

jected in supporting their municipal government, if they shall be permitted to direct their affairs according to their own judgments.

We regret to be compelled to disagree with your honorable body, also, as to the cause of the great interest taken in the recent election in this district. It is certainly well known that the excitement which prevailed at this election, was occasioned by the selection of a place for the seat of justice, and that so little interest was felt in the sheriff's election in comparison with the other, that even political preferences were in a great measure abandoned, and the individual who has been selected as sheriff it is well known was supported as the friend of the place which has been selected as the seat of justice.

Nor can we agree with your honorable body, that the business of this district will not afford support for a sheriff. Upon the contrary, we believe that a country so fertile, enterprising and flourishing, now that the seat of justice is brought near its inhabitants will afford ample employment, and adequate remuneration to such an officer,

We therefore beg leave again to request your body, for the reasons above stated, and from the fact that this house has already yielded to one of your amendments as a matter of compromise, that you will reconsider the amendment offered by your honorable body in relation to the collector of taxes, that a measure so greatly desired may not be lost to the people of this district.

Which was read.

Mr. Ridgely moved to amend said message by striking out all after the word "approbation," in the 7th line, down to the word "law" inclusive, in the 15th line.

The Speaker called Mr. Coad to the chair.

On the question being put, will the house agree to amend by striking out as proposed.

On motion of Mr. Ridgely,

The yeas and nays were required and appear as follows:

#### AFFIRMATIVE.

|              |         |           |
|--------------|---------|-----------|
| Messrs. Coad | Stevens | Sprigg    |
| Shaw         | Bruce   | Tuck      |
| Constable    | Cottman | Maccubbin |
| Welch of K.  | Winder  | Gaither   |
| Ridgely      | Frazier | England   |
| Estep        | Tall    | Newman    |
| Dalrymple    | Phelps  | Hook—22.  |
| Hellen       |         |           |

#### NEGATIVE.

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| Messrs. Owens  | Selby     | Giles          |
| Hammond        | Spence    | Le Grand       |
| Poultney       | Hearn     | Graves         |
| Welsh of Balt. | McPherson | Seidenstricker |
| Risteau        | Quynn     | Mason          |
| Stansbury      | Biser     | Newcomer       |