Register's Office,
Baltimore, Nov. 27th, 1854.

To the President and Members of the
Second Branch of the City Council:

Gentlemen, In reply to your resolution of inquiry of the 21st instant, I have to state, that the deed for the property authorized to be purchased by the commissioners of finance of Messrs. George Brown and John White, has been completed, and is now on record.

Respectfully,
John J. Graves, Register

Mr. Beale submitted an ordinance, entitled "A supplement to ordinance No. 43 of the Revised Ordinances of 1850, chapter 156, for the better inspection of weights and measures used within the city of Baltimore," which was read and ordered to be printed in bill form.

The President announced the following joint standing and joint select committees:

Joint Standing Committees.

On Ways and Means—Messrs. Bartlett, Zimmerman and Thomas.
On Highways—Messrs. Beale, Houlton and Welsh.
On Bridges—Messrs. Shoemaker, Welsh and Hintze.
On the Harbor—Messrs. Houlton, Beale and Shoemaker.
On Claims—Messrs. Crowley, Houlton and Thomas.
On Health—Messrs. Hintze, Crowley and Thomas.
On Markets—Messrs. Beale, Houlton and Welsh.
On Water—Messrs. Bartlett, Beale and Shoemaker.
On Police and Jail—Messrs. Beale, Shoemaker and Welsh.
On Fire Companies—Messrs. Welsh, Hintze and Houlton.
On Internal Improvements—Messrs. Zimmerman Thomas and Welsh.
On Education—Messrs. Crowley, Beale and Shoemaker.
On the Almshouse—Messrs. Zimmerman, Crowley and Welsh.
On Commerce—Messrs. Crowley, Thomas and Bartlett.
On Enrolment—Messrs. Houlton and Hintze.

Joint Select Committees.

On Register's Office and Accounts—Messrs. Bartlett, Beale and Crowley.
On Commissioners of Finance Accounts—Messrs. Shoemaker, Welsh and Houlton.
On Commissioner and Port Warden's Accounts—Messrs. Zimmerman, Beale and Shoemaker.
On Commissioners of Public Schools Accounts—Messrs. Crowley, Hintze and Shoemaker.
On Health Commissioner's Accounts—Messrs. Welsh Houlton and Thomas.

Mr. Thomas offered the following resolution, which was read and adopted:

Resolved, That the Register be, and he is hereby requested to furnish the Second Branch of the City Council (on or before the third Monday in January, 1855,) with a correct statement of the entire indebtedness of the corporation, as also the amount of liabilities contemplated by resolutions and ordinances passed by former councils, and not yet fully assumed.

Mr. Zimmerman offered the following resolution, which was read and adopted:

Resolved, that the joint committee on markets inquire into the expediency of selling the lot on which the Richmond market now stands, and the procuring another lot sufficiently large for a market house to accommodate the northwestern section of the city, and report by bill or otherwise.

Mr. Beale called up the resolution directing the directors on the part of the city, in the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company, to vote for William G. Harrison, for President of that company.

Mr. Bartlett moved to lay the resolution on the table, which was determined in the affirmative, the yeas and nays being required by Mr. Beale.

Yeas—Messrs. Shoemaker, Crowley, Welsh, Bartlett, Thomas, Zimmerman—6.

Nays—Messrs. President, Houlton, Beale, Hintze—4.