

Constitutional Convention—without any legal authority or right, although some of those connected with that assemblage may be entitled to seats in this Convention, but who have not seen proper as yet to present their credentials or to attend the meetings of this body, since the regular adjournment of the Convention on Monday the thirteenth instant, therefore,

"*Resolved*, That the assemblage of persons now occupying the Representatives' Hall, of this Capitol, styling themselves the 'Constitutional Convention,' is without the authority of law or of parliamentary usage, and revolutionary in its character, and therefore should not be recognized by the electors of this Territory, nor the officers of the general or Territorial Government.

"*Resolved*, That a copy of the above preamble and resolutions, together with a copy of the report of the committee on credentials, be forwarded to the President of the United States, each of the heads of the departments of the general government, each of the members of the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States, and to the Governor, Secretary, Marshal, Librarian, Auditor and Treasurer of the Territory of Minnesota."

On motion of Mr. BAKER, the further consideration of the resolutions was postponed until to-morrow, in order to give Mr. GORMAN an opportunity to address the Convention before their adoption.

Mr. BECKER offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

"*Resolved*, That the use of this Chamber be given to Mr. C. W. COULDOCK, on Thursday evening, for a dramatic recitation, the same to be used under the supervision of the Sergeant-at-Arms of this Convention."

On Motion of Mr. GORMAN, the Convention adjourned until to-morrow at 10 o'clock, A. M.

H. H. SIBLEY, President *pro tem*.

Attest:

R. F. HOUSEWORTH, Secretary *pro tem*.

TENTH DAY.

THURSDAY, July 23, 1857.

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment at 10 o'clock, A. M., and was called to order by the President, *pro tem*.

The reading of the proceedings of the day previous were commenced, and

On motion of Mr. STURGIS, the further reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

The Preamble and Resolutions introduced by Mr. FLANDRAU, yesterday, were taken up for consideration.

When Mr. GORMAN addressed the Convention in support of their passage and in vindication of the course pursued by this Convention.

After the conclusion of Mr. GORMAN's speech, without taking any action on the resolutions, the Convention,

On motion of Mr. AMES, adjourned until to-morrow at 10 o'clock, A. M.

H. H. SIBLEY, President, *pro tem.*

Attest:

R. F. HOUSEWORTH, Secretary, *pro tem.*

ELEVENTH DAY.

FRIDAY, July 24, 1857.

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment at 10 o'clock, A. M., and was called to order by the President, *pro tem.*

The Journal of the previous day was read and approved.

Mr. BROWN offered the following resolution, which was adopted, after considerable debate, in which Messrs. BROWN, HOLCOMBE, AMES, WARNER and GORMAN spoke in favor of the passage of the resolution, and Messrs. SETZER, BECKER and SHERBURNE in opposition to it.

"Resolved, That in making up the Journal of this Convention, that all speeches and arguments may be so referred to in the Journal by reference in their order of delivery, as they may be conveniently inserted in their proper place on its final and permanent publication."

The next business in order being the consideration of the resolutions offered by Mr. FLANDRAU on a previous day.

Mr. SETZER addressed the Convention in favor of their passage.

Mr. A. E. AMES also spoke in favor of their passage.

Mr. WARNER then obtained the floor, in explanation of the course of himself and colleagues, and in favor of the passage of the resolutions.

Mr. STREETER of Houston County, next took the floor in review of the manner in which the Register of Deeds of his County had