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Lewis Cass - - - 1857
Chas. E. Stuart - - 1859 * By Governor's appointment. The Legislature of Alabama will have two United States Senators to

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Harris, Wm. R. Smith, George S. Houghton,
W. R. W. Cobb, James F. Dowdell.

Whig .- James Abercrombie. ARKANSAS. Old Line Democrats .- A. B. Greenwood, E.

CONNECTICUT. Old Line Democrats.—James T. Pratt, Colin M. Ingereoll, Nathan Belcher, Origen S. Sey-

CALIFORNIA. Old Line Democrats. - J. A. McDougall

Milton S. Latham. DELAWARE. Old Line Democrat.-George R. Riddle.

FLORIDA.
Old Line Democrat.—Augustus E. Maxwell. GEORGIA.

Old Line Democrats.—J. L. Seward, A. H.

Colquit, David J. Bailey, Wm. B. W. Bent, E. Whigs .- David A. Reese, Alex. H. Stephens. IOWA.
Old Line Democrat.—Bernhardt Henn.

Whig.-John P. Cook.

INDIANA.

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Whig .- Samuel W. Parker. ILLINOIS.

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A. Richardson, James Allen, William H. Bissell, Willis Allen.

Whigs.—E. B. Washburne, J. C. Norton,

James Knox, Richard Yates. Old Line Democrats.—Linn Boyd, James S. Chrisman, J. M. Elliott, J. C. Breckenridge, R.

H. Stanton. Whigs.—Benj. E. Gray, Presley Ewing, Clement S. Hill, Wm. Preston, Leander M. LOUISIANA.

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Whigs.—Thos. D. Eliot, Samuel L. Crocker,

J. Wiley Edmunds, Samuel H. Walley, William Appleton, Charles W. Upham, Tappan
Wentworth, Edward Dickinson, John Z. Good-

Independent Democrat .- Alex. De Witt.

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Whigs.—E. Wilder Farley, Samuel P. Benson, Israel Washburn, jr.

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Alfred W. Lamb, John S. Phelps.

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L. Clingman.

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Stuart.
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