

A Petition from Thomas H. Rice, Book Auctioneer, praying that the City Council will take such order as to extend to him the privilege of Vending Houses & Lots, Glass & Hardware Goods and Jewels, in addition to the articles already enumerated in his license as auctioneer, was presented read and referred to Messrs. Woodyear & Wilson to consider & report thereon.

The joint Committee to whom was referred the Mayor's communication submitted the following Report - viz^t

"That after due ^{consideration} they pray leave to recommend that so much of said communication as relates to County & Dulany streets & Castle Alley be referred to a joint Committee that so much as relates to the purchase of Lots & Creating stock for the payment thereof be also referred to a joint Committee and that part thereof which relates to the Lumber on Wharves at the Head of the Basin to the First Branch, and that part which relates to the Center Market, to the second Branch - And further recommend that for the purpose of enabling the Committee to prepare Ordinances and Resolutions on the subjects referred to them, that the City Council adjourn until Tuesday the 3^d day of June next at 3 o'clock in the afternoon.

Signed H. Woodyear, J. Sheppard, James Wilson

" John Campbell White, W. Hollins "

Which Report having been read was concurred in, the second Branch informed thereof by message, at the same time nomination on the part of this Branch on the subject of Dulany street, Castle Alley and County street, Messrs. Mosher, Sheppard & Samson, and on the subject of Purchasing Lots & Creating stock, Messrs. Woodyear, M. Culler & Wilson - Whereupon a message was received from the second branch, stating they had also concurred in the Report of the joint Committee, and that they had nominated on the part of their Branch on so much as relates to County & Dulany and Castle Alley, Messrs. Broomwell and Miller, and on so much thereof as relates to the purchase of Water Lots & Creating stock for the payment thereof, Messrs. Hollins & White -

The following Committee was then appointed, on that part which relates to Lumber on the Wharves at the head of the Basin Messrs. Levering & Reese.

The following Report was submitted by the Chairman thereof viz^t 229
The Committee to whom was referred that part of the Mayor's communication which related to the establishment of a powder magazine at Fort Covington, they have to report - That they have taken the subject into consideration, and as they are impressed with a belief that the object of the Council in wishing the establishment of an additional magazine arises from the conviction that the safety of the City would be endangered by the present being too near, in the event of an explosion, that the object contemplated would not be secured by the creation of another magazine at Fort Covington, the difference in the distance being very trifling - And as large quantities of powder are frequently stored in the present Magazine & kept there for a considerable period, they beg leave to recommend the adoption of the accompanying Supplement, which will in the opinion of your Committee, put a stop to the practice heretofore pursued (until a more suitable situation can be provided) of making the present Magazine a place of deposit for large parcels of powder where it remains until it can be disposed of. Baltimore May 26. 1817.

Signed James Wilson

Peter Levering

James Mosher

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"A Supplement to an Ordinance entitled 'An Ordinance for the safe keeping of Gun powder within the City of Baltimore and Precincts thereof'

Be it enacted and ordained by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore that the superintendent of the Powder Magazine he is hereby authorized and directed to charge and collect double the rates of storage now chargeable by Ordinance on all parcels over and above 50 quarter casks, or 1250 pounds of Gun powder, which may remain in the present Magazine on the first day of August next, or that may be stored in said Magazine on or after the said day, belonging to any one person or Company: Provided that the extra rate of storage shall not be charged upon powder manufactured within the State of Maryland or on that belonging to the United States or State of Maryland, unless the same shall remain in the Magazine for a longer period than one month" - Which report and Bill having