Mr Vickers moved to strike out the word "three" in 2d line & insert "one", and to strike out the word "one" in 4th line & insert "two", which was determined in the affirmative.

The resolution was adopted.

An ordinance to provide for the improvement of the Fish house property, and a resolution relative to the tunnel of Harford run, between Gilks & Gough streets, were received from the First Branch, respectively read & laid on the table.

On motion of Mr Slater, the Branch adjourned till tomorrow afternoon, at 5 o'clock

By order John Griffith Clk

Thursday June 8. 1854

The Branch met pursuant to adjournment

Present - John B Seidenstricker Esq. Pres. & all the members except Mr Webster.

A message was received from the First Branch, proposing to refer an accompanying message from the Mayor, relative to the Mr & Mrs Estate to the joint select committee on the Mr & Mrs bequest, which was read & concurred in.

The First Branch returned the ordinance to aid in the completion & a continuous line of railway from Cincinnati in Pennsylvania to tide water at Baltimore, endorsed "with proposed amendment",

Amendment proposed: Add to the end of the 4th line of the title the words; "by the route designated in the ordinance entitled "An ordinance to authorize the Baltimore and Susquehanna Rail Road Company to extend their road to tide water", passed the First Branch of the City Council of Baltimore June 1st 1854"

The amendment was read & on motion of Mr Slater concurred in.

On motion of Mr Slater, the resolution to pay the cost of rebuilding the tunnel over Harford run between Gilks & Gough streets, was taken up, read & concurred in.

On motion of Mr Vickers the resolution to provide for the sale of dividend stock of the Baltimore & Ohio Rail Road Company, held by the City, was taken up & read.

Mr Stewart moved to strike out all from the word "no", in 13th line, to the word "follows" in 15th line, both inclusive, and insert the word "the terms of sale to be as follows", which was determined in the affirmative.

On motion of Mr Stewart, the resolution was referred to the joint committee on Ways & Means.

On motion of Mr Falls, an ordinance to provide for the improvement of the Fish house property, owned by the City, was taken up, read & laid aside.

An ordinance to lay & collect a direct tax for the use of the State; an ordinance to lay & collect a direct tax for the year 1854; an ordinance to lay a direct tax for the repairs of highways & bridges; an ordinance to provide for the payment of sundry expenses of the Criminal Courts; an ordinance to provide for the payment of certain expenses of the Courts, Coroners, Jailor, and an ordinance to provide for the removal of obstructions from the bed of the Patapsco river, beyond the limits of direct taxation, were received from the First Branch, severally read & laid on the table.

On motion of Mr Gill, the Branch adjourned till tomorrow afternoon at 5 o'clock

By Order John Griffith Clk

Friday June 9. 1854

The Branch met pursuant to adjournment

Present - John B Seidenstricker Esq. Pres. & all the members except Mr Webster.

On motion of Mr Slater a message was sent to the First Branch, proposing that when the Council adjourn this evening it stand adjourned till Monday afternoon next at 5 o'clock.

The First Branch by message concurred.

An ordinance entitled "Supplement to ordinance No 77, approved March 16, 1850", &c, was received from the First Branch, read & laid on the table.

Mr Stewart, from the joint committee on police & jail reported the following resolution, which was read a first & second time & adopted;

Resolved by the Mayor & City Council of Baltimore, that Jos. Lyon be, and he is hereby permitted to have an exhibition of fire works on the evening of the 4th of July next, in the enclosure of the Washington Monument; provided that the permission of the Mayor be first had & obtained.

Mr Vickers, from the joint committee on Ways & Means, reported the following resolution, which was read a first & second time & adopted;

Resolved by the Mayor & City Council of Baltimore, that the Commissioners of Finance be & they are hereby authorized & directed to sell & hypothecate the 2982 shares of dividend stock of the Baltimore & Ohio Rail Road Company, held by the City of Baltimore, (as in their judgment the City's interest may require) and to apply the proceeds thereof to the payment of the interest on the internal improvement debt of the City for the current year, falling due on & after the first day of October next.

Mr Falls, from the joint committee on the Harbor, reported the following resolution, which was read a first & second time & adopted;

Resolved by the Mayor & City Council of Baltimore, that the City Commissioner be & he is hereby directed to construct a guard suitable to the preservation of the drawbridge, and drawer at Repairs with the approbation of the Mayor, for the sum of five hundred & seventy five dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

A message was received from the First Branch concurring in the proposition of this Branch to appoint a committee of conference on the ordinance relative to the opening of Rockland, & appointing, on said committee Messrs Boyd, Rogers & Reese.

The First Branch returned the resolution to improve Madison Square, endorsed concurring.

On motion of Mr Slater the Branch adjourned till tomorrow afternoon at 5 o'clock

By Order John Griffith Clk