Resolved by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, that the Register be, and he is hereby directed to pay to P. Schneider & Co. the sum of $265.37 filling for embankment of Franklin street, west of Payson street, $52.50, for excavation of Dorsey Lane, $28, for filling in the bed of Franklin street, west of Payson street, $36 for curbing, and $15, for paving gutters on Franklin street, in all $428.72 - the amount to be taken out of the levy for Highways and Bridges.

Mr. Hintze from the Joint Standing Committee on Claims presented the following report and resolution, which was read a first, by special order, a second time and adopted.

The Joint Standing Committee on Claims, to whom the resolution of the First Branch city Council, appropriating $37.50 to pay John Stewart for back hire, think $450, thereof charged for back hire for the Committee of Health is an error, as the members of that Committee have no recollection of having indulged in such a luxury, they therefore submit the annexed resolution:

G. E. B. Hintze,
E. C. Thomas,
John Hilbert. } Second Branch
G. H. B. Boyd,
J. H. Haynes,
Augustus M. Price } First Branch,

Resolved by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore that the Register is hereby directed to pay John Stewart $38 for back hire to the Committee on Highways, $8, Committee on Water, $6.50 to the Committee on Police and Jail, in all $56.50.

Mr. Bartlett from the Committee on Water, presented the following report and resolution, which was read a first and by special order a second time and adopted:—

The Joint Standing Committee on Water, to whom was referred the application for fire plugs on the corner of Jefferson and Bond streets, Madison and Bond, Eden and McElderry and Eden and Jefferson streets, have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to submit the following resolution:

Wm. E. Bartlett, Jr.,
Wm. E. Beale,
W. S. Shoemaker, } Second Branch
Samuel Dyer, } First Branch,

Resolved by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, that the Water Commissioners be, and they are hereby requested, to place fire plugs on the corner of Jefferson and Bond, Madison and Bond, Eden and McElderry, Eden and Jefferson, if practicable.

Mr. Bartlett from the Joint Standing Committee on

Water, presented the following report and resolution which was read a first and by special order a second time and adopted.

The Joint Standing Committee on Water, to whom was referred the application to place a fire plug before the Mount Vernon Hook and Ladder Company, have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to submit the following resolution:—

Wm. E. Bartlett, Jr.,
Wm. E. Beale,
W. S. Shoemaker, } Second Branch
Samuel Dyer, } First Branch

Resolved by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, that the Water Commissioner be and he is hereby requested to place a fire plug before the Mount Vernon Hook and Ladder Company, if house of practicable.

Mr. Hintze from the Joint Standing Committee on Fire Companies, presented the following report, and accompanying ordinance, which was read and laid on the table.

The Joint Standing Committee on Fire Companies to whom was referred the petition of Thomas Jenkins, Secretary, and others, complaining of nuisances, created by the operation of a steam coal Grinding Mill, in connection with other machinery connected therewith as also the counter petition of C. W. Burgess Thomas M. Johnson, and others, beg leave respectfully to report that they have duly investigated the matters confided to them, and satisfied that no steam apparatus used for grinding coal, or for any other purpose should be established or used within the corporate limits of the city, with special permission being first obtained from the Mayor and City Council.

Not such establishments particularly in populous portions of the city, not only tend to impair the comfort, health and convenience, of the immediate neighborhood, but being liable to explosion, endanger the lives and limbs of those residing in the immediate vicinity of such structures.

They further tend to lessen the value of property, retard improvements, and consequently impair the revenue of the city.

They would ask the members of the Council whether they would select a residence adjacent to any establishment propelled by steam, or would they desire to have one placed adjacent to the residence of their families? large amounts may and have been extorted from persons, by a threat of placing one of these dreaded establishments in their immediate