to whom was referred the communication from the President and managers of the Hibernian Society asking to be refunded certain taxes alledged to have been paid for the years 1839 and 40 also to exempt said School from taxation have had the same under consideration, and think the prayer of the petitioners reasonable, but finding the bills for these years have not been paid, but remain in the hands of the Collector, and the Council having disposed of the uncollected taxes for these years to the late Collector have no further control over them, but the Committee believing that this and all other free Schools should be exempt from taxation are inclined to recommend the passage of the following resolution. Respectfully submitted

J. R. Landerman Wm C. Keck J. H. Tagart J. Branch
Jas. Jones W. J. Wright

Resolved by the Mayor & City Council of Baltimore that the Institution known as the Male Hibernian Free School from and after the first day of January 1841 be and the same is hereby exempt from the payment of City taxes.

On motion of Mr Keck the Branch reported the resolution of bill No 11 entitled "an ordinance to prevent riots among members of the fire companies & at fires."

Mr Keck moved to amend the second section by inserting after the word "fire" where it occurs the second time in the ninth line the words "or otherwise to interfere with the fire departments."

The third section was amended by inserting after the word be in the 9th line the words "when at any fire" and after the word marshal "in the 10th line the following words "And it shall be the duty of the chief marshal and their assistants to wear when at any fire a badge designating their official station & district."

On motion of Mr McCormick the fourth section was reconsidered & amended by striking out the word "deputy" in the 5th line & inserting the word "assistant."

Mr Cole moved further to amend the 4th section by striking out all after the word "thereof" in the 4th line to the end of the sixth line which was dissented from by the following vote, the yeas & nays being called for by Mr Cole. Ayes Mess. Gorsuch President Stagler Cole Tagart 5. Nays Mess. President Landerman



Joseph A. Ramsay Joseph Ramsay Rochester Roberts Wm Hutton McCormick Blakeney Bradshaw Taylor Schumacher Morris Owen Tarsey Greenfield Stinchcomb Stanger Dunbar Keck 21. On motion of Mr Tagart the Branch recommended the second section. Mr Tagart moved to amend the second section by striking out all after the word fire in the 8th line and insert the following which was agreed to. "and bring the said disorderly person or persons before some Justice of the peace for the State of Maryland in and for the city of Baltimore to be dealt with according to law."

Mr McCormick moved to insert the following in the second section which was dissented from. "And be it enacted & ordained That no fire company shall be permitted to pass beyond the limits of the District in which such company may be located for the purpose of attending any fire in case of an alarm of fire without the permission of the marshal or an assistant marshal of the District in which such fire may occur."

On motion of Mr Keck the Branch reconsidered the second section. Mr Cole moved to amend the same by inserting after the word "fire" where it occurs in the second time in the 6th line the words "while remaining there" and in the 7th line the words "or persons" after the word person in the seventh line. The bill as amended was passed. Mr Keck moved to amend the title by striking out all after the word acts and insert the following "going to & returning from fires and for the better organization of the fire companies of the City of Baltimore," Mr Cole moved as a substitute for the latter amendment the following "an ordinance entitled an ordinance to organize the fire departments." Mr Gorsuch moved to amend the substitute by striking out the words "an ordinance entitled" which was dissented from. The question recurred on the amendment which was then taken on the substitute and lost.

The question recurred on the amendment offered by Mr Keck & adopted. The title as amended was then agreed to.

A communication was received through the Mayor from the Baltimore & Susquehanna Steam Towing