

SENATE CONFIRMATIONS.

James B. Dawkins to be Judge of the 5th Judicial District of Florida.

Robert J. Pitman to be Sheriff of Jackson county.

John M. Beggs to be Clerk of the Circuit Court of the county of Madison.

Wm. P. Haisley to be Superintendent of Public Instruction.

Henry C. Lewis to be Clerk of the Circuit Court of Jackson county.

REMOVALS.

James A. Finlayson from the office of Sheriff of Jackson county.

John N. Staley from the office of Clerk of the Circuit Court of Jackson county.

Mathew Dozier from the office of Sheriff of Sumter county.

TUESDAY, January 9, 1877.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

The President in the chair.

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

Messrs. Barnes, Brantley, Cottrell, Durkee, Ellis, Ferguson, Hendry, Howell, Johnson, McKinnon, McMeekin, Meacham, Orman, Patterson, Richard, Walker and Wallace—17.

A quorum present.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Mr. Meacham moved that the reading of the journal be dispensed with;

Which was agreed to, and the journal approved.

Mr. Barnes, from the Committee on City and County Organizations, made the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER,
TALLAHASSEE, January 9, 1877.)

HON. NOBLE A. HULL,

President of the Senate:

SIR: The Committee on City and County Organizations, to whom were referred Senate bill No. 3, entitled an act to permanently Locate the County Lines of Manatee and Monroe, beg leave to report that they have had said bill under consid-

eration, and they have instructed me to report the same back to the Senate, and recommend its passage.

Respectfully submitted,

W. D. BARNES, Chairman.

Which was read, and the accompanying bill placed among the orders.

A message from the Governor by the hands of his Private Secretary was received.

Mr. Hendry moved that Senate Bill No. 3, to be entitled an act to Locate Permanently the County Lines of Manatee and Monroe Counties, be put back upon its second reading;

Which was agreed to.

The Committee on claims made the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER,
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., January 9, 1877.)

HON. N. A. HULL,

President of the Senate:

SIR—Your Committee, to whom was referred the petition of Wm. S. Allen, Assessor of Revenue for Monroe county, has had the same under consideration, and while the facts set forth in the petition may be true, we find from the Comptroller's office that said petitioner has received for assessing taxes and taking census thirteen hundred and twelve and fifty-eight one hundredth dollars (\$1,312.58), which we deem sufficient compensation. Therefore your Committee unanimously recommend that the petition be indefinitely postponed.

Respectfully,

A. D. MCKINNON, Chairman.

Which was read.

The petition of Wm. S. Allen, Assessor of Revenue for Monroe county, was read.

Mr. McCaskill moved that the report of the Committee on Claims be concurred in;

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Cottrell moved that Senate Bill No. 3, entitled an act to Locate Permanently the County Lines of Manatee and Monroe Counties, be put upon its second reading;

Which was agreed to, and the bill ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. McCaskill moved that the vote by which the report of the Committee on Claims was concurred in be reconsidered;

Which was agreed to.

Mr. McCaskill moved that the claims of Wm. S. Allen be not granted;

Upon which the yeas and nays being called for were:

Yeas—Messrs. Barnes, Brantley, Cottrell, Ellis, Hill, John-

son, Lykes, McCaskill, McMeekin, Meacham, Orman, Osgood, Patterson, Richard, Walker and Wallace—16.

Nays—Messrs. Durkee, Ferguson and Hendry—3.

So the motion was agreed to.

The following memorial from the National Board of Trade was read:

Memorial of the National Board of Trade of the United States to the Honorable the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Florida.

Your memorialists, representative merchants and manufacturers of the United States, beg leave respectfully to represent unto your Honorable bodies that the interference and dictation of trades unions, and similar organizations, with the system of apprenticeships, in earlier times prevailing in this and other countries, the active competition of foreign manufacturers with American industries in both home and foreign markets, and the increased attention being given by governments abroad to the development and improvement of skilled labor by instruction in science and art as applied to mechanics and manufacturing, renders it, in the opinion of this Board, of great importance to our material progress that suitable provision be made for the establishment of art and science schools in each of the several States, where working-men and their children may receive such technical instruction as will improve and create skilled labor, to the end that the poorer classes of society may become the better fitted for a higher development of industry, and our mechanical and manufacturing interests be enabled more successfully to compete with those of other countries; therefore,

Your petitioners would respectfully pray that your honorable bodies will adopt measures for the establishment of such a school or schools as is herein indicated, within the State of Florida.

And your memorialists will ever pray, etc.

Respectfully submitted, by order and on behalf of the National Board of Trade.

FREDERICK FRALEY,
President, Philadelphia.

CHARLES RANDOLPH, Secretary, Chicago.
January, 1877.

Mr. McCaskill moved that it be referred to the Committee on Education;

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Cottrell asked leave to introduce the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Judiciary Committee be, and they are hereby instructed to inquire into the necessity and propriety

of providing for a codification or digest of the Statute Laws of the State;

Which was agreed to, and the resolution was adopted.

Mr. Brantley moved that the Senate go into Executive Session;

Which was agreed to.

The doors being opened, Mr. Walls introduced the following resolution:

WHEREAS, The Hon. E. G. Johnson, Senator from the 14th District, was cruelly assassinated on or about the 21st day of July, 1875, and since the adjournment of the last session of this body; and, *whereas*, the said Hon. E. G. Johnson, as Senator from the said 14th District, had served long and faithfully for nearly six years in the Senate, therefore

Resolved, That as a mark of respect to the memory of the said Hon. E. G. Johnson, the Senate do now adjourn, and that as a further mark of respect and symbol of mourning for the said murdered Senator, the members of the Senate do wear crape upon the left arm for the period of thirty days.

Mr. Osgood offered the following as an amendment:

Resolved, That the people of Columbia county have lost a faithful servant and the State of Florida a useful citizen, and that a copy of these resolutions be forwarded to the family of the deceased;

Which was accepted.

Mr. Walls offered, as a further mark of respect, that the Senate do now adjourn until to-morrow morning, 10 o'clock;

Which was agreed to, and the Senate adjourned.

SENATE CONFIRMATIONS.

H. L. Mitchell to be Judge of the Sixth Judicial Circuit of Florida.

John M. Beggs to be Clerk of the Circuit Court of Madison county.

G. P. Thomas to be Collector of Revenue for Alachua county.

Theodore H. Willard to be Sheriff of Madison county.

REMOVALS.

D. Montgomery from the office of Tax Collector of Madison county.

John Eagan from the office of Clerk of the Circuit Court of Madison county.

George W. Bogue as Sheriff of Madison county.

Jesse B. Mizzell as Sheriff of Manatee county.

James M. Youmans as Collector of Revenue in Manatee county.