inquiries in relation to the Calvert Street Spring, report: Your committee can find no authority for the occupancy of the house on the premises as a dwelling for the family of the Keeper; but presume it was exercised before any other public spring was opened in the city. No other public spring has on the premises a dwelling for the Keeper's family. Your committee find the grounds of the Spring entirely defaced by the plank fence, shed &c. built on the south side of the house, and used for domestic purposes. Your committee think they but express the unanimous opinion of the Council when they say, that such a building as a privy should not be allowed on the grounds of a public Spring; and moreover that this privy is not constructed as the law requires; and that the proportions should not be marred as they now are by the plank fence and shed which are seen from the street, and conceal the embankment now covered with sod, and corresponding to the embankment on the other side.

The present Keeper was appointed in March last; and has, therefore, no claims to the consideration of the Council on the plea of long occupation. But, your committee conversed with him, and were told by him that he had no objection whatever to the removal of the fence &c. and that the restoration of that side of the house to a conformity with the other side. Your committee told him that they presumed there would be no objection to his remaining in the house with his family, provided there was no interference with the suitable appearance, and proper uses of the premises. To this he cheerfully consented; not having the slightest objection; and said that he would fully comply with such instructions, and further, that such compliance would not subject him to any inconvenience which he could not easily obviate.

Your committee recommend the adoption of the following resolution

Stephen Collins
Felix McCurley
Com. First Branch.

Elias Ware Jr
Hugh Porter
John Green Jr
Com. Second Branch.

Resolved by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, That the City Commissioners be, and they are hereby directed to have the plank fence and shed removed from the south end of the house erected on the grounds of the Calvert Street City Spring. Also to have the privy removed, and the receptacle filled up. Also to turn the water spout to the rear of the building; and in all respects to make the appearance of the South side to be conformable to that of the north side of the building

And

And be it further resolved, That hereafter it shall never be lawful for any Keeper of said City Spring, or any other person or persons to erect, or cause to be erected, any plank, or other fence, privy or any building, shed or any other kinds of structure on the premises of said Calvert Street City Spring.

And be it further resolved, That the City Commissioners be, and they are hereby authorised to draw on the Register for the sum of twenty five dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, to carry out the provisions of these resolutions.

Mr Walsh called for the second reading of the resolution attached to the report of the joint Select committee, relative to the purchase of a lot adjoining the Eastern Fountain.

Mr Walsh offered the following as a substitute, which was read and laid on the table.

Resolved by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, That the Register be and he is hereby directed to contract with Christian Steiner, agent of Henry M. Zollickoffer, for the transfer of the lot of ground adjoining the eastern city spring, in exchange for the lot of ground and improvements belonging to the City situated on South Gay street, and pay said agent one thousand dollars: Provided, that in such exchange, the City shall not be required to pay an interest on more than fifteen thousand dollars, until the principal shall be redeemed at 6 per cent per annum.

Resolved, further, that all arrangements necessary for the transfer and receipt of property above mentioned, be made under the instructions of the City Counsellor.

Mr Pendell called up the resolution, calling upon the Register for certain information

Mr Walsh moved as a substitute that a message be sent to the second Branch, proposing that the committee on the Register's accounts be re-organised, which was determined in the affirmative by the following vote, the yeas and nays being called for by Mr Collins

Yeas — Messrs Colton, Dutton, O'Leary, Walsh, Dickman, Collins, Davis, Hooper, Brown and Wack — 10.

Nays — Messrs President, Turner, Soran, Watkins, Starr and McCurley — 6.

A message was received from the Second Branch, proposing that when the Council adjourn this evening, it stand adjourned until Monday afternoon next.

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