

Two <sup>180</sup>several petitions from Christopher  
Hughes praying that the Corporation  
would direct the filling up Parson  
Street from Charles Street to the Basin  
to its proper level, and also take  
some order for the improvement of  
Forest Street and Light Street  
extended, and also requesting information  
respecting the operation of the Ordinance  
relative to wooden Buildings were  
presented, read & referred to the Consideration  
of the Second Branch

A Bill entitled "An Ordinance concerning  
the purchase of a lot of ground for  
City purposes and appropriating  
a sum of money for building a water  
house" was received from the Second  
Branch

The following communications and letters  
were received from the Mayor and read  
Gentlemen of the City Council  
a favorable opportunity of  
purchasing a suitable lot for City purposes  
presenting itself Messrs Calhoun & Hornum  
in conformity to the power vested in them  
by a resolution of the Council in the year

1811  
I deemed it advisable to make the purchase  
the valuation, size & convenience attached to the  
it renders it a valuable acquisition, and  
I beg leave to refer you for further information  
to the joint letter of those Gentlemen  
Edw. Johnson

Baltimore May 30<sup>th</sup> 1812.

Sir, As the Old Court house is expected to  
be taken down in the month of July or  
August it becomes incumbent on the City  
to make immediate provision for the  
removal of the watch & fire engine,  
A lot is now offering for sale on which  
the Rev. Mr. Kutz resides which appears  
to us well calculated for City purposes  
being in a central situation extending  
from Holliday Street to North Street and  
having a front on each street of 48 1/2 feet  
and a depth of 150 feet which can be  
obtained for eight thousand Dollars Two  
thousand to be paid in sixty days and the  
remainder without interest until we  
get possession of the whole lot which  
will be on the first of April next until  
which time Mr. Kutz is to occupy the  
buildings on Holliday Street, but will  
give up possession at any time we please  
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