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Mr. Puffington, offered the following resolution :

Resolved, that a resolution passed on the — day of —, fixing the hour of the adjournment of this Convention at one o'clock of each day be, and the same is hereby repealed.

Mr. Adams offered the following declaration, and asked its reference to the committee on Political and Legislative.

Be it declared, 1st, That the Legislature shall have power to grant general charters, and shall not have power to grant any special charter for any purpose whatever; provided, the Legislature may create new counties by public or local laws.

2. The Legislature shall prohibit any corporation now in existence, which have, or may commit acts of forfeiture from continuing or carrying on business, save under a general charter.

Referred to committee on Political or Legislative.

Mr. Thomas offered the following resolution :

WHEREAS, the question of the division of the State has consumed much of the time of this Convention, and

WHEREAS, the reconstruction acts of Congress do not authorize this body to consider that question; therefore

Be it resolved, that this Convention will henceforth confine itself to the business for which it was convened, and that no question relating to a division of the State, will hereafter be entertained, unless by authority of the Congress of the United States.

Mr. Thomas moved that the rules be suspended to allow consideration of the resolution, upon which the yeas and nays were demanded and resulted thus :

Yeas—Messrs. President, Adams, Armstrong, of Jasper, Armstrong, of Lamar, Bell, Bellinger, Bledsoe, Board, Brown, Bryant, of Harris, Carter, Cole, Coleman, Constant, Curtis, Degener, Flanagan, Fleming, Foster, Gray, Grigsby, Hamilton, of Travis, Harris, Harne, Johnson, of Harrison, Jordan, Kealy, Keigwin, Kendal, Leib, Lindsay, Mackey, McCormick, McWashington, Mills, Morse, Mundine, Phillips of San Augustine, Posey, Rogers, Schuetze, Stockbridge, Talbot, Thomas, Vaughan, Watrous, Williams, Wilson, of Brazoria, Wilson, of Milam, Wright—50.

Nays—Messrs. Buffington, Burnett, Downing, Evans, of McLennan, Evans, of Titus, Fayle, W. Flanagan, Hunt, Johnson, of Calhoun, Kuechler, Lippard, Long, Muckleroy, Mullins, Munroe, Newcomb, Oaks, Patten, Phillips, of Wharton, Ruby, Slaughter, Smith, of Galveston, Whitmore, Yarborough.—24.

So the rules were suspended.

Mr. McCormick moved a call of the House.

Call sustained.

Absentees, Bryant, of Grayson, Gaston, Glenn, Pedigo, Scott, Smith, of Marion, Sumner, Varnell.

Mr. Mullins moved a suspension of the call.

Call suspended.

Mr. McCormick moved a call of the House.

Call sustained

Mr. Sumner asked that Mr. Bryant, of Grayson, be excused on account of sickness, and also asked to be excused himself for the same cause.

Carried.

Mr. Whitmore moved the House take a recess for twenty minutes.

Carried.

Mr. Johnson, of Calhoun, moved a suspension of the call of the House, upon which the yeas and nays were demanded, and resulted thus :

Yeas—Messrs. President, Adams, Armstrong of Jasper, Buffington, Burnett, Carter, Coleman, Evans of McLennan, Evans of Titus, Fayle, Flanagan, Foster, Gaston, Glenn, Harris, Hunt, Johnson of Calhoun, Jordan, Kuechler, Long, Muckleroy, Mullins, Munroe, Newcomb, Oaks, Patten, Pedigo, Phillips of Wharton, Ruby, Slaughter, Smith of Galveston, Whitmore, Williams, Wright, Yarborough—55.

Nays—Messrs. Armstrong of Lamar, Bell, Bellinger, Bledsoe, Board, Brown, Bryant of Harris, Cole, Constant, Curtis, Degener, Downing, W. Flanagan, Fleming, Gray, Grigsby, Hamilton of Travis, Harne, Johnson of Harrison, Kealy, Keigwin, Kendal, Leib, Lindsay, Lippard, Mackey, McCormick, McWashington, Mills, Morse, Mundine, Phillips of San Augustine, Posey, Rogers, Schuetze, Smith of Marion, Stockbridge, Talbot, Thomas, Varnell, Vaughan, Watrous, Wilson of Brazoria, Wilson of Milam—44.

So the call was not suspended.

Mr. Mills rose to a question of privilege.

Ruled out of order.

Mr. Pedigo moved a suspension of rules to enable Mr. Mills to state his question.

The Convention refused to suspend rules.

Mr. Mills moved that the rules be suspended to take up resolution of Mr. Newcomb legitimatizing bastard children.

Ruled out of order.

Mr. Buffington moved that the Convention adjourn until to-morrow morning, at nine o'clock, upon which the yeas and nays were demanded and resulted thus :

Yeas—Messrs. Armstrong, of Lamar, Bell, Bellinger, Buffington, Cole, Constant, Fleming, Gray, Grigsby, Hamilton, of Travis,

Harn, Keigwin, Kendal, Lindsay, McCormick, Mills, Muckleroy, Mundine, Pedigo, Posey, Rogers, Stockbridge, Thomas, Vaughan, Williams, Wilson, of Brazoria—26.

Nays—Messrs. President, Adams, Armstrong, of Jasper, Bledsoe, Board, Brown, Bryant, of Harris, Burnett, Carter, Coleman, Curtis, Degener, Downing, Evans of McLennan, Evans, of Titus, Fayle, Flanagan, W. Flanagan, Foster, Gaston, Glenn, Harris, Hunt, Johnson, of Harrison, Johnson, of Calhoun, Jordan, Kealy, Kuechler, Leib, Lippard, Long, Mackey, McWashington, Morse, Mullins, Munroe, Newcomb, Oaks, Patten, Phillips, of San Augustine, Phillips, of Wharton, Ruby, Schuetze, Slaughter, Smith, of Galveston, Smith, of Marion, Talbot, Varnell, Watrous, Whitmore, Wilson, of Milam, Wright, Yarborough.—53.

So the Convention refused to adjourn.

Mr. Evans, of McLennan, moved a suspension of the call of the House, upon which the yeas and nays were demanded and resulted thus :

Yeas—Messrs. President, Adams, Armstrong of Jasper, Buffington, Burnett, Carter, Coleman, Degener, Downing, Evans of McLennan, Evans of Titus, Fayle, Flanagan, Glenn, Harris, Hunt, Johnson of Harrison, Kendal, Kuechler, Lindsay, Lippard, Long, McWashington, Muckleroy, Mullins, Munroe, Newcomb, Oaks, Patten, Pedigo, Phillips of Wharton, Schuetze, Slaughter, Whitmore, Williams, Yarborough—36.

Nays—Messrs. Armstrong of Lamar, Bell, Bellinger, Bledsoe, Board, Brown, Bryant of Harris, Cole, Constant, Curtis, W. Flanagan, Fleming, Foster, Gaston, Gray, Grigsby, Hamilton of Travis, Harn, Johnson, of Calhoun, Jordan, Kealy, Keigwin, Leib, Mackey, McCormick, Mills, Morse, Mundine, Phillips of San Augustine, Posey, Rogers, Ruby, Smith of Galveston, Smith, of Marion, Stockbridge, Talbot, Thomas, Varnell, Vaughan, Watrous, Wilson of Brazoria, Wilson, of Milam, Wright—43.

So the Convention refused to suspend the call.

Mr. Ruby moved that the Convention adjourn until to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock, upon which the yeas and nays were demanded and resulted thus :

Yeas—Messrs. Adams, Armstrong, of Lamar, Bell, Bellinger, Bledsoe, Cole, Hamilton, of Travis, Harn, Johnson, of Harrison, Kendal, Leib, Lindsay, Mackey, McWashington, Mundine, Pedigo, Posey, Stockbridge, Thomas, Varnell, Vaughan, Wright—22.

Nays—Messrs. President, Armstrong of Jasper, Board, Brown, Bryant, of Harris, Buffington, Burnett, Carter, Coleman, Constant, Curtis, Degener, Downing, Evans, of McLennan, Evans, of Titus, Fayle, Flanagan, W. Flanagan, Fleming, Foster, Gaston, Glenn,

Gray, Grigsby, Harris, Hunt, Johnson, of Calhoun, Jordan, Kealy, Keigwin, Kuechler, Lippard, Long, McCormick, Mills, Morse, Muckleroy, Mullins, Munroe, Newcomb, Oaks, Patten, Phillips, of San Augustine, Phillips, of Wharton, Rogers, Ruby, Schuetze, Slaughter, Smith, of Galveston, Smith, of Marion, Talbot, Watrous, Whitmore, Williams, Wilson, of Brazoria, Wilson of Milam, Yarborough—57.

So the Convention refused to adjourn.

Under the rules the Convention adjourned until to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

CAPITOL, AUSTIN, TEXAS,
JULY 15, 1868.

Convention met pursuant to adjournment.

Roll called. Quorum present. Prayer by the Chaplain.

Journal of yesterday read and adopted.

Mr. Yarborough presented a petition from citizens of Wood, Hopkins, Hunt, and Vanzandt counties, asking the formation of a new county out of portions of said counties; and asked its reference to Committee on Counties and County Boundaries.

It was so referred.

Mr. Evans, of McLennan, from Committee on Federal Relations, made the following reports :

To the Hon. E. J. DAVIS,

President of the Convention :

SIR: Your Committee on Federal Relations have had under consideration a declaration of Evans, of McLennan county, and instruct me to report back to this body the following substitute; and ask its passage :

A. J. EVANS,
Chairman.

A DECLARATION.

Be it declared by this Convention of the people of Texas, 1.
That the Governor of the State of Texas be, and he is hereby authorized and requested to open negotiations with the Government of the United States, for cession by sale, on the part of the State of Texas to the United States, of all that part of the territory of Texas, north and west of a line from the northwest corner of Hardeman