result that would be inevitable without their aid.
The plan pursued in relation to the harbor, might also be pursued with advantage in the falls, at least for some distance up the stream, and the committee would respectfully invite the attention of the city commissioner to that object, as he has in charge the whole arrangement of the word relating to the subject.
The spectacle presented to the eye in the shallow water between Baltimore street and Gay street, is exceedingly offensive, and at certain seasons of the year, the affluvia arising therefrom carries disease along the whole line of the falls. To remedy in some degree the evils apparent to every eye, and to aid in removing the obstructions from the bed of the falls, - so as to allow the water a free course, the minority of the joint committee recommend the adoption of the subjoined resolution, as a substitute for that proposed by the committee:

Joseph J Stewart
John R Kelso.
Second Branch

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 rubble stones removed from the bed of Jones' falls, commencing at the mouth of said falls and continuing to Gay street bridge; and to draw on the Register for the sum of three thousand dollars, (five hundred of which to be expended in removing the old abutments under Baltimore street bridge and cleaning the falls between Baltimore and Gay streets) or so much thereof as may be needed, to be taken out of the annual appropriation for the harbor.
On motion of Mr Willson the branch adjourned until to-morrow afternoon at half past three o'clock

By order
Jno A Thompson Clerk

Tuesday March 27th 1849
The branch met pursuant to adjournment.
Present, - Wm A Hack Esqr. President and all the members, except Mr Warner.
The President presented a petition from Henry Crowl. asking permission to erect a slaughter house on Harford avenue read, and referred to the joint committee on health.
Mr Dukehart called up the resolution of the joint committee on fire companies on the petition of George R Gaither, read a second time, and on motion of Mr Dukehart recommitted to the joint committee on fire companies.



On motion of Mr Taylor the rules were suspended to enable him to offer a resolution bearing the form of a legislative enactment. Mr Taylor offered the following resolution, read a first, and by special order a second time adopted, and sent to the First Branch.
Resolved by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, that the city commissioner be, and he is hereby directed to draw on the Register for the sum of two hundred dollars, to be expended towards the completion of the abutment on the east side of Jones falls at Eager street, said amount to be taken from the tax collected for the repairs of "highways and bridges"
On motion of Mr Shaffer, bill No 25. entitled "An ordinance to collect a direct tax for the repairs of highways and bridges in certain parts of the city of Baltimore" was taken up, read a second time.
Mr Shaffer moved to amend by striking out "three" in the fourth line and inserting "eight" which was adopted.
The bill as amended will pass. and was returned to the First Branch
Mr Farlow called up the resolution of the majority of the joint committee on the harbor on the resolution to clear the bed of Jones' falls and the petition of G W Andrews and others, read a second time.
Mr Stewart called up the resolution appended to the report of the minority, read a second time, Mr Stewart moved to adopt the resolution of the minority, - not concurred in.
The question was taken on the resolution offered by the majority, which was adopted, and sent to the First Branch.
Messrs Dushane and Stewart appeared as a committee on the part of the First Branch and invited this branch to meet in convention, which on motion of Mr Shaffer was accepted, - and after remaining in convention some time this branch returned to its chamber.
On motion of Mr Kelso. the branch adjourned until to-morrow afternoon at half past three o'clock

By order
Jno A Thompson clerk

Wednesday March 28th 1849
The branch met pursuant to adjournment.
Present, - Wm A Hack Esqr President, and all the members, except, Mr Warner,
Mr Ware presented a petition from Francis A Miller and others asking for an appropriation to procure a larger bell for the western district watch house, read and referred to the joint committee