-ding for the accommodation of a primary school. A proposition to this effect is contained in the last annual report of the Commissioners, and the committee coincide entirely with the proposition, as there is but a single school in the third ward, which has been but recently established under the pressure of necessity, and without suitable accommodations; the building at the corner of Bond and Lombard streets was the only one that could be secured, and in order to organize the school without further delay the board was compelled to unite, as in other cases, to great disadvantage, a male and female school on the same floor, and not only the occupancy of a single room, but under the necessity of using the same yard, and that not more than eight feet square. The mixture of the sexes, even at the early period of life in which the children attended the primary schools, is productive of great evil, and ought not to be allowed in any case in which it may be avoided.

An inconvenience like this has only to be mentioned to secure to it the consideration it deserves from every sensible member of the community, and cannot be without its effect upon the gentlemen comprising this honorable body.

The committee would recommend that the Commissioners be authorised to lease a lot in the neighborhood mentioned, and to erect upon it such a building as will accommodate on different floors, and with different yards, &c., a male and female primary school.

The attention of the committee has also been directed to the necessity of building a house for the accommodation of primary schools in the seventeenth ward, in the neighborhood of the intersection of Charles and Hamburg streets. The necessity of this measure is presented, in the report of the commissioners. Primary school No. 15, is in the same situation as that just alluded to in the third ward – there are no recitation rooms, and several classes under the management of different teachers, are obliged to recite at the same time, thereby producing much confusion, greatly to the detriment of the school.

The committee would recommend that in the neighborhood suggested, the Commissioners be authorised to lease and build, as in their judgment may best promote the great purpose they have in hand.

The committee respectfully report the following resolutions:

Henry S Hunt, Alex. J Boulden, } First Branch. John Stewart, } Second Branch. E G Reese,

Resolved by the Mayor and city council of Baltimore, that the commissioners of public schools be, and they are hereby authorised to finish the lower story of the building on Barre street, for the accommodation of male and female primary schools, and that the sum of sixteen hundred and fifty dollars be appropriated for the same, to be paid out of the levy of 1854.

Resolved by the Mayor and city council of Baltimore, that the sum of fifteen hundred dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated to furnish the building on Barre street, for the accommodation of a male and female grammar, and a male and female primary schools, the same to be paid out of the levy of 1854.

Resolved by the Mayor and city council of Baltimore, that the commissioners of public schools be, and the same are hereby authorised to lease a lot of ground in the third ward, in the neighborhood of the Eastern Fountain, at a sum not exceeding dollars per annum; and a lot in the seventeenth ward, in the neighborhood of the intersection of Charles and Hamburg streets, at a sum not exceeding dollars per annum; and that the sum of six thousand dollars, three thousand each, be and the same is hereby appropriated, and to be paid out of the levy of 1854, for the erection of suitable buildings on each of said lots for the accommodation of primary schools.

Mr Spicer presented the petition of Thomas Dorman and others, asking the Council to provide for the appointment of bailiffs, which was read and referred to the joint committee on police and jail.

Mr Magraw moved the branch adjourn, which was determined in the negative.

Mr Hunt called up the resolution relative to the appointment of a joint special committee on the McDonough bequest, which was read.

Mr Magraw moved to amend the resolution, by adding the following resolution: