

To the Senate, and House of Representatives, of the United States of America.

The Memorial of the Subscribers, Members of the Bar, of the State of Illinois, respectfully represents;

That it is of great importance, that the Decisions of the Supreme Court of the United States, should have a more general circulation among the People of this Country.

Containing the only authentic exposition of the Constitution, and Acts of Congress, and embodying the Supreme Judicial Law of the Union, their dissemination should be coextensive, with the vast and wide interests, over which they have a controlling influence.

Hitherto, the great cost of the Decisions of that Court, have rendered their purchase, impossible to many of the Profession.

In many parts of the Union, the Judges of the State Courts, cannot have access to these Decisions, although often called upon to apply them.

The recent reduction of the cost, of the Reports of the Supreme Court of the United States, affords to the general Government, an opportunity to spread them throughout the Union.

To the Courts of Superior Jurisdiction of every State, to the executive, and legislative branches, of every State Government, as well as, to every College, and Public Library, a copy of the Reports of these Decisions, might be presented, at a cost to the United States, far below the benefits, which would thereby be conferred on the People; and your Memorialists respectfully represent, that they sincerely desire, that the objects herein set forth, may be accomplished, by the wisdom and Justice of your Honourable Bodies.

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