

186 was ordered to lie on the table.

A Resolution authorizing the paving of Howard Street from Fayette to German Street, was received from the Second Branch. Read the first time, when on motion the consideration thereof was referred to Messrs. Leving & Berry with instructions to report thereon to this Branch.

The following Communications or Report, accompanying a Statement of the Accounts for the years 1815 & 1816, from the City Collector, was sent in from the Mayor viz:

"Baltimore March 18th 1817.

Sir

I lay before you for your inspection, and that of the City Council, duplicate accounts of the City taxes of 1816, and of the balances of City taxes of 1815. Presuming that a joint Committee will be appointed, as usual, to examine the City Collectors Books and Report thereon, I propose to make through that Committee any explanations which may be required. It will be seen that there are balances of taxes for each of those years: to complete the collection of which I pray further time."

With very great respect, Your Hble. Servt.

signed, M^r Rogers, City

Which Communication, or Report, having been Read, on motion therefor a message was sent to 2^d Branch proposing the appointment of a joint Committee to examine the City Collectors Accounts, and appointing on the part of this Branch Messrs. Rags & Lawrence — To which proposal the 2^d Br. agreed by message and appointed on their part M^r. Forney.

The Bill entitled "A further additional supplement to the Ordinance entitled An Ordinance to preserve the health of the

City of Baltimore, and for the due performance of quarantine at the Port of Baltimore" was returned from the second branch endorsed "will pass".

The joint Committee appointed on the subject of Repairing the Centre Market submitted the following Report & Resolution viz: "The joint Committee to whom was referred the subject of Repairing the Centre Market house ask leave to Report, that they are of opinion that some Repairs are necessary & accordingly submit the accompanying Resolution"

"Resolved by both branches of the City Council, that a sum not exceeding two thousand five hundred dollars be, and it is hereby appropriated for the purpose of improving that part of the Centre Market which lies between Baltimore Street and the south side of Second Street, in the following manner, viz: To set good curb stones on both sides and at the south end of the house, to raise the earth within, so as to turn the water into the streets and to pave the same in a substantial manner; to raise such of the stalls as may require it, and to make such other small Repairs as may appear to be indispensable; the money to be expended under the direction of the City Commissioners with the approbation of the Mayor."

Which Report & Resolution having been Read the first, and by special Order a second time, concurred in and the concurrence of the second branch requested.

On motion therefor Messrs. Wilson Berry and Leving were appointed a Committee to enquire and report to this Branch the right of Wharfage on Light Street Wharf & Hughes' Quay

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

By Order M^r Bailey Clk.