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the number would be greatly diminished and provision might be easily made for those who by sickness or disease, by the infirmities of old age or the imbecility of youth are rendered incapable of taking care of themselves.

As usual the Register will lay before you his annual accounts for investigation, and it gives me pleasure to observe that notwithstanding the unusual drafts on account of the New Bridge and City Springs these accounts exhibit a balance in favor of the City of Four thousand One hundred and fifty six dollars and seventy two Cents -

Edw. Johnson

The above Communication having been read was referred to Messrs Buchanan & Ennis & Mead in conjunction with such Members as the second branch should appoint as a joint Committee to confer on the several subjects embraced therein & the second branch were informed thereof who appointed Messrs Payson & Biays as a Committee on their part -

Messrs Kell & Steuart were appointed a Committee of Election -

On Motion therefor the former rules for the government of the Branch were adopted

Messrs Mead & Ross were appointed a Committee on the part of this branch to join such Committee as should be appointed by the second branch for the purpose of examining the several accounts of the Register, City Commissioners &c and the second branch were informed thereof who appointed Mr Dugan as a Committee on their part

Messrs Camp & Wilson were appointed a Committee of Enrollment, and the second branch being

informed thereof appointed Mr McDonald to join the said Committee -

On Motion it was ordered that the Mayor, Communication be published -

The Committee to whom was referred the several subjects embraced in the Mayor Communication made a verbal report recommending that so much thereof as relates to the City Springs & Watch house be the subject of consideration for the first branch, and so much thereof as relates to the Water Company and the Poor be referred to the consideration of the second branch which report was concurred in,

A petition from Christopher Hughes was presented read, and referred to the second branch

A message was sent to the second branch proposing that when the Council shall adjourn they adjourn until Thursday next the 15th inst. to which the 2^d Branch assented -

On Motion therefor the Branch adjourned until Thursday next the 15th inst. 3 o'clock P.M.

By Order J. H. Moore

Thursday the 15th February 1810

The Branch met agreeably to adjournment, Present James Carey President & all the Members

The President having resigned his office the Branch proceeded to fill the vacancy whereupon William Looman was duly elected President -

The Committee appointed for the purpose of examining the accounts of the Register City Commissioners &c made the following report which was read & concurred in -