vicinity. Hence your Committee without desiring to embarrass industrial enterprise of individuals, deem it but just that in due regard of health, comfort and safety of their fellow citizens, they should retain a salutary jurisdiction over the operations of all causes likely to prove detrimental to the general interests of the community they represent;

G. S. B. Hintze,
Wm. Hulton,
Wm. C. Welsh } Second Branch

John K. Carroll,
Samuel Kirk,
L. D. Wright, } First Branch

Mr. Emory offered the following resolution which was read and adopted:

Resolved by the Second Branch City Council of Baltimore that the Joint Standing Committee on Water be and they are hereby requested to examine into the merits of a new hydrant and fire plug invented and patented by Mr. John W. Culver, of this city, and report whether it would be to the interest of the city, to introduce the same.

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

Resolved by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore that the City Commissioner be and he is hereby directed to examine all the switches along the railroad tracks leading through the streets of the city and if any are found not in a condition as required by ordinance regulating the same he be requested to notify the owner or owners of the property with which said switches connect to have the same put in proper order, and if not attended to within ten days after said notice he is hereby directed to enforce the ordinance referred to.

Mr. Welsh presented the ordinance to regulate the movement of rail road cars on the tracks leading through the city, which were read and laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Hilbert a message was sent to the First Branch, proposing with their concurrence that when the Council adjourns this evening it stand adjourned until Monday afternoon at 5 o'clock.

The First branch, by message, concurred.

Mr. Emory called up the ordinance to authorize the Commissioner of Public Schools to sell the property occupied by Grammar School No. 2, and to lease a lot and erect a new building thereon, which was read.

Mr. Hintze moved to amend the first section by striking out the word "they" in the fifth line, and inserting the words "the Commissioners of Finance", which was determined in the affirmative.

Mr. Welsh moved to amend the second section by inserting after the word "directed", in the third line the words, "under the direction of the Commissioners of Finance" which was determined in the affirmative.

Mr. Hintze moved to further amend the second section by adding thereto the words "provided that the annual rent of such lot shall not exceed $3 per front foot", which was determined in the affirmative.

The ordinance as amended was passed.

The following message was received from the First Branch and read:—

In First Branch;
Baltimore, May 30, 1856

Gentlemen of the Second Branch:

We respectfully request the appointment of a committee of conference on the ordinance to change the City Yard to the south side of the basin, and name on the part of this branch, Messrs. Boyd, Simms and Themes,

By order,
Edward Clayton Clerk.

On motion of Mr. Shoemaker the message was concurred in and the President appointed as the Committee on the part of this branch, Messrs. Shoemaker, Beale and Welsh.

Mr. Hintze, offered the following resolution, which was read and adopted:—

Resolved, by the Second Branch City Council of Baltimore that the Mayor be and he is hereby respectfully and earnestly requested to withhold his sanction to the consummation of the lease of a lot on West Fayette street, intended as a location for the Western Female High School, as they deem the price proposed to be paid for said lot exorbitant and the location ineligible.

On motion of Mr. Beale, the branch adjourned until Monday afternoon at 5 o'clock.

By order,
Allen E. Forrester
Clerk.

Appropriations;

Pg. May 23d 1856. — $24,759.42.