liquidation of Baltimore's interest in the estate of the late John McDonough, of Louisiana, deceased, and for the appointment of a board of trustees of the McDonough Educational Fund and Institute," were received from the First Branch, read and laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Reik, the ordinance was ordered to be re-printed.

Mr. Reik submitted the following resolution, which was read.

Resolved by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, That the City Commissioner be and he is hereby authorized and directed to so alter the curb stone at the northwest part of Sterling street, so that pedestrians may pass between the pump located there and the curb, and draw on the Register, with the approbation of the Mayor, for the sum of ten dollars, to be taken out of the appropriation for repairs of pumps.

On motion of Mr. Reik, the resolution was read a second time, by special order, and adopted.

Mr. Herring moved to take up the ordinance, "entitled an ordinance for the general valuation and assessment of property in the city of Baltimore," which was determined in the affirmative by the following vote, the yeas and nays being required by Mr. Reik.

Yeas—Messrs. Horney, Herring, Kelso, Simms and Biesecker—5.

Nays—Messrs. President, Reik, Geram and Pellman—4.

Mr. Simms moved to amend the second section by striking out the word "tenth" in the seventeenth line, and inserting the word "twentieth", which was determined in the affirmative.

Mr. Kelso moved to further amend the second section by striking out the word "twenty" in the fourth line, and inserting the word "ten", which was determined in the affirmative by the following vote, the yeas and nays being required by Mr. Biesecker.

Yeas—Messrs. President, Horney, Herring, Reik, Geram, Kelso and Simms—7.

Nays—Messrs. Biesecker and Pellman—2.

Mr. Kelso moved to further amend the second section by striking out from the word "district," in the fourth line, to the word "district," inclusive, in the fifteenth line, and inserting the words "wards Nos. 1 and 2, constituting the first district; wards Nos. 3 and 4, constituting the second district; wards Nos. 5 and 6, constituting the third district; wards Nos. 7 and 8, constituting the fourth district; wards Nos. 9 and 10, constituting the fifth district; wards Nos. 11 and 12, constituting the sixth district; wards Nos. 13 and 14, constituting the seventh district; wards Nos. 15 and 16, constituting the eighth district; wards Nos. 17 and 18, constituting the ninth district; wards Nos. 19 and 20, constituting the tenth district," which was determined in the affirmative.

Mr. Simms moved to further amend the second section by striking out the words "twentieth day of May," in the seventeenth line, and inserting the words "first day of June;" which was determined in the affirmative.

Mr. Reik moved to amend the eight section by striking out the words "twelfth day of May," in the line, and inserting the words "first day of June", which was determined in the affirmative.

Mr. Reik moved to amend the ninth section by striking out the words "seventeenth of May," in the third line, and inserting the words "eight day of June," which was determined in the affirmative.

The ordinance was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Biesecker, the Branch adjourned until to-morrow afternoon at 5 o'clock.

By order,

Allen E. Forrester, Clerk.

Wednesday, May 5th, 1858.

The Branch met pursuant to adjournment.

Present—John B. Ridenstricker, Esq., President, all the members, except Mr. Heintze.

The President laid before the Branch the following communication from the City Commissioner: