building, known as the Small pox hospital, to the purposes of a public school.

Mr Leonard called up bill No 13. entitled "An ordinance providing for cleaning the public streets and alleys in the City of Baltimore, by contract."

On motion of Mr Leonard it was referred to the joint committee on health.

Mr Harker, called up bill No 17. entitled, "An ordinance to provide for the appointment of a Collector for the City of Baltimore, and prescribing his duties."

On motion of Mr Harker, the bill was laid on the table.

Mr Fields offered the following resolution, which was read a first, and by special order the second time and adopted.

Resolved, by the First and Second Branches of the City Council of Baltimore, That the City Commissioners be, and they are authorised and required, when they advertise for proposals for cleaning the streets, lanes and alleys in the several districts, to include all cross streets and gutters, to be kept clear of snow and ice, for the same year.

The Second Branch returned the resolution relative to the Electro Magnetic Telegraph, endorsed, "concurred in with a proposed amendment:"

Amendment proposed. "And that the same be subject to be removed at any time by the Mayor and City Council".

Mr Walsh, moved that we "nonconcur", which was determined in the affirmative.

The Second Branch returned the report of the joint committee on markets, relative to the petition of Lewis Seltzer and others, endorsed "concurred in"

Mr Turner, from the committee, submitted the following report, which was read a first and by special order the second time and adopted:

The joint committee on fire companies, to whom was referred the petition of Z Skinner & Son, and others, asking permission to build a shed and mould loft on their ship yard, beg leave to report that they have examined the premises where it is proposed to build the shed, and think the prayer reasonable, and ought to be granted. — the committee therefore offer the following resolution.

Joshua P Turner
Joseph S Breck
William S Barnet
Committee of the First Branch.
Hugh S Bolton.
Samuel S Barnes
B S Richardson
Committee of the Second Branch.

Resolved by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, that Z Skinner & Son, be, and they are hereby authorised to erect a shed and mould loft on their ship-yard, on the south side of the basin provided that his petition, together with the assent of the property holders adjoining, be filed in the office of the City Commissioners, and provided also, that the same building shall be removed, at any time by them, at their expense, when the Mayor may direct.

Mr S Brown in the chair.

Mr Hynes on leave, submitted the following resolution, which was read a first and by special order the second time and adopted:

Resolved by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore That the sum of Fifty dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated, for the purpose of repairing that part of Mulliken Street, west of Eden Street, to be taken out of the annual appropriation for unpaved streets.

The following communication was received from the city commissioners, read and laid on the table.

City Commissioners' Office
Baltimore, February 18. 1845

To the Hon. the President and Members
of the First Branch of the City Council.

Gentlemen.

We have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the resolution of your branch, requesting us to inform you whether the present manner of assessing

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