the resolution granting the use of the north wall of the United Suction and hose Company's engine house to Joseph Wilkins was returned by the First Branch endorsed concurred in.

An ordinance supplimentary to ordinance No 5 approved May 25th 1838 prescribing the duties of the city Register was returned from the First Branch endorsed well pass.

A report and resolution of the joint committee on claims on the petition of Edward Ireland, 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 of the joint committee on health on the petition of Smith and Atkinson 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 of the joint committee on health on the petition of Jacob C Rumpf were received from the First Branch read a first, and by special order a second time, concurred in, and returned to the First Branch.

An ordinance supplimentary to ordinance No 50. approved April 22nd, 1846 in reference to the extension and regulation of the Richmond market, was received from the First Branch, read and laid on the table.

Bill No 21 entitled "An ordinance to promote the health, safety and convenience of the citizens of Baltimore, was received from the First Branch read and laid on the table

The following communication was received from the Mayor by the hands of V H Kalkman secretary to the Mayoralty and read:

Mayors Office, Baltimore March 26th 1849

To the President and members of the
Second Branch of the City Council
Gentlemen

I have approved and signed a resolution in favor of Henry S Pentz, - and a resolution in favor of Daniel B Banks, - all of which originated in your branch.

Respectfully
Elijah Stansbury, Mayor

Mr Farlow from a majority of the joint committee on the harbor, presented the following report and resolution on the resolution to clear the bed of Jones' falls, and the petition of G W Andrews and others, read and laid on the table:

The joint committee on the harbor to whom was referred the petition of G W Andrews and others, as also the resolution

making an appropriation for the removal of dirt &c. from the bed of Jones' falls, report that they have examined the subject and are of the opinion that there is no necessity of making a larger appropriation than that contained in the original resolution, - and they respectfully return to the Second Branch the resolution as it passed the First Branch, recommending its adoption:

First Branch
Edward Horney
John Disney
George A Davis

Second Branch
John T Farlow

Resolved by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, that the city commissioner be and he is hereby directed to have the mud, gravel, and rubbal stone, removed from the bed of Jones' falls, commencing at the mouth of said falls, and continuing to Baltimore street bridge, and draw on the Register of the city, for the sum of two thousand five hundred dollars, or so much thereof as may be needed to effect the removal of the same, to be taken out of the appropriation for the harbor.

Mr Stewart from a minority of the joint committee on the harbor presented the following report and resolution on the resolution to clear the bed of Jones' falls, and the petition of G W Andrews and others, read and laid on the table;

The undersigned a minority of the joint committee on the harbor, to which was referred the petition of George W Andrews and others, as also the resolution making an appropriation for the removal of dirt &c. from the bed of Jones' falls, - after an investigation of the subject, - beg leave to recommend an addition of five hundred dollars to the amount of the appropriation, said sum to be expended in removing obstructions between Baltimore and Gay street Bridges.

The committee are well aware of the necessity existing at the present time of retrenching as much as practicable all expenditures of the city, - but in a case such as the one under consideration, they would deem themselves derelict in their duty to the citizens were they not to aid, as much as the city finances will allow, in endeavouring to remove one of the many causes of disease and distruction in our midst.

It is with regret that they observe day after day, and year after year, the accumulations in our harbor, - and so long as it is made the receptacle of all the loose dirt and sand which flows from the various streets in the city, the evil will continue, and our harbor gradually fill up. The dredging machines are constantly at work in the basin, and in some degree prevent the accomplishing of a