

1849 and was stationed at the fort at Manatee until he was honorably discharged on Nov. 5, 1849. On March 7, 1850, Joel Addison registered the following mark & brand with the Hillsborough County Clerk: swallow fork and underbit in one ear, underbit in the other, brand A2.

On Aug. 13, 1852, Joel J. Addison, a resident of Manatee, Hillsborough County, applied for bounty land based on his service in Capt. Clark's company. He received Warrent #3289 for 40 acres which he later sold. On Apr. 21, 1855, Joel applied for additional bounty land and received a warrent for 120 acres.

During the Third Seminole Indian War, Joel J. Addison, was a Private in his father, Lt. John Addison's Company of Florida Mounted Volunteers. The company was mustered in at Manatee on Jan. 16, 1856 and was mustered out of service on Oct. 7, 1856. Joel's brothers, John A., William H. & David J. Addison along with his brother-in-law, David N. Townsend were also members of Lt. Addison's Company. Joel was a Private in Capt. John Parker's Company of Florida Mounted Volunteers from Oct. 7, 1856 until Dec. 17, 1856.

On Feb. 16, 1858, Joel Addison registered the following mark and brand at the Manatee County Courthouse: swallow fork in one ear & underbit in the other, brand **A**. Joel was among the jurors who served on April 18, 1859 session of the Manatee County Circuit Court.

Joel J. Addison was actively involved in the cattle industry and was one of the many citizens of the Manatee settlement who shipped their cattle during the 1860's to Cuba, Nassau and Key West. Joel registered his crop, split & underbit in one ear, crop, upper & underbit mark and brand C3 on Mar. 22, 1860. He later transferred this to Delila U. Graham. On Sept. 17th, 1860, he registered: crop, split & underbit in one ear, crop, half crop in the other, brand **A**.

About 1859, Joel Jackson Addison married Mrs. Elizabeth Ann (Graham) Loper, a widow from Alabama. She was born c1825 in Alabama, daughter of Mercer & Mary Graham. Children of Joel Jackson & Elizabeth Ann (Graham) Addison:

1. John William Addison, born April 20, 1864; married 1st, Mary M. Earnest, daughter of Elisha & Mary B. Earnest; married 2nd, Alice (Earnest) Wilkins, older sister of Mary M. Earnest.
2. Laurence M. Addison, born April 3, 1867; died June 29, 1892.

Joel J. Addison was sheriff of Manatee County during the mid-1860's. On Oct. 1, 1866, Joel as sheriff and ex officio administrator of the estate of Thomas Summeralls, deceased, for \$4,400 paid by Laboran A. Rawls, sold him a stock of cattle branded TS, 11 & 88. On Oct. 5, 1866, Nathan K. Williams, administrator of the estate of George W. Tyson, sold to Joel J. Addison cattle marked: crop upper bit in one ear, swallow fork & underbit in other; crop split in one, swallow fork & under bit in other; upperbit in one, underbit in the other; swallow fork underbit in one ear, crop in the other; crop & underbit in one, swallow fork in the other; and branded J3 and S5.

On Dec. 10, 1866, John W. Addison was assigned the following: swallow fork and underbit in one ear, undersquare and underbit in the other, brand **A**.

On Nov. 5, 1867, Eliza Ann Townsend and David N. Townsend sold to Joel J. Addison for \$3,500, a stock of cattle known as the Townsend Stock. Also an improvement known as the William Addison place situated 2½ miles north of Myacca Lake with all hereditaments and a crop of cane, corn, rice & potatoes; 100 hogs and one black horse.