Resolved by the First Branch of the City Council of Baltimore, that the health commissioner inform this Branch whether, in his opinion, the glue factory at, or near the Washington road, is a nuisance, and if so why he has not proceeded against the said manufactory under the existing ordinance, and cause the same to be abated.

Mr Roche offered the following amendment, to be added at the end of the resolution: "and by what authority the proprietors of said factory keep hogs on their premises".

The amendment was adopted,

The resolution, as amended, was adopted.

Mr Hunt gave notice of his intention to introduce an ordinance to regulate omnibusses.

The Second Branch returned the ordinance to accept of the bed of two alleys, from Gist to Choptank Street, endorsed "will not pass".

On motion of Mr Boulden, a message was sent to the Second Branch, requesting the appointment of a joint committee of conference on the ordinance.

Mr Spicer called up the resolution in favor of John Nelson, which was read.

On motion of Mr Boyd, the resolution was recommitted to the joint committee on claims.

The Second Branch returned the ordinance for grading, paving and putting a tunnel in Broadway, endorsed "will pass"; the ordinance limiting the time for opening Mason alley, endorsed "will pass"; and the resolution fixing the time for adjourning sine die, endorsed "non-concurred in".

The Second Branch, by message, concurred in the proposition of this branch, to appoint a joint committee of conference on the resolution in favor of Chas T Holloway, and named on said committee on their part, Messrs. Stewart, Farlow and Webster.

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

Resolved by the First Branch of the City Council of Baltimore, that the Counsellor of the city inform this branch whether the Hon. John Nelson was engaged by him to assist in the trial of the case of Marriott vs. the City of Baltimore; and if so, whether he stipulated with Mr. Nelson as to the amount of compensation he was to receive for his services,

and by what authority he was engaged.

On motion of Mr Boyd, the Branch adjourned till Monday afternoon, at 5 o'clock.

By Order,

Joseph M Penegor, Clerk.

Appropriations:

To April 14th.,	$26,333 68
" Fire Plug at North and Cutter Streets,	75 00
" do. at Lexington and Rock Streets,	75 00
" E F Cook, (for damages,)	1,500 00
" Richard Cowman,	25 00
" Repairs Western District Watch House,	100 00
" Tunnel on Broadway,	1,200 00
	$29,308 68

Monday, April 24, 1854.

The branch met pursuant to adjournment.

Present – John S Brown, Esq., President, and all the members, except Mr Magraw.

Mr Hintze presented the petition of Cumberland Sugan and others, relative to the widening of Mr Elderdice's dock, which was read and referred to the joint committee on the harbor.

Mr Hintze presented the petition of James Bates, complaining of a sign on Pratt Street, near the bridge, which was read and referred to the joint committee on police and jail.

Mr Lepson presented the petition of Collins & Bullock, asking leave to locate a glue factory on the east side of Gwynn's Falls, which was read and referred to the joint committee on health.

Mr Norwood presented the petition of Charles Myers, asking an abatement of taxes, which was read and referred to the joint committee on claims.

Mr Boyd, chairman of the joint committee on highways, presented the following report and resolution, which were read and laid on the table: