resetting Curb Stones, Three thousand dollars" which motion was rejected by the following vote –

Yeas Messrs President, Stansbury, Legrand, Howard, Cross, W H Cole, & Schwartzauer 7.

Nays, Messrs Atkinson, Albricks, Gittings, Gatchell, Dryden, Smith, Creagh, A G Cole, Brooks, & Watkins - 10. – Mr Howard moved to appropriate one thousand dollars for the said purpose, & demanded the yeas & nays thereon – which were as follows.

Yeas, Messrs President, Stansbury, Legrand, Howard, Cross, W H Cole, Schwarzauer & Watkins - 8.

Nays, Messrs Atkinson, Albricks, Gittings, Gatchell, Dryden, Smith, McDonald, Creagh, A G Cole, & Brooks. - 10. – Determined in the Negative. – The Bill was then passed as amended, and returned to the second branch.

A Message from the Mayor was announced by the President but there not being a quorum of the branch present – On motion therefore the branch adjourned until to Morrow afternoon at half past 3 o'clock.

By Order.

S. B. Moore Clk

Thursday May 3rd 1838.

The branch met pursuant to adjournment, Present John B Leidenstricker President, & all the members except Messrs Metzga, Jenifer, and Watkins.

The Resolution declaring Hammond Alley a Public Highway and the resolution relative to a Sewer in said Alley, were returned by the second branch severally indorsed "Concurred in."

The Mayor communicated a letter from Hugh Boyle Esq. presenting the City Council with copies of a Lithographic Sketch of the route of the Susquehanna Canal from Columbia to tide water &c which was referred to the second branch

The following Communication from the Mayor was received

Mayor's Office Balt. May 2d 1838.

Gentlemen of the first & Second branches of the City Council,

On Sunday Morning last the Court house was partially destroyed by fire, it was insured by the Commissioners of Baltimore County & also by the City. the Insurance Companies have appointed a person on their part, to ascertain the amount of damage, to act in

(Conjunction)

Conjunction with such person as may be appointed by the Commissioners of Baltimore County, and the Corporation of Baltimore – it would therefore seem necessary that there should be some action upon the subject by the Councils – Whilst providing for this case I would respectfully suggest the propriety of making provision for all future cases of a similar character.

Respectfully Your Obedt Servt

S. Smith, Mayor

The above communication having been read, on motion of Mr Gittings a Message was sent to the second branch proposing to refer the same to a Select Joint Committee. & naming Messrs Gittings, Dryden and McDonald on the part of this branch.

The following Message was also received from the Mayor & read.

Mayor's Office Baltimore May 3d 1838.

Gentlemen of the first Branch of the City Council,

I have approved and signed "An Ordinance to exempt from the operation of the Acts of December Session 1816. & 1817. part of Orleans Street" a "Resolution authorising the roofing & plaistering the Centre fish Market house". a resolution "authorising the erection of a Shed at the South end of Fells point Market house" a resolution "Condemning Josephine Street, from Bond to Chatsworth Street as a public high way" a resolution relating to Cemetary Alley. a resolution "authorising the fencing around the Eastern and Western Potter field, constructed to prevent hogs from trespassing therein" a resolution "authorising the removal of the bridge and erecting a new one over the Harford run at Bank Street." a "resolution authorising fire plugs at the places therein named". a resolution authorising the erection of fire plugs at the places therein named". a resolution authorising fire plugs at certain places therein mentioned". and a resolution authorising a fire plug at the South West Corner of High and Water Street," all of which originated in your branch."

Respectfully Your Most Obedt Servt

S. Smith, Mayor.

The resolution on the Mayor's Message relative to the opening of Lombard Street was returned by the second branch, they having disented from the amendment of this branch, and proposed the following in lieu thereof viz. "Strike out "Carroll" where it occurs, and insert "Exchange". The question of concurring in said proposed amendment being taken by yeas & nays was determined in the Negative by the following vote.

Yeas, Messrs Randolph, Atkinson, Cross, Gittings, Dryden, Smith, McDonald