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and also the following report from the Port Wardens
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To the Honorable the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore. The Undersigned Wardens of the Port of Baltimore, Respectfully Report:-

That in executing the many important duties enjoined upon them by the Ordinance of the 24th of March last (under which they were appointed) they have had occasion to draw Eighty two orders on the Register of the City (out of the \$15000.00 appropriation of the said Ordinance) in the aggregate amounting to \$3249.24

Which has been thus appropriated Viz^r

1st For expenses of the Mud Machine
No. 1. \$3904.79

2nd A work shed and articles indispensable to the Mechanist in building the new Machines, repairing scows &c. included under the head of Public Property \$242.66

3rd Expenses of Machine No. 2 including some timber and other materials that may be used for another machine or otherwise \$2546.31
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4th Surveying the ground between Ann street and Hanis Creek building abutments &c. included under the head of the "Eighth section of the Port Wardens Ordinance" \$663.79

Carried forward & continued 7361.64

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Brought forward \$7361.64 \$3249.24
Repairing Public Wharves 20.94
Salary of Port Wardens and Clerk 866.66 \$3249.24

On which several heads they beg leave to make the following Observations Viz^r

The No. 1 Machine is to be credited with
Cash Received of William McMechen Esq. for Hire \$962.50
Ditto " of William Price for hire Mud del. 103.50
Ditto " of Collins & M. Blair for ditto 225.85
Ditto " from Christopher Hughes for mud del. 190. —

on the several vouchers of Alexander McDonald, Superintendent of the Mud Machine, and the respective Accounts of the Individuals above mentioned.

Public Property. - See the vouchers of William Dunsford the Mechanist employed, and the account of public property, in which is included six hand scoops for cleaning the Corners of Docks.

Machine No. 2 - On this head the Port Wardens would observe that the peculiar state of the times has had a tendency to create considerable difficulty in procuring fit materials and caused them to be purchased and contracted for at prices greatly advanced beyond what was formerly paid; this has occasioned unavoidable delay and expense beyond what was at first expected. Yet they have the satisfaction of stating that under the care of an experienced and ingenious workman, the Hull and all the wooden part of the machinery (with greater part of the Iron) is finished in a very superior style, and with the additional expense (by estimation) of about \$300, she will be ready to go into operation early in the spring.