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On motion of Mr. Mayfield, the Secretary was ordered to make out a fair copy of the report of the Committee on the Executive Department, as amended.

On motion of Mr. Latimer of R. R., the report of the Committee on the Legislative Department was taken up; and,

On motion of Mr. Mayfield, the Convention went into committee of the whole on said report, Mr. Mayfield in the chair.

After some proceeding therein, the committee rose, and, by their chairman, reported progress, and asked leave to sit again; which report was adopted.

On motion, the Convention adjourned until 4 o'clock, P. M.

4 O'CLOCK, P. M.

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment—roll called—quorum present.

On motion, the Convention went into committee of the whole, Mr. Lewis in the chair.

On motion of Mr. Van Zandt, the committee rose, and, through their chairman, reported that they had under consideration, the report of the standing committee on the Legislative Department; and, after making sundry amendments, they asked leave to sit again; which report was adopted.

After various motions to adjourn,

On motion of Mr. Burroughs, the Convention adjourned until half past 8 o'clock, to-morrow morning.

TUESDAY MORNING, July 22, 1845.

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment—prayer by the Chaplain.

Present—Messrs. President Rusk, Anderson, Armstrong of J., Armstrong of R., Baylor, Bache, Brashear, Brown, Bagby, Burroughs, Caldwell, Cazneau, Clark, Cunningham, Cuney, Darnell, Davis, Evans, Everts, Forbes, Gage, Hemphill, Henderson, Hicks, Hogg, Horton, Howard, Holland, Hunter, Irion, Jewett, Jones, Kinney, Latimer of L., Latimer of R. R., Lewis, Love, Lumpkin, Lusk, Lipscomb, Mayfield, McGowan, McNeill, Miller, Moore, Navarro, Parker, Power, Rains, Runnels, Scott, Smyth, Standefer, Tarrant, Van Zandt, White, Wood, Wright and Young.

The journal of the preceding day was read and adopted.

Mr. Gage offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the committee on Printing be instructed to contract for _____ copies of the "New Era" weekly, containing the journals of the Convention, for the use of its members.

On motion of Mr. Gage, the blank in the resolution was filled with 1500; and the resolution as amended was adopted.

The President of the Convention appointed Messrs. Mayfield and Caldwell to wait on Ex-President Lamar, and invite him to a seat within the bar.

On motion of Mr. Wright, the Convention proceeded to the

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

And on motion of Mr. Kinney, the resolution to go into the election of a Public Printer was first taken up.

On motion of Mr. Mayfield, the blank in the resolution was filled with "forthwith," and the resolution as amended was adopted.

The Secretary was instructed to read the proposals of the applicants for Public Printer, which are as follow:

CITY OF AUSTIN, 14th July, 1845.

To the Hon. the Committee on Printing:

The undersigned proposes to publish the Journals of the Hon. Convention, now in session, upon the following terms: Should the volume reach two hundred pages, be they more or less, at one half cent per page, the work to be executed in the best workmanlike style, and furnished with despatch, agreeably to the instructions of the Convention. The Hon. committee may rest assured that the Journals will be delivered at the earliest day practicable, as all the materials requisite are in the office of the undersigned, with a sufficiency of skillful printers, who are ready at a moment's warning to enter upon the prosecution of the work.

In conclusion, I have the honor to be

Your obedient servant,

S. S. B. FIELDS,

Editor and proprietor of the La Grange
Intelligencer.

The following are the proposals of Miner & Cruger:

To the Hon. Committee on Printing:

We will print for the use of the Convention, documents, and all descriptions of work at the following rates:

Reports in pamphlet form, per 8 pp.,	250 copies,	\$15 00
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and in that proportion for larger numbers.

Bills on a half sheet foolscap, from 50 to 75 copies, 10 00

Newspapers, for 1500 copies, 6 cents each; for 1000 copies, 8 cents per copy.

A large work, of a thousand or more copies, containing some two hundred or more pages, one-half cent per page.

MINER & CRUGER.

Austin, July 18, 1845.

The Convention then proceeded to the election.

Mr. Kinney nominated for Public Printer, S. S. B. Fields.

Mr. Cazneau nominated “ Miner & Cruger.

Mr. Cazneau moved to postpone the election till day after tomorrow, (being Thursday the 24th inst.)—which motion was lost.

On motion of Mr. Davis, the vote adopting the resolution to go into the election of a Public Printer “forthwith,” was reconsidered; and,

On motion of Mr. Cazneau, the resolution was laid on the table.

The report of the committee on the Legislative Department, was taken up.

On motion of Mr. Baylor, the Convention resolved itself into Committee of the Whole, on the said report—Mr. Baylor in the chair.

After some proceeding therein, the committee rose, and through their chairman reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

Which report was adopted.

On motion, the Convention adjourned until 4 o'clock, P. M.

4 O'CLOCK, P. M.

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment—roll called—quorum present.

On motion of Mr. Gage, the Convention resolved itself into

Committee of the Whole, on the report of the committee on the Legislative Department—Mr. Smyth in the chair.

After some proceeding therein, the committee rose, and through their chairman, reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

Which report was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Young, the Convention adjourned until half past 8 o'clock to-morrow morning.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, July 23, 1845.

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment—prayer by the Chaplain.

Present—Messrs. President Rusk, Anderson, Armstrong of J., Armstrong of R., Baylor, Bache, Brashear, Brown, Burroughs, Bagby, Caldwell, Cazneau, Clark, Cuney, Cunningham, Darnell, Davis, Evans, Everts, Forbes, Gage, Hemphill, Henderson, Hicks, Hogg, Horton, Howard, Holland, Hunter, Irion, Jewett, Jones, Kinney, Latimer of L., Latimer of R. R., Lewis, Love, Lumpkin, Lusk, Lipscomb, Mayfield, McGowan, McNeill, Miller, Moore, Navarro, Parker, Power, Rains, Runnels, Scott, Smyth, Standefer, Tarrant, Van Zandt, White, Wood, Wright and Young.

Quorum present—the journal of the preceding day was read and adopted.

Mr. Lusk offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the committee on Printing be instructed to receive proposals for printing the Journals of the Convention, in what kind of type, the size of the page, the price per page, and the time at which the work will be ready for delivery, shall be specified; and that bond with approved security shall be taken for the prompt and due execution of the work.

On motion of Mr. Lusk, the rule requiring the resolution to lay on the table one day for consideration, was suspended, and the resolution adopted.

Mr. Mayfield moved to reconsider his vote subscribing for 1500 copies of the "New Era" weekly, which, on motion of Mr. Gage, was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Parker, the