The question being taken on the proposition to amend the ordinance, it was determined in the negative by the following vote, the yeas and nays being required by Mr. Henry.

Yeas - Messrs. President, Horney, Kirk, Hintze and Gordon - 5.

Nays - Messrs. Henry, Kelso, Simms, Beckner and Sullivan - 5.

Mr. Hintze moved to amend the ordinance by inserting the following as the twenty fourth section:

Sec. 24. Be it enacted and ordained, That if any policemen or officer or any other person or persons appointed in pursuance of the provisions of this ordinance shall neglect to perform his duties assigned him or them by this ordinance, or any duty or duties required of him or them by the Mayor, Marshal, Deputy Marshal, Captains, Lieutenants, or any superior officer, or at any time appear in public without any portion of the uniform or other insignia of office herein assigned him or them, or which the Mayor and Marshal, may hereafter require any person appointed under this ordinance to wear, every such officer, for each and every time for each and every offence, or neglect, shall forfeit not less than one month of the pay allowed him by this ordinance, provided the offence shall not be of so grave a nature as to require immediate dismissal from service.

The question being taken on the proposition to amend the ordinance, it was determined in the negative by the following vote, the yeas & nays being required by Mr Henry:

Yeas - Messrs. Presidents, Horney and Hintze - 3.

Nays - Henry, Kirk, Gordon, Kelso, Simms, Beckner and Sullivan - 7.

Mr Hintze moved to amend the ordinance by inserting the following as the twenty-fourth section:

Sec 24. Be it enacted and ordained, That the Marshal be and he is hereby directed and authorized to sell to the best advantage, all the watch-boxes and equipments thereto as speedily as possible after the passage of this ordinance, and pay the whole amount resulting from said sale, into the hands of the Register, under oath.

Pending the consideration of the proposition to amend

the ordinance,

The ordinance was laid on the table, and

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

By order,

Allen E. Forester, Clerk.

Appropriations.

To December 12th, 1856.....	$724.00
For erecting a shed at the Steamer Market	40.00
For repairing the Drawbridge	125.00
For inspecting the New City Yard	239.43
Total	$1,128.43

Monday, Dec 22d 1856.

The Branch met pursuant to adjournment.

Present - John B. Ludenstricker, Esq., President, and all the members.

Mr. Simms presented the petition of A. F. Dubin and others, remonstrating against the adoption of the resolution relating to granting permission to C. B. Claflaugh to keep hogs at his distillery on Orchard Street. which was read and laid on the table.

Mr. Beckner presented a similar petition from Samuel Harman and others, which was read and laid on the table.

A report from the Joint Standing Committee on Fire Companies, with a resolution relating to authorizing the President and Standing Committee of the Mount Vernon Hook and Ladder Company to dispose of the truck house at present occupied by the company, was received from the Joint Branch and read.

On motion of Mr. Sullivan the resolution was read a second time by special order and adopted.

Mr. Sullivan called up the resolution relating to directing the erection of a fire plug on the corner of Greenwillow and Walsh streets. which was read.

Mr Kirk moved to amend the resolution by striking out the word "City Commissioner", in the second line, and inserting the words "Water Commissioner" which was determined in the affirmative.