Public Meeting

His Honor the Mayor having called a Public Meeting by request of the Citizens; to take into Consideration the Continued depredations of the Indians, and to devise Means of protection from further Outrage; - At 8 O'Clock, the hour appointed, the Court House was Crowded to Excess. + His Honor the Mayor having called the Meeting to order, Thomas H. Stribling Esqr. was Called to the Chair, and Messrs. C. E. Jefferson and D. A. Bickell were Elected Secretarys of the Meeting

On Motion of His Honor Mayor Carolan, the Chair appointed Col. J. A. Wilcox, Dr. G. Cupples, C. G. Napier, John James and Col. R. E. Clements, a Committee to draft resolutions Expressive of the Sense of the Meeting

The Committee then retired, and returning reported the following

(TX) "Whereas murders and depredations
" of late, have been Committed upon the Citizens
" of our frontier, and almost within sight of our
" City, thereby Creating an Alarm amongst the Settlers
" on the water Courses west of San Antonio; Which
" Threatens to depopulate a region of Country,
" holding out every inducement to Emigrants,
" Save the Essential one of Security and protection
" to life and property:- and, whereas, many families
" have deserted their fields and property, and fled
" to our city for safety;

" Therefore, be it Resolved.
" That in as much as the General Government
" has hitherto failed to extend to the frontier
" Settlements of Texas, that protection to life

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" and property, which, as good citizens they
" have the right to expect; and their present
" emergency, admitting of no further reliance
" in or appeal to the Federal ~~Government~~
" authorities; it has become absolutely necessary
" to have recourse for aid to the Government
" of Texas.

" Resolved, Second: That his Excellency
" the Governor be requested to take into consi=
" deration the exposed condition of the Frontier,
" and the depredations and murder committed,
" and if possible, extend that protection,
" which to him may seem meet, and the
" exigency of the case requires."

" Resolved, Third:- That a copy of the
" foregoing preamble and resolutions be forw=
" arded to his Excellency the Governor.

J. A. Wilcox John James
G. Cupples R. C. Clements } Comm^te.
C. G. Napier " "

Col. Wilcox, the Chairman of the Committee, addressed the meeting in a well received and lengthy speech, in support of the preamble and resolutions, and moved their adoption.

The preamble and resolutions were then put to the meeting and unanimously adopted.

His Honor the Mayor moved that copies of the above preamble and resolutions be forwarded to each of the San Antonio News papers for publication, which was ~~adopted~~. Carried.

Col. Clements offered the following as

an amendment to the third resolution: "That a
" Committee of three be appointed to bear or
" transmit a Copy of the said preamble and
" resolutions to His Excellency the Governor,
" together with a full Statement of the
" late outrages that have been Committed
" on our frontier, and the unprotected State
" of our farmes and Citizens"

Which amendment being put to the Meeting, was unanimously adopted

The Chair then appointed his Honor Mayor Carolan, Russell Howard and F. L. Paschal said Committee

On motion Chief Justice John D. McLeod was added to said Committee

C. E. Jefferson
D. A. Bickell } Sect'ys

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