arise from the adoption of such a course to our citizens and others doing business on streets near the market houses, without any advantage arising therefrom to anyone, and we further believe that legislation on the subject is unnecessary; — we therefore submit the following resolution.

Wm Colton — David Taylor
Abner Kay — John M Pherson
First Branch — Elijah Stansbury
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 select committee to whom was referred the examination of the Register's accounts, beg leave to Report, that they have done so in a very careful and particular manner, and find the whole amount of receipts for the current year to have been $683.010.38 which was deposited in Bank to the city's credit.

The amount of expenses for the current year was $716.581.22. leaving a balance against the city of $33.571.84. The city is the holder of $70,000 of Baltimore and Ohio Rail Road Bonds, — deduct the amount of the above balance from the amount of bonds she holds against the Baltimore and Ohio Rail Road, and the balance in favour of the City on the first day of January 1847. is $36.429.16.

Your committee was very careful in the examination of all charges made against the city, and each charge for money paid was sustained by a voucher for the same. Your committee feel called upon to state their entire satisfaction at the very plain and easy manner in which the books are kept, and their correctness throughout, — and the pains taken by the Register and his Clerks, not only to have them correct in all their important matters in which we are interested, but also for the very neat and careful manner in which they have handled them.

Having thus detailed to you a full account of the whole subject committed to our charge, we most respectfully submit the following resolution.

William Colton
Joshua Creamer — Elijah Stansbury
Chas Soran — John M Pherson
First Branch — Second Branch

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

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

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The joint committee on streets, to whom was referred the memorial of John S. Donnell and James S. S. Donnell, asking permission of the Mayor and City Council to change the location of certain alleys therein mentioned, beg leave to report: That they have examined the memorial and accompanying plat, and believe the prayers of the petitioners to be reasonable and just, as the change of location will be made entirely on their own property, and cannot effect other persons. They beg leave to report the accompanying ordinance

George A. Davis — John Green Jr
Edward Spedden — Wm Lineberger
William Colton — John M Pherson
First Branch — Second Branch

The following communication was received from the City Commissioners, read and referred to the joint committee on streets.

Office of the City Commissioners
Baltimore February 2. 1847.

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

Gentlemen

In answer to the resolution adopted by your Branch, relative to the cost of tunneling Harford Run from Baltimore to Orleans Street, the City Commissioners respectfully report: That upon examination and measurement, the distance proposed to be tunneled from Baltimore to Orleans Street, is ascertained to be 1175 feet — the cost of tunneling Harford Run in a substantial and workmanlike manner, between the designated points would be $3,642.50.

Respectfully submitted
By order
C. M. Cole
Clerk City Commissioners

Mr Spurrier called up the resolution appropriating money towards defraying the funeral expenses of Lieut Col. William R. Watson, Ridgely &c.

Mr Davis offered the following as a substitute

Resolved unanimously, by both Branches of the City Council, that each member of the Council will contribute one week's per diem, towards defraying the funeral expenses of the late Col Wm R. Watson, and Captain Randolph Ridgely and others; and the Register is hereby authorised to deduct said one week's per diem from the per diem of each member of the Council — and pay the amount to such per-

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