

OF THE SENATE

no means troublesome in its character, or attended with considerable expense in its prosecution. Be this, however, as it may, the senate feel an insuperable objection to the exercise of powers already imparted for the benefit of the community to the judicial tribunals of the state.

Such an interference with their jurisdiction they conceive would be productive of much evil. This view the senate has long acted upon and cannot find in the reason assigned a sufficient justification for its abandonment at present. If the value of the property affected should be made the criterion by which the propriety of the interposition of the Legislature should be judged, it would be impossible to fix a standard in legislation upon such subjects. The senate regret therefore the impossibility of complying with the wish expressed by your honorable body.

By order,

Wm. Kilty, Clerk.

The bill to authorise the recording of a deed from Samuel Cole, to Henry Miller, of Cecil County, was then reconsidered, rejected and returned to the house of delegates.

Mr. Nelson from the committee on Internal Improvement to whom was referred the memorial of the central committee of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal convention, reported a bill entitled, an act, further to amend the act incorporating the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal company, which was read the first time and ordered to be printed.

Mr. Nelson from the committee made an unfavorable report upon the bill to authorise the Levy Court of Frederick county to keep in repair a road therein mentioned. The said bill was then read a second and by special order a third time, rejected and returned to the house of delegates.

Mr. Kennedy presented the petition of Susannah Peacock, widow of Neale Peacock, a soldier of the Maryland line, praying for the continuation of the pension granted to her late husband, which was read and referred to the consideration of the house of delegates.

Mr. Rees asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Dennis.

The Senate proceeded to the consideration of the additional supplement to the act entitled, an act concerning Crimes and Punishments, passed at November session, one thousand eight hundred and nine, the said bill being on its second reading.