On motion of Mr. Henning, the report was concurred in, and the President appointed Messrs. Henning, Kirk, and Beirbower, as the committee on the part of this Branch.

The First Branch returned the ordinance entitled "A further supplement to an ordinance entitled "An ordinance to guarantee the bonds of the Pittsburg and Connellsville Rail-road Company", approved June 24th. 1853, endorsed "will pass with proposed amendments.

Amendments proposed:-

1. In section 1. after the word "enacted," in the first line, insert the words "and ordained".

2. In section 8. after the word "enacted" in the first line, insert the words "and ordained"

On motion of Mr. Timins, the proposed amendments were concurred in.

Mr. Timins called up second ordinance No. 38. entitled "An ordinance for the licensing and regulating of pawnbrokers" which was read.

On motion of Mr. Heintze, the ordinance was read a second time, by special order.

Mr. Sullivan moved to amend the fifth section by striking out the words "high constable"; and inserting the words "marshal of police"; which was determined in the affirmative.

The ordinance, as amended, was passed.

Mr. Heintze called up ordinance No. 39 of the second ordinances, entitled "An ordinance directing the manner of punishing slaves guilty of offences against the ordinances of the city of Baltimore"; which were read.

On motion of Mr. Sullivan, the ordinance was read a second time, by special order, and passed.

On motion of Mr. Keik, the Branch adjourned until to-morrow afternoon at five o'clock.

By order.

Allen. E. Forrester. Clerk.

Tuesday. April 6th. 1858.

The Branch met pursuant to adjournment.

Present - John B. Sudnaticker Esq President and all the members.

The President laid before the Branch the following communication from the Mayor.

Mayor's Office - City Hall
Baltimore. April 6th. 1858.

To the Honorable the Members of the
Second Branch of the City Council.

Gentlemen -

I have approved of the following resolutions emanating from your Branch, viz:-

Resolution authorizing the planting of shade trees in Eutaw square.

Resolution to prevent the manufacture of soap or candles on Arch street, between Lexington and Saratoga streets.

Resolution relative to the improvement of Madison square.

With great respect
Your obedient servant.
Thos: Swann. Mayor.

Mr. Beirbower laid before the Branch the following communication from the Comptroller:

Office City Comptroller.
Baltimore. April 6. 1858.

To the Presidents and Members of the
First and Second Branches of the City Council:

Gentlemen -

There being a difference of opinion between the Auditor and myself in reference to the construction of ordinance No. 2. approved February 26. 1858. entitled "An ordinance supplementary to ordinance No. 10. approved March. 9th 1855. supplementary to an ordinance entitled 'an ordinance providing for the appointment of an Auditor and prescribing his duties and for other purposes'"; I have concluded to submit the subject to your honorable body. The Auditor's construction of said ordinance only compels him to pay in accordance with the amount bids and not the interest that has accrued, and that all interest collected by him belongs to him as a part of his compensation in addition to the per centage allowed in said ordinance. There being some obscurity and