

By the 33rd Section of the 81st Article of the Code of public general laws it is made the duty of the Comrs. in the several Counties "on the first Tuesday in April in each year or as soon thereafter as may be" to appoint a Collector of Taxes &c

By the 38th Section of same Art. it is made the duty of the Clerks of these Commissioners to inform the Governor or or before the 20th of April, whether this appointment has been made - and by the 39th Sec. it is made the duty of the Governor in cases where no such Collector has been appointed and qualified on the first of May in any year, by the County authorities, to appoint the Collector for such County.

The object therefore of Mr Carters letter was to call your attention to these requirements of the Code, and to ascertain whether the Commissioners of Dorchester County have as required by law made this appointment, and if so that the fact should be reported at once to the Governor, as he, in default of such report is required to appoint -

Please therefore call the attention of your Commissioners immediately to the subject and let me hear from you again on the subject.

Yours Respectfully
A. W. Bradford

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Executive Department
Boston May 2^d 1862

To His Excellency
Governor Bradford
Sir:

I have the honor herewith to inclose a copy of resolves adopted on April 30th by the General Court of this Commonwealth, with the request that you may be pleased to lay them before the Legislature of Maryland at its next session.

I beg you to accept the official and personal assurances of the pleasure with which I perform this duty, and of the respect with which I have the honor to remain

Your Excellency's obedient servant

John A. Andrews

The Resolutions accompanying the above were this day recorded
see 'Executive Proceedings'