A communication was received from B C Resstman, Esq., Counsellor of the city, relative to the property known as the "Old Small Pox Hospital," which was read and laid on the table.

A communication was also received from the City Counsellor, in answer to a resolution of enquiry, relative to certain appeal cases, which was read and laid on the table.

Mr Roche called up bill No. 10, a supplement to ordinance No. 37, approved April 5th, 1850, relative to the appointment of watchmen, &c., which was read and passed.

Mr Sepsom called up the resolution relative to an increase of the directors on the part of the city in the Baltimore and Ohio Rail Road Company, which was read and rejected by the following vote, the ayes and nays being required by Mr Sepsom:

Yeas.—Messrs. President, Boyd, Spicer, Sepsom and Norwood—5.

Nays.—Messrs. France, Peters, Boulden, Groome, Cox, Roche, Barry, Simms, Reese, Zimmerman—10.

The Second Branch, by message, requested the appointment of a joint committee of conference on the subject of a new City Hall, naming as said committee on their part, Messrs. Suter, Farlow and Webster, which was agreed to.

The President appointed as said committee on the part of this branch, Messrs. Simms, Boyd and Reese.

Mr Reese offered the following preamble and resolution, which were read:

Whereas, the taxes of the city of Baltimore have become oppressive and hard to be borne by the citizens and property holders within the present limits of Baltimore; and whereas, the taxes have been greatly increased by the assistance in money, loans and subscriptions to various Rail Roads for the improvements leading to the city and elsewhere; and whereas, the entire suburbs of the city have been greatly enhanced in value by these improvements now approaching completion, and will be still further benefited in common with the city of Baltimore when completed, and have not in any manner contributed to the construction and completion of these Rail Roads and other improvements; and whereas, the rapidly increasing growth of the city of Baltimore requires room for further expansion and usefulness; therefore be it—

Resolved by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, that the Senator and delegates of the city of Baltimore, in the General Assembly of Maryland, be and they are hereby requested to procure a supplement to the charter of Baltimore, enlarging the said city, two miles east, north and west of the present limits of the city of Baltimore, extending the western line southerly to the main branch of Patapsco river.

On motion of Mr Barry, the resolution was read by special order, a second time, and adopted.

A message was received from the Mayor, enclosing a communication of Robert Little, inspector of charcoal, relative to imposing penalties for the violation of the ordinance regulating the matter, which was read and referred to the joint committee on police and jail.

A communication was received from the City Commissioner, in answer to a resolution of enquiry, relative to the grade and regrade of Bel-air avenue, which was read and laid on the table.

Mr Hunt called up the resolution in favor of John Young and others, which was read.

Mr France moved to lay the resolution on the table, and make it the order of the day for to-morrow, which was determined in the affirmative.

Mr Sepsom presented an ordinance repealing the ordinance prohibiting swine from running at large, which was read, laid on the table, and ordered to be printed in bill form.

Mr Spicer called up the resolution relative to the sale of fresh meats from shops, which was read, and on motion of Mr Boulden, laid on the table again.

On motion of Mr Norwood, the branch adjourned until to-morrow afternoon, at 5 o'clock.

By Order,
Joseph M Gregory, Clerk.

The following was this day presented to the Mayor:

Resolution appropriating two thousand dollars for the building of a public school house.