read, and laid on the table.

Mr. Carpenter presented a petition from George Reppard praying that obstructions may be removed from the bed of Montgomery street, which was read and referred to the joint committee on highways and bridges.

Mr. Dobler offered the following resolution which was read and referred to the joint committee on police and jail:

Resolved by the First Branch of the City Council, that the City Commissioner be directed to have erected on the east side of Beuren street, midway between Liberty alley and Falls street, a lamp, the expense to be taken out of the annual appropriation for watching and lighting the city.

Mr. Hoge offered the following resolution, which was read, and referred to the joint committee on highways and bridges:

Resolved by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore that the city commissioner be and he is hereby directed to have flag stones placed across west Baltimore street at the junction of west Baltimore and Oregon streets, and draw upon the city register for so much as will pay the expenses thereof.

The following communication was received from the Mayor, and read, and the papers therein referred to, read, and laid on the table:

Mayor's Office,
Baltimore, Feb. 1. 1850.

To the members of the First and
Second Branches of the City Council:

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit for your consideration and action a communication from Manning, Stimpson & Co., relative to the old fish-house property; also from James Canby relative to Franklin Square, and a petition from owners of property &c. in the vicinity of the Spring Gardens.

Respectfully,
Elijah Ramsbury, Mayor.

A message was received from the Second Branch, and read, dissenting from the proposition to appoint an additional member from each branch on the joint select committee on the revised ordinances.

Mr. Shipley offered the following resolution, which was read, and referred to the joint committee on ways and means:

Resolved that the city counsellor be and he is hereby directed to procure a decree for the sale of the lot of ground on Orleans street, known as the "old Potters field", if in his opinion, after an examination of the title, a sale cannot otherwise be legally made.

Mr. Leloup presented a petition from Jacob Kreider, praying that he may be refunded certain overpaid taxes, which was read, and referred to the joint committee on claims.

Mr. Dushane presented a memorial from Isaac Munroe, and Richardson, Cloud & Hope, in relation to printing done for the corporation, which was read and referred to the joint committee on police and jail.

A communication was received from Joshua Vansant, Esq., President of the Board of Trustees of the Poor inviting the First Branch of the City Council to visit the Alms House on Wednesday next, 6th. inst., which on motion of Mr. Leloup was accepted.

The following communication was received from the city commissioner, read and laid on the table:

City Commissioner's Office,
Baltimore January 31st. 1850.

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

Gentlemen:

The City Commissioner would respectfully take leave to direct the attention of your honorable body to the necessity of an appropriation for the construction of a stone pier, on the west side of Jones' Falls, at Eager street, suitable for the erection of a bridge.

A contract has been entered into by Messrs. Frederick Grey, Son & Co., with the property holders, for the paving of Eager street between Canal and North streets, which cannot be completed until the pier is erected, the delay in which subjects the contractors to loss, and the property holders to considerable inconvenience. The cost of construction of said pier would be about $1.500. 00.

Respectfully submitted,
Charles Reeder,
City Commissioner.

Mr. Gilmore submitted the following report and resolution, which were read a first, and by special order the second time, and adopted; and sent to the Second