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meeting of the Legislature). We are Sir Sir
Colo William Richardson. J E Howard

In Council June 24th 1789

Sir,

It is our opinion that sales of property ought to
be avoided where there is a strong probability that payments
will be made, as the property when purchased by the
State may remain long on hand to the detriment of the
public interest. We therefore recommend it to you to delay
the sales as often as you may have good grounds to expect
that the collectors will be able by their exertions to make
payments, taking care however to allow yourself time to
bring the business entrusted to you to a completion before
the meeting of the Legislature.

With regard to Interest, the Board has
judged by a variety of Resolutions of the Legislature
that it will be consonant to their practice and inclination to
forebear the immediate execution of it. you will therefore by en-
dorsements on the writs direct the Sheriff to make
such returns to them as will have the effect of suspending
the payment of Interest without forfeiting the States title
to it - for example - "made to the amount of -" Your
Endorsements may be in the following form - "The
Sheriff is hereby directed to make only the principal
sum mentioned in the execution at present and not