could not take the responsibility of throwing dollars & cents in the scale against the lives of our fellow citizens and inasmuch as there has not been any petition from the citizens of the inundated district adjacent to Jones falls to repeal the ordinance but on the contrary a very large petition was referred to your committee in opposition to the repeal of said ordinance and setting forth in the strongest terms that the safety of their lives & property depends upon the removal of Guy St bridge.

Your Committee therefore deem it inexpedient to offer any resolution to repeal that section of the ordinance authorising the removal of Guy St bridge & beg leave to offer the following resolution

Mr President Brown & Hutton Cont Branch
from Branch Boyd W J Wright " 2 "

Resolved that the Committee be discharged from the further consideration of the subject

The resolution authorising the City Commissioner to place a fender on the middle district watch house was read a second time & concurred in.

Mr Garrish offered the following resolution which was read and on motion of Mr Keyser referred to the City Commissioner

Resolved that the City Commissioner be requested to examine that part of Security Alley between Pratt & High Streets and report the condition thereof to this branch, and what repairs may be required & the probable cost of doing the same

On motion of Mr Binder the Council adjourned until Tomorrow afternoon at half past 3 o'clock by the following vote

Yeas Mess President Seitz Mayor Ramsay Mess Blakeney Hollo DeLashmutt Bradshaw Cole Jones Brown Jones Wm Binder Burns Keyser Mack Jenzon 17

Nays Mess Hutton Dallam Pentney 3

By order
Henry O Gray
Clerk pro tem

Monday March 15th 1841

The Branch met pursuant to adjournment

Present Henry Snyder Esquire President and all the members except Mr Snyder

Mr Cole presented a petition from B F Richardson and others praying the Councils to pass an ordinance prohibiting the exposing of goods on the pavement for sale which was read referred to the Joint Committee on pilots

Mr Keyser presented a petition from Jacque John Glenn & W O Eichelberger praying for the enlarging of the bridge across Chatsworth street in which was read and referred to the Joint Committee on bridges

Mr Cole presented a petition from J H Rathe and others praying the Councils to pass an ordinance regulating the interment of Jews

On motion of Mr Coleman a message was sent to the second Branch proposing to refer the same to a select Joint Committee. This Branch appointed on the part Messrs Cole Dallam & Hutton The second Branch authorised & appointed Mess Burnet Hicks & Wells

The following communication was received from the Mayor and read

Mayor Office March 15 1841

To the members of the First Branch City Council

Gentlemen I have approved and signed an ordinance to provide for the payment of the expences of the public schools in the city of Baltimore, an ordinance to lay and collect a direct tax for the repair of highways and bridges in certain parts of the city of Baltimore, an ordinance to provide for the payment of sundry expenses of the city and of Baltimore and for the City poor house of Baltimore City & County all of which originated in your branch

Respectfully Samuel Brady Mayor

A communication was received from the several harbor masters asking for an increase of their Commission on the collection of port Tonnage which was read on motion of Mr Coleman referred to the Joint Committee on the Harbor.

Mr Keyser asked and obtained leave to report a preamble & bill which was read a first time and laid on the table.

Mr Dallam from the Joint Committee on streets submitted the following report and resolution which were read and concurred