

Also the bill, entitled, An act authorising the recording of a deed from Henry Howard, (of John) to Andrew Anderson, endorsed, "reconsidered and will not pass." With the following message in relation to said bill; which was read, viz.

By the Senate January 19, 1827.

Gentlemen of the House of Delegates,

We regret that we cannot concur with you in the opinion you express in your message of the 16th instant, favourable to the passage of the bill, entitled, An act authorising the recording of a deed from Henry Howard, of John, to Andrew Anderson. The reason you assign for legislating specially on the subject matter of said bill, is, that the value of the property, to which a legal title is designed by said bill to be secured, is not sufficient in amount to justify the payment of the costs, to which a suit instituted in chancery, to obtain such relief would subject the complainant. It is stated in the bill referred to in your message, that the deed mentioned therein was executed in the year 1809, but whether the grantee, or those claiming under him, have been in possession of the property conveyed by said deed, cannot be ascertained from said bill. If the grantee, or those claiming under him, have been in possession of the property conveyed, and so continue long enough to be availed by the statute of limitation, no farther relief will be requisite. If the amount of property in question is too small to induce the grantee to seek relief by a suit in equity, it will probably be too small to induce an adverse claimant to disturb his possession by suit at law.

By order,

William Kilty, Clk.

And the said clerk delivered the following message; which was also read, viz.

By the Senate, January 19, 1827.

Gentlemen of the House of Delegates,

The senate accede to the proposal contained in your message of the 17th to postpone the election of bank directors to Tuesday the 30th instant.

By order,

Wm. Kilty, Clk.

The bill, reported by Mr. Gantt, entitled, An act to repeal and amend so much of the law providing for the relief of the poor of this state, as directs the infliction of corporal punishment, was taken up for consideration; and in the progress of the second reading thereof, on motion by Mr. John W. Thomas, the second section was amended by the words, "or dark hole," being stricken out.

On motion by Mr. Edward Hughes, the second section of said bill was further amended by the addition of the following words at the end of said section, viz. "where they are not already provided with a dungeon."

Mr. Barnes moved to strike out all contained in said bill after the first section; when on motion by Mr. Done, the bill was