May it please your Excellency Sir) The Commission for Sheriff for Worcester County, came to my Hands yesterday, But as it is not convenient for me to Serve, therefore desire to be excused, and hope that your Excellency will put Mr. Benjamin Purnell (Son of William) who profess to take the same, whose Fidelity and Honesty, may be relied on as a proper person; But would refer to The Honourable Josiah Martin Esquire who is acquainted with Mr. Purnell as well as myself.

I am

Your Excellencies very

Humbl. Servt.

Wm. Selby jun.

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