

Messrs. Brantley, Cottrell, Crawford, Dennis, Durkee, Fortner, Hill, Howell, Johnson, Knight, Long, Lykes, McKinnon, Meacham, Oliveros, Osgood, Parlin, Pope, Smith, Sturtevant, and Wallace—21.

A quorum present.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

On motion of Mr. Parlin, the Senate adjourned until 12 o'clock to-morrow, the 13th inst.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 13, 1875.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Senator Crawford in the chair.

The roll was called and the following Senators answered to their names:

Messrs. Brantley, Cottrell, Crawford, Dennis, Durkee, Fortner, Hendry, Hill, Howell, Johnson, Knight, Long, Lykes, McAuley, McCaskill, McKinnon, Meacham, Oliveros, Osgood, Parlin, Pope, Smith, Sturtevant, and Wallace—24.

A quorum present.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

On motion of Mr. Johnson, the Senate adjourned until 12 o'clock to-morrow, the 14th inst.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 14, 1875.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Senator Crawford in the chair.

The roll was called and the following Senators answered to their names:

Messrs. Brantley, Cottrell, Crawford, Dennis, Durkee, Fortner, Hendry, Hill, Howell, Johnson, Knight, Long, Lykes, McAuley, McCaskill, McKinnon, Meacham, Oliveros, Osgood, Parlin, Pope, Smith, Sturtevant, and Wallace—24.

A quorum present.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

On motion of Mr. Cottrell, Bishop Pearce offered prayer.

On motion of Mr. Cottrell, the Senate proceeded to the election of President *pro tem*.

A ballot was taken with the following result:

For Hendry—Messrs. Brantley, Cottrell, Crawford, Fortner, Knight, Lykes, McAuley, McCaskill, McKinnon, Oliveros

For Dennis—Messrs. Durkee, Hill, Howell, Johnson, Long, Meacham, Parlin, Pope, Osgood, Sturtevant, and Wallace—11.

For Parlin—Mr. Dennis—1.

For Crawford—Mr. Hendry—1.

No one of the candidates having received a majority of the votes cast, the Chair decided that there was no election.

On motion of Mr. Cottrell, the Senate proceeded to a second ballot with the following result:

For McCaskill—Messrs. Brantley, Cottrell, Crawford, Fortner, Hendry, Knight, Lykes, McAuley, McKinnon, Oliveros, and Smith—11.

For Dennis—Messrs. Durkee, Hill, Howell, Johnson, Long, Meacham, Osgood, Parlin, Pope, Sturtevant, and Wallace—11.

For Parlin—Mr. Dennis—1.

For Lykes—Mr. McCaskill—1.

No one of the candidates having received a majority of the votes cast, the Chair declared that there was no election.

Mr. Oliveros offered the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Mr. Sturtevant holds his seat in this Senate as Senator from the Twenty-first District illegally and unjustly; and whereas, the election returns from Dade and Brevard counties show that a large majority of the votes cast were given for Mr. Israel M. Stuart as Senator, but by partisan trickery and fraud he has been unlawfully deprived of his seat as such Senator, and that Mr. Sturtevant now occupies the seat without right and without a shadow of title; therefore, be it

Resolved, That we declare the seat now occupied by the said Sturtevant to be vacant, and that Israel M. Stuart, the Senator elect, come forward and be sworn in as Senator from the Twenty-first District.

Mr. Lykes moved that the resolution be adopted.

Mr. Meacham moved that the resolution be referred to the Committee on Privileges and Elections, when appointed.

Mr. McCaskill moved that a special committee of three be appointed by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, to take into consideration the subject matter of the resolution of the Senator from the Seventeenth District, in relation to the Sturtevant and Stewart case from the Twenty-first District.

Pending the consideration of the resolution, Mr. Wallace moved to adjourn.

Upon which the yeas and nays were called with the following result:

Those voting in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Dennis, Durkee, Hill, Howell, Johnson, Long, Meacham, Osgood, Parlin, Pope, Sturtevant, and Wallace—12.

Those voting in the negative were—

Messrs. Brantley, Cottrell, Crawford, Fortner, Hendry, Knight, Lykes, McAuley, McCaskill, McKinnon, Oliveros, and Smith—12.

So the motion was lost.

On the question of the adoption of the motion of Mr. McCaskill :

The yeas and nays were called with the following result :

Those voting in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Brantley, Cottrell, Crawford, Fortner, Hendry, Johnson, Knight, Lykes, McAuley, McCaskill, McKinnon, Oliveros, and Smith—13.

Those voting in the negative were—

Messrs. Hill, Howell, Long, Meacham, Osgood, Pope, Sturtevant, and Wallace—8.

So the motion was carried.

The Chair appointed the following as the committee: Messrs. Dennis, McCaskill, and Oliveros.

Mr. Wallace moved that the Senate adjourn until to-morrow at 12 o'clock.

The yeas and nays were called with the following result :

Those voting in the affirmative were—

Messrs. Dennis, Durkee, Hill, Howell, Johnson, Long, McKinnon, Meacham, Osgood, Parlin, Pope, Sturtevant, and Wallace—13.

Those voting in the negative were—

Messrs. Brantley, Cottrell, Crawford, Fortner, Hendry, Knight, Lykes, Oliveros, and Smith—9.

So the motion prevailed, and the Senate adjourned.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 15, 1875.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Senator Crawford in the chair.

The roll was called and the following Senators answered to their names :

Messrs. Brantley, Cottrell, Crawford, Dennis, Durkee, Fortner, Hendry, Hill, Howell, Johnson, Knight, Long, Lykes, McAuley, McCaskill, McKinnon, Meacham, Oliveros, Osgood, Parlin, Pope, Smith, Sturtevant, and Wallace—24.

A quorum present.

On motion of Mr. Osgood, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with, and as corrected approved.

On motion of Mr. Parlin, the Senate proceeded to the election of a President *pro tem.*, with the following result :

For McCaskill—Messrs. Brantley, Cottrell, Crawford, Den-