Present – James Armitage Esq, President and all the members, except Messrs. Welsh, Bartlett and Thomas.

Mr. Shoemaker presented the petition of George Usher Graff remonstrating against the passage of an ordinance to provide for the introduction of a further supply of water by the erection of a reservoir in the valley of Stony Run, which was read and laid on the table.

Mr. Hilbert offered the following resolution which was read and laid on the table.

Resolved by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, that the City Commissioner be and he is hereby directed to place a gas lamp on the N. E. corner of Lexington and Rock street.

Mr. Hintze offered the following resolution, which was read and laid on the table:–

Resolved by the Second Branch City Council of Baltimore, that the Directors on the part of the City of Baltimore, in the Baltimore and Ohio and Northern Central Railway be and they are hereby requested to inform this branch if any, and if so, which of said Directors has or have the contracted, or have in any other way entered into any engagement with any or either of said companies, or their representatives, for performing work, furnishing, delivering, manufacturing, or purchasing on commission any materials or materials used in the construction or repairs of any roads or portion of roads, building or motive or other machinery or in the making of said road or machinery.

Resolved that the said Directors inform this branch if any of the present City Directors are or have been employed by either of said companies to design, or superintend, for compensation, the construction of any building or buildings, roads, or motive or other machinery or any repair or repairs of the same.

Resolved that the Clerk of this branch be requested forthwith to furnish each of said Directors with a copy of this resolution, with a request that they may be answered, at their earliest possible convenience.

Messrs Boyd and Garrison appeared as a committee and invited this branch to meet first branch in convention on a sealed communication from the Mayor.

The invitation was accepted and the members proceeded to the chamber of the first Branch.

After some time spent therein the convention adjourned, and the members returned to their chamber.

Mr. Beale called up the ordinance to provide for the introduction of an increased supply of water to the city of Baltimore, which was read.

Mr. Hintze moved to amend the fifth section by adding thereto the words, "provided the total amount to be expended shall not exceed $800,000", which was determined in the negative.

Mr. Shoemaker moved to lay the ordinance on the table until September, which was determined in the negative.

The ordinance was then passed.

On motion of Mr. Beale, the branch adjourned until to morrow afternoon at 5 O'clock.

By order,

Allen E. Forrester, Clerk.

The following were this day presented to the Mayor.

An ordinance to regulate the opening and closing of the market house under the Maryland Institute.

An ordinance for repairing the wharves of the Back Basin.

An ordinance directing the manner of punishing slaves for violating city ordinances.

An ordinance to sell the Butcher stalls in the extension of the Lexington market.

Resolution relative to placing a gate at the sewer on the corner of Central avenue and Baltimore street.

Resolution relative to the sale of the truck house, occupied by the Pioneer Hook and Ladder Company.

Resolution relative to the display of fire works on the 4th of July.

Saturday, July 12th 1856.

The Branch met pursuant to adjournment.

Present – James Armitage Esq, President and all the members except Messrs, Hulton, Welsh, Bartlett and Thomas.

On motion of Mr. Hilbert the branch adjourned until Monday afternoon at 5 O'clock.

By order,

Allen E. Forrester, Clerk.