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SECTION 1. That a new county to be called and known by the name of Gibson county, in honor of, and to perpetuate the memory of Col. John H. Gibson, shall be, and is hereby, established west of Carroll county; beginning at the north-west corner of Carroll county, running thence west on the fourth sectional line, to a point four miles west of the second range line in the thirteenth district; thence north, to the fifth sectional line; thence west on said sectional line, to the fifth range line; thence south with the said range line, to a point two and a half miles south of the line separating the tenth and thirteenth districts; thence east parallel with said line, to a point directly south of the south-west corner of Carroll county; thence north, to the beginning.

SECTION 2. That for the due administration of justice, the courts of Pleas and Quarter-Sessions, and circuit courts, for said county, until otherwise provided for by law, shall be holden at the house of Luke Biggs, under the same regulations and restrictions, and shall have and exercise the same powers and jurisdiction, as are, or shall hereafter be, prescribed for the several counties in this state.

SECTION 3. That it shall be the duty of the sheriff of said county of Gibson, to hold an election at the place of holding courts in said county, on the third Thursday and Friday in January next, for the purpose of electing field officers for said county, which shall be conducted under the same rules and regulations as are prescribed by law in similar cases; and the militia of said county shall compose the regiment, and be attached to the brigade.

SECTION 4. That the election for company officers for said county, shall be held at such places as the commandant of the militia of said county may think proper to appoint, which said elections shall be held on the third Monday in February next, under the same rules, regulations and restrictions, as are prescribed in like cases.

SECTION 5. That the sheriff of said county, on the days prescribed by law, shall hold an election at the place of holding court, for the purpose of electing a Governor, members of the State Legislature, members to Congress, and electors to vote for a President and Vice-President of the United States, under the same rules and regulations as prescribed by law.

SECTION 6. That a majority of the justices of the peace for said county shall have power to adjourn said court to any other place within said county, that would suit their convenience.

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