Thursday June 29, 1854

The Branch met pursuant to adjournment.

Present John B Seidenstricker Esq. Pres. & all the members.

Mr Falls offered the following resolution, which was read first & second time & adopted:

Resolved by the Mayor & City Council of Baltimore, that the Harbormasters be & they are hereby authorized & required to carry out & execute the laws of the State of Maryland, respecting private wharves and docks in the City of Baltimore.

On motion of Mr Pecker, the vote on the resolution to authorize the Register to borrow 15,000 dollars for the use of the Public School Commissioners, was reconsidered.

Mr Pecker offered the following substitute for the resolution, which was read & accepted.

Resolved by the Mayor & City Council of Baltimore, that the Commissioners of Public Schools be & they are hereby authorized to borrow the sum of ten thousand dollars for a period not longer than one year, for the use of said Commissioners, and that the Register of Wills be & he is hereby directed to retain out of the levy for public schools for the year 1854 an amount sufficient to pay the principal & interest of the money borrowed by authority of this resolution, and to apply the amount so retained to the payment thereof.

The resolution was concurred in with the proposed substitute.

An ordinance providing for the appointment of general agents &c. under the will of the late John McDonogh, was received from the First Branch, read & laid on the table, & ordered to be printed.

On motion of Mr Stewart, the resolution in favor of Dr Buckler was restored to the state in which it stood.

Mr Stewart moved to strike out the words "twenty five" & insert "twenty five", which was determined in the affirmative.

The resolution was adopted.

The resolution in favor of R B Gordon, was received from the First Branch, read & laid on the table.

The First Branch returned the resolution of instruction to harbormasters relative to wharves & docks, endorsed "Concurred in".

A message was received from the First Branch proposing to suspend the rule relative to new business in favor of an accompanying petition from the restaurateurs of Fairmount Park, which was read & concurred in.

The First Branch returned the bill entitled "A supplement to ordinance No 32, approved ordinances 1850 &c", endorsed "Concurred in with proposed amendments", the amendments were read & on motion of Mr Pecker concurred in.

A resolution in favor of Mr Bailey & Mrs Graft, was received from the First Branch, read a first & second time & concurred in.

A message was received from the First Branch, proposing to suspend the rule relative to new business in favor of an accompanying petition of Charles Myers, which was read & concurred in.

A message was received from the Mayor, announcing that he had approved & signed the following ordinances & resolutions: Ordinance authorizing the Commissioners of Finance to sell old & ground in Fort Avenue; supplement to ordinance No 30, approved 15th June 1850, entitled an ordinance to enforce municipal regulations; Ordinance to open a wharf, fort alley, from Lombardy street to Pratt street; resolution to improve Madison Square; resolution to provide for the sale of 2982 shares of the dividend stock of the B & P R R Company, belonging to the City; resolution in favor of



J H Lyon; resolution to provide for abatements at Dicken street; resolution to provide for guards for the drawbridge & resolution in favor of J & J Abell & Company.

Mr Carter 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 & directed to pay Mr A Griffith, Mr A Hill, John B Brashear, A Worley, Mr Linton, and J Purcell, the amount of their bills due for fitting up court house in the Sun Buildings, provided said bills be properly authenticated.

Mr Webster, Chairman of the joint committee on claims, reported the following resolution, which was read & laid on the table:

Resolved by the Mayor & City Council of Baltimore, that the Register of the City be & he is hereby authorized & directed to pay to Mr James Reed, the sum of Nine hundred & fifty three dollars and forty nine cents, being the amount of a fine paid by him to the City for a violation of the inspection laws, and which is hereby returned.

On motion of Mr Stewart, the Branch adjourned till to-morrow afternoon at half past six o'clock.

By order

J H Griffith

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