tomorrow afternoon at half past 3. O'Clock

By order

Geo P. Woodward Clerk

Thursday, March 20, 1845.

The Branch met pursuant to adjournment.

Present Samuel Harker Esq President, and all the members except Mr Reilly.

Mr Fields presented a petition from Hugh Gelston and others recommending that the horse market may be located at the corner of Howman and Front streets, which was read, and on motion of Mr Brock laid on the table.

Mr Purviance presented a petition from the Mechanics Bank, Union Bank of Maryland, Bank of Baltimore, Commercial and Farmers Bank, Marine Bank, and Farmers and Merchants Bank. — Also, the petition of James Wilson and others, asking to have certain taxes paid by them, refunded, which were read and referred to the joint committee on claims.

Mr Brown in the chair,

Mr Brock presented a petition from R B Chenoweth, counter to the petition for locating the horse market at the corner of Howman and Front streets, which was read and laid on the table.

The Second Branch returned the report of the joint committee on claims, on the petition of George Gordon Belt endorsed "concurred in"

Mr Croney called for the second reading of the resolution relative to the Poppa Road.

The resolution was "concurred in"

The President resumed his seat.

Mr Browning moved to take up bill No 34. entitled "An ordinance providing for cleaning the public streets, lanes and alleys, in the city of Baltimore by contract".

The question being on taking up the bill, it was determined in the affirmative by the following vote. — the yeas and nays being called for by Mr Brock:

Yeas. — Messrs Croney, Fields, Walsh, Brock, Turner, Staylor, Kennedy, Dallam, Purviance, Browning, Addison, Ridgely, Green and Gault. — 14.

Nays

Nays. Messrs President, Cooper, Hall, Haynes, Leonard, Brown, Page, Russell Jr, Marley, Suter and Barnet. — 11.

Mr Browning moved to amend the first section by striking out the words in the twenty second line "20th day of March" and insert the "10th day of April", which was determined in the affirmative.

Mr Leonard moved to strike out the enacting clause, which was determined in the negative by the following vote, — the yeas and nays being called for by Mr Brock:

Yeas. — Messrs President, Cooper, Hall, Haynes, Leonard, Staylor, Kennedy, Brown, Russell Jr. Marley, Suter and Barnet. — 12.

Nays. — Messrs Croney, Fields, Walsh, Brock, Turner, Dallam, Purviance, Page, Browning, Addison, Ridgely, Green and Gault. — 13.

Mr Page moved to lay the bill on the table, which was determined in the negative by the following vote, the yeas and nays being called for by Mr. Brock.

Yeas. — Messrs President, Cooper, Hall, Haynes, Leonard, Staylor, Brown, Page, Russell Jr, Marley, Suter and Barnet. — 12.

Nays. — Messrs Croney, Fields, Walsh, Brock, Turner, Kennedy, Dallam, Purviance, Browning, Addison, Ridgely, Green and Gault. 13.

Mr Browning moved to insert the word "lanes", at the end of the twenty fourth line, second section, which was determined in the affirmative.

Mr Hall moved to lay the bill on the table, which was determined in the negative by the following vote, — the yeas and nays being called for by Mr Hall:

Yeas. — Messrs President, Cooper, Hall, Haynes, Leonard, Staylor, Brown, Page, Russell Jr. Marley, Suter and Barnet. — 12.

Nays. — Messrs Croney, Fields, Walsh, Brock, Turner, Kennedy, Dallam, Purviance, Browning, Addison, Ridgely, Green and Gault. 13.

Mr Gault moved to amend the second section by inserting in the fifth line, after the word "clean" the word "all", and after the word "public" the word "paved", which was determined in the affirmative.

Mr Leonard moved to amend the second section, by striking out the words "in the district or districts", in the seventh line, strike out the words "for which he may contract",

Mr Dallam