

A large number of citizens of the City of Baltimore that the extension of Pratt Street across the docks in said City would redound much to the health and prosperity of the City aforesaid. Therefore Resolved that a Joint Committee be appointed to draft a Memorial to the General Assembly of Maryland at their next Session for the purpose of obtaining said desirable object.

A communication was received from the board of health which was read and referred to the consideration of the 2<sup>d</sup> Branch.

A petition from Christopher Hughes praying for the erection of lamps in the 2<sup>d</sup> ward was presented, read & referred to the Committee heretofore appointed on those subjects.

An account of expences incurred in holding an election in the fourth ward was presented & on motion therefor the sum of fifteen dollars was ordered to be appropriated in the General Appropriation bill for defraying the same & sent to the 2<sup>d</sup> Branch for their concurrence.

The Joint Committee appointed on the petition of Christopher Hughes reported a Bill entitled "An Ordinance granting permission to Christopher Hughes to extend his ground on the south side of the basin" which was read & by special order read a second time, passed & sent to the 2<sup>d</sup> Branch & by them passed & returned.

A message was sent to the 2<sup>d</sup> Branch proposing to adjourn until Tuesday next to which the 2<sup>d</sup> Branch assented & on motion therefor the Branch adjourned until Tuesday the 7<sup>th</sup> inst. 3 o'clock P.M. By order J. A. Moore &

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The Branch met agreeably to adjournment. Present William Loman President & all the members except Messrs. Frey & Penick.

A petition from Thomas McElderry Gotha, praying for the erection of a stone bridge at the intersection of Pitt & Harford Streets was presented, read, and referred to Messrs. Kell, Small, & Ross.

A petition from John Marsh was presented & read & a resolution appropriating Four hundred and thirty one dollars & ninety seven cents to pay said Marsh for paving done on Lombard Street was submitted, read, concurred in, sent to the 2<sup>d</sup> Branch & by them returned concurred in.

The Bill entitled "A Supplement to the Ordinance more effectually to diminish the number of days in the City of Baltimore" was read a second time, passed & sent to the 2<sup>d</sup> Branch.

A Bill entitled "An Ordinance to impose a tax on the real and personal property within the City of Baltimore and to provide for the collection of the same for the year 1809" was submitted, read, & by special order read a second time, passed & sent to the second Branch.

A Bill entitled "An Ordinance directing the annual nomination of persons to be appointed to office" was received from the 2<sup>d</sup> Branch & read.

A petition from John Kennedy was presented, read & referred to Messrs. Kell, Wilson & Camp.

The petition of Saml Colvin was read a second time & referred to Messrs. Ross, Camp, & Diefenderffer. On motion therefor the Branch adjourned until Tomorrow 2 o'clock P.M. By order J. A. Moore &