A report from the Joint Standing Committee on Highways, with an ordinance entitled "An ordinance to accept the dedication of the bed of Chesnut alley, between Chatsworth and Ogeton streets, adjoining the bed of Bruce alley, and to change the name of Bruce alley to that of Bruce street," were received from the First Branch, read and laid on the Table.

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

In First Branch.
Baltimore, April 21, 1857.

Gentlemen of the Second Branch

We respectfully inform you that we have concurred in your proposition for the appointment of a joint Special Committee on the memorial of the Directors of the Board of Trade and the Corn and Flour Exchange, relative to an annual appropriation of ten thousand dollars to keep a boat in proper condition to prevent the obstruction of the harbor by ice during the winter season, and name as said committee, on the part of this Branch, Messrs Shaver, Tidy and Handy.

By order.
John Bunting, Clerk.

The President appointed Messrs Gordon, Herring and Simms as the committee, on the part of this Branch, on the memorial of the Board of Trade and the Corn and Flour Exchange.

An ordinance entitled "An ordinance supplementary to an ordinance entitled 'An ordinance to establish a police for the city of Baltimore' approved January 1st, 1857," was received from the First Branch, read and laid on the Table.

A report from the Joint Standing Committee on High-ways, with a resolution relative to discharging the committee from the further consideration of the petition of William Cathrine, were received from the First Branch and read.

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

A report from the Joint Standing Committee on Police and Jail, with a resolution relative to discharging the committee from the further consideration of the petition of Egerton, Dougherty, Woods & Co, were received from the First Branch, and read

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

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

In First Branch.
Baltimore April 21, 1857

Gentlemen of the Second Branch.

We respectfully inform you that we have concurred in your proposition for the appointment of a Joint Committee of Conference on the proposition relative to an adjournment sine die, and name as said committee, on the part of this Branch, Messrs Forrest, Boyd and Hynes.

By order,
John Bunting, Clerk.

The President appointed Messrs Kelso Kirk and Simms as the committee, on the part of this Branch, on the proposition relative to the Council adjourning sine die.

Mr Kelso submitted the following preamble and resolution which were read

Whereas, there have been numerous bills from physicians presented to the council during the present session for post mortem examinations said to have been ordered by the coroners; and whereas, it is generally believed that inquests are frequently held over dead bodies not recognized or authorized by the Act of 1836, chapter 165; therefore be it

Resolved by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, That in all cases where the services of a physician are deemed necessary on an inquest, one shall be summoned, and allowance for his services made, and account made out and furnished the City Register, in accordance with the Act of 1846 chapter 168, said account to be made annually on or before the tenth day of January

And be it further resolved, That all returns of coroners made to the City Register shall be by him handed over to the Comptroller for examination, and upon his endorsement of correctness, levy shall be made therefor

On motion of Mr Gordon, the preamble and resolution were read a second time by special order, and adopted.

Mr Gordon from the Joint Standing Committee on Internal Improvements, submitted the following report and resolution, which were read and laid on the Table:

The Joint Standing Committee on Internal Improvements to whom was referred the resolution requesting them to inquire into the justice and expediency of instructing the Directors on the part of the city of Baltimore in the Baltimore and Ohio Rail road Company to urge a reduction on the transportation of coal