in contravention of the spirit if not of the letter of the Declaration of Rights of this State, which declares that "monopolies are adverse and contrary to the spirit of a free government and the principles of commerce, and ought not be suffered."

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions, signed by the Mayor and by the President of both Branches of the City Council, shall be sent to the President of the Senate of Maryland and to the Speaker of the House of Delegates.

Approved March 8, 1888.

FERDINAND C. LATROBE, Mayor.

No. 22.

Resolution providing for making the necessary surveys for the removal of railroad tracks from North street.

Resolved by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, That the Mayor be and he is hereby directed to have all necessary drawings and surveys made with specifications, embracing full estimates of the cost, and with plans of any bridges or viaducts that may be required, of the best mode for the removal of the tracks of the Northern Central Railroad Company from the bed of North street, without obstructing by railroad crossings the lines of Read, Madison, Monument and Centre streets.

Resolved, That the sum of two thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, be and the same is hereby appropriated from any money in the City Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to pay the cost of making the necessary surveys, plans and drawings, the Comptroller to issue his warrant on the Register for the payment of the cost thereof to the extent of the amount so appropriated; provided a voucher, approved by the Mayor, is first filed with the Comptroller, giving in detail each item of the expenditure named in said voucher.

Approved March 8, 1888.

FERDINAND C. LATROBE, Mayor.

No. 23.

Resolution granting permission to Charles C. Fulton & Co. to erect two signs.

Resolved by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, That permission be and the same is hereby granted to Messrs. Chas. C. Fulton & Co. to erect two signs (neither to exceed 4x8 feet in dimension) against the pillars of the portico in front of the American Building, corner of South and Baltimore streets; the work to be done under the supervision of the Inspector of Buildings.

Approved March 8, 1888.

FERDINAND C. LATROBE, Mayor.