# Friday, May 4th, 1855.

The Board met pursuant to adjournment.

Present – Samuel G. Spicer, Esq., President; and all the members, except Mr. Wright.

Mr. Mullen, chairman of the joint committee on fire companies, presented the following report and resolution, which were read:

The joint committee on fire companies, to whom was referred the petition of Peregrine Biddle, asking permission to rebuild a frame on the rear of lot No. 99, Hollins street, have had the same under consideration, and would offer the following resolution:

James Mullen, Geo. R. Inail, F. M. B. Boyd, First Branch.
Wm Houlton, Wm C. Welsh, Second Branch.

Resolved by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, that Peregrine Biddle be and he is hereby permitted to rebuild his frame shed to the height of nine feet, so as to make it the height of the brick wall fronting on Boyd street.

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

Mr. Lepson, chairman of the joint committee on bridges, presented the following report and an accompanying ordinance, which were read and laid on the table:

The joint committee on bridges, to whom was referred the resolution directing the committee on bridges to report some rules and regulations for the government of the keeper of the draw bridge at Block street, have had the subject under consideration, and would recommend the passage of the accompanying supplementary ordinance.

Daniel Lepson, W. M. Woods, James Mullen, First Branch.
W. S. Shoemaker, W. C. Welsh, Second Branch.



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

The joint committee on highways, to whom was referred the communication of the City Commissioner, in relation to indexing the streets of the city of Baltimore, would beg leave to leave to offer the following resolution:

Joseph M. Boyd, F. M. B. Boyd, Daniel Lepson, First Branch.
William E. Beale, Wm Houlton, Wm C. Welsh, Second Branch.

Resolved, by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, that the City Commissioner be and he is hereby directed to contract for as many index signs for the different streets, lanes, and alleys of the city of Baltimore, as may be necessary to index two corners of all the intersections of the streets, lanes and alleys, wherever wanted, or as may be deemed proper by the City Commissioner, – provided the price of the same shall not exceed seventy five cents each, put up and completed; the same to done as he, in his judgment, may deem best and proper; and the city commissioner, is empowered to draw on the Register, with the approbation of the Mayor, for such money as may be sufficient to pay for the same.

A message proposing to adjourn until Monday next was received from the Second Branch, read and concurred in.

The following communication was received and read:

Mayor's Office,
Baltimore, May 4th, 1855.

To the Honorable the Members of the First Branch of the City Council:

Gentlemen – I have approved of the following resolutions emanating from you, viz:

Resolution making appropriation to the following fire companies, viz: Columbian, Franklin, Patapsco, Lafayette, Howard and Washington.

Resolution directing the city commissioner to have a gas lamp placed on East Baltimore street.

Samuel Hinks, Mayor.