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EXECUTIVE OFFICE,
AUSTIN, February 10, 1870.

Hon. IRA H. EVANS,
Speaker of House of Representatives,
Austin, Texas:

SIR: For the purpose of facilitating the dispatch of business now before the Legislature, I take the liberty of transmitting to the honorable body over which you preside, a correct copy of the proposed Fifteenth Amendment to the Constitution, which is taken from the official copy sent to this office from the Department of State of the United States.

The Thirteenth and Fourteenth Amendments, which are to be acted on by the Legislature, may be found in correct form in Paschal's Annotated Constitution, of which a few copies for the use of members may be procured at the State Department.

Respectfully,

your obedient servant,

EDMUND J. DAVIS,
Provisional Governor.

Hon. M. L. Armstrong offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Speaker appoint a committee of five, to report by bill, or otherwise, upon the message of the Governor, recommending the passage of the Fourteenth and Fifteenth Amendments to the Constitution of the United States.

Resolution adopted.

The Speaker appointed the following committee:

Messrs. Sinclair, Camp, Williams, Becton and McKee.

Mr. Cooper offered the following report:

Resolved, That the Clerk be authorized to procure for the use of each member a complete copy of all the Reconstruction Acts, to be placed on the desks of members to-morrow.

Resolution adopted.

On motion of W. H. Sinclair, the House proceeded to the election of Engrossing Clerk, in which Mr. J. F. Stokes received a majority of votes, and was declared Engrossing Clerk.

Hon. M. L. Armstrong offered the following resolution:

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HEADQUARTERS FIFTH MILITARY DISTRICT,
(AUSTIN, TEXAS.)
AUSTIN, January, 11, 1870.

General Order
No. 5.

PAR. II.

In compliance with the fifth section of Act of Congress approved April 10, 1869, the Legislature of the State of Texas will assemble at the State capital, Austin, Texas, on Tuesday, the eighth day of February next, at 12 o'clock M.

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