Resolved, That the committee be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

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

The joint committee on fire companies, to whom was referred the petition of Wm Thomas, asking for a remuneration from the city, for a "Twin Lifting and Forcing Pump", put down by him at the corner of Calvert and Baltimore Streets, beg leave to report: That they have had the subject under consideration, and that from the strong testimony before them, of the great utility to the public of such a pump, that Wm Thomas should be allowed some remuneration for his ingenious improvement. They therefore recommend that the sum of fifty dollars should be paid by the corporation to Mr Thomas, for the pump put down by him at his expense. The committee offer the following resolution.

Joshua J. Turner
Joseph Breckl
Wm Barnet
Committee of the First Branch
Hugh Bolton
B. A. Richardson
Samuel N. Barnes
Committee of the Second Branch.

Resolved by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, That the Register be, and he is hereby authorised to pay to William Thomas, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of fifty dollars, for the pump put down by him at the corner of Baltimore and Calvert Streets.

Mr Leonard called for the second reading of the resolutions relative to the General Assembly.

Pending which,

Mr Purviance moved to adjourn, which was determined in the negative.

Mr Reilly called "the previous question"

The question being "shall the previous question be now put" it was determined in the negative

On

On motion of Mr Hall this branch adjourned until Monday afternoon at ½ past 3 O'Clock

By order
Geo P. Worthington Clerk

Amount of appropriations to the 7th Inst		$5.152.62
"	" " P B Seidenstricker	237.37
"	" " P S Fisher	16.60
"	" " James Harwood	55.28
"	" " A R Levering	87.30
"	" " Abner Webb	6.56
"	" " Jane Clendenin	20.85
"	" " Register, for Books	150.00
"	" for Travelling Broadway	250.00
"	" to this date	$5.978.57

Monday March 17. 1845.

The Branch met pursuant to adjournment.

Present Samuel Hatter Esq President, and all the members, except Messrs Cooper and Reilly.

Mr Hudson presented a petition from Daniel Dolter (?) and others, praying that dogs may not be permitted to run at large, which was read and referred to the joint committee on police.

Mr Purviance presented a petition from Dr W. S. Williams and others, respecting the skin dressing establishment of B. Deford & Co. which was read and referred to the joint committee on health.

Mr Purviance presented a petition from John B. Morris for himself and others, asking to be refunded taxes paid on bank stock, which was read and referred to the joint committee on claims.

Mr Callam presented a petition from Alexander Crawford for himself and others, asking for return of taxes, which was read and referred to the joint committee on claims.

Mr Browning presented a petition from A. Warner Jr praying to be refunded certain taxes paid by him, which was read and referred to the joint committee on claims.

Mr Gault presented a petition from Charles Howard and others, praying that the city property fronting on Mount Vernon Place, may be graded