Tuesday August 3d 1840

The Branch met pursuant to adjournment – present Lewis Brady, Esq. President and all the Members except Messrs Mayer, Lucas, Brung, Keyser and Watkins.

Mr. Snyder offered a resolution proposing that when the Councils adjourn this evening they adjourn sine die. which was concurred in and sent to the Second Branch who concurred in the same

Mr. Stansbury from the Committee on Streets presented the following report and resolution which was read the first and by special order the second time. Concurred in and sent to the Second Branch.

The Joint Committee on Markets to whom was referred the communication of Charles Howard and Ramsay M'Henry requesting the City Councils to make public a certain Alley therein named nearly midway between Henry and Madison Streets and running from Cathedral to Charles Street have had the same under consideration and beg leave respectfully to report the following resolution.

John E. Stansbury } Com. First Branch
Wm. J. Wright }
Samuel Boyd } Committee of the
Joseph Hook jr. } Second Branch

Resolved by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore. That Algate's Alley from Cathedral to Charles Streets nearly midway between Madison and Read Streets as agreed to be laid out by Charles Howard and Ramsay M'Henry of the width of twenty feet be, and the same is hereby condemned as a public highway, & as such shall be subject to all the Ordinances and regulations of this Corporation; provided always that the owners of the fee simple of, in the ground over and on which the said Alley so condemned as aforesaid shall first convey the same by a good and sufficient deed approved of by the Counsellor of the City to the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore and on such conveyance being made and duly recorded it shall be the duty of the City Commissioners to cause said Alley as condemned to be laid down on the

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The Second Branch returned the same endorsed "Concurred in with a proposed amendment" – Amendment proposed: "strike out Charles street and insert "Morton alley" in the 3d line" – which amendment was concurred in by this Branch.

A report and resolution from the Committee of Ways and Means was received from the Second Branch with the proposed amendments which being read Mr. Snyder moved to strike out that part of the 4th resolution which relates to the collection of taxes by enforcing the payment of all taxes due for the year 1839 on the 1st January 1841. and decided in the affirmative by the following vote, viz:

Yeas – Messrs. Landeman, Stansbury, Hooper, Powell, Jackson, Yeates, Dallam, Snyder, Bender – 9.

Nays – Messrs. President, Monmonier, Powell, Hanson, Donovan, Dryden, J. J. Brown, Joseph Brown – 8.

The question then being put on the resolution as amended, was decided in the negative by the following vote, viz:

Yeas – Messrs. Hooper, Powel, Jackson, Dallam, Dryden, John J. Brown, Joseph Brown – 7.

Nays – Messrs. President, Landeman, Monmonier, Stansbury, Powell, Hanson, Yeates, Donovan, Snyder, Bender – 10.

The Second Branch returned the resolution on the petition of Wm. Bickford relative to fire ladders, endorsed "Concurred in."

Mr. Joseph Brown submitted a bill entitled "A supplement to an Ordinance entitled an Ordinance relating to certain State Stock therein described; authorising the Commissioners of Finance to dispose of at the highest market price twenty thousand dollars of the State 6 per cent Stock, which was read concurred in and sent to the Second Branch and by them returned, endorsed "Will not pass."

A message was received from the Second Branch asking a committee of conference on the Financial resolutions and appointing on the part of that Branch Messrs Howard, Greves, and Frazier; this Branch assented and appointed Messrs Snyder, Dryden and Yeates who after having retired, reported to the Second Branch.

A message was received from the Second Branch covering a resolution relative to requiring the Collector to notify the

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