

INTERESTING DECISION.

We insert in the Republican of this day, a very important decision on the subject of the late occurrence between Governor Clark and the Secretary of State, Col. Hammond. The question arose in the Western district in a case of a *scire facias*, that it is necessary to the validity of a grant that the Secretary of States signature should be attached thereto, in evidence of its having been registered. Judge Clayton has decided, that he is not, and that agreeable to the Constitution, Col. Hammond is the only lawful officer for that department.— The law requiring, that a grant, when signed by the Governor, shall be returned to the Secretarys office, to be there sealed and registered, and if necessary to be *registered*, it must be certified by the *lawful Secretary*. The Judge being of opinion, that if it is not certified by the lawful Secretary of State, it is not certified at all. That if according to the decisions heretofore, grants have been rejected in evidence, because certified by a Deputy Secretary, much more properly should they be rejected, when certified by *no Secretary*. We learn from our Correspondent at Milledgeville that Col. Hammond obtained a writ of *Manamus* at Putnam Superior Court last week, which has been served on Whitaker. The Judge will pronounce the decree final on Friday next. (yesterday.)