

AFFIRMATIVE.

Messrs. Billingsley, of St. Mary's,
 Clarke,
 Earle,
 Jenkins,
 Lansdale,
 Mackall,

McMaster,
 Stephenson,
 Vickers,
 Waters,
 Wells—11.

NEGATIVE.

Messrs. Billingslea, of Carroll,
 Davis, of Caroline,
 Davis, of Washington,
 Eaton,
 Frazier,
 Holton,
 McNeal,

Ohr,
 Philpot,
 Tome,
 Trail,
 Turner,
 Whitney—13.

In reply to a Complimentary Resolution unanimously adopted;

Lieutenant Governor Cox, addressed the Senate as follows:

I need hardly assure you Senators, that I feel profoundly sensible to this most unexpected expression of your approval of my official acts. The generous courtesy thus extended I shall bear with me into the future, and always cherish among the proudest and most grateful recollections of my life.

With limited experience in the sphere of duty to which I have been called by the voice of the people, and conscious, therefore, of many defects as a Presiding officer, I can, nevertheless, solemnly and conscientiously aver that these have been of the head and not the heart. Uninfluenced by motives of personal friendship, or party bias, it has been my honest endeavor to mete out equal and impartial justice to each and to all.

I have certainly cause for self-gratulation that I have been so liberally supported by the intelligent body over which I have had the honor to preside. Surely no public functionary ever had the good fortune to be connected with a more dignified, able and courteous assembly than the present Senate of Maryland. Proud indeed is the consciousness that at this midnight hour, the few remaining moments of the session, ebbing rapidly away, no heartburnings, no broken friendships, linger in the circle around me. If at times in the heat of debate, ardent feelings have been elicited, or harsh expressions dropped from lips prompted by impulsive hearts, these have been soon forgotten in the speedy and virtuous reaction of magnanimous bosoms. No estrangements, but only sentiments of kind and universal regard survive the excitements of the intellectual arena.