to change the course of the water from Green and Fayette Streets, and cause it to flow down Lexington Street, beg leave to report that the change prayed for would be inexpedient. We therefore offer the following resolution:

N T Dushane, Geo A Davis,
W H Shelley, {First Branch. Geo A Sovering, Second Branch.
Wm J Page,

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

Mr Dushane, chairman of the joint committee on highways and bridges, presented the following report and an accompanying ordinance, which were read and laid on the table:

The joint committee on highways and bridges, to whom has been referred the petition of Wm Bailey, and others, praying for the opening of Dolphin Street, from Foster alley to Cathedral Street, have examined the subject, and find that a part of the street as prayed to be opened, is already, by an ordinance of the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, declared to be a highway; and believing that the opening of the remainder would be a public convenience, they beg leave to offer the following ordinance:

N T Dushane,
John T Davis, {First Branch. William J Page, Second Branch.
Wm H Shelley,

Mr Shelley, from the joint committee on highways and bridges, to whom was referred the petition of Edward W Crowl, Jas. Carlisle and numerous others, asking the change of the name of Canal Street, presented the following report, and an accompanying ordinance, which were read and laid on the table:

The joint committee on highways and bridges, to whom was referred the petition of Ed W Crowl, James Carlisle, and numerous others, asking the change of the name of Canal Street to that of Central avenue, have had the same under consideration, and believing it would be advantageous to the property holders to change the name to Central avenue, they would therefore offer the following ordinance.

N T Dushane, Geo A Sovering,
Wm H Shelley, {First Branch. Wm J Page {Second Branch.
Jno T Davis,

Mr Haney called up the resolution attached to the report of the joint committee on health, in reference to the removal of a nuisance on Canton avenue, which were read.

On motion of Mr Thomas, the report and resolutions were re-committed to the joint committee on health.

Mr Dushane presented the following preamble and resolutions, which were read:

Whereas, an act has passed the Senate of Maryland, and is now pending in the House of Delegates, entitled "An act to prevent encroachments in the waters of the basin of Baltimore":

And whereas such an act would seriously interfere with the rights and authority of the corporation of Baltimore, and prevent them from legislating in relation to a subject upon which they must be, in the very nature of the case, the most competent to judge:

And whereas the right to legislate upon and determine the lines of the harbor of Baltimore, has already been secured to the corporation by its charter and subsequent acts of Assembly,—therefore

Be it resolved by both branches of the City Council of Baltimore, that the delegates from the city in the General Assembly of Maryland, be and they are hereby requested to use all honorable means to prevent the passage of said act.

Resolved further, that this preamble and resolutions be signed by the Presidents of both branches of the city Council, and forwarded immediately to the delegates from the city in the General Assembly of Maryland.

On motion of Mr Dushane, the resolutions were read, by special order a second time, unanimously adopted, and sent to the Second Branch.

Mr Miles offered the following resolution, which was read and laid on the table:

Resolved by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, that permission be, and the same is hereby granted to Samuel W T Dyer, to retain the steps in front of his house on the South side of Lombard Street, being the eighth house, and about one hundred and three feet west of Fremont Street, as they now are, provided that the same shall be removed at any time the same may be required by the Mayor and City Council.

Mr Whelan called up the resolution attached to the preamble offered by him, relative to the return of auction duties from the State, to the city treasury, which was read and adopted, and sent to the Second Branch.

Mr Young called up the resolution providing for the