Mr. Heitze from the Joint Standing Committee on Health, presented the following report and an accompanying ordinance, which was read and laid on the table:

The Joint Standing Committee on Health to whom was referred a resolution directing said committee to report whether and what measures can be adopted to lessen the present medical expenses attendant upon coroners and police proceedings, beg leave to report that they find the city treasury severely taxed for medical opinions and services upon the above named occasions and although they do not admit any obligation on the part of the city to pay for services rendered prisoners, yet they feel disposed, on the score of charity and humanity, to provide for the relief and comfort of these unfortunates, and would respectfully suggest that as the vaccine physician annually receives fifty dollars for these services in that capacity, and a similar amount as health warden, and as no services whatever are rendered in the latter capacity, your committee deem it fair that an equivalent change be given for the fifty dollars which have thus been added to their compensation; but as the services required under the annexed ordinance may be deemed onerous, they respectfully suggest that a contingent annual appropriation be placed at the disposal of the Mayor, to be by him divided among the physicians according to the amount of services rendered by them.

The committee therefore submit the accompanying supplementary ordinance.

J. E. B. Heitze,
L. Bielman,
Edward Horney,
} Second Branch

P. H. Mullen,
J. H. B. Boyd,
Daniel Harvey,
} First Branch.

Mr. Hill presented the petition of Silverwood and Sherbello asking permission to construct a service road from the main track on Central avenue, to their premises on said avenue, between Monument and

Mc Elderry street, which was read and referred to the Joint Standing Committee on Internal Improvements.

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

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

Mr. Heitze moved that the following message be sent to the First Branch, which was determined in the affirmative,

In Second Branch;
Baltimore, February 23, 1857.

Gentlemen of the First Branch;

As it is understood that the Hon. James Buchanan President, elect of the United States, will pass through the city on his way to Washington on or about the 26th inst, we respectfully propose, with your concurrence, the appointment of a Joint Special Committee of three members from each Branch to receive him and escort him through the city.

A report from the Joint Standing Committee on Highways, with a resolution relative to authorizing and directing the City Commissioner to have the Chutes separated at the intersection of Madison avenue and McCulloch street, and at the intersection of McCulloch and Garden streets; was received from the first Branch and read.

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

A report from the Joint Standing Committee on Claims, with a resolution relative to directing the Register to pay to Dr Edward Bonnet the sum of five dollars for services in the post mortem examination of the body of William H. Thompson, was received from the first Branch and read.

On motion of Mr. Boyd the resolution was read a second time, by special order and concurred in.

A report from the Joint Standing