

26 Branches of the City Council that the sum of One Hundred and fifty dollars be added to the salary of the Superintendent of the Powder Magazine for the ensuing year".

Which Resolution being read was concurred in and sent to the second Branch for their concurrence. who returned the same endorsed concurred in.

On motion therefore the Branch adjourned until tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock.

By Order, *W. Bailey Esq.*

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Tuesday February 27<sup>th</sup> 1816

The Branch met agreeably to adjournment, present William Patterson Esquire, president, and all the other members except Mr. Russell.

The joint Committee appointed on the City Collectors Communication, submitted the following Report. Viz

"The joint Committee to whom was referred the City Collectors Communication, beg leave to report, that they have performed that duty, and find that his Books are kept in a plain regular manner and as far as they can judge are perfectly correct. They are also of opinion the Collector ought to have to have time allowed to complete the Collections of 1814 & 1815, they are farther of opinion the Commissions of the Collector ought to be advanced, and do recommend the following Ordinance."

William Ross } 1<sup>st</sup> Branch  
John Arevill }  
Charles John } 2<sup>d</sup> Branch

Which Report having been read, as also the following Viz

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A Bill entitled An Ordinance extending the time of the City Collector to Complete his Collections.

As it enacted and ordained by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore that the City Collector be allowed until the first day of January eighteen hundred and seventeen to complete the Collection of all monies due this Corporation, which should have been collected previous to the first day of February eighteen hundred and sixteen." Which having been read, was concurred in, whereupon a Bill from the second Branch, to the same purport and bearing the same title was received, read, concurred in and returned.

It was then moved and seconded "That a Committee be appointed to bring in a Bill imposing a tax on the Real and personal property within the City of Baltimore for the present year, and to fix and ascertain the Commissions which are to be allow'd the City Collector for collecting the same" Which motion was concurred in and Messrs Ross and Arevill appointed a Committee for that purpose and the second Branch inform'd thereof by message.

A petition from "The Property Guard Fire Company" praying the usual appropriation to Fire Engine Companies may be extended to theirs". Which was read and referred to the Committee heretofore appointed on the Several Fire Companies petition.

A petition from Charles Duffenduffer and others, praying a Committee may be appointed to view the situation of the pavements on North Frederick Street, with a view to the repair & improvement thereof. And praying also that an additional Lamp be erected in said Street, was presented, read and referred to Messrs Warner & Jamison to consider and report thereon.

The Committee to whom was referred the petition of the several Fire Engine Companies as also the petition from the Association styling themselves "Property Guards" submitted the following Report