Friday February 18. 1853.

The Branch met pursuant to adjournment.

Present John B. Eidenstricker Esqr President and all the members.

Mr Farlow presented a petition from John Muckleroy & others, praying an additional appropriation for the cleaning of Fells Point Market, which was read and referred to the joint committee on markets.

A message was received from the First Branch proposing to refer accompanying papers relative to the McDonogh bequest to the joint Select Committee on that subject which was read & concurred in.

A communication, with accompanying papers relative the McDonogh bequest, was received from the City Counsellor, read, and referred to the joint committee on the McDonogh bequest.

A report of the joint Committee on the Harbor with a resolution in favor of R B Goodwin & Co. was received from the First Branch read & laid on the table.

On motion of Mr Suter, the resolution to finish the bridge over the bed of Gunpowder street, and the resolution in favor of E Bishop were severally taken up, read, and **adopted.**

On motion of Mr Griffith the resolution to place fire plugs at the corner of Pratt and Charles streets, and the resolution to place fire plugs at Pratt and Fremont, and at Raborg and Appleton street were severally taken up read and concurred in.

On motion of Mr Stewart, the supplement to "An Ordinance to preserve the health of the City" was taken up, read, and engrossed.

On motion of Mr Suter, the resolution in favor of Richard France, was taken up, read & laid on the table.

Mr Griffith offered a resolution directing the City Register to return to this Branch the memorial of the Howard Fire Company asking a loan, presented at the last session of the Council, which was read first & second time & adopted.

Mr Griffith offered a resolution instructing the joint committee on Markets to report an Ordinance to regulate the Market days of the Hollins street market, which was read and referred to the joint committee on Markets.

Mr Pickers, from the joint special committee, reported an ordinance supplementary to Ordinance No 58 of last session, to regulate the duties of City Auditor, which was read & laid on the table.

Mr Suter presented a petition from L Birckhead, which was read & referred to the joint committee on Claims.

On motion of Mr Farlow a message was sent to the First Branch proposing that when the Council adjourn this evening it stand adjourned till Monday afternoon next.

Mr Richardson offered a resolution requesting of the City Commissioner information relative to the stacks on which the Baltimore Susquehanna Railroad is constructed east of Jones Falls, which was read & adopted.

On motion of Mr Griffith the ordinance respecting lime was taken up read & laid on the table.

On motion the Branch adjourned till tomorrow afternoon at 5 o'clk.

By order

Jno. Griffith Clk.

Saturday February 19th 1853

The Branch met pursuant to adjournment.

Present John B. Eidenstricker Esqr Pres & all the members except Messrs Falls and Webster.

Mr Griffith presented a petition from W. R. Cole, praying the return of taxes paid in error, which was read and referred to the joint Committee on Claims.

On motion of Mr Farlow, bill No 11, a substitute for the resolution to authorize the closing of the doors of the market, under the Hall of the Mechanics Institute was taken up read, and accepted, and

The bill being on its passage will pass.

Mr Griffith offered a resolution to have flagstones placed at the intersection of Hollins and Appleton streets, which was read & referred to the joint committee on Highways.

A report of the joint committee on claims in favor of David Hays, was received from the First Branch, read & laid on the table.

The First Branch returned the resolution for the sale of Dividend Stocks, endorsed concurred in with proposed amendments,

Amendments proposed - in the first & second lines of 2nd resolution, strike out the words 28th day of February last, & insert "15th day of March next. In the 5th line of the 1st Resolution strike out "28th day of February last" & insert "15th day of March next".

On motion of Mr Suter the amendments were concurred in.

A message was received from the First Branch, proposing to refer accompanying papers relative to the Superior Court, to the joint Committee on Ways & Means, which was read & concurred in.

On motion of Mr Stewart the resolution in favor of Richard France was taken up & read.

Mr Suter offered the following substitute which was read & accepted:

Resolved that the Committee be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

The resolution was concurred in with the proposed substitute.

On motion of Mr Stewart the Branch adjourned till Monday afternoon at 5 o'clk.

By order

Jno. Griffith

Clerk

Monday February 21. 1853

The Branch met pursuant to adjournment.

Present John B. Eidenstricker Esqr Pres & all the members.

A report of the joint Select Committee on the accounts of the Commissioner of Finance was received from the First Branch, read first & second time & concurred in.

The First Branch returned the resolution for the purchase of copies of the City Ordinances and the resolution for the appointment of a joint Select Committee on the charge for the easement right of Olivers Wharf, respectively endorsed "concurred in".

A report of the joint Committee on claims in favor of Albert G. Griffith was received from the First Branch, read & laid on the table.

Mr Griffith presented a petition from Daniel Sepson & others praying further regulation in the sale of wood, which was read and referred to the joint Committee on Police.

Mr Griffith presented a petition from Daniel Sepson & others, praying that flagstones