up fire balloons & other combustibles which endanger the property of the citizens.

Mr. Powel also offered the following resolution which was read.

Resolved by the First Branch of the City Council. That the Committee on the harbor enquire into the expediency of having railings placed on Jones' Falls, between Lombard Street Bridge and Pratt Street Bridge, west side, and report to this Branch by bill or otherwise.

Mr. Lendeman moved to amend the above resolution by striking out "harbor" and inserting "Fire Companies" which amendment was dissented from. Mr. Monumonier moved an amendment to strike out "harbor" and insert "Internal Improvements" which was also dissented from: the resolution was then concurred in.

A report and resolution on the petition of Ralph Hunt was received from the from the Second Branch read a first and by special order the second time concurred in and returned.

Mr. Prindell on leave offered the following resolution which was read a first and by special order the second time.

Resolved by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore That the City Commissioners be, and they are hereby authorized and directed to have a gutter made from Aisquith Street to Harford Run so as to turn the water into the said Run in such manner as to prevent the water remaining in Aisquith Street to the injury of the property in said Street, and draw on the Register with the approbation of the Mayor for the sum of three hundred and fifty dollars or so much thereof as may be necessary to be paid out of any unappropriated money in the Treasury.

Mr. Keyser moved to refer the said resolution to the next annual session of the City Council which motion was dissented from by the following vote.

Yeas — Messrs. President, Lendeman, Monumonier, Harrison, Hallam, Donovan, Keyser, Joseph Brown — 8.

Nays — Messrs. Stansbury, Hoffman, Prindell, Powel, Walsh, Yates, Meyer, Ryder, Bender — 9.

Mr. Prindell moved to amend the resolution by striking out "Canal Street" 5th line and to insert in the same line after the word "Aisquith" the word "Street" which amendment was concurred in and the resolution as amended was on motion of Mr. Keyser referred to the Committee on Streets.

A Communication from a Committee of the Commissioners of the Court House was received from the Mayor read and on motion of Mr. Joseph Brown ordered to be printed in the Journal.

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

By order

J. H. Moore Clerk.

Wednesday June 17th 1840.

The Branch met pursuant to adjournment — present Saml. Brady Esq. President and all the Members except Messrs Jackson and Pinkney.

Mr. Lendeman presented a petition from Washington Adams asking permission to alter two frame buildings situated at the corner of Ann and Bank streets, which was referred to the Committee on Fire Companies.

Mr. Keyser from the Committee submitted the following which was read a first and by special order the second time concurred in, and sent to the Second Branch who returned the same endorsed "Concurred in."

The Joint Committee on Fire Companies to whom was referred the petition of E. C. Johnson asking permission to change the location of a certain frame building therein named report that having considered the prayer of the Petitioner the Committee are of opinion the same is reasonable and ought to be granted, and therefore respectfully recommend the adoption of the following resolution.

(Charles M. Keyser)