-ther consideration of the subject.

Mr Stewart from the joint committee on water, presented the following report and resolution on the resolution of enquiry prohibiting under a penalty, the use of fire plugs, except in case of fire, read and laid on the table;

The joint committee on water, who were requested by resolution to "enquire into the expediency of prohibiting the opening of any fire plug under penalty, except when in use by fire companies, or where permission may have been obtained from the water company," beg leave to report that, in the opinion of the committee no further legislation on the subject is necessary, as No 35 of the Revised Ordinances, sections eight and nine, effectually provide a remedy for any injuries which may be done to fire plugs; and it is made the duty of the police by section first of ordinance No 6 of 1839. (which transfers to them the duties required by Revised Ordinance No 94. sections four and five) to report in writing to the Mayor, regularly once a week, the condition of every fire plug and cistern, within their respective districts.

As resolution No 68. of 1846. directs the city commissioners to attach to all new fire plugs erected, or old plug repaired, a cast iron double male screw, with a cap having two lugs or nipples, which will prevent all persons from using the plugs, except those having the proper keys: the committee presume that if the officers who have charge of the fire plugs, attend to the matter properly, no cause of complaint can possibly arise, They therefore offer the following resolution,

J J Grundall — First Branch — Joseph J Stewart — Second Branch
John Disney — David Taylor
Moses G Hindes — Elias Ware Jr

Resolved that the committee be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Mr Taylor called up the resolution of the joint committee of conference, on the claim of Goldsborough, Shannon, and Neimsee, read a second time, concurred in and returned to the First Branch,

A report of the joint committee on markets, recommending the purchase of hose for Centre and Hanover Markets, was received from the First Branch read and laid on the table

A report of the joint committee on streets, on the petition of Joseph Douglas and others, — and bill No 38, entitled "An Ordinance to open Tessier street from Orchard street to St Marys street" were received from the First Branch, read and laid on the table.

A report and resolution of the joint committee on fire companies on the petition of Jacob Waidner, 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 streets, on the petition of John M Gordon and others, 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 claims, on the petition of C F Cloud and others, for advertising in the Republican and Argus, 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 Richard Holmes, 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 streets, on the petition of Johns Hopkins and others 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 streets, on the petition of A B Kyle, 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 bridges, relative to a bridge over Jones falls at Canton avenue, 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 bridges, relative to a bridge over Jones falls at Centre street, 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 claims, on the petition of Jacob Johnson 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 claims, on the petition of Mary Montgomery, were received from the First Branch, read a first and by special order a second time concurred in and returned to the First Branch.

On motion of Mr Farlow, the branch adjourned until tomorrow afternoon at half past three o,clock

By order
Jno A Thompson Clerk