

By the Senate, February 13, 1829.

Gentlemen of the House of Delegates,

In compliance with the request contained in your message of the 2d instant, the senate have deliberately reconsidered the bill, entitled, An act to amend and reduce into system, the several acts concerning elections, and believing that the passage of the bill, at the present session of the general assembly, is not necessary for the promotion of the general welfare, are constrained again to reject it, for the reasons assigned in their first message on the subject, and respectfully return it to your honourable body.

By order,

L. Gassaway, Clk.

And delivered bills, originated in, and passed by the senate, entitled, A supplement to an act entitled, An act relating to lunatic and insane persons, passed at December session 1826, chapter 197; which being read by its title, was referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Steuart and M'Mahon of Baltimore city, and Done. And

An act to incorporate Abingdon, in Harford county, which being read by its title, was referred to a select committee consisting of Messrs. Sutton, Hope and Johns.

Mr. M'Mahon of Baltimore city, chairman of the committee therein mentioned, delivered the following report:

The committee of grievances and courts of justice, to whom was referred a bill, entitled, An act to exempt the wearing apparel of deceased persons from appraisement and exposure to public sale, by executors and administrators, beg leave to report the said bill with the following amendments:

Strike out the proviso at the end of the first section, and insert the following in lieu thereof, 'Provided always, That the property of the deceased shall be sufficient to pay his or her funeral expenses.'

Add the following as the second section of the bill:

'And be it enacted, That the wearing apparel of deceased persons exempt from appraisement and sale under this act, shall not be deemed or taken to include watches or jewellery of any description.'

Add the following as the third section of the bill:

'And be it enacted, That in all cases where the wearing apparel of the deceased is exempt from appraisement and sale, under the provisions of this act, it shall be the duty of the executor or administrator of the deceased, as the case may be, to return a special and separate inventory of the said wearing apparel to the orphans court of the county in which he has obtained letters testamentary or of administration, as the case may be, within two months after the obtention of said letters; and that after the said inventory has been returned to said court, the said court may direct the distribution of the same amongst the legal representatives of the personal property of the deceased, by lot, or in such other manner as said court may deem expedient, in order to a fair distribution of the same,