to take charge of the work you propose to entrust him with.

Very respectfully,
Your Obt Servant,
E. L. Chesbrough,

Henry Webster, Esq., Chn Water Com. Ns. Baltimore.

Jersey City, April 22, 1854.

Henry Webster, Esq.

Dear Sir:- Yours of the 17th I found upon my table upon my return from Boston. As my intercourse with Mr. Nichols has been more in a friendly than professional way, I do not consider my opinion entitled to much value. I, however, take pleasure in saying that from the opportunities I have had of judging of his capacity, taken in connection with his experience upon the New York and the Boston Water Works, I think he will perform your work very satisfactorily.

Very Respectfully,
Your Obt Servt
W. S. Whitwell, Eng. J. C. W. W.

The ordinance to provide for the appointment of agents, &c., under the McDonough bequest, was returned from the first branch, endorsed "concur," with proposed amendments to amendments:-

Mr. Suter moved to recede from the second amendments, proposed to be amended, which was determined in the negative by the following vote, the yeas and nays being called for by Mr. Stewart:-

Yeas- Messrs. President, Suter, Richardson, Gill- 4
Nays- Messrs. Falls, Webster, Griffith, Stewart- 4

Mr. Suter moved to recede from the fourth amendment proposed to be amended, which was determined in the negative by the following vote, the yeas and nays being called by Mr. Stewart:-

Yeas- Messrs. President, Suter, Richardson, Gill- 4
Nays- Messrs. Falls, Webster, Griffith, Stewart- 4

On motion of Mr. Stewart the ordinance was sent to the first branch, with a message that this branch adhered to its amendments.

On motion of Mr. Griffith, the name of Mr. Farlow was ordered to be placed upon the diary during his absence.

A resolution in relation to revising the ordinances was received from the first branch, read and laid on the table.

Mr. Falls in the Chair:-

Mr. Richardson offered the following resolution which was unanimously adopted:-

Resolved unanimously by the second branch of the City Council of Baltimore, that the thanks of the members be and they are hereby tendered to John N. Seidenstricker, Esq., for the able and impartial manner, in which he has presided over the deliberations of the branch during the present session.

The President in the Chair:-

A report and resolution from the Committee on police in relation to throwing stones in the streets, was received from the first branch, read a first, and by special order a second time, concurred in, and returned to the first branch.

On motion of Mr. Suter, it was ordered that two days diary be entered to Jesse D. Reid, as Clerk to the Second Branch.

The resolution in relation to the petition of John F. Kleinhell;

The resolution in relation to petition of Charles F. Mayer;

And the resolution in relation to the petition of Romulus R. Griffith, were severally returned from the first branch, endorsed "Concurred in."

The ordinance for the purchase of the property of the Baltimore Water Company, was returned from the first branch with proposed amendments.

Mr. Webster moved to lay the bill and amendments on the table, and make it the order of the day for the 11th day of September, which was determined in the negative by the following vote, the yeas and nays being called by Mr. Stewart:-

Yea- Mr. Webster.- 1
Nays- Messrs. President, Suter, Richardson, Falls, Griffith, Stewart- 6.

On motion of Mr. Stewart the amendments of the first branch were concurred in.

On motion of Mr. Stewart, the branch adjourned to Monday, September 11, at 5 o'clock, P. M.

By order,
R. M. Griffith, Clk