The ordinance to condemn a piece of ground for a public square, was returned from the First Branch, endorsed "passed".

The resolution in favor of Dr. J. McKinkle, was returned from the first branch, endorsed "concurred in."

A message was received from the First Branch, proposing the appointment of a committee of conference on the suspension of the rules for the reception of new business, in favor of Ludwig Hanneman and Jacob Lockstamper, which was concurred in, and Messrs Vickers Gill and Farlow, were appointed on the committee on the part of this branch.

The First Branch was informed by message.

A committee appeared and invited this branch in convention on a sealed communication from the Mayor, which was accepted, and the branch went into convention. After remaining therein a short time the branch returned to the chamber.

The President resumed the Chair.

On motion of Mr. Griffith, the petition of John S. Gittings and others was withdrawn from the committee on police and referred to the Joint Committee on Commerce.

Mr. Suter moved that the petition of James Colburn and others be taken up and referred to the Joint Committee on Commerce, which was agreed to.

Mr. Suter offered the following resolution which was adopted:-

Resolved by the Second Branch of the City Council of Baltimore That the city Commissioner be and he is hereby requested to report to this branch, whether in his judgment Pratt Street bridge is safe for travel, and if not safe, what proportion of the expenses the Rail road company is willing to pay, for the construction of a new bridge.

On motion of Mr. Farlow 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, which was returned concurred in.

On motion of Mr. Fall, the branch adjourned until Monday afternoon at 5 O'clock

By order,

S. D. Reid, Clk

Monday, September 18, 1854.

The Branch met pursuant to adjournment.

Present - all the members except Mr. Farlow.

In the absence of the President, on motion of Mr. Griffith, Mr. Richardson was called to the chair.

Mr. Stewart presented a petition from the trustees of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of Baltimore, which was read.

Mr. Stewart moved to send a message to the First Branch asking a suspension of the rule against the reception of new business, in order to take up and consider the petition, which was agreed to, and the message sent.

The report of the Joint Committee on the harbor, in relation to the steam tow boat Relief, was received from the First Branch, read a first, and second time by special order, and adopted.

A message was received from the First Branch announcing the appointment of Messrs Lepson, Boyd and Brooms, on the joint committee of conference on the petition of Messrs. Hanneman and Lockstamper.

The report of the Joint Committee on the McDonough bequest, in favor of retaining Louis Bush, was received from the First Branch, read a first time and by special order a second time, and adopted.

Mr. Stewart offered the following resolution, and proposed that a message be sent to the First Branch asking a suspension of the rules in relation to new business, in order that it might be considered:

Resolved by the Mayor and city Council of Baltimore, that the Register be and he is hereby authorized and directed to pay to Ralph Forrest, Esq. of the Monumental Regiment, two hundred dollars, the same being due to said company, for the year 1853, it having complied with the act of assembly and ordinances in relation to the First Light Division of Maryland Volunteers.

The proposition was agreed to and the message sent.

A message was received from the First Branch, proposing a suspension of the rule in relation to new business in order to receive the petition of Jno. W. Davis and others, relative to the grade of a street.

On motion of Mr. Gill the message was concurred in, and the First Branch informed by message.

Mr Vickers, chairman of the joint Committee of Ways and Means, presented the following report and resolutions, which were read and laid on the table:-

The Joint Committee on Ways and Means, to whom was referred the resolution directing the Register to settle the account of the Gas Company with the City of Baltimore,