

litical mistakes, whether occurring in my own party, or that of my opponents. As I have always announced my views fearlessly, and without reference to personal consequences, I shall still, with the utmost respect for the sentiments of those who may differ from me, continue so to do.

In conclusion, whatever political necessity, if any, was to be accomplished by attaching disgraceful imputations to my name, has been doubtless already achieved. Let those who have succeeded in circulating injurious rumors with that view or any other, decide with their own consciences whether the end renders proper the employment of such extraordinary means. The exigencies of party may possibly palliate many political eccentricities—they can never justify wanton and unfounded assaults upon private reputation.

I desire this statement, with the consent of the Senate, to be entered upon the journal.

On motion by Mr. Earle,

The remarks of the President were ordered to be entered upon the journal, and one thousand copies ordered to be printed.

Mr. Maddox presented the petition of George Combs and others, against the taxing of churches, &c. ;

Which was read and referred to Messrs. Maddox, Compton and Frazier.

On motion by Mr. Young,

Leave was granted to the Committee on Corporations to report a bill to incorporate the Potomac Gold Mining Company, of Montgomery county, Maryland.

On motion by Mr. Vickers,

Leave was granted to the Committee on Judicial Proceedings, to introduce a bill entitled, an Act to repeal sections 28 and 29, of Article 18, of the Code of Public General Laws, relating to Clerks of Courts, and to re-enact the same with amendments.

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