Resolved. That the Committee be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

The Branch then, on motion thereof, adjourned until Monday Afternoon next, at half past 3 o'clock.

By Order.

S. H. Moore Clerk.

Monday, August 19th, 1839.

The Branch met pursuant to adjournment — present Joshua Lyden, Esq. President, and all the Members except Messrs Randolph, Selling, Mattiot, Russell, Barnard and Watkins.

Mr. Metzger presented a petition from Josiah Richardson and others, for and on behalf of Mrs. Mary McCall praying that she may be permitted to place a fruit stand at the corner of Eutaw and Lexington-Street, which was referred to the Committee on Police.

Mr. Pinkney on leave introduced a resolution entitling the Mayor to draw for a sum of money to be expended in preserving the peace of the City, which was read a first & by special order the second time.

On the question of concurring therein, the yeas and nays being required by Mr. Cross were as follows.

Yeas — Messrs President, Atkinson, Metzger, Prudell, G. Myers, Yeates, Walling, Pinkney, J. Myers, Byrne, Keyser, Brown — 11.

Nays — Messrs Knotts, Powel, Leidenstricker, Cross, McDonald — 5.

Returned in the affirmative and the resolution sent to the Second Branch who returned the same endorsed "Concurred in."

A Communication from George S. Eichelberger, Market Master, relating to certain omissions in the revised Ordinance relative to the Markets, was received from the Mayor, read and referred to the Committee on Markets.

The following Communication from the Mayor was received and read.

Mayor's Office August 19th 1839.

Gentlemen of the First Branch of the City Council:

I have approved and signed a resolution authorizing the Commissioners of Finance to purchase certain property therein mentioned, which originated in your Branch.

Very Respectfully

S. G. Leakin Mayor

Mr. Metzger from the Committee, submitted the following report, and a Bill entitled "An Ordinance for the relief of the Baltimore and Susquehanna Rail Road Company," which was read, and ordered to be published in all the daily papers of the City.

The Joint Committee on Internal Improvements, to which was referred the Communication addressed by the Baltimore and Susquehanna Rail Road Company to the Mayor, and by him to the City Council, beg leave to report —

That the object of the Communication is to apprise the Mayor and City Council that the Company have not been able to avail themselves of the appropriation made by the Legislature at its recent session for the purpose of completing the road, in consequence of the Commissioners of Loans not having as yet been able to dispose of the State Stock. The Company also are desirous that the City Authorities should decide whether the interest of the City require at this time any further action on her part.

The Committee are of the opinion that from the benefits which have already accrued to the City, during the brief period since the opening of the Road, that any thing which should prevent its perfect and speedy completion to the Susquehanna River, would be a subject for deep and universal regret and under this view, they believe that the interests of the City require at this time both prompt and vigorous action on the part of the proper authorities in order to prevent so unhappy a result.

The Committee in endeavouring to ascertain in what form the efforts of the City might be made available for the use of Company, have discovered but two modes — one of which would be the issue on the part of the Corporation of Certificates of the denomination of one, two and three dollars, to an amount

(sufficient)