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been read were ordered to lie on the table.

The Committee appointed on the petition of Samuel & William Meekins and others, made Report "That they have taken the subject into consideration and are of opinion that no relief can be granted to the petitioners - Therefore recommend that the petitioners have leave to withdraw their petition."

Baltimore May 26. 1817.

Wm. H. Winstanley
Baptist Minister."

Which Report on being read was concurred in.

A Memorial from Solomon G. Elbers and others, complaining of serious disadvantages being experienced by dealers in Domestic distilled liquors, in consequence of the operation of the Ordinance passed at the present session of the City Council affecting the standard thereof, and praying a repeal thereof or a Restoration of the former standard - Was presented and read - When a Letter signed "J. P. De Gruchy, of Nottingham, Pennsylvania" Counter to the above mentioned Petition or Memorial, was also presented and read, and on motion the subject was referred to a Committee composed of Messrs. Ross, Reese & Levering to consider & report thereon.

A Memorial from John Hillen & others, complaining of the erection of Potteries in thickly settled neighbourhoods to the great annoyance of the inhabitants thereof, and praying the intervention of the City Council on the subject - Was presented read & referred to Messrs. Ross & Winstanley to consider & report thereon.

The Committee to whom was referred that part of the Mayor's Communication relating to the Hire of Hacks, made Report by Submitting A Bill entitled "An additional supplement to the Ordinance entitled An Ordinance regulating the Riding and Driving of horses and Carriages in the City of Baltimore, and for other purposes therein mentioned" Which Report & Bill, having been read were ordered to lie on the table.

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The following Communication from George Hill was sent up by the Mayor. Viz

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Gentlemen

With due deference I solicit the Honor of your Company when convenient to see the perfection to which I have brought the art of raising Veneers - the Mill has been erected at great expense and labour under the superintendence of the ingenious Mechanic Adam Stewart I make this request under a full conviction that you are not indifferent to whatever will tend to support Baltimore in or advance her to that eminence she so well deserves amongst the Cities of the Republic

With due Respect, I am Gentlemen, your ob^l S^t

Geo Hill"

to the Hon^{ble} the Mayor & both

Branches of the City Council.

Which Communication being read was ordered to lie on the table.

A Resolution making an appropriation for repairing Centre Street Bridge on Jones' Falls" was received from the second Branch, read the first and by special order a second time, concurred in and returned to the second Branch.

On motion therefor the Branch adjourned until Tuesday the 3rd day of June next at 3 O'clock in the afternoon

By Order

Thos Bailey M^r.

Tuesday June 3rd 1817.

The Branch met agreeably to adjournment, present William Peterson Esquire, President, and all the other members, except Messrs. Russell Winstanley & Young.

A Petition from Benjamin Hodges and William W. Taylor, proprietors of Lots fronting on New Church Street, & extending to an alley, who were about to erect valuable improvements thereon, but are restrained by an Ordinance of the City, passed at the present session of the