Resolved by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore
That the Directors, on the part of the city in the Bal-
-timore and Ohio Rail Road Company, and the Bal-
-timore and Susquehanna Rail Road Company, be
and they are hereby instructed, to use all proper means
their power, to obtain further retrenchment in the ex-
-penses of the respective companies, of which they are
directors, by a reduction in the salaries of the officers,
and the more rigid economy in all expenditures, and
also a reduction in the rates of transportation for
passengers, and freight on produce, particularly
heavy articles, such as coal, lime, limestone, iron,
salt, fish, &c. that every proper inducement may
be given to make Baltimore the great depot.

On motion of Mr. J. Brown, a message was
sent to the Second Branch proposing that when the
councils adjourn this afternoon, they adjourn until
Monday afternoon next.

The Second Branch assented.

Mr. Nattkin offered the following resolution
which was read a first and by special order a
second time, and concurred in.

Resolved, That the city commissioners be, and
they are hereby requested, to report to this Branch, the
manner in which the repairs of paved streets; alte-
-ration of gutters, in said streets; re-setting of curb
stones; repairing of pumps, and mud machines;
together with such other information as they can give
relating to the manner in which work is done,
not regulated by ordinance or resolution.

The resolution on the will of Henry Peters, Ann
Bradshaw and the Administrator of Ann Tuler
-house, were returned from the Second Branch,
endorsed concurred in.

On motion of Mr. Walsh, the resolution re-
-lating to the City Counsellor's communication was
read a second time, and all after the word "claim"
was stricken out.

On motion of Mr. Ringrose, the Second Branch was
invited into convention, and after sitting for some
time adjourned.

Mr. Roberts offered the following preamble and re-
-solution, which were read a first and by special
order a second time, and concurred in.

Whereas, many citizens of the Third Ward, labour
under much inconvenience during the inclement sea-
-son of the year, on account of Jefferson Street, between
Aisquith and Shot Street, not being gravelled, &c.
therefore be it

Resolved, That the city commissioners be request-
-ed to furnish this Branch, with information, whether
in due course of law the said part of Jefferson
Street being between Aisquith and Shot Street,
can be at this time gravelled, set, &c

On motion of Mr. Brown, the branch adjourn-
-ed until Monday afternoon next.

By Order
Henry. W. Gray
Clerk.

Monday, January 30th 1843

The branch met, pursuant to adjournment.
Present - Henry Snyder, Esqr. President, and all the members
except Mr. Zimmerman.

Mr. Ringrose presented the annual report of the Washing-
-ton Hose Company.

Mr. Fisher presented the annual report of the Union Fire Com-
-pany.

Mr. Hack presented the annual report of the
New Market Fire Company - all of which were read
and referred to the joint committee on fire companies.

Mr. Lightner offered the following resolution, which
was read a first and by special order a second time,
and concurred in:

Resolved, by the First Branch of the City Council,
That the city commissioners be, and they are hereby reques-
-ted, to examine into the condition of the City Hall; and
report, as early as practicable, their opinion as to the
necessity of having the exterior and interior of the building