Adjourned Session.

Monday, September 11, 1854.

The Board met, pursuant to adjournment.

Present J. B. Seidenstricker, Esq. President and all the members.

In the absence of the Clerk, on motion of Mr. Gill, Mr. Stewart of the 19th and 20th wards was called to act as clerk

Mr. Stewart moved that Jesse D. Reid be appointed Clerk pro tem. which was unanimously agreed to

Mr. Farlow in the chair,

Mr. Seidenstricker offered a message to the first branch, proposing that the rule against the reception of new business be suspended to allow the introduction of the following resolution, with its reference to the Committee of Ways and Means, which was adopted:—

Resolved by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, that the Register be and he is hereby authorized and directed to issue to the Baltimore Gas Company, notes payable to said Company at six and twelve months respectively, bearing interest at the rate of six per cent per annum, amounting to a sum not exceeding altogether $30,000, that is to say, one note payable six months after date for the sum of $15,000, and one note payable twelve months after date, for the sum of $15,000, for the purpose of settling the account of said company, for gas lights furnished to the City of Baltimore, to first day of October, 1854.

On motion of Mr. Gill a message was sent to the first branch, proposing that when the council adjourn this evening, it stand adjourned to Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock.

Mr. Vickers from the Joint Special Committee, made the following report, accompanied with an ordinance, which was ordered to be printed:—

The Joint Special Committee to whom was referred the communication of A. Miltenberger, Esq. relative to the purchase of the square of ground, bounded by Randall, Lovington, Heath and Johnson streets, known as the three gun battery, for the purpose of converting the same into a public square, respectfully report:—

That there are difficulties of a character that would prevent said purchase at present, and probably for a long time to come; and to defer it would result in making the

city pay more for it, as improvements are rapidly extending over that whole peninsula, and probably might defeat the city altogether in securing that elevated and most desirable ground for that object. That public squares, when they can be obtained on reasonable ~~[illegible]~~ terms, are both desirable and necessary to the comfort and health of our citizens, and that such a square is greatly needed in that section of our rapidly growing city, and that for many reasons this of all others is the most desirable location for such a public square, the committee believe, is in accordance with the sentiments and wishes of both the councils and citizens. As said square cannot be purchased at this time, the committee would earnestly recommend that it be condemned under provisions of act of assembly passed March 23, 1839, chap. 226, sec. 1, and be appropriated to the use of the citizens as a public square — the notice required by law having been given, and that the Mayor and City Council pay the cost thereof. In accordance with these views, we submit the accompanying ordinance

B. A. Vickers,	Second Branch.	Joseph Simms,	First Branch.
Geo. T. Farlow,		John Deance,	
Henry Webster.		Ch. C. Norwood,	

The following message was received from the Mayor:

Mayor's Office, Balt. Sept. 11, 1854.

To the Members of the Second Branch City Council:—

Gentlemen:— I have approved and signed — "ordinance to change the grade of Garden street" — "supplement to ordinance to provide for exercising certain powers in relation to streets" — "resolution to improve the Marine Hospital" — "Resolution in favor of R. R. Griffith," and "resolution in favor of B. C. Pressman," all of which originated in your branch.

S. Smith Hollins, Mayor.

A message was received from the first branch proposing to send to the mayor for a return of bill No. 182, a supplement to ordinance No 14, of 1850, which was agreed to and the first branch informed by message

A message was received from the first branch, proposing that the rule in reference to the reception of new business be suspended in relation to the reception of a petition for the widening of Hoffman street, which was laid upon the table.

On motion of Mr. Griffith the branch adjourned until to-morrow afternoon at 5 o'clock.

By order, J. D. Reid, Clk. pro tem.