of the Corporation to recover under the existing laws and Ordinances. All of which is respectfully submitted.

John H. Jerome, Chairman.
John S. Brown.
Hugh Bolton.

City Hall Baltimore January 8. 1852

To His Honor John H. Jerome, Mayor
John S. Brown Esq. President of the First Branch C.C.
Hugh Bolton Esq. " Second "
Committee on examination of accounts of Henry S. Anderson, Esq., late City Collector.

Gentlemen.

The undersigned appointed by your Honorable Board to examine the Books, accounts and vouchers of Henry S. Anderson Esq. late City Collector, have the honor respectfully to report:

That after the examination ~~of the Books~~ and review of the Books in the office of the City Register containing the accounts of that officer, in connection with the collection of the City Taxes as authorized and prescribed by Ordinance, a report and balance sheet, exhibiting the result of said examination, was submitted by the undersigned on the 25th of July 1851.

As the nicht prequisite steps rendered necessary, in the prosecution of the duties assigned them, the undersigned proceeded to an examination of the various cash books in the charge of the Clerks and Bailiffs, employed under the late City Collector: this examination proved extremely difficult and intricate, involving a minute and studious inspection of the labors of

eleven individuals acting in the capacity of sub-collectors and receivers of the entire amount of City Taxes for a period of four consecutive years, 1847, 1848, 1849, 1850.

The accounts thus kept purported to be entries of the several amounts daily received on account of the City Taxes for said years, a transcript of which amounts, after examination by the clerk and acting cashier of the office, was entered or posted by him in the City cash Books for the years on account of which they were respectively received. A thorough comparative examination of said accounts and cash books, exhibited the fact of all the items contained in the respective cash Books under the charge of said sub collectors and Bailiffs, having been entered upon the proper corresponding City cash Book under the immediate charge of the Clerk and acting cashier of the office P. A. Egerton Esq.

Having thus ascertained that the amounts thus received by the several clerks in the office on account of the City Taxes for the years 1847. 1848. 1849 and 1850 were all correctly entered on the City cash Books, it became necessary to examine said City cash Books, which examination was conducted with the utmost care and minuteness: for the result of which we respectfully refer to tabular statement marked C, containing an account of the various errors discovered, which errors we designated therein as favorable or adverse.

It is deemed necessary to remark in connection with this part of the examination, that the total adverse balance as exhibited in the statements referred to, cannot have any direct, material bearing upon the matter at issue, inasmuch as the amount of said errors are merged