Mr. Whitye moved to amend the fourteenth section by striking out the word "five" in the sixth line, and inserting the word "twenty," which was determined in the negative by the following vote the yeas and nays being required by Mr. Whitye:-

Yeas- Messrs. President Crosby. Whitye - 3.

Nays- Messrs, Shoemaker, Beale, Bartlett, Hilbert - 4.

The ordinance as amended was passed,

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

By order,

Allen S. Forrester Clerk.

Wednesday, September 3d. 1856,

The Branch met pursuant to adjournment,

Present - James Armitage Esqr. President and all the members except Messrs. Houlton & Welsh.

The President presented the petition of Cornelius Brown and Timothy Kelly asking permission to erect a flag staff on Pace street north of Franklin which was read.

On motion of Mr. Beale the prayer of the petitioner was heard.

The Clerk of the first Branch appeared and announced a message from the first branch,

The President declined to receive the message no quorum being in attendance in the first branch.

Mr. Crosby called up ordinance No. 12. of the Revised Ordinances entitled "an ordinance to appoint a City Commissioner and an Assistant City Commissioner to prescribe their duties and fix their compensation as submitted by the Committee of Conference."

Mr. Bartlett called up the resolution authorizing the Commissioner of Finance to sell the State and City five per cent, stock, and place the proceeds in the hands of the Register, to the credit of the new jail fund which was read.

Mr. Bartlett moved to amend the resolution by inserting after the word "sell," in the third line, the words "in such sum as may from time be required;" which was determined in the affirmative.

The resolution, as amended, was passed,

Mr. Bartlett called up the resolution appropriating $750.00 for the use of the health department, which was read

On motion of Mr. Crosby the resolution was referred to the Joint Standing Committee on Health,

Mr Shoemaker called up the resolution appropriating $2,500 for completing Male and Female Grammar School No. 2. which was read,

Mr. Hilbert moved to refer the resolution to the Joint Standing Committee on Education, which was determined in the affirmative by the following vote, the yeas and nays being required by Mr. Shoemaker,

Yeas- Messrs. President, Crosby. Whitye, Bartlett, Shoemaker, Hilbert - 6.

Nays- Messrs, Shoemaker and Beale - 2,

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

By order,

Allen S. Forrester Clerk.

Thursday, September 4th. 1856,

The branch met pursuant to adjournment,

Present James Armitage Esq. President and all the members except Messrs. Houlton and Welsh.

Mr. Beale called up ordinance No. 45 of the revised ordinances entitled "an ordinance for the safe keeping of Gunpowder within the limits of the city of Baltimore," which was read,

Mr. Whitye moved to amend the third section by adding thereto the words "and the driver of any cart, dray wagon or other carriage or vehicle, when transporting Gunpowder exceeding in quantity one quarter of a barrel, through any street, lane or alley, within the corporate limits of the city of Baltimore, shall display a flag elevated upon a staff at least 4 feet in height with the word "Gunpowder, distinctly and conspicuously marked thereon, and any person neglecting to comply with the requisition of this section shall forfeit and pay a sum not exceeding twenty dollars, for each and every neglect one half of the penalty to be paid to informer and the other to the officer or officers making the arrest," which was determined in the affirmative by the following vote, the yeas and