On motion of Mr. Ringrose, the resolution directing the city commissioners to have the ceilings and walls of the council chambers white washed, was read, concurred in and sent to the Second Branch.

Mr. Walsh, from the joint committee on police, submitted the following report, and a bill, entitled "a supplement to an ordinance entitled an ordinance to restrain certain evil practises therein mentioned," which was read a first time and laid on the table.

The joint committee on police to whom was referred the communication of the city counsellor, beg leave in part discharge of the duty imposed upon them, to report the following bill:

J. Yates Walsh
John W. Ringrose
N. Lightner
Committee First Branch.
P. Laurenson
Geo. M. Gill
John Keene
Committee Second Branch.

Mr. Wells, from the joint committee on the Register's accounts, submitted the following report and resolution, which were read a first, and by special order a second time and concurred in:

The joint committee on the Register's Accounts, report: That they have carefully and minutely examined the accounts of the Register for the year 1842, by comparing the entries in his books with the vouchers, and they find all the entries without a single exception, sustained by proper documents.

They have also examined the Register's Summary balance sheet for 1842, and ascertained it to be a faithful transcript from his ledger, showing the expenditure of the city for the year, to be $837,666.86 and the receipts (including a balance in the treasury on the 31st December 1841, of $56,565.79) to be $864,244.29, leaving a balance in the city treasury on 31st December, 1842, of $26,577.43, which amount of money we find was to the credit of the city, in the Farmer's and Planters Bank of Baltimore

on that day.

The committee have great pleasure in stating to you, that throughout all their investigations of the business of the office of the city Register, they have found every branch of its multifarious duties conducted with great intelligence and the most critical accuracy.

In accordance with your instructions, the committee have counted and burnt one hundred and forty-six dollars and three and three quarter cents in small city certificates, as reported by the Register in proceedings of the 27th inst.

The committee ask leave to submit the accompanying resolution — all of which is respectfully submitted.

Peter Wells
A. R. Levering
Wm. Spears
Committee First Branch.
Samuel Boyd
Henry R. Louderman
James Peregoy
Committee Second Branch.

Resolved, That the committee be discharged from the further consideration of the duties assigned them.

Mr. Walsh called for the second reading of the bill, entitled a supplement to an ordinance to restrain evil practises" which was agreed to by the following vote — the yeas and nays being called for by Mr. Walsh:

Yeas. — Messrs. President, Joseph A. Ramsay, Wells, Roberts, Clark, Walsh, Diggs, Lucas, Spilman, Stayton, Lightner, Caughey, Kemp, Brown, Ringrose, Spears, Stinecomb, Watkins — 19

Nays. — Messrs. Joseph Ramsay, Rochester, Fisher, Levering, Wright — 5

The bill was then passed, and the title adopted.

Mr. Kemp presented a petition from Mr. Dowell and Gable, asking the payment of their claim for work done in fitting up the library room in the court house, which was read and referred to the joint committee on claims.