compensation in such cases, and as a long time has elapsed from the time of such service to the present moment, the Committee consider it to have been the duty of the petitioner to have made application to the then Mayor who was the person authorizing said service, and who had full power to compensate him – The Committee therefore cannot recommend the case to the favorable attention of the Council

Wm Pultney L Wells W A Hall Com: of Branch
J S Gettings F Lucas Jr. " 2 Branch

Resolved that the Committee be discharged.

Mr Cole offered the following resolution which was read & concurred in.

Resolved that the Joint Committee on Police be instructed to enquire into the expediency of preparing an ordinance imposing a penalty upon persons for shipping flaxseed in bags or otherwise not provided for in the existing ordinances upon that subject.

On motion of Mr DeLonghery the Branch resumed the consideration of the resolution making an appropriation to the managers of the General Dispensary which was read a second time & concurred in

A Message was received from the second Branch proposing that when the Councils adjourn this evening they adjourn until Monday next the Branch assented & informed the second Branch by Message.

The report and resolution of the Joint Committee on Claims on the petition of J S Taylor and the report of the Committee on Health making an appropriation to the managers of the General Dispensary, were returned from the 2 Branch severally endorsed concurred in

On Motion of Mr J S Brown the Branch adjourned until Monday afternoon next at ½ past 3 o'clock

By Order
Henry W Gray
Clk pro tem

Monday January 25th 1841

The Branch met pursuant to adjournment

Present Henry Snyder Esq: president and all the members

Mr Myers presented a petition from Wells & Hall, praying to be refunded taxes erroneously paid by them which was read and referred to the Joint Committee on claims.

Mr Cole presented a petition from John R Wright & others praying for an alteration of the position of the stalls and boxes in Marsh Market which was read and referred to the Joint Committee on markets.

Mr John J Brown presented the annual report of the Washington Hose company which was read and referred to the Joint Committee on fire Companies.

Mr Myers presented the annual report of the Colombian fire company which was read and referred to the Joint committee on fire companies.

On motion of Mr Pollam the Branch resumed the consideration of the Joint Committee of conference relative to the time of changing the annual day of the meeting of the councils which was read and negatived by the following vote the yeas and nays being called for by Mr Fields. Yeas Messrs Tenby Myers Holter DeLonghery Harmon Bradshaw Pollam Pinkney Snyder John J Brown. 10

Nays Messrs President Ramsay Fields Gorrell Walton Blakeney Cole Pinkerton Lenahan Bender Burns Keyser Hall Messrs 13.

A Communication was received from John Mitchell high constable asking for a private room attached to the police office which was referred to the Joint Committee on police.

Mr Holter from the minority of the Joint Committee on claims submitted the following report and resolution which was read and laid on the table.

The undersigned being a minority of the Joint Committee on claims to whom was referred the petition of the elders deacons & trustees of the Evangelical German reformed Church beg leave to offer the following report.

That with all deference for the superior and more mature judgment of the majority, he humbly conceives that they have entirely mistaken the sense and meaning of the ordinances of the years 1805 & 1806