Wednesday, April 10th 1839.

The Branch met pursuant to adjournment — present Joshua Dryden, Esq. President, and all the members except Messrs Snyder, Keyser and Brown.

A message was received from the Second Branch assenting to the appointment of a Committee of Conference on the resolution relative to the grading of Aisquith Street, and naming Messrs Boyd, Keaney and Howard.

A resolution making an appropriation for the assessment of tax to such the records &c. was received from the Second Branch and read the first time.

A resolution to have the Cross Street at the intersection of East Baltimore and Ann Street raised, was received from the Second Branch, and read the first time.

The Bill authorising the Mayor to endorse the bonds of the Susquehanna & Tide Water Canal Company, was read the second time, and the enacting clause, on motion of Mr. Barnard, struck out.

The Bill to change the names of Water and Pinkney Streets, was read the second time. Mr. Wallis moved to amend the Bill by striking out "Lombard" and inserting "Cross" — Mr. Powel called for the yeas and nays on this motion — while the Clerk was progressing in calling the roll, Mr. Cross asked to be excused from voting thereon — Mr. Wallis demanded the yeas and nays on the motion to be excused, which were as follows:

Yeas — Messrs President, Atkinson, Metzgar, Knotts, Powel, Pindell, Seidenstricker, G. Meyer, Pinkney, J. Myers, Barnard, McDonald, Brung, Watkins — 14.

Nays — Messrs Mathiot, Wallis — 2.

Determined in the affirmative — The amendment of Mr. Wallis was then dissented from by the following vote:

Yea — Mr. Wallis — 1. Nays — Messrs President, Atkinson, Metzgar, Knotts, Powel, Pindell, Seidenstricker, Mathiot, G. Meyer, Pinkney, J. Myers, Barnard, McDonald, Brung, Watkins 15.

The Bill was then passed and sent to the Second Branch, who returned the same endorsed, "Will pass."

The Bill assenting to the Act of Assembly in aid of construction of a State Armory and Town Hall, was read the second time, passed and sent to the Second Branch.

(Mr. Cross)

Mr. Cross offered the following resolution, which was read:

Resolved by the First Branch of the City Council: That Philip Wallis, one of the members from the Seventh Ward, be and he is hereby expelled from the First Branch of the City Council, for disorderly behavior.

On motion of Mr. Wallis the above resolution was laid on the table, by the following vote:

Yeas — Messrs President, Randolph, Metzgar, Knotts, Solley, Mathiot, Yeates, Pinkney, J. Myers, Barnard, McDonald, Brung, Watkins — 13.

Nays — Messrs Atkinson, Powell, Pindell, Seidenstricker, Cross, G. Meyer, Rupert — 7.

The resolution authorising the Counsellor of the City to take immediate steps to protect the rights of the City against the claim of R. and E. Marsh, was returned by the Second Branch, endorsed "Concurred in."

The following message from the Mayor was received and read.

Mayor's Office, April 10th 1839.

To the Members of the First Branch of the City Council: —

Gentlemen:

I have approved and signed "An Ordinance to change the name of Bury Alley, in the City of Baltimore;" a "resolution for the relief of Samuel Brady, late Collector;" and "resolutions to pay Committees for destroying City Certificates, &c." all of which originated in your Branch.

Yours, Respectfully,

J. C. Leakin, Mayor.

The following Communication from the City Counsellor, was received and read.

To the First Branch of the City Council of Baltimore:

Gentlemen:

In the purpose of complying with the requisitions of your resolution passed yesterday, "that the legal Counsel of the City furnish his opinion stating in whom the power of appointing the Directors of the Ohio and Susquehanna Rail Road Companies is vested, so far as regards the Directors on the part of the City of Baltimore," I have carefully examined the several Acts of Assembly, and the Ordinances of the City which relate to this subject, and it is my opinion that the said power of appointing so far as any such power can now be exercised is vested in a convention of the Two Branches of the City Council,

(voting)