Mr. T. Myers offered the following resolution, which was read and concurred in.

Resolved, That the Joint Committee on Markets be requested to ascertain from the holders of the property on the south side of Cross Street between Light and Charles Streets, what price said property can be purchased at, for the purpose of erecting a Market House thereon, and report by Bill or otherwise.

Mr. Randolph from the Committee, submitted the following report, which was read a first time.

The Joint Committee on Education to whom was referred a resolution of the First Branch instructing them to enquire into the expediency of causing Night Schools to be opened in the Public School Houses during the winter months &c, have given the subject their attention, and believe that it is justly entitled to favorable consideration, and would be the means of providing many who are now destitute, with an opportunity to improve in learning. The Committee would be pleased to see Night Schools in successful operation in all the Public School Houses of this City, and they think it would have a beneficial tendency on the minds of a large portion of the youth of our City.

The Committee think it would not be advisable for the City Council to make any permanent regulations for this subject, but would prefer referring the subject to the serious attention and consideration of the Commissioners of Public Schools, believing that the Board will make arrangements for this purpose if it is possible for them to do so.

The Committee offer the following resolution.

J. W. Randolph, Jas. L. Yeates, J. Wesley Watkins } Committee of the First Branch.
Saml. Jones Jr., Wm. Keaney } Committee of the Second Branch.

Resolved, That the accompanying resolution be referred to the Commissioners of Public Schools, and that they be authorized to open the Public School Houses for Night School during the ensuing Winter.

On motion of Mr. Barnard a message was sent to the Second Branch, proposing to adjourn on Friday next until

(Monday)

Monday the 8th April ensuing.

The Branch then adjourned until To-morrow Afternoon at half past 3 o'clock.

By order,

S. H. Moore, Clerk.

Friday, March 22d. 1839.

The Branch met pursuant to adjournment — present Joshua Dryden Esq. President, and all the Members except Messrs Atkinson, Wallis and Brown.

Mr. Powel presented a petition from George M. Gill and others, relative to Apple Alley, which was read and referred to the Comte. on Streets.

The following Communication was received from the Mayor, and read.

Mayor's Office, March 22d. 1839.

To the Members of the First Branch of the City Council:

Gentlemen.

I have approved and signed a "resolution directing the City Commissioners to repair the room on the Second Branch &c." a "resolution authorizing the City Commissioners to tunnel Chatsworth Run &c."; resolutions authorising the City Commissioners to have repaired the wharf on the south and north side of the City Docks, and a "Supplement to the Ordinance for the creation of a Loan, &c." all of which originated in your Branch.

Yours respectfully,

S. C. Leakin, Mayor.

The Mayor transmitted the following message, which was read and referred to the consideration of the Second Branch.

Mayor's Office, March 22d. 1839.

Gentlemen of the City Council —

A Bill to appoint two additional Lieutenants of the Watch for the Eastern District has been before you for several days — It is not only necessary, but the citizens of that portion of the City are anxious for its passage. On an examination of the map you will perceive that the limits of that District extends to more than one-fourth of the City — the necessary duties to be nightly performed cannot be properly executed, with the number of Lieutenants and Watch now on

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