Resolved by the City Council of Baltimore, that the message of the Mayor withholding his approval of an ordinance entitled "an ordinance to provide for the City of Baltimore an efficient police system", is not an effectual exercise of the veto power, & that the ordinance referred to is therefore in full force & operation under the provisions of the City Charter, inasmuch as more than five days have now elapsed since its presentation to the Mayor.

An ordinance to rebuild the Bells Point market house, an ordinance in relation to the tunnel across the Belair avenue, and an ordinance to license hackney-stands, were read from the First Branch, severally read a first & second time & will pass.

On motion of Mr Yates a message was sent to the First Branch proposing the appointment of a joint committee to wait upon the Mayor & inform him that the Council is now prepared to adjourn sine die, should he have no further communication to make.

Mr Stewart offered the following resolution:— Whereas the duties of the Clerk of this Branch have been during the present session, greater & more laborious than at any previous session of the Branch, because of the large increase of business, length of the Journal, increased amount of engrossing &c, and the said duties having been discharged with commendable promptness, efficiency & accuracy, therefore be it

Resolved by the second Branch of the City Council of Baltimore, that the compensation of the Clerk of this Branch be and the same is hereby increased one dollar per diem during the sitting of the Branch.

The resolution was read a first & second time & adopted.

An ordinance authorizing the Philadelphia, Wilmington & Baltimore R R Company to lay a additional track on Baltimore street, was read from the First Branch read & laid on the table.

A resolution to establish a corn market on Hanover street, was read from the First Branch read a first & second time & indefinitely postponed.

An ordinance to extend the Richmond market was read from the First Branch read a first & second time & will pass.

A message was read from the First Branch, announcing their concurrence in the proposition to appoint a committee to wait upon the Mayor &c; and proposing that that when the Council adjourns this session it stand adjourned till Wednesday August 31st at 5 o'clk P.M. which was read & concurred in.

On motion of Mr Gill the bill entitled "a supplement to an ordinance to regulate the office of City Surveyor" 1852, was taken up & read.

Mr Stewart offered a substitute for the bill, an ordinance entitled "a supplement to an ordinance entitled 'an ordinance to regulate the office of City Surveyor'", which was read & the subject laid on the table.

On motion of Mr Yates it was unanimously resolved that the thanks of the Branch be tendered to John B Seidenstricker Esq, for the all impartial manner in which he has presided over the deliberations of this Branch during the present session.

An ordinance to open Fulton street was received from the First Branch read a first & second time, & committed to the joint Committee on bridges.

The First Branch returned the resolution in relation to the Baltimore & York R.R. Company, endorsed "concurred in with proposed amendment". The amendment was concurred in.

A committee appeared from the First Branch inviting this Branch to join them in convention on a sealed communication from the Mayor.

On motion of Mr Parlow the invitation was accepted, & the Branch went into convention.

The convention being dissolved, the President called the Branch to order.

The First Branch returned the resolution in favor of the Dorkapers & certain retailers of newspapers and the resolution to authorize the Clerks of the two Branches to make return of the diary account respectively, endorsed "concurred in".

Mr Parlow informed the Branch that the cause of the absence of Mr Griffith was continued sickness & moved that his name be entered on the Journal & Diary as present which was determined in the affirmative.

On motion of Mr Stewart, the Branch adjourned till Wednesday 31st August at 5 o'clk P.M.

By order, John Griffith Clk

Wednesday August 31. 1853

The Branch met pursuant to adjournment.

Present — John B Seidenstricker Esq President & all the members except Messrs Fralls & Stewart.

On motion of Mr Gill, the bill entitled "a supplement to an ordinance entitled 'an ordinance to regulate the office of City Surveyor'" was taken up, read & on motion of Mr Parlow referred to the next annual session of the City Council.

A resolution in favor of Messrs Gray, Son & Co, and a resolution adverse to the petition of B Reuer & C.R. Carroll, were read from the First Branch, severally read a first & second time & concurred in.

Mr Griffith offered the following resolution which was read a first & second time & adopted.

Resolved by the Mayor & City Council of Baltimore, that the Register be & he is hereby authorized to pay L Hartzell, the sum of twelve dollars, for the use of a hack furnished to the committee on sewers.

On motion of Mr Gill the ordinance to provide for the construction of the Boundary avenue, was taken up, read & referred to the next annual session of the City Council.

On motion of Mr Yates, the ordinance authorizing the Philadelphia Wilmington & Baltimore R R Company to lay an additional track on Baltimore street, was taken up & read.

Mr Parlow presented a petition from Peter Morrell & others, remonstrating against the passage of said bill, which was read & laid on the table.

Mr Parlow moved that the bill be referred to the next annual session of the City Council, which was determined in the affirmative by the following vote: Yeas 6. Nays 2.

Mr Vickers offered the following resolution, which was read a first & second time & adopted,

Resolved by the Mayor & City Council of Baltimore, that the Register of the City be instructed to defer the opening "opening" proposals for supplying the Corporation with oil", until the 1st day of October next.

A report of the joint committee on bridges, with an ordinance in relation to the construction of iron bridges over Jones Falls at Raitt & Hat Gay street, was read from the First Branch read a first & second time