joint committee on ways and means.

So much as relates to the Public Schools, to the joint committee on education.

So much as relates to the Steam Towing Company, to the joint committee on the harbor.

So much as relates to the Tide Water Canal, to a joint select committee.

So much as relates to the report of the Counsellor for the city, to the joint committee on police.

So much as relates to the Alms House, to the joint committee on the Alms House.

So much as relates to the Baltimore and Ohio Rail Road Company and to the Baltimore and Susquehanna Rail Road Company, to the joint committee on internal improvements.

So much as relates to the Quarantine laws, to the joint committee on health.

So much as relates to the health commissioners report, to the joint select committee on their accounts.

So much as relates to the report of the City commissioners and Port Wardens, to the joint select committee on their accounts.

So much as relates to the report of the Visitors of the Jail, to the joint committee on the jail.

So much as relates to the Register's accounts, to the joint select committee.

Mr. Kemp offered the following resolution, which was read and concurred in:

Resolved, That the committee on education be instructed to inquire into the expediency of so graduating the tuition fees of the pupils in the public schools, that those admitted to the primary schools shall pay one dollar per quarter, - those to the grammar schools one dollar and fifty cents per quarter, and those to the high schools three dollars per quarter - and also to inquire into the practicability of making such other modifications in the present system of public instruction as may be calculated to render it more extensively useful to the community, without any additional expense to the corporation.

Mr. Purviance asked and obtained permission to offer a bill entitled an ordinance to repeal the ordinance, No 5, passed at December session, 1841, which was read a first time and laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Watkins, a message was sent to the second branch, proposing of them to return the resolution relating to the removal of J. Deem's office, for the purpose of amendment. The second branch assented and returned the same.

Mr. Watkins offered the following resolution, which was read and concurred in:

Resolved, that the committee on markets be instructed to enquire as to the amount of funds in the hands of the commissioners of the Iron Fence Lottery, at the time their proceedings were arrested by the decision of the Court of Appeals.

On motion of Mr. Rochester, the branch resumed the consideration of the resolution relating to retrenchment in the municipal affairs, which was read and concurred in.

The preamble was also adopted and a message sent to the Second Branch, informing them this branch had appointed on their part, Messrs. Rochester, Walsh and Watkins.

The Second Branch appointed Messrs. Sittings, Reese and Gregg on their part.

Mr. Lucas presented a petition from Ann Bradshaw Administratrix of Richard Bradshaw, praying to be refunded taxes erroneously paid, which was read and referred to the joint committee on claims.

On motion of Mr. Watkins, seconded by Mr. Lucas, they having voted in the majority on the resolution relating to the removal of the office occupied by J. Deems, the branch reconsidered the same.

Mr. Watkins moved to strike out all after the word "councils," and insert the following, which was agreed to:

Amendment proposed. - Strike out all after the word "Councils," and insert "That the city commissioners be directed to take possession of the room now occupied by Mr. Deems, during the present