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The political society at Richmond, Virginia, having discussed the new federal government, very fully took the question on it, when upwards of 100 were in favor of it, and only 15 against it. This society is composed of most of the enlightened characters in the lower parts of Virginia. The western counties of that state have been much in favor of it, from its first appearance.

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