In First Branch, Baltimore, January 21st 1850

Gentlemen of the Second Branch

We have appointed on the part of this branch the following joint standing and joint select committees:

Joint Standing Committees:

On Ways & Means Messrs Seloup, Grafton, Suter.
" Claims " Shipley, Carpenter, Horney.
" Highways & Bridges " Davis, Dushane, Lovering.
" the Harbor " Cooper, Woodward, Davis.
" Markets " Lovering, Hogue, Disney.
" Fire Companies " Shaffner, Glass, Quinlin.
" Water " Hogue, Glass, Shipley.
" Education " Dobler, Seloup, Grafton.
" Commerce " Green, Gelmore, Woodward.
" Health " Glass, Disney, Gilmore
" Police and Jail " Grafton, Dushane, Suter.
" the Alms House " Horney, Dobler, Lovering
" Internal Improvements " Dushane, Cooper, Green
" Enrollment " Quinlin, Carpenter.

Joint Select Committees

On Registers Office and Accounts, Messrs Carpenter, Shipley, Seloup.
" Accounts of Commissioners of Finance " Suter, Green, Quinlin.
" City Commissioner and Port Wardens office and Accounts Messrs Quinlin, Davis, Dushane.
On Commissioners of Health's office and Accounts, Messrs Gilmore Hogue Shaffner.
On Accounts of Commissioners of Public Schools - Messrs Woodward, Dobler, Horney.

Mr Dukehart offered the following resolution, read a first, and by special order a second time and adopted.

Resolved, that the port wardens be and they are hereby directed to furnish this branch with an estimate of deepening Jones' falls, from Pratt street bridge to the basin, so as to admit canal boats and vessels of not more than five feet draft.

The following invitation was received, read, and on motion of Mr Shaffer accepted:

The President and members of the Second Branch of the City Council, are respectfully invited to examine a specimen of Baltimore mechanism, the Freindship Fire Engine, now in front of the City Hall.

With due consideration and respect
The Committee

Baltimore, Wednesday afternoon.

On motion of Mr Shaffer a recess of fifteen minutes was taken to comply with the invitation

Mr Farlow on leave, 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 have the roof of the "City Hall" repaired, and the ceiling of the room used by the "Fire Department" replastered; and also purchase a stove and carpet to furnish a room on the third floor, to be used as a committee room, and draw on the register for the sum of seventy five dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, out of any unappropriated money in the treasury.

Mr Ware on leave offered the following resolution, read a first and by special order a second time - and on motion of Mr Farlow referred to the joint committee on highways and Bridges:

Resolved by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, that the city commissioner be and he is hereby directed, to have stepping stones placed across Fremont street, on the north and south side at the intersection of of Baltimore and Fremont streets.

Mr Dukehart called up the message as proposed by Mr Shaffer yesterday to be sent to the First Branch, read adopted and sent to the First Branch.

Mr Ware called up the petition of Mr Shipley, and on motion it was referred to the joint committee on highways and Bridges.

The President this day presented to the Mayor for his approval, a resolution for a new flag for the City Hall

On motion of Mr Ware, the branch adjourned until to-morrow afternoon at half past three o'clock.

By order
Jno A Thompson, Clerk

Thursday January 24th 1850

The branch met pursuant to adjournment.

Present - Wm A Hack Esq President, and all the members

Mr Farlow offered the following resolution read a first and by special order a second time and adopted.

Resolved that the city commissioner be and he is hereby directed to examine the fence which encloses