alterations"

The Second Branch returned bill No 40. entitled "A further supplement to an ordinance regulating the compensation of the police officers of the City of Baltimore" - endorsed "proposed amendments read and agreed to".

A bill entitled "A supplement to an ordinance relating to Bowling Salons" - was received from the Second Branch, read a first and by special order the second time - and on motion of Mr Watkins referred to the joint committee on police.

The report and resolution from the joint committee of conference on the bill in relation to the salaries of the teachers of public schools, was received from the Second Branch, read and laid on the table:

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

The joint committee on streets, to whom was referred a communication from the City Commissioner relative to tunnelling Lee street, at Light street, report that they have considered the same and believe it would be inexpedient to recommend any appropriation for said tunneling at this time, and ask permission to submit the following resolution.

J Wesley Watkins — Henry Myers
Geo. A. Davis — John Green Jr
Wm Colton — Isaac M. Denson
First Branch — Second Branch.

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

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

The joint committee on markets, to whom was re-committed a resolution of enquiry at what time the leases or sales of stalls in the Lexington and Belle Air Markets expired, and if the same have expired, to report by resolution or otherwise, to have such stalls resold for the benefit of the City, beg leave to state they have considered the subject and are of opinion that the officers of the corporation suffered the city's interest, in that respect and at that time to be neglected, which neglect would be found very injurious to many of the owners of the stalls at this time, if a resolution was was passed to have them resold.

Your committee, taking this view of the subject, feel unwilling to dispossess the present occupants of stalls in the different markets alluded to, believing that by the delay, the stalls have over and again been sold to different individuals, and in many cases, at this time, are owned and occupied by those who have worked for years, and spent all their earnings

earnings to purchase the same, and by this public act of the council, if such a resolution was passed, would be publicly legislated out of all their earnings for successive years of toil and labour, and that state of things brought about too, by the neglect of those in the city's employ, and who received high salaries to discharge such duties.

Your committee further state, that having taken great pains to answer accurately every enquiry contained in the resolution, it now becomes the privilege of any member of either branch to offer such resolution as in their judgement the circumstances in the case will justify. They therefore submit the following resolution.

Wm Colton — Isaac M. Denson
J Wesley Watkins — John Green Jr
N Hickman — John Keene
Committee of the First Branch — Committee of the Second Branch.

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

Mr Walsh on leave 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 of the City pay unto the several parties entitled to receive it, the sum of seven hundred and sixty one dollars and sixty one cents, being the amount of expenses connected with the division of the wards. The said sum to be paid out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Mr Starr from the committee submitted the following report and a bill entitled "A supplement to an ordinance for inspecting weights and measures used within the City of Baltimore" which were read and laid on the table:

The joint committee on police, to whom was referred the resolution of the First Branch, instructing them to enquire into the expediency of amending the law regulating the inspection of weights and measures respectfully report, that they believe and alteration is necessary. Most commercial houses now use patent balances, weighing from 100 to 2500 pounds, which are examined yearly by the inspector appointed for that purpose, and which they have learned, are only tested in their correctness from 1 to 1000 pounds. The committee have learned that many scales of this description weigh correctly as far as they have been tested, but when required to weigh articles of a greater weight, are found to be incorrect. They therefore recommend the passage of the accompanying additional ordinance.

Wm M Starr — B H Richardson
William A Buck — Henry Myers
John Dutton — Isaac M. Denson
Committee of the First Branch — Committee of the Second Branch