throughout the city is a source of serious grievance to all good firemen, and as the bells attached to the Otterbine Church are under the control of the city, so far as relates to ringing for fire, a certainty is assured to the Fire Department of the necessity of their aid when an alarm has been sounded by them, and beg leave to offer the following:

Wm Peters, F H B Boyd, Saml Lepson } First Branch. Sas S Suter, Chas Griffith } Second Branch.

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

The following message was received from the Second Branch, and read:

In Second Branch,
Baltimore, May 4th, 1854.

Gentlemen of the First Branch:

We respectfully inform you that we concur in your proposition for the appointment of a committee of conference on bill No. 12, relative to the Court House, Record Office, &c., and name on said committee on our part, Messrs. Griffith, Suter and Stewart.

By order,
L M Griffith, Clerk.

The President appointed on said committee on the part of this Branch, Messrs. Weathers, Roche and Norwood.

Mr Roche called up the resolution looking to a new site for the Powder Magazine, which was read and adopted.

Mr Barry called up the resolution appropriating $500 to the New Market Fire Company, which was read.

Mr Simms moved to amend the resolution by adding the following:

And be it further resolved, that the city Register with the approbation of the Mayor, pay to the President of the Washington Hose Company the sum of three hundred and seventy-five dollars, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, to replace hose burnt, cut and missing at the recent fires.

Mr Simms moved to re-commit the resolution and amendment to the joint committee on fire companies, which was determined in the negative.

The question recurring on the amendment proposed by Mr Simms.

Pending the question,

Mr Simms moved to lay the amendment on the table, which was determined in the affirmative.

Mr Coy moved to reconsider the vote on recommitting the report and resolution, which was determined in the affirmative.

Mr Coy moved to re-commit the report and resolution to the joint committee on fire companies, which was determined in the affirmative.

Mr Hunt, chairman of the joint select committee, presented the following report and resolution, which were read:

The joint select committee to whom was referred the communication of the Register, asking the appointment of a committee to destroy the redeemed issue of the city small notes, beg leave to state that they have discharged the duty assigned them, and offer the following resolution:

H S Hunt, Jos Simms, Wm Groome } First Branch. Sas S Suter, J M Gill, Jno Stewart } Second Branch.

Resolved, that the committee be discharged.

On motion of Mr Hunt, the resolution was read a second time and adopted.

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

The joint committee on highways, to whom was referred the petition of James Murray, praying to have closed that part of old Lappa road, between Bond and Dallas Street; also the petition of Hugh McElderry and Wm Boden, remonstrating against the same, after a careful examination of the premises, beg leave to offer the following resolution:

F H B Boyd, A J Boulden, Saml Lepson } First Branch. Sas S Suter, J T Tarlow, C G Griffith } Second Branch.

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

On motion of Mr Boyd, the resolution was read a second time, and adopted.

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