the corner of Dover and Howard streets, because the character of the application signed by some of them was essentially changed without their authority, have had the same under consideration and beg leave to offer the following resolution.

Geo. W. Henning,
Samuel Kirk,
John R. Kelso, } Second Branch.
J. H. Haynes,
Benj. G. Niles,
G. C. Crosby, } First Branch.

Resolved, That the Committee be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

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

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

In First Branch;
Baltimore, Dec. 23d 1856,

Gentlemen of the Second Branch;

We respectfully non-concur in your proposition, that when the Council adjourn this evening, it stand adjourned until Monday afternoon next at 5 O'clock, and on that day adjourn sine die; and propose with your concurrence, that when the Council adjourn this evening, it stand adjourned until Monday afternoon at 5 O'clock.

By order,
John Bunting, Clerk.

Mr Hinkle moved that the Branch concur in the proposition contained in the message, which was determined in the affirmative.

On motion of Mr. Kirk the Branch adjourned until Monday afternoon at 5 O'clock.

By order,
Allen E. Forester Clerk.

Monday, Dec. 29th 1856,

The Branch met pursuant to adjournment,

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

Mr. Simms presented the petition of W. Grossman and others, praying that the using of Long Dock as a wind wharf may be discontinued, which was read and refered to the Joint Standing Committee on the Harbor.

Mr. Brickner presented the petition of Murray E. Bardlaw and others, praying that the petition of the Watchman Fire Company be granted, which was read and refered to the Joint Standing Committee on Fire Companies.

The President laid before the branch a communication from the Directors on the part of the city in the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company, which was read and laid on the table.

Mr. Sullivan from the Joint Standing Committee on Highways, presented the following report, and an accompanying ordinance, which were read:

The Joint Standing Committee on Highways, to whom was recommitted the ordinance to condemn and open Orleans Street, from Broadway to Ann Street, passed the first branch of the City Council, December 17th 1856, beg leave to state that they have re-examined the same, and all relating thereto, and find that the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, have authority to declare all that part of Orleans Street a public highway, in accordance with the prayer of the petitioner to that effect; said authority being granted by an Act of Assembly chapter 182, passed December session 1853, and accordingly beg leave to submit the accompanying ordinance.

Robert Sullivan,
L. Brickner,
E. Forney, } Second Branch
G. C. Crosby,
Jacob Epsen, } First Branch.

On motion of Mr. Kirk, the ordinance was read a second time, by special order, and passed.

A report from the Joint Standing Committee on Ways and Means, with an ordinance entitled "an ordinance to provide for payment on account of the new Jail, now being erected", was received from the first branch and read.

On motion of Mr. Kirk, the ordinance was read a second time by special order, and passed.

A resolution relative to appropriating the sum of sixty dollars for having a new roof put on the keeper's house at Patterson's Park, was received from the First Branch and read.