thus far.

In my retirement, I carry with me the best feelings for each one of you, and the warmest desires for your success and the success of Texas.

On motion of Mr. Latimer of Red River, the Convention adjourned *sine die*.