

case may be," which he said were out of place, as the report now stood.

Mr. Longwell moved to strike out the words, "and not less than one year next preceding their election or appointment in the judicial circuit, as the case may be, for which they may be respectively elected or appointed." He was not in favor of confining the selection of judges to any particular section of the State, but discretion should be allowed to select the best men throughout the State.

Mr. Brown fully concurred with the gentleman from Carroll, (Mr. Longwell.)

Mr. McKaig was opposed to requiring a residence of five years in the State—thought one year was enough.

Mr. Page thought that every consideration required that the judge should be a resident of the circuit in which he presided. He should know the habits and customs of the people.

The amendment of Mr. Longwell was disagreed to.

Mr. Carter moved to amend by making six months' residence in the circuit necessary instead of one year.

Mr. Ritchie opposed the amendment and Mr. Brown and others advocated it.

Mr. Gill moved an amendment to strike out words, "not less than one year next preceding," and insert "shall reside at the time of."

Messrs. Archer and Brent spoke in favor of this amendment.

Mr. Page opposed it as having the tendency to lead to corruption.

Various motions having been made to adjourn, and no quorum voting,

Mr. Barry said it was evident that no quorum was present, and as this important question should not be acted on in such a thin house, he again moved an adjournment, and the motion being put, no quorum again voted.

The Chair said there was a quorum present, and members must divide.