of William D. Miller, relative to sewers; and the resolution on the petition of Wm D. Miller, praying the return of taxes paid in error, respectively endorsed "concurred".
A report of the jt. com. on highways, relative to the construction of a sewer on the east side of Charles street; a resolution to pave Ashland Square; and a resolution of instruction to the Commissioner of Health, were rec.d from the First Branch, severally read & lain on the table.
A resolution in favor of David Hays; a resolution on the petition of George Whittlem; a resolution in favor of George Patterson; and a report of the jt. com. on highways on the petition of J. Sullivan & others, were received from the First Branch, severally read a first & second time & concurred in.
On motion of Mr Stewart, the resolution in relation to the Connellsville Rail Road Company, was taken up & read.
Mr Parlow in the Chair.
The President offered the following substitute for the resolution:
Resolved that the Committee on Internal Improvements be directed to inquire into the expediency of applying to the Legislature of Maryland, for privilege, on the part of this Corporation, to endorse the bonds of of the Connellsville Rail Road Company, to the amount of one Million dollars; and if the committee shall deem it expedient then to obtain a draft of a suitable act of assembly, to be prepared by the City Counsellor, containing all the necessary securities &c &c, which said committee may think proper; and when thus prepared to submit the whole subject to the city Council.
The substitute was rejected by the following vote: Yeas 4, Nays 6.
The President offered the following amendment: at the end of the resolution add the words "and that the Legislature be memorialized further, to provide in said bill that, before the Mayor & City Council make such endorsement, the legal voters of the city of Baltimore, be authorized to express their opinion, through the ballot box, at such time, and in such manner as the said Mayor and City Council may determine, as to the propriety of making said endorsement,
Mr Richardson moved to lay the subject on the table, which was determined in the negative by the following vote: Yeas 5, Nays 5;
The amendment was rejected by the following vote: Yeas 4. Nays 6.
The resolution was concurred in by the following vote: Yeas 7. Nays 3.
The President resumed the chair.
Mr Vickers moved to reconsider the vote on referring the ordinance to increase the compensation of the watchman at the City Hall, to the jt Com. Ways & Means, which was determined in the affirmative by the following vote: Yeas 7, Nays 3.
On motion of Mr Stewart, the Branch adjd. till to-morrow afternoon at 5 o'clk
By order Jno. Jr. Frith Clk

Friday April 29, 1853
The Branch met pursuant to adjournment.
Present - Jno. B. Seidenstricker Esq. President & all the members except Mr Falls.
Mr Slater presented a petition from J. J. Taylor & others, praying the privilege of continuing a platform along Jones's Falls, which was rec.d & ref.d to the jt com. on the Harbor.
On motion of Mr Griffith, the resolution to repair the wharf at the Small Pox Hospital, was taken up & read.
Mr Parlow moved to strike out "Small Pox" & insert "Marine"; which was determined in the affirmative.
The resolution was adopted.
Mr Slater offered a resolution that the Appeal Tax Court report to the Council as early as possible the taxable basis for the year 1853, and that the Register be requested to furnish her with his estimates upon said basis; which was read first & second time & adopted.
A resolution & request to the Legislature in relation to the Baltimore & Susquehanna R.R. Company was rec.d from the First Branch, read first & second time & concurred in by the following vote: Yeas 8, Nays 2.
On motion of Mr Stewart a message was sent to the First Branch proposing that when the Council adjourns this evening, it stand adjd. till Monday afternoon next, at 5 o'clk.
The First Branch by message concurred.
On motion of Mr Welsh a message was sent to the First Branch, requesting them to return to this Branch the papers in relation to the petition of Dr Henry Brickhead.
The First Branch by message concurred & returned the said papers.
Mr Welsh moved that Dr Henry Brickhead have leave to withdraw his papers relating to his claim with the City for damages for the opening of Ogden street, which was read & adopted.
On motion of Mr Parlow, the resolution to authorize the Mayor to appoint a watchman for the Eastern City Spring was taken up & read.
Mr Gill moved to strike out all after the word "summer", & insert the word "months" which was determined in the affirmative.
The resolution was concurred in by the following vote - Yeas 3, Nays 5;
On motion of Mr Slater the vote was reconsidered by the following vote - Yeas 5, Nays 3,
Mr Vickers moved to strike out the word "requested" & insert "authorized" which was determined in the affirmative.
The resolution was concurred in with proposed amendment;
On motion of Mr Slater the ordinance to widen & extend Scott st. was taken up, read & will pass.
On motion of Mr Slater the ordinance to tunnel McKim st. from Eager to Madison sts. was taken up & read.
Mr Slater moved to strike out the word "Eager" in the title & in 3rd & 11th lines, & insert "Neighbor"; which was determined in the affirmative,
Mr Slater moved to insert after the word "streets" in 11th line, the words "and contain a sewer from Neighbor to Eager streets, not less than 12 inches square", which was determined in the affirmative,
Mr Slater moved to strike out the words "three thousand eight hundred & forty" in 16th & 17th lines, and insert "two thousand seven hundred & sixty", which was determined in the affirmative.
The bill being on its passage will pass.
On motion of Mr Slater, the ordinance to authorize the Register to have certain records made, was taken up & read, when Mr Slater offered a substitute, which was read & the subject laid on the table.
On motion of Mr Parlow, the Branch adjourned.
By order Jno. Jr. Frith Clk