of the murderer of Mary Elizabeth Earles; provided that satisfactory evidence is given to the Register, that said arrest was made by him.

Mr Davis 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 Commissioners, in answer to a resolution of the First Branch of the City Council, asking for an estimate of the cost of tunneling Harford Run from Baltimore to Orleans street, have had the subject under examination and the committee are of opinion that it would be inexpedient to recommend an appropriation for this purpose at this session of the Council; but even should the proposed improvement be made hereafter, they believe the estimate submitted by the Commissioners would be wholly inadequate to construct a permanent tunnel. The sad experience of the last year is proof sufficient to your committee that nearly all the tunnels and sewers, lately constructed in our city is sadly defective. We are of opinion that the only tunnels that will sustain a heavy and rapid flow of water must either be logged at the bottom and closely jointed, or the tunnel must be a complete circle or elipsis, and laid in a good cement. Either of these plans would cost much more than the estimate.

George A Davis — John Green Jr
Edward Spedden — John McPherson
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 and a bill entitled "An ordinance providing for closing a part of the Old Joppa Road" which were read and laid on the table.

The joint committee on streets to whom was referred the petition of the President and Board of Visitors of the Maryland Hospital asking for the closing of a part of the Old Joppa Road, and also the counter petition of Wm E. Veale and others, report that they have had the petition under careful examination, and are of opinion that the prayer of the petitioners is just and should be granted. Monument street at a distance of about 1800 feet Northerly from the Old Joppa Road is opened to the city limits and is now under a contract to be paved as far East as Wolf street, thereby affording a good thoroughfare to the east of the Hospital. The extension Commissioners in 1817 do not recognize the Old Joppa Road on their return plats, and for the purpose of affording the Hospital ample room. Mt Elderry street is not laid down in Poppleton's plat through the grounds, but is stopped at Broadway and

and again opened from Wolf Street to the eastern city limits. Your committee are aware that heretofore much opposition to the closing of this road arose from the proprietors of burying grounds, both on the east and west sides of the Hospital, but these objections are now removed as Monument street affords a good avenue to the grounds on the east and the closing of the road only to the western wall of the Hospital will afford ample and free ingress and egress to all the burying grounds or other property on the west side. In view of these facts your committee are of opinion, that as the closing of this part of the Old Joppa Road would not seriously interfere with the rights of any person or corporation, and what would be of vast advantage and benefit to a great public and philanthropic institution, by enabling them to use all their grounds for the benefit of the unfortunate insane, and as the notice of sixty days has been given, as provided for by law, they beg leave to offer the accompanying ordinance.

George A Davis — John Green Jr
Edward Spedden — Wm Lincherner
First Branch — John McPherson
Second Branch.

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

Mr Collins offered the following as a substitute.

In First Branch February 5. 1847.

Gentlemen of the Second Branch.

We respectfully dissent from your message for the adjournment of the Council until Tuesday next, as it will be a matter of accommodation to us to adjourn over until Wednesday we therefore propose with your concurrence, that when the Council adjourns this evening, it will adjourn until Wednesday next.

By order
George P. Woodward Clerk

The substitute was adopted.

The Second Branch by message assented thereto.

Mr Colton offered the following resolution which was read and adopted.

Resolved, That the joint committee on the harbor be requested to notice the condition of the County wharf at the foot of Broadway, East Baltimore — and report upon the subject as early as possible to this Branch.

The following communication was received from the Mayor and read.