On motion of Mr Stewart, the branch adjourned until Monday afternoon next at half past three o'clock.

By order
Jno A Thompson Clerk

Appropriations to March 2	$7.488.17
John McDevitt	25.00
Fire plug corner of Holiday street and Orangeally	75.00
Shed at Cross street Market	67.00
	$7.653.17

Monday March 12th 1849

The branch met pursuant to adjournment.
Present Wm A Hack Esq President, and all the members, except Mr Warner.
Mr Shaffer from the joint committee on health presented the following report and resolution, read a first, and by special order a second time, concurred in and ~~sent to~~ the First Branch
The joint committee on health, to whom was referred the petition of Henry S Pentz, for leave to use a slaughter house erected some five years since, beg leave to report that the prayer of the petitioner is reasonable and ought to be granted; said petitioner having not only obtained the assent of his neighbours, but they have joined in a petition asking the privilege be granted, - therefore we would offer the following resolution

John Disney
R G Wells
Charles Farquharson
First Branch

F Lettig Shaffer
John H Willson
Elias Ware Jr
Second Branch

Resolved by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore that Henry S Pentz be and he is hereby permitted to use the slaughter house already erected on Point lane as prayed for in his petition.
A report and resolution from the joint committee on claims on the petition of Gault and Brother, were received from the First Branch read a first and by special order a second time concurred in and returned to the First Branch.
A report and resolution from the joint committee on claims on the claim of Samuel B Emery, were received from the First Branch read a first, and by special order a second time concurred in and returned to the First Branch,
The following message was received from the First Branch concurred in, and Messrs Ware, Kelso, and Dukehart appointed

on the part of this branch, and the First Branch informed by message

In First Branch
Baltimore March 8th 1849

Gentlemen of the Second Branch
We propose with your concurrence that the resolution in relation to a revision of the city ordinances, be referred to a committee of conference, and have appointed as the committee on the part of this branch, - Messrs Spilman, Pinkney and Disney

By Order
William A Stewart Clerk

Mr Dukehart called up the supplement to an ordinance entitled "An ordinance for the appointment of a high constable city bailiffs, and for other purposes" which was read a second time
Mr Dukehart proposed the following amendment, to the first section, which was adopted: add after the word "otherwise" and shall make a monthly report to the Mayor, on the first of each month.
Mr Shaffer moved to amend the second section, by adding after the word "same" within twenty four hours after the same shall have occurred, which was adopted.
The ordinance as amended will pass and was sent to the First Branch
Mr Ware offered the following resolution which was adopted
Resolved that the joint committee on police, enquire into, and report to the council, the propriety of prohibiting the night watchmen from crying the hours of the night whilst in the discharge of their duties.
The report and resolution of the joint committee on fire companies, on the expediency of abolishing the present system of volunteer firemen, and establishing the pay system, were returned from the First Branch, endorsed concurred in.
The report and resolution of the joint committee on water on the expediency of placing fire plugs at sundry places, were returned from the First Branch, endorsed concurred in,
A report and resolution from the joint committee on fire companies on the petition of John McClintock, were received from the First Branch, read a first and by special order a second time, concurred in, and returned to the First Branch.