petition from the New Mart & Fire Company

Respectfully

Jacob G. Davies, Mayor.

On motion of Mr Quinn the petition was referred to the joint committee on Fire Companies

Mr Reynolds call for the second reading of the resolution attached to the report of the joint committee on claims on the petition of Emanuel Stockett.

The resolution was adopted.

Mr Hack from the committee submitted the following report, which was read and laid on the table.

The joint committee on ways and means, to whom was referred the application of Wm Guynn asking the Council to pass an ordinance in regard to the sale of property sold for taxes, respectfully report, that after an examination of the subject, they believe it would be injurious to the interests of the City to interfere in any way with the present ordinances on that subject, — and therefore recommend the following resolution discharging the committee.

William A Hack — Elijah Stansbury
R. G. Wells — J. Gates Walsh
Joshua Creamer — John McPherson
First Branch. — Second Branch.

Resolved, That the committee be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Mr Gardner from the committee, submitted the following report, which was read and laid on the table

The joint committee on the harbor, to whom was referred the resolution relative to the repairing of the County Wharf Fell's Point, beg leave to report that they have in compliance with said resolution, examined said wharf and found it in a very dilapidated condition, and recommend that the City Commissioner be authorised to have the said wharf repaired, and the money taken out of the appropriation for arrears.

Isaiah Gardner — Wm J. Page
John J. Abrahams — John J. Reese
Charles Forsch — Elijah Stansbury
First Branch. — Second Branch.

Resolved, That the committee be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Mr Hager called with the resolution attached to the report of the joint committee on water on the petition of Jonas McPherson

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The resolution was adopted.

The President this day handed to the Mayor for his approval:

A supplement to an ordinance to authorise the location of certain alleys therein described, to be changed; and

An ordinance for the relief of T. H. Rountree.

On motion of Mr Spurrier the Branch adjourned until tomorrow afternoon at half past 3 O'Clock

By order

Geo. T. Woward Clerk.

Friday February 12. 1847.

The Branch met pursuant to adjournment

Present Jacob T. Cohen Pres. Esq President and all the members

Mr Collins presented the annual report of the Managers of the Baltimore General Dispensary, which was read and referred to the joint committee on health.

Mr Peters presented a petition from Lewis H. Williams and others, praying the re-opening of Tyson Street, which was read and referred to the joint committee on streets.

Mr Colton from the committee submitted the following report, which was read and laid on the table.

The joint committee on markets, to whom was referred a resolution adopted by the First Branch on the 5th instant, relative to the expediency of re-selling the Butchers Stalls in all the Market houses beg leave most respectfully to report, that they have carefully considered the subject, and are of opinion that such a course could not be pursued without doing manifest injustice to the present owners of the Butchers stalls, in almost every instance in the several market houses in the City.

We will endeavour to give some reasons among the many that exist why we have come to such a conclusion: many of the stalls in the different markets were sold without regard to time — no stipulation made on the subject, but sold to the highest bidder without reserve, — many others were sold to the highest bidder for a specified number of years, which time expired, and no attention was paid to the same by the proper authorities, — and by reference to the subject, we find the time in some cases expired 25 years ago — and in the shortest period nine years have elapsed since the expiration of the time for which they were sold.

Taking this view of the case, it is fair to presume that but few of the stalls are now held by the original purchasers — but in all probability they have passed by purchase from one to another successively, from the first