embarassments in the stagnation of every branch of business, and believing they are looking to the action of the present Council for relief – Therefore,

Be it Resolved, That a message be sent to the Second Branch proposing that a joint committee be appointed to take into consideration the propriety of retrenchment in our municipal affairs.

Mr. Clark presented a petition from Henry I Pentz and others relating to the Belle Air market, which was read and referred to the joint committee on markets.

A resolution authorising Jacob Deems to remove his office, was recieved from the Second Branch, read a first, and by special order a second time and concurred in.

A message was recieved from the Second Branch giving their assent to form a convention on Friday next for the purpose of electing rail road directors on the part of the city: and school commissioners, and tax commissioners of finance.

On motion of Mr. Rochester, the branch adjourned until to morrow afternoon at half past 3 o'clock.

By order
Henry. W. Gray. Clerk

Tuesday, January 24th. 1843

The branch met pursuant to adjournment.

Present – Henry Snyder, Esq. President, and all the members.

Mr. Roberts presented a petition from A. Brawner, praying permission to erect a slaughter house on a lot situated on Eden and McElderry streets, which was read and referred to the joint committee on health.

Mr. Purviance presented the annual report of the Patapsco fire company, which was read and referred to the joint committee on fire companies.

The following message was recieved from the Second

Branch, read and on motion of Mr. Walsh, was concurred in

In Second Branch January 23, 1843

Gentlemen of the First Branch:

We respectfully propose, with your concurrence, the appointment of a joint select committee, for the purpose of fixing a day for the adjournment of the Council, – and appointed Messrs. Gill, Lawrenson and Pregoy as the committee.

By Order,
A. H. Pennington, Clerk

A message was sent accordingly, appointing on the part of this branch, Messrs Walsh, Roberts and Watkins

Mr. Watkins from the joint select committee to whom was referred the Mayor's message, submitted the following report and resolution, which were read a first time and laid on the table.

The joint select committee to whom was referred the Mayor's ~~[illegible]~~ annual communication for the purpose of distributing the subjects therein contained among the appropriate standing committees, report by resolution.

S. Wesley Watkins
Robert Purviance
John W. Ringrose
Committee First Branch
W. S. Wight
Daniel Bender
Geo. M. Gill
Committee Second Branch

Resolved, That so much of the Mayor's message as relates to the city finances, be and the same is referred to the joint committee on ways and means.

So much as relates to the will of Henry Peters, to the joint committee on police.

So much as relates to markets, to the joint committee on markets.

So much as relates to the Appeal Tax Court, to the joint committee on police.

So much as relates to the transfers of the city stock, to the joint committee on ways and means.

So much as relates to the loans of the city, to the