Mr. Colton moved to take up the resolution attached to the report of the joint committee of conference, relative to purchasing the lot adjoining the Eastern Fountain - which was determined in the affirmative by the following vote, the yeas and nays being called for by Mr. Collins:

Yeas. - Messrs. President, Colton, Dutton, O'Leary, Walsh, Hickman, Bishop, Turner, Soran, Hooper, Starr, Brown, Hack, Gross - 14.

Nays. - Messrs. Collins, Watkins, Buchanan, Davis - 4.

The question being on adopting the substitute proposed by the Second Branch, being bill No 72, entitled "an ordinance to authorise the purchase of a lot near the Eastern Fountain" -

Mr. Collins moved to lay the bill on the table, which was determined in the negative.

Mr. Watkins moved to amend the first section by striking out the word "Baltimore", in the 4th and 5th lines, and insert the word "Orleans" - in the 4th strike out the word "Gough" and insert the word "Bank" which was determined in the negative.

Mr. Watkins moved to strike out in the 2d and 3d lines, the words "a majority of" which was determined in the negative.

Mr. Collins moved to strike out in the 2d and 3d lines the words "a majority of" and insert the words "two thirds," which was determined in the negative by the following vote, the yeas and nays being called for by Mr. Walsh:

Yeas. - Messrs. President, Turner, Soran, Collins, Watkins, Buchanan, Davis, Hooper, Hack - 9.

Nays. - Messrs. Colton, Dutton, O'Leary, Walsh, Hickman, Bishop, Starr, Brown, Gross - 9.

Mr. Collins moved to strike out in the tenth line, the word "fifteen" and insert the word "thirteen", which was determined in the negative by the following vote, the yeas and nays being called for by Mr. Collins:

Yeas. - Messrs. President, Soran, Collins, Watkins, Buchanan, Davis, Hooper - 7.

Nays - Messrs. Colton, Dutton, O'Leary, Walsh, Hickman, Bishop, Turner, Starr, Brown, Hack, Gross - 11.

Mr. Collins moved to amend the first section, by inserting after the word "exchange", in the 11th line, the words "to that amount" at the end of the section add the following: "and the commissioners of finance be, and they are hereby authorised to offer at public sale the Gay street lot, and if the said lot will not realize more than fifteen thousand dollars, then to exchange it for the Spring lot,"

Mr. Collins moved to lay the bill on the table, which was determined in the negative by the following vote, the yeas and nays being called for by Mr. Collins:

Yeas. - Messrs. President, Soran, Collins, Watkins, Buchanan, Davis, Hooper, Hack - 8.

Nays. - Messrs. Colton, Dutton, O'Leary, Walsh, Hickman, Bishop, Turner, Starr, Brown, Gross - 10.

The amendment was adopted by the following vote, the yeas and nays being called for by Mr. Collins.

Yeas. - Messrs. President, Turner, Soran, Collins, Watkins, Buchanan, Davis, Hooper, Starr, Hack - 10.

Nays. - Messrs. Colton, Dutton, O'Leary, Walsh, Hickman, Bishop, Brown, Gross - 8

Mr. Buchanan moved to amend the amendment to the first section, by inserting at the end thereof the following: "and further, that the Mayor be authorised to lease the Spring lot of the owner, paying a ground rent of five per cent, per annum, on fifteen thousand dollars," which was determined in the negative.

The bill being on its passage, was passed by the following vote, the yeas and nays being called for by Mr. Collins:

Yeas. - Messrs Colton, Dutton, O'Leary, Walsh, Hickman, Bishop, Turner, Soran, Starr, Brown, Gross - 11.

Nays. - Messrs. President, Collins, Watkins, Buchanan, Davis, Hooper, Hack - 7.

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

This branch assented and informed the Second Branch thereof by message.

The Second Branch returned the report and resolution of the joint committe on fire companies, on the petition of Wm. Gibson, endorsed "concurred in".

A message was received from the Second Branch, asking this branch to return bill No 91, entitled "an Ordinance for the appointment of superintendents of streets and pum-