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## QUICK WORK.

The first session of the General Assembly of the State of Deseret was not, as was anticipated, very lengthy, continuing only four days; but the members were not idle, and they accomplished all that was necessary to put the wheels of the State government in complete motion. That done, they adjourned, and each returned home to pursue their usual avocations, conscious of having performed their duty with alacrity and as well and faithfully as they could have done, if they had spent a whole month in its accomplishment.

The Senators elect to Congress will soon be in Washington, and in conjunction with the Representative elect, do the rapping, about which so much has been said, for admission into the family of States; and they may be expected to do it in a way which will cause them to be heard, if not satisfactorily answered; that is a matter about which we are not disposed to exercise any prophetic gift, but firmly believe that all will be right, and have not changed our opinion as to the ultimate result of the movement that has been made to assert and secure their political rights by the people of Deseret.

## Proceedings of the General Assembly.

In the Senate on the 16th, after roll call and prayer by the Chaplain, the bill for an act creating the judicial circuits of the State, passed by the House on the 15th, was read and referred to the committee on the judiciary; also the bill for an act in relation to the duties of the Secretary of State.

Mr. Harrington, on behalf of the committee on judiciary, to whom was referred the House bill for an act creating the judicial circuits of the State, reported the same back with a substitute entitled an act defining the judicial circuits of the State of Deseret, and appointing the times and places of holding circuit courts, which was read, and on motion of Mr. Benson, passed its first reading.

The House bill for an act in relation to circuit judges was taken up and passed its first and second reading.

Mr. Pratt, chairman of the committee on library, presented a bill for an act in relation to the library, and also a bill for an act locating the seat of Government for the State of Deseret, each of which were read and passed their first reading.

Mr. Benson, from the committee on elections, presented a bill for an act in relation to elections, which was read and on motion of Mr. Callister, passed its first reading.

The Senate then went into joint session with the House for the election of two United States Senators, a Secretary of State, a State Treasurer, an Auditor of Public Accounts, an Attorney-General, a Chief Justice of the Supreme Court and two Associate Justices.

After the joint session was dissolved, the Senate resumed its session.

A message was received from the House announcing the passage by that branch of the General Assembly of an act providing for appeals from the Probate and Circuit courts and for other purposes, which was received, read and subsequently passed.

The bill for an act defining the judicial circuits of the State was taken up and ultimately passed with some amendments, and sent to the House for concurrence. The bill locating the seat of government for the State of Deseret, and the bill in relation to elections were also taken up and passed, and sent to the House for concurrence.

Mr. Smith, from the committee on the judiciary, to whom was referred the bill in relation to the duties of the Secretary of State, reported the same back amended, and recommended its passage. The recommendation was concurred in.

A message was received from the House announcing the passage by that body of the Senate bill, defining the judicial circuits of the State, and appointing the times and places of holding circuit courts, with an amendment.

On motion of Mr. Smith, the amendment to the bill was not concurred in, and the House adjourned accordingly.

Mr. Carrington, from the committee on the judiciary, presented a bill for an act making the laws of the Territory of Utah in force in the State of Deseret, which was passed, and sent to the House for action thereon.

The Senate then adjourned till Thursday at 1 p. m.

On Wednesday, the 16th, in the House, after the opening ceremonies were performed, the Governor's message was referred to the appropriate committees.

On motion of Mr. Wright, the members of the House proceeded to ballot for the long and short term, according to the provisions of the Constitution, which resulted as follows:

For the term of two years, Hosea Stout, of Washington; Thomas R. King, of Millard; Bernard Snow, of Sanpete; Lorenzo H. Hatch and Aaron Johnson, of Utah; George W. Bean, of Wasatch; Jonathan C. Wright, of Box Elder; John Stoller, of Davis; Lorin Farr, of Weber; William B. Preston, of Cache, and Reuben Miller, Joseph A. Young and Edwin D. Woolley from Great Salt Lake County.

For the term of one year, Silas S. Smith, of Iron; William J. Cox, of Beaver; Madison D. Hambleton, of Sanpete; Timothy B. Foote, of Juab; Albert K. Thurber, of Utah; Thomas Rhoads, of Summit and Green River; Eli B. Kelsey, of Tooele; Wm. R. Smith, of Davis; Chauncey W. West, of Weber; Peter Maughan, of Cache, and Albert P. Rockwood, Franklin D. Richards and Hiram B. Clawson from Great Salt Lake County.

Mr. Stout reported a bill for an act providing for appeals from the Probate and Circuit courts and for other purposes, which passed its first, second and third reading. After which the House met with the Senate in joint session for the election of the officers provided for in the constitution.

After the dissolution of the joint session the House resumed its setting, and the Senate bill for an act defining the judicial circuits of the State and appointing the time and places of holding circuit courts was taken up and passed with an amendment. The House bill in relation to circuit judges and the bill relating to the duties of the Secretary of State, were returned from the Senate, having passed that branch of the General Assembly, with slight amendments which the House concurred in.

The Senate bill for an act locating the seat of Government of the State and the bill in relation to elections were taken up and passed, after which, the House adjourned till Thursday at 1 p. m.

At 2 p. m. on the 16th, according to previous arrangement, the two Houses met in joint session, the President of the Senate presiding and proceeded after the usual preliminary proceedings, to the election of the officers provided for by the Constitution, which resulted in the unanimous election of the following named persons:

Sensors to Congress—William H. Hooper and George Q. Cannon.

Secretary of State—Daniel H. Wells.

Treasurer—David O. Calder.

Auditor of Public Accounts—William Clayton.

Attorney General—Aurelius Miner.

Chief Justice of the Supreme Court—Elias Smith, for the term of six years.

Associate Justices—Zerubbabel Snow, for the term of four years, and Seth M. Blair, for the term of two years.

In the Senate on Thursday the 17th inst., after the opening ceremonies, on assembling at 1 p. m., the President called the attention of the appropriate committees to the several subjects referred to in the Governor's Message not acted upon.

The amendment made by the House to the bill defining the Judicial circuits and appointing the time and places of holding courts was, on motion of Mr. Carrington, concurred in.

Mr. Callister, from the military committee, presented a bill in relation to the militia, which was read and referred back to the committee with instructions to confer with the House committee on the militia and report as soon as practicable.

Mr. Carrington, from the judiciary committee, presented a bill for an act concerning the General Assembly, which was passed.

Mr. Carrington also presented a bill providing for publishing and distributing the laws enacted by the General Assembly, which was read the first and second time, laid on the table, and then taken up and passed.

A bill concerning the Supreme court was presented and referred to the judiciary committee.

Mr. Callister, from the military committee, to whom was referred the bill in relation to the militia, reported back the same with amendments, which passed its first and second reading and was then tabled indefinitely.

The bill in relation to the Supreme court was reported back by Mr. Carrington from the judiciary committee, to which it was referred, and subsequently passed.

Mr. Smith presented a memorial to Congress for the admission into the Union of the State of Deseret, which was adopted and sent to the House for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Carrington, the amendment made by the House to the bill providing for publishing and distributing the laws was concurred in.

The Senate then adjourned to meet the House in joint session to elect the Circuit Judges, after which, on resuming its session the House was notified that the table of the Senate was clear and a committee of one, Mr. Sheets, was appointed by the chair to wait on his Excellency the Governor, with a like committee from the House, to inform him that the business of the Senate was completed, and inquire if he had any further communications to make to the General Assembly.

Mr. Sheets, therefore, with the committee on the part of the House, Messrs. Kelsey and Woolley, proceeded to the discharge of the required duty, and soon thereafter reported that the Governor had no further communications to make and knew of no reason why the General Assembly should not adjourn.

In the House on Thursday the 17th, a resolution was adopted instructing the committee on agriculture, trade and manufactures to inquire into the best and most practicable method of storing grain and report thereon at the next session of the General Assembly.

A bill for an act concerning the Supreme court, and a bill in relation to the printing and distribution of the laws and journals were passed.

The Senate bill making the laws of the Territory of Utah in force in the State of Deseret, and the Senate bill convening the General Assembly were concurred in.

The bill passed by the Senate providing for publishing and distributing the laws enacted by the General Assembly was taken up and passed with an amendment.

The amendment made by the Senate to the act concerning the Supreme court was concurred in and also the memorial to Congress for the admission of the State of Deseret into the Union, adopted by the Senate.

The House then met with the Senate in joint session for the election of Circuit judges, and on resuming its sitting a committee of one, Mr. Young, was appointed by the chair to inform the Senate that their table was cleared of business.

Messrs. Woolley and Kelsey were appointed a committee to wait on the Governor, in conjunction with a committee from the Senate, to inquire if he had any further communication to make. Upon the report of the committee that he had no further business to present for the consideration of the General Assembly the House closed the session by adjournment.

The two branches of the General Assembly met in joint session at 5 p. m. for the purpose of electing the Circuit judges, the president of the Senate presiding. The following named persons were elected by a unanimous vote:

Erastus Snow, Judge of the First Circuit.

John A. Ray, Judge of the Second Circuit.

William I. Appleby, Judge of the Third Circuit.

Jesse Haven, Judge of the Fourth Circuit.

William Hyde, Judge of the Fifth Circuit.

The General Assembly adjourned late in the afternoon to meet again on the third Monday of January next.

The following are the acts passed by the General Assembly, which have been approved by the Governor:

"An Act relating to the duties of the Secretary of State;"

"An Act in relation to Elections;"

"An Act locating the seat of Government of the State of Deseret;"

"An Act concerning the General Assembly;"

"An Act making the laws of the Territory of Utah in force in the State of Deseret;"

"An Act defining the Judicial Circuits of the State of Deseret and appointing the times and places of holding circuit courts;"

"An Act providing for publishing and distributing the laws enacted by the General Assembly;"

"An Act providing for appeals from the Probate and Circuit Courts;"

"An Act concerning the Supreme Court of the State of Deseret;"

"An Act in relation to Circuit judges"

## Nevada Items.

A few days since, a man named O. C. Jackman, as reported, in a state of intoxication, became noisy in the bar-room of a hotel at Gold Hill, and was ejected somewhat unceremoniously from the house and pushed down the steps. He was soon after found dead at the foot of the steps where he had fallen. The coroner's jury, summoned to inquire into the cause of his death, rendered a verdict of death "from congestion of the brain, probably caused by bad whisky and an accidental fall from the steps of Barnes' hotel."

The coal from the mine recently discovered and which is being worked by the Pioneer Coal company, is said to be of good quality.

Several companies have been formed in and about Carson, who intend going to the north or Salmon river mines by way of the Humboldt and from thence by the most direct route to the mines. The movement has raised the price of horse-die b, and farmers and teamsters having animals to sell, find a ready market at fair prices.

On the 11th inst., the Spanish mill in Carson city was destroyed by fire. Estimated loss \$200,000.

They have preaching in Carson city, it seems, occasionally, which the *Enterprise* thinks does not produce much good, as the "droppings of the sanctuary fall on sterile soil." A correspondent of the *Age* suggests that some of the weakly discourses thus thrown broadcast over that portion of the moral vineyard like pearls before swine, should be published for the purpose, as the *Age* supposes, of converting some of those who of their abundance do not contribute very liberally for the support of the ministers who officiate before the altar of, to that people, the "unknown God." Things are represented as being in a very unsatisfactory condition at Fort Churchill: the officers are all at loggerheads, and do not speak to each other only on business. The privates are very much dissatisfied, and desertions are frequent.

Provisions are becoming very scarce in Nevada Territory; and, unless importations from California arrive shortly, the people, so says one of the Journals, will have to resort to tule-roots.

## Miscellaneous Items.

On the evening of the 24th of March, Wendell Phillips undertook to lecture at the Opera House, Cincinnati. He commenced avowing himself an abolitionist and disunionist. Persons in the galleries then hissed, yelled, and threw eggs and stones at him which they kept up for some time. He eventually made himself heard again and proceeded for a while when he then said something objectionable, and another volley of eggs were hurled at the speaker. He persevered and was again heard and again treated to a shower of stones and eggs. The crowd then moved down stairs, crying "put him out," "tar and feather him," and giving groans for the "nigger Wendell Phillips." They proceeded down the middle aisle toward the stage, and were met by Phillips's friends when a fight ensued amidst the greatest confusion, ladies screaming, crying and falling in all directions. During the fight Phillips was taken off the stage by his friends.

An accident occurred on the night of the 27th ult., near Chicago to a train from Janesville, with the 3d Missouri cavalry on board, resulting in the death of ten soldiers and the wounding of about one hundred.

On the morning of the 21 inst., a tremendous gale is reported to have passed over Cairo, levelling barracks and houses, doing much damage to steamboats and other crafts and destroying much property and many lives.