JOURNAL OF THE CONVENTION,

# FOURTEENTH DAY.

SIOUX FALLS, DAKOTA, July 17, 1889.

2 o'clock p. m.

Convention called to order by the President:

Prayer by the Rev. Clough.

Journal read and approved.

COMMUNICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS OF PETITIONS.

A communication from E. Chadwick and others relating to names of new states was received, and referred to the Committee on Name, Boundaries and Seat of Government.

A communication from George A. Shufeldt, regarding prohibition was received, and referred to the Committee on Schedule.

An invitation from Mr. Kanouse to visit the State penitentiary was received and read.

**REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.** 

The Judiciary Committee submitted the following report: MR. PRESIDENT:

Your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred the resolution requesting said Committee to examine and report to the convention whether or not, in their judgment, any portion of the \$20,000 appropriation may be used to defray the expenses of the May or October elections, beg leave to report: That it is the judgment of this Committee that no part of said appropriation can be used for the purpose of defraying the expenses of such elections.

> Thomas Sterling, H. A. Humphrey, Chauncey L. Wood, W. T. Williams, C. G. Sherwood, S. A. Ramsey, C. J. B. Harris, Geo. C. Cooper, H. F. Fellows, H. W. Eddy, S. B. VanBuskirk, Of the Judiciary Committee.

### WEDNESDAY, JULY 17, 1889.

The Committee on The Rights of Married Women Submitted their report as follows:

## SIOUX FALLS, Dak., July -, '89.

MR. PRESIDENT:

Your Committee on "Rights of Married Women," to whom was referred Section (5) Five of Article (21) Twenty-one, entitled "Rights of Married Women," have considered the same and have compared said section with the Sioux Falls Constitution and the Act of Congress known as the "Omnibus Bill," and have instructed me to report the following as Section (5) Five of Article (21) Twenty-one of the Constitution, and that the same is in accordance with the Sioux Falls Constitution and the changes thereto authorized by the "Omnibus Bill."

#### RIGHTS OF MARRIED WOMEN.

SEC. 5. The real and personal property of any woman in this state, acquired before marriage, and all property to which she may after marriage become in any manner rightfully entitled, shall be her separate property, and shall not be liable for the debts of her husband.

> J. V. WILLIS, Chairman of Com.
> S. A. WHEELER.
> T. F. DIEFENDORF.
> T. W. THOMPSON.
> J. G. DAVIES.
> DAVID HALL.

Consideration of reports of standing committees:

Mr. Spooner moved

That the report of the Committee on the Rights of Married Women be adopted.

Mr. Sherwood moved that the report be made a special order for tomorrow, which was adopted.

Mr. Sherwood submitted a resolution, as follows: WHEREAS, It appears that several members of the Constitutional Convention which convened in the city of Sioux Falls on the 8th day of September, A. D., 1885, did not, through error or accident, sign the constitution adopted on November 3, 1885; and,

WHEREAS, Some of the members of said convention who have been heretofore prevented from signing said constitution are now desirous of signing the same. *Resolved*, That the president of this convention be authorized to permit any duly elected and qualified member of said constitutional convention of 1885, who has not heretofore signed said constitution to attach his signature to the same.

Referred to the Judiciary Committee.

#### SPECIAL ORDER.

Mr. Sherwood was called to the chair.

On motion of Mr. Dickinson

The reports made the special order for today, were referred back to the appropriate committees for amendment.

Mr. Young submitted

The following resolution which was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

WHEREAS, The Fiftieth Congress by the Enabling Act for South Dakota, North Dakota, Montana and Washington makes several new grants of lands, moneys and buildings to South Dakota upon its admission into the Union to be used exclusively for specific purposes; and

WHEREAS, It is a mooted question with some members of the convention as to whether it is obligatory on this convention and fltting for it to acknowledge and accept said grants by a resolution of the convention.

Therefore be it

*Resolved*, That the Committee on the Judiciary be requested to report on the necessity of such a resolution.

On motion of Mr. Sterling The Convention adjourned.

FIFTEENTH DAY.

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SIOUX FALLS, Dak., July 18, 1889. 2 o'clock P. M. The convention was called to order by the president. Prayer was offered by the Rev. Huntley. The Journal was read and approved. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The following reports from standing committees were submitted: