and for the purpose of carrying the above resolutions into effect.

The following communication was received from the City Commissioners and read

Office of the City Commissioners
Baltimore August 28. 1846.

To the President and Members
of the First Branch of the City Council:

Gentlemen,

The City Commissioners have the honor respectfully to acknowledge the receipt of the resolution adopted by your Branch on the 21st instant, relating to the Small Pox Hospital, — and in reply thereto respectfully report, that the contract for the erection of the Small Pox Hospital, will be entered into at an early period of the ensuing month — and the Hospital will be ready for the reception of patients about the first of May next: as to the period of its entire completion, they would state that the building will be finished about the 1st of June next ensuing

Respectfully submitted
By order
Cornelius M. Cole, Clerk
to the City Commissioners.

Mr Starr presented the petition of the Washington Hose Company, praying the erection of a fire plug at their engine house, which was read and referred to the joint committee on fire companies.

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

Resolved That the City Commissioners be and they are hereby directed to have flag and stepping stones placed in South Paca Street at Warner Street.

Mr Davis from the committee, submitted the following report, which was read the first and by special order the second time, adopted and sent to the Second Branch, who returned the same, endorsed "concurred in"

The joint committee on streets, to whom was referred so much of the Mayor's communication as relates to the alteration of the grade of Canton Avenue, beg leave to report that they have examined the streets referred to in the petitions, and find that the Philadelphia, Wilmington and Baltimore Rail Road Company, in compliance with Resolution No 96. Approved April 6th 1846. have raised the grade of Canton Avenue at Caroline Street, but in so doing they have also repaved Canton Avenue from the west side of Caroline Street, to the east side

side of Broadway, at their own cost and expense of more than $1200 dollars making what was heretofore a rough and almost impassible street, a good and easy travelling highway for carriages. — the Rail Road Company have also, at their own proper cost and charge, caused the curb stones on both sides of Caroline Street to be raised and the footways to be renewed, thereby making the property more valuable without any expense to the owners. The committee believe that the sewers constructed by the company are capable of venting the water of all ordinary rains, and when it is recollected that all the low streets in the city was flooded by the recent freshets, the committee are of opinion that the citizens binding on Caroline Street and Canton Avenue would have suffered as much from the streets in the condition they were before the grade was altered as they now have - but in order to carry into effect, as far as practicable, the wishes of the petitioners, the superintendent of the company proposes forthwith to enlarge the sewers, and alter the direction of one leading from the North side of Canton Avenue. — these alterations, the committee believe, will effectually carry off the water of all ordinary rains, and hope they will be acceptable to the petitioners, they therefore beg leave to offer the following resolution.

D. Wesley Watkins
Geo A. Davis
Wm Colton
First Branch

Henry Myers
John Green Jr
Second Branch

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

The Second Branch returned the report and resolution from the joint committee on Police, on the petition of W Graham and others, endorsed "concurred in"

A bill entitled "A further supplement to an ordinance entitled an ordinance to preserve the health of the City of Baltimore", was received from the Second Branch, read a first and by special order the second time.

Mr O'Leary moved to strike out the third section, which was determined in the negative by the following vote, the yeas and nays being called for by Mr O'Leary.

Yeas — Messrs President, Colton, Dutton, O'Leary, Davis, Standeven, Grof — 7.

Nays — Messrs Hickman, Bishop, Turner, Foran, Buchanan, Harper, Brown and Hack — 8.

Mr O'Leary moved to refer the bill to the joint committee on health, which was determined in the negative.

The bill being on its passage was lost by the following vote, the yeas