for his defence, to be allowed counsel &c &c. The obvious intent and meaning of this is that he shall not be prevented from or debarred the right of having counsel. Your committee cannot for a moment suppose that it was the intention of the framers of the Constitution that the City of Baltimore should employ counsel to prosecute persons for a violation of the laws of the State or ordinances of the City, and at the same time employ counsel to defend them, thus paying counsel on both sides, if this is right and proper in the City, it is equally so in the Counties, the result will be if not checked by the city, that the city will have to pay for defending nearly all who are tried in the city courts for a violation of the laws. It is a sound principle, that the laborer is worthy of his hire, there are many cases constantly being tried which require much time and labor on the part of the legal gentlemen engaged in them, to whom hundreds of dollars would be nothing more than a just fee for defending a criminal for some of the higher grades of crime, more especially, if by the aid of counsel, he should be acquitted; would the court in such case direct the City to pay such counsel a fee commensurate with the service performed, or only the paltry sum of six dollars and sixty six and two third cents? Surely this would not be justice, and all courts should be governed by the strict rules of justice and equity - Your committee, from their consideration, are of the opinion that the petitioner is not entitled to any compensation from the city, and offer the accompanying resolution.

John Dalkhart } First Branch — Samuel Kirk, A. B. Gordon, John R. Kelso } Second Branch
John S. Taylor
Saml R. Dunnock

Resolved that the committee be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Mr Cunningham offered the following resolution, which was read.

Resolved by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, That the Water Commissioners be and they are hereby authorized and directed to place a fire plug on the corner of Barnet and Sharp streets, and on the corner of Jefferson and Bond streets, and on the corner of Granby Streets and West Falls avenue.

On motion of Mr Cunningham the resolution was referred to the joint standing committee on water.

Mr Hynes from the joint standing committee on Markets, submitted the following report and resolution which were read.

The joint standing committee on Markets to whom was referred the petition of John O'M Gee asking the privilege of using a certain stall in the Lexington Market house for the sale

of fish, have considered the same, and are of opinion that the request is unreasonable and ought not to be granted, they therefore submit the following resolution.

C B Hynes
John Hamilton } First Branch — L Burbower, A B Gordon, Robert Sullivan } Second Branch
William C Beale

Resolved that the committee be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

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

In Second Branch
Baltimore March 5. 1858

Gentlemen of the First Branch

We respectfully propose with your concurrence, that when the Council adjourns this afternoon, it stand adjourned until Monday afternoon at five o'clock.

By order
Allen C. Forrester Clerk

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

On motion of Mr Beachard the Branch adjourned until Monday afternoon at 5 o'clock

By order
Richard R Battee Clerk

Monday March 8th 1858

The Branch met pursuant to adjournment

Present John T. Ford Esq President and all the members except Messrs Talbott, Hamilton and Wood.

Mr Dalkhart presented the petition of John Rogers & Sons, asking permission to withdraw their petition presented in this Branch February 1. 1858

On motion of Mr Dalkhart the request contained in the petition was granted.

Mr Yancey presented the petition of Dr William G. Smull vaccine physician of the twelfth ward, asking additional compensation for extra services performed by him, which was referred to the joint standing committee on claims.

Mr Banard from the joint special committee on the Port Warden's accounts submitted the following report and resolution which were read.