Mr. Mullen presented a communication from Charles A. Leas, expressing his willingness to obligate himself in sufficient bond, to keep the city in as clean a condition as it was in 1854, for the sum of thirty-three thousand dollars, including the revenue from offal, which was read and refered to the joint committee on health.

Mr. O'Brafft presented the petition of Samuel J. Pentz, asking payment of the amount due for damages awarded in the condemnation of his property to the use of the city, which was read and referred to the joint committee on claims.

Mr. Quail presented the petition of the Liberty fire Company asking an appropriation of five thousand dollars, to be applied to the rebuilding of their engine house, which was read and referred to the joint committee on fire companies

Mr. Quail presented the petition of Dr. B. H. D. Bull, asking payment of his claim for medical services rendered at the Southern District Watch-House, which was read and refered to the joint-committee on claims.

Mr. Lepson presented the petition of Samuel Scribner and Charles Shipley, asking a further change in the grade of Fayette street, from Fulton street to the city limits, which was read and refered to the joint committee on highways.

The following communication was received from the Mayor and read:

Mayor's Office, Ballo., Sept. 13, 1855

To the Honorable the
Members of the First Branch City Council

Gentlemen:- I have approved of the following resolution emanating from you:

Resolution relative to placing a bell at the Hanover market house.

I herewith enclose a communication from C. W. Bentley, Esq., extending an invitation to the members of the Council to attend the commencement

of the female department of the School of Design, Maryland Institute

Respectfully,
Samuel Hinks, Mayor.

On motion of Mr. Thompson, the invitation mentioned in and accompanying the communication, was accepted.

The following communication was received and read:

City Commissioner's Office,
Baltimore, Sept. 13th, 1855.

To the Honorable the Mayor
and City Council of Baltimore:

Gentlemen:- I deemed it necessary to have the Eastern district watchhouse reroofed, and a shed erected for necessary and useful purposes. I consulted with his Honor the Mayor and several members of your honorable body in relation to this matter, and in accordance with their decision had the improvement made, whereby I incurred an expense of two hundred and fifty dollars, ($250,) I therefore ask for an appropriation of said amount to defray the expense incurred.

It is also necessary to have the Marine Hospital painted, as it is so much exposed to the weather that the painting has been almost entirely removed from the roof and walls, and renders it very necessary indeed that the building should be repainted at once. Please grant me the authority so to do.

Very respectfully,
J. P. Shannon,
City Commissioner.

On motion of Mr. Lepson, the communication was referred to the joint committee on police and jail.

The resolution granting permission to Robert Carickson to run a switch from the railroad on Central avenue into his lot on said avenue, also the resolution directing the Register to pay Samuel McPherson, the sum of twenty-five dollars, were returned by the Second Branch endorsed "Concurred in."

Reports and resolutions from the joint committee on claims, severally authorizing the Register to pay the