alley, and asking permission to erect thereon a suitable building, using therein steam for the purpose of manufacturing hat bodies, have examined into the subject, and finding no objection urged against said application, and in view that it will be to the interest of trade, think that the prayer of the petitioners ought to be granted, and beg leave to offer the following:

Wm Peters,
F H B Boyd,
Saml Lepson,
} First Branch. James L Suter, Second Branch.

Resolved by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, that Wm Bailey and William S Craft be, and they are hereby authorized to erect such building as may be necessary for the purpose of manufacturing hat bodies - use steam upon their premises; the same to be erected under the supervision of the City Commissioner; provided, that said building or machinery shall be removed within six months after such notice shall be given by the Mayor, the same to be done at the expense of the owners.

Mr Peters, chairman of the joint committee on fire companies, presented the following report and resolution, which were read and laid on the table:

The joint committee on fire companies, to whom was referred the petition of the New Market fire company, asking a special appropriation for the purpose of replacing the hose destroyed by some disorderly persons in the Eastern and Southern sections of the city, and as the want of such hose materially interferes with their general efficiency, we beg leave to offer the following:

Wm Peters,
F H B Boyd,
Saml Lepson,
} First Branch. James L Suter, Second Branch.

Resolved by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, that the Register be, and he is hereby directed to pay to the President of the New Market fire company five hundred dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary for the purchase of hose of an equal quantity with that destroyed.

Mr Zimmerman, chairman of the joint committee on ways and means, presented the following report and resolution, which were read and laid on the table:

The joint committee on ways and means, to whom was referred the resolutions directing the Register to sell the dividend stock of the Baltimore and Ohio Rail Road company, held by

the city, at auction, &c, respectfully report, that in view of the large demands on the city treasury and consequent high rate of taxation for the current year, they are of opinion that said dividend stock should be sold, and recommend the same mode of selling as that adopted last year. They offer the following resolution:

B F Zimmerman,
John I Barry,
Henry S Hunt,
} First Branch. B A Vickers,
Jas L Suter,
} Second Branch.

Resolved by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, that the Register of the city be, and he is hereby authorized and required to sell, at such times as he may deem necessary or expedient, the 2,982 shares of dividend stock of the Baltimore and Ohio R. R. Company, now held by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, and to apply the proceeds thereof to the payment of the interest on the internal improvement debt of the city falling due during the year 1854.

Mr Coy offered the following resolution, which was read and adopted:

Resolved by the First Branch of the City Council, that the health commissioner be directed to enquire and report to this branch whether the Water Company will grant the city the use of the fire plug at the south west corner of Eutaw and Mulberry streets, and on what terms, for the purpose of cleaning the gutter on the west side of Eutaw Street daily, or as often as deemed necessary by said health commissioner during the months of May, June, July and August of each year; the stench arising from said gutter during warm weather being very offensive and detrimental to the health and comfort of the citizens residing on the west side of said Eutaw Street.

A communication was received from the City Commissioner, in answer to a resolution of enquiry, relative to paving and repaving certain streets, which was read and laid on the table.

Mr Weathers offered the following resolution, which was read and adopted:

Resolved, that the City Commissioner be requested to inform this branch, why resolution No. 104, approved April 12, 1853, in reference to the alteration of the gutter at the corner of Lime and Sough streets, has not been complied with.

Mr Prance offered the following resolution, which was read and adopted: