

testamentary code, although daily in active operation and controuling the interest of the whole society, especially that of the widow and the orphan.

Your committee believe that this legislature cannot confer upon their constituents a more interesting benefit, than that of providing that the various enactments of the state on testamentary law shall be brought into one condensed and systematic arrangement.

It is not to be expected that a work exclusively on our domestic law, will circulate widely in other states, and therefore no individual will run the hazard of its publication without state patronage. It will be for the benefit of our people, and therefore the state ought from its resources to patronize the publication. Your committee recommend the following resolution:

Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the Governor be and he is hereby authorised and requested to subscribe on the part of the state, for two hundred copies of the work on the testamentary law of the state of Maryland, proposed to be published by the Honorable Clement Dorsey, Associate Judge of the 1st Judicial District.

Mr. Morris from the committee to which the memorial of William Patterson, and others, relative to the improvement of certain docks, wharves and streets, in the City of Baltimore, was referred, reported a bill entitled, an act relating to private wharves, docks, and the like in the City of Baltimore, which was read the 1st time.

On motion of Mr. Mayer leave was granted to bring in a bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the general insurance company of Baltimore.

Ordered, that Messrs. Mayer, Morris and Wootton, be a committee to prepare and report the same.

Mr. Dennis from the committee on invalid deeds and defective proceedings to which was referred the bill entitled an act to authorise the recording of certain deeds therein mentioned, and for other purposes, reported that the committee had had said bill under consideration, and were of opinion it ought not to pass.

It was read the second time.

The senate adjourned until to-morrow morning, 10 o'clock.