praying that the proper officers may be authorized and empowered to execute an assignment and release of the lot upon which the Tenant house was located, which was read and referred to the Joint Standing Committee on the Companies,

Mr. Hicks presented the annual report of the Baltimore General Dispensary, showing the operations of that institution during the past year and asking a continuance of the annual appropriation, which was read and referred to the Joint Standing Committee on Ways and Means.

The First Branch returned the resolution relative to directing the City Commissioner and Port Warden to examine into the Docks Basin and report the best expedient and best plans for keeping the same in good order, endorsed "concurred in",

A report from the Joint Standing Committee on Water with a resolution relative to authorizing the Water Commissioner to place fire plugs on the south west corner of Street and Law streets, and also on the south east corner of Lexington street and Gleaton alley, was received from the First Branch and read,

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

Mr. Henry moved to amend the resolution by striking out all after the word "practicable" in the seventh line,

Pending the motion to amend,

Messrs. Muller and Green appeared as a committee and invited this branch to meet first Branch in convention on a sealed communication from the Mayor,

On motion of Mr. Bird the resolution was laid on the table, and the invitation to meet the First Branch in convention was accepted.

The members proceeded to the chamber of the first Branch and after some time spent there the convention adjourned and they returned to their chamber,

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

By order,

Allen, S. Forrester, Clerk.



Friday, February 20th 1857,

The Branch met pursuant to adjournment,

Present – John B. Seidenstricker Esq., President and all the members except Mr. Gordon.

Mr. Sullivan moved that a message be sent to the First Branch, proposing with them, concurrence, that when the Council adjourns this evening it stand adjourned until Monday afternoon at 5 O'clock, which was determined in the affirmative.

Mr. Heck called up the ordinance entitled "An ordinance to change the grade of Wyeth and Walker streets, at their intersection with St. Peters street;" which was read.

Mr. Sullivan moved to lay the ordinance on the table, which was determined in the affirmative.

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

In First Branch,
Baltimore, February 20th 1857,

Gentlemen of the Second Branch;

We respectfully concur in your proposition that when the Council adjourns this evening, it stand adjourned until Monday afternoon at 5 O'clock,

By order

Allen S. Forrester Clk

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Appropriations.

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| To February 13th 1857, | $12,048.38 |
| Bruce & Fretter, | 84.13 |
| William H. Shoemaker, | 1,843.00 |
| | $21,075.51. |

Monday, February 23d 1857.

The Branch met pursuant to adjournment,

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