

and her friends again demanded a vote on the county-seat; and, in 1867, the question was a second time submitted to a vote of the people. Both villages now put forth every effort. Money was freely paid, and pledges as freely made by both to secure votes. In the interest of one party an *imaginary* election precinct was located at "Hickory Grove," near the north line of the county, and forty-three votes unanimously on one side were returned; but by a slight mistake on the part of the messenger the returns failed to reach the board of county canvassers, and when the official canvass was made the vote was declared a tie. This result the people of New Lisbon claimed, and perhaps justly, was reached by changing the votes of one of the lower towns after the returns left the hands of the messenger, and before the final count by the board of canvassers. New Lisbon failing to secure a majority of the votes, is still without the county-seat.