each branch of the city council, be appointed to adopt such measures as they may deem expedient for a municipal celebration of the ensuing anniversary of American independence and that the sum of one hundred dollars or so much thereof as may be necessary, to defray the expense, be, and the same is hereby appropriated for that object out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Mr Browning called up the ordinance entitled "An Ordinance to change the name of Morris alley to Morris Street."

The bill being on its passage, was passed

Mr Beck called for the second reading of the resolution attached to the report of the joint committee on streets relative to grading and enclosing the grounds connected with the Washington Monument.

The question being on the adoption of the amendment proposed to the substitute, by Mr Gault, it was determined in the negative.

The question then recurring upon the substitute proposed for the resolutions, it was determined in the negative by the following vote, the yeas and nays being called for by Mr Page:

Yeas. – Messrs Walsh, Leonard, Turner, Staylor, Browning, Addison Marley and Barnet – 8.

Nays. – Messrs President, Cooper, Croney, Fields, Hall, Haynes, Beck, Page, Ridgely, Green, Russell Jr and Gault – 12.

Mr Walsh called for the second reading of the resolution attached to the report of the joint committee on ways and means, relative to an iron safe in the office of the City Commissioners.

Mr Leonard offered the following as a substitute:

Resolved by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, That the City Commissioners be, and they are hereby directed to have an iron safe, constructed, to be placed in their office, for the purpose of more securely keeping plats and other public documents in their possession; and that they be authorised to draw upon the Register, with the approbation of the Mayor, for the sum of Three hundred dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, to defray the expense of the same, to be taken out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

The question being on the adoption of the substitute, it was determined in the negative by the following vote, the yeas and nays being called for by Mr. Leonard:

Yeas. – Messrs President, Cooper, Croney, Fields, Hall, Haynes, Leonard, Page, Russell Jr and Marley – 10.

Nays. – Messrs Walsh, Beck, Turner, Staylor, Browning, Addison – Ridgely

Ridgely, Green, Gault and Barnet – 10.

The resolution was then adopted.

Mr Walsh moved to proceed to the second reading of the resolution attached to the report of the joint committee on ways and means, on the communication from the Register and the Appeal Tax Court, which was determined in the negative.

Mr Hall moved to adjourn, which was determined in the negative by the following vote, – the yeas and nays being call for by Mr Beck:

Yeas. – Messrs Croney, Hall, Haynes, Turner, Staylor, Purviance, Browning, Addison, Ridgely, Marley and Suter – 11.

Nays. – Messrs President, Cooper, Fields, Walsh, Beck, Leonard, Dallam, Brown, Page, Green, Russell Jr, Gault and Barnet – 13. –

Mr Dallam offered the following resolution, which was read the first and by special order the second time and adopted:

Resolved, That the Register be requested to report to this Branch, what public wharves, if any, are now rented to individuals or companies, and under what authority, and upon what terms the same are rented.

Mr Walsh moved to proceed to the second reading of the resolution from the joint committee on ways and means on the communication from the Register and the Appeal Tax Court, which was determined in the negative by the following vote, – the yeas and nays being called for by Mr Walsh:

Yeas. – Messrs Cooper, Fields, Walsh, Brown, Browning and Green – 6.

Nays. – Messrs President, Croney, Hall, Haynes, Beck, Leonard, Turner, Staylor, Dallam, Purviance, Addison, Ridgely, Russell Jr, Gault, Marley, Suter and Barnet – 17.

Mr Turner from the committee submitted the following report, which was read and laid on the table.

The joint committee on fire companies, to whom was referred the application of several of the fire companies, asking for special appropriations, have had the matter under their consideration, and agree to recommend special appropriations to the following companies.

To the Mechanical	$600.00
To the Friendship	500.00
To the Deptford	292.50
To the Liberty	750.00
To the Vigilant	320.00
To the United	221.00
	$2.683.50

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