for the safekeeping of Gunpowder within the City of Baltimore", which was referred to the Committee on Police.

The Mayor communicated a report from the Commissioners of Finance, in obedience to resolution No. 24. approved 22d. February 1837. which was read, and referred to the consideration of the Second Branch.

The following message from the Mayor was received and read:

Mayor's Office April 2d. 1839.

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

Gentlemen.

I have approved and signed "An Ordinance to change the location of Hamburg Street, from William Street, to Covington Street;" "An Ordinance to approve an Act of the Legislature entitled An Act to condemn and make public L. Alley in the City of Baltimore"; "An Ordinance relating to Walsh Street, Maryland Street, Howard Street, and Green's Alley;" a "resolution appropriating a sum of money for repairing the Eastern Watch-house, &c.; and a "resolution appropriating a sum of money to John V. L. McMahon", all of which originated in your Branch.

Yours Respectfully

S. C. Leakin, Mayor.

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

The Joint Committee on Water to whom was referred a communication from the City Commissioners, relative to repairs of the City Spring in North Calvert Street, have had the subject under consideration, and beg leave to report, that from an examination of some of the Committee, they are of opinion that an entire and thorough repair, and in some instances a renewal of the fence enclosing the Spring is indispensable, and the dwelling of the Keeper is in a state of distruction requiring immediate attention, and the Committee recommend the adoption of the following resolution.

Wm. Pinkney. }
Aug. Mathiot. } Committee of the First Branch.
Thos. O'Donnell. }

Joseph Hook Jr. } Committee Second Branch.

(Resolved)

Resolved by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, That the City Commissioners are hereby directed to place a new roof on the Keeper's Dwelling at N. Calvert Street City Spring, a new floor to the Kitchen, a strong south boundary fence of Wood. a new fence of lattice work on the upper walk, also to supply a 25 foot ladder for the Keeper's use, and they are instructed to cause the building over the Spring to be repaired and painted with two coats of paint, and to have a new door under the steps in lieu of the present one, and also to place a strong Iron railing on the line of Calvert Street in place of the present one also a new privy, screen and brick pavement in front of the privy and the City Commissioners are authorised to draw on the Register of the City, with the approbation of the Mayor, for the sum of Ten Hundred dollars a so much thereof as may be necessary, to carry this resolution into effect, to be taken out of any unappropriated money in the Treasury.

The Second Branch returned the report and resolution of the minority of the Committee on Markets relative to erecting a shed at the south end of the northern Market house on Fell's Point, and the resolution for placing an additional pump at the corner of Silver and Eden Streets, severally endorsed "dissented from."

A resolution for a double pump at the intersection of Hughes and William Streets, was received from the Second Branch, and read a first time.

Mr. Metzger from the Committee, submitted the following report and resolutions, which were read a first time.

The Joint Committee on Markets, to whom was referred a resolution of the City Council, directing them to ascertain from the owners of property on the south side of Crop-Street, between Light and Charles Streets, the price at which said property can be purchased for the purpose of erecting a Market House thereon, have attended to the subject referred to them, and have ascertained that four hundred and Fifty-seven feet of ground fronting on south side of Crop-Street, from Charles to Light-Streets, running south seventy-two feet, six inches deep, may be purchased for Five Thousand One hundred and Ten dollars. A plot of the ground together with the prices asked by each holder of the above property, is herewith submitted. The Committee believe it advisable to purchase this ground, and to erect a Market House thereon

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