Amounting to $2.683.50 as special, and 8.500 as the annual appropriations - making $11.183.50. The committee very reluctantly recommend any special appropriations, but have been actuated in so doing, by a sense of Justice. The companies asking for special appropriations, we have reason to believe, require it necessary purposes, that they cannot take from their annual appropriations. The amount recommended as special appropriations, falls considerably below the amount asked for, - but think they could not, with propriety, recommend a larger amount, in consequence of the embarrassed condition of the city treasury. It is, perhaps, proper to state, that the amount for annual and special appropriations recommended by the committee, is about one half in amount given the different fire companies, the past year. The committee beg leave to recommend the adoption of the accompanying ordinance.

Joshua J. Turner,
Joseph Breck,
William Barnet,
First Branch
Hugh Bolton
Samuel Barnes
Second Branch.

On motion of Mr Purviance this Branch adjourned until tomorrow afternoon, at half past 3 O'Clock.

By order
Geo P. Woodward, Clerk.

Thursday, April 24. 1845.

The Branch met pursuant to adjournment.

Present - Samuel Harker Esq President, and all the members except Mr Kennedy.

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

Resolved by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, That the Register be, and he is hereby directed to pay unto Louis Labby the amount of debt and costs in the case of said Labby against Nicholas S. Jones, now pending on appeal in Baltimore County Court. Provided that no payment of said debt and costs, or any part thereof, shall be made, unless the said Labby fail to recover the same, from the said Jones, in the above case.

Mr Hynes moved a reconsideration of the vote had on the passage of bill No 65, entitled "An ordinance to carry into effect an act declaratory

declaratory of an act of the General Assembly of Maryland" passed at December session 1841. Ch 325 - which was determined in the affirmative.

Mr Hudson called the previous question, which was sustained.

The question being, "Shall the main question be now put", it was determined in the affirmative.

The bill being put on its passage was lost by the following vote, - the yeas and nays being called for by Mr Walsh:

Yeas. - Messrs Fields, Hall, Walsh, Breck, Barnes, Dallam, Purviance, Brown, Browning, Addison, Ridgely and Green - 12.

Nays. - Messrs President, Cooper, Crowney, Hudson, Hynes, Leonard, Taylor, Reilly, Russell Jr, Marley, Suter and Barnet - 12.

A message was received from the Second Branch, asking this Branch to reconsider and pass the proposed substitute, for the resolution attached to the report of the joint committee on streets, relative to enclosing the grounds connected with the Washington Monument.

On motion of Mr Breck, it was reconsidered

On motion of Mr Breck, it was laid on the table.

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

The joint committee on claims, to whom was referred the petition of Nicholas Tracey, Sheriff of Baltimore County, asking to be repaid the expense of advertising for holding an election for members of Congress, in February 1844, are of opinion that the petitioner has no claim upon the corporation for this expenditure. They submit a resolution asking to be discharged from any further consideration of the petition:

Robert Purviance
Wm T. Leonard
Richard Marley
Committee of the First Branch
W J Wright
B W Richardson
Samuel Barnes
Committee of the Second Branch

Resolved that the committee be discharged from the further consideration of said petition.

Mr Purviance from the committee submitted the following report, which was read and laid on the table:

The joint committee of claims, to whom was referred the petition of John Eichbach, asking to be paid for repairing and paving certain footways, are of opinion he has no claim on the corporation for such