Office of the City Commissioners
Baltimore, February 18. 1845

We have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your resolution, directing us to inform your honorable branch "what compensation per diem was paid to the labourers employed in cleaning the streets in the first district, after the forfeiture of the contract, — also the amount, per diem, paid to Mr Krager. — also what monies have been expended for removing snow and ice, — and out of what appropriation the last mentioned monies were paid" and in reply, we have to state, that we allowed the labourers a dollar per day, — that the foreman Mr Joseph F. Krager, agreeably to the 6th section of Ordinance No 5. of last session, received as compensation for superintending the hands employed, "the sum of twenty five cents per day, over and above that paid to the other hands," — and that the carters for their own labour and the services of their carts and horses, were allowed each $1.25 per day. With regard to "what monies have been expended for removing snow and ice, — and out of what appropriation the last monies were paid", we have no official means of ascertaining; the 2nd Section of Ordinance No 5. having placed that duty "under the direction of the fourteen police officers and City bailiffs of the City of Baltimore."

We have the honor to be with sentiments of high respect, Your obt servts Jno N. Murphy. Geo A Davis. John Ijams. City Commissioners

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City Commissioners Office
Baltimore February 18. 1845

To the Hon. the President and
Members of the First Branch of the City Council.
Gentlemen

In reply to your resolution requesting us "to enquire and report the probable expense of gravelling the central part of Broadway, between Baltimore and Lombard streets, so that it may correspond with the remainder of said street", we have the honour to state that it will require about $250.

With sentiments of high respect
We remain
Your obedt servts
Jno N. Murphy
Geo. A Davis
John Ijams
City Commissioners

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City Commissioners' Office
Baltimore February 18. 1845.

To the Hon. the President and Members
of the First Branch of the City Council:

We have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your resolution, requesting us to inform your branch whether we have obtained "a suitable lot for the purpose of erecting thereon a small pox hospital, as contemplated by resolution No 124. of last annual session of the City Council." In reply, we have to remark, that the resolution to which you refer, provided that it should "not be carried into effect by the City Commissioners, if the corporation could obtain from the general government within three months from its date, the house known as the Lazaretto for the purpose", and as the use of the Lazaretto was granted by the general government within the stipulated time, the necessity for the purchase of the lot, as well as our power, under the resolution ceased to exist; which facts we had the honor of communicating to the Hon. the Mayor and Council in our annual report of the 3d ult. and to which we respectfully beg leave to refer you.

With sentiments of high respect
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