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Mr. Armstrong, of Jasper, moved the resolution as offered by the Committee be laid upon the table; upon which the yeas and nays were demanded, and resulted as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Armstrong, of Jasper, Bellinger, Boyd, Brown, Butler, Downing, Evans, of Titus, Webster Flanagan, Gaston, Glenn, Hamilton, of Bastrop, Hamilton, of Travis, Hunt, Johnson, of Calhoun, Kealy, Keigwin, Kuechler, Kirk, Lippard, Morse, Muckleroy, Mullins. Patten, Pedigo, Rogers, Sorrell, Varnell, Vaughan, Wright.  
—29.

Nays—Messrs. President, Adams, Armstrong, of Lamar, Bell, Bledsoe, Board, Bryant, of Grayson, Bryant, of Harris, Buffington, Burnett, Caldwell, Carter, Cole, Coleman, Constant, Curtis, Degener, Evans, of McLennan, Fayle, Flanagan, Fleming, Foster, Goddin, Gray, Grigsby, Harn, Johnson, of Harrison, Jordan, Kendal, Leib, Lindsay, Long, McCormick, McWashington, Mills, Mundine, Newcomb, Oaks, Phillips, of San Augustine, Phillips, of Wharton, Posey, Ruby, Schuetze, Scott, Slaughter, Smith, of Galveston, Smith, of Marion, Stockbridge, Sumner, Talbot, Thomas, Watrous, Whitmore, Williams, Wilson, of Brazoria, Wilson, of Milam, Yarborough  
—57.

So the motion to lay on the table was lost.

Mr. Armstrong moved to refer the report and resolution to the Committee on State Affairs.

It was so referred.

The President announced the hour having arrived for the session of the Committee of the Whole to proceed to the consideration of the report of the Committee on Federal Relations upon the declaration offered by Mr. Evans, of McLennan.

The President called Mr. Whitmore to the Chair.

The Committee rose, reported progress, and asked leave to adjourn until ten o'clock to-morrow; which leave was granted.

On motion the Convention adjourned till to-morrow at nine o'clock A. M.

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CAPITOL, AUSTIN, TEXAS,  
June 18, 1868.

Convention met pursuant to adjournment.

Roll called. Quorum present. Prayer by the Chaplain. Journal of yesterday read and adopted.

The President directed the Secretary to read a communication from the postmaster in Austin, respecting postage on newspapers.

Mr. Carter, from the Committee on Style, made the following report:

HON. E. J. DAVIS,

President of the Convention:

SIR: The Committee on Style, to whom was referred the engrossed provisions enclosed, have examined the same and found them correct.

Mr. Harne, of Grimes, offered the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Richard Fortie (colored), formerly of Grimes county, now in the county of Travis, is a lunatic, wild and frantic, and should be restrained and provided for; therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That the Judiciary Committee be instructed to report, by declaration or otherwise, what action, if any, is necessary to be taken by this Convention to restrain, protect and provide for said lunatic.

On motion, the resolution was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Rogers, of Fannin, offered the following declaration:

*Be it declared*, That hereafter no loyal ministers of the Gospel shall be declared ineligible to hold any office of honor or profit in this State.

On motion the resolution was referred to the Committee on General Provisions.

Mr. Lindsay offered the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the following rule be adopted, in addition to the rules already adopted for the government of the proceedings of this Convention:

*Resolved*, Second, That a simple resolution, which only affects the personal rights or privileges of individual members of the Convention, may be disposed of by a vote on the first reading.

*Resolved*, Third, That this rule be inserted among the general rules of the Convention, after the twenty-fourth section thereof.

Laid over one day under the rules.

Mr. Burnett offered the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Many towns and cities of the State of Texas have the same names as counties in which they are not situated (as the city of Austin, in Travis county, when there is in the State a county of Austin, etc., etc.), which causes confusion, especially in postal affairs; and

WHEREAS, Names of towns and counties should be used with a view to the practical utility of the citizens; therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That the following be sections of the Constitution of Texas:

SEC. —. The Legislature shall, at its first session after the adoption of this constitution, so change or rearrange the names of the several counties and county sites of the State, so that the name of

the county site of every county shall be the same as the county of which it is the county site, with the addition of "court house," "town," or "city," as the Legislature may chose.

SEC. — Hereafter, when any new county shall be created, the county site of said county shall take the name of the county of which it is the county-site, with the addition of "court house," "town," or "city," as the Legislature may choose.

On motion, the resolution was referred to Committee on Counties and County Boundaries.

Mr. Armstrong, of Jasper, introduced a letter from D. C. Dickson, and requested it be referred to the Committee on the Penitentiary.

It was so referred.

Mr. Hunt, of Comal, offered the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the Secretary be instructed to procure the report made by William Alexander, while Attorney-General, to the Governor of the State, and that two hundred copies of the same be printed for the use of this Convention.

Mr. Hunt moved a suspension of rules to put resolution on its passage.

Rules suspended ; resolution read.

The question being upon the adoption of the resolution, Mr. Burnett moved to amend by inserting "four hundred," instead of "two hundred."

Adopted.

The resolution, as amended, was then adopted.

Mr. Goddin moved that Mr. Hamilton, of Bastrop, be added to Committee on Penitentiary.

Mr. Hamilton asked to be excused.

Mr. Butler moved that Mr. Harne be added to Committee on Penitentiary.

No objection being made, it was so ordered.

Mr. Butler moved that the Convention resolve itself into Committee of the Whole upon the report of the Committee on Federal Relations.

Carried.

Mr. Armstrong, of Lamar, in the Chair.

Committee of the Whole rose, reported progress, and asked leave to sit to-morrow morning, at ten o'clock.

Leave granted.

On motion the Convention adjourned until 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.