with J P Shannon, City Commissioner, for building a new jail for the sum of one hundred and two thousand seven hundred and fifty dollars, the obligations of said contract have been violated; and the Mayor be and he is hereby requested to adopt such measures as he may deem most effective and expedient to obtain redress for the city.

Resolved, That the Register be and he is hereby directed to withhold any further payments on account of the new jail until the stipulations of the contract have been complied with.

Pending the consideration of the substitute.

Mr Herring moved to lay the subject on the table until to morrow afternoon, which was determined in the affirmative by the following vote, the yeas and nays being required by Mr Herring:

Yeas - Messrs President, Horney, Herring, Gordon, Bierbower and Sullivan - 6.

Nays Messrs Kirk, Hintze, Kelso and Simms - 4.

On motion of Mr Herring, the Branch adjourned until to morrow afternoon, at five o'clock

By order,

Allen E. Forrester, Clerk.

Wednesday July 1st. 1857.

The Branch met pursuant to adjournment.

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

Mr Kelso called up the resolutions relative to appropriating the sum of two hundred and forty four thousand dollars (in addition to the one hundred and six thousand dollars heretofore appropriated) for the construction of the new jail building - the special order of the day.

The pending question being on the acceptance of the substitute submitted by Mr Hintze.

Mr Hintze asked and obtained leave to withdraw the substitute.

The question being taken on the adoption of the resolutions it was determined in the negative by the following vote, the yeas and nays being required by Mr Simms.

Yeas - Messrs President, Horney, Herring and Bierbower - 4

Nays - Messrs Kirk, Hintze, Gordon, Kelso, Simms and Sullivan - 6.

On motion of Mr Horney, the Branch adjourned until to morrow afternoon, at five o'clock.

By order,

Allen E. Forrester, Clerk.

Thursday, July 2d, 1857.

The Branch met pursuant to adjournment.

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

Mr Sullivan, from the Joint Standing Committee on Highways, submitted the following report and resolution, which were read and laid on the table.

The Joint Standing Committee on Highways, to whom was referred the petition of Levin Colbert and others, praying for a change or alteration in the sewers in the vicinity of Pratt Street and Central avenue, have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report that they have examined the same and find that the sewers are in rather a bad condition, but the expense of altering them will so great that your committee cannot recommend any action at this time. They therefore respectfully submit the following resolution.

Robt Sullivan, J. C. Crowley,
G Bierbower Henry Forrest,
Second Branch. First Branch.

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

A report from the Joint Standing Committee on Highways, with a resolution relative to discharging the committee from the further consideration of the petition of Thomas N Nelson, were 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 Highways, with a resolution relative to discharging the committee from the further consideration of the resolution