return (429) this —

Resolved by both branches of the City Council, that there be added to the appropriations of the present year, one hundred and forty eight dollars and eighty cents, for the purpose of paying that amount to Samuel Vincent, on account of three orders drawn upon the Register in favour of John Boulden by the City Commissioners, for paving Plowman Street, Duke Street, and Petticoat Alley, and by the said Boulden assigned to the said Vincent, which orders were approved by the Mayor on the 18th of March 1811 —

A Bill, Entitled, An Ordinance directing the inspection of Ginseng, was received from the first branch, was read and referred to the consideration of the City Council at its next annual session, and a message sent to the first branch informing them of such reference —

A Bill, Entitled, A supplement to the ordinance Entitled, An ordinance to restrain gaming and for licensing and regulating theatrical and other public exhibitions within the City and precincts of Baltimore, was read the first and by special order a second time, passed and sent to the first Branch, by that Branch passed, and returned to this.

A message was received from the first branch proposing that when the City Council adjourned, it adjourn "sine die", to which this branch agreed and so informed that Branch, and adjourned accordingly —

By Order, Thos Rogers Clk

In 2d Branch June 13th 1816. (429)

In consequence of a notification from the Register for convening the City Council on this Day by order of the Mayor, - the branch met, present Henry Payson Esq. President & all the members except Mr. Miller.

Mr. Rogers the Clerk being absent, Saml Young was appointed Clerk pro tem.

A Message was sent to the 1st branch, stating that this branch had formed a Quorum, and proposing the appointment of a joint committee to wait upon the Mayor, and nominating Mr. Hollins on the part of this branch; to which proposition that branch agreed, and appointed Messrs Masher and Wilson of 4ths on their part.

Mr Hollins from the joint Committee delivers the following communication from the Mayor, (accompanied with a Letter from Rembrandt Peale, detailing the superior advantages that would result from having the Streets of this City lighted with Carburetted Hydrogen Gas instead of Oil, and proposing on the part of the "Gas light Company of Baltimore" to contract for lighting a part of the City on such terms as may be agreed on, and engaging to extend the contract on similar terms when the advantages of it shall be made apparent, - was praying for authority to lay along and under the streets &c pipes for conveying the Gas. &c.)

Gentlemen of the City Council

I have deemed it advisable to convene you at this time, to afford an early opportunity of considering (the