A resolution relating to the erection of walls and jets at Union square, was received from the First Branch, read and laid on the table.

A report and resolution of the joint committee on streets on the application of Robert McKim, asking permission to construct a vault under the footway of Plover alley were received from the First Branch, read a first, and by special order a second time, concurred in and returned to the First Branch.

The President this day presented to the Mayor for his approval, "An ordinance to prevent obstructions in public streets and highways" a resolution in favor of the keeper of Franklin square; also a resolution to repair the Lexington market houses, and to whitewash the same.

Mr Shaffer from the joint committee to wait on the Mayor reported that the committee had performed the duty assigned them, and that the Mayor had no further communication to make.

On motion of Mr Shaffer, the branch adjourned sine die.

By order
Jno A Thompson Clerk

Annual Session 1850

Monday January 21st 1850

This being the day prescribed by the charter of incorporation for the meeting of the City Council, the Second Branch assembled in their chamber, in the City Hall at three o'clock P.M.

Present, William A Hack Esqr President, and all the members.

On motion of Mr Shaffer, the following message was sent to the First Branch:

In Second Branch, January 21st 1850.

Gentlemen of the First Branch:

The Second Branch of the City Council has been organized – the officers of the last session, viz: William A Hack President: John A Thompson, Clerk: and E. R Simmers, Door-Keeper, occupying their several stations, to which they were elected for the term of this branch.

We propose with your assent, the appointment of a joint committee to wait on the Mayor, and inform him that the council has effected its organization, and is prepared to receive any communication he may have to make, – and have appointed as the committee on the part of our branch, Messrs Shaffer and Dukehart.

By order
Jno A Thompson Clerk

Mr Shaffer offered the following the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved by the Second Branch of the City Council, that the proprietors of the different newspapers published in this city or such persons as may be authorised by them to report the proceedings of this branch (not to exceed one person from each paper) shall upon giving the president satisfactory assurance that he or they are authorised by such proprietors to report for said paper, be permitted to take seats within the bar of this chamber, convenient to the clerks table, at any time during the session of this branch; and the necessary accommodations shall be provided for said reporters by the city, and the door keeper of this branch furnish each reporter with a copy of the daily journal.