Wednesday, December 6, 1854.

The Branch met pursuant to adjournment.

Present, James Armitage, Esq. President, and all the members

The Branch was opened with prayer by Mr. Thomas.

The President laid before the Branch the following communication from the Register, which was read:

Register's Office,
Baltimore, December 6, 1854.

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

Gentlemen: The contract made with Mr. Jos. Robinson, includes the condition that the printing shall be done on paper of as good a quality as that used by Mr. Lucas. The journal of your proceedings of the 4th and 5th inst. most certainly fall far short of the contract, and what is not a little worthy of notice, of an inferior quality of paper to that used for the First Branch of the same dates. Upon a previous complaint made, I addressed to him a note, and a compliance with the contract was promised — the journal of yesterday laid on your tables to-day, will show with how much effect.

Respectfully,
John S. Graves, Register.

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

Resolved by the Second Branch of the City Council, that the clerk be directed to furnish the reporters of the press with all necessary stationery in reporting the proceedings of this Branch.

Mr. Bartlett presented an ordinance, entitled "An supplement to an ordinance entitled an ordinance for collecting the taxes of the city of Baltimore, for appointing a city collector, prescribing his duties and fixing his compensation, and providing for a general account to be kept by the Register, with the city collector, in relation to all taxes levied by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, approved May 20, 1850," which was read and laid on the table, and ordered to be printed in bill form.

Messrs Suter and Wright appeared as a committee, and invited this Branch to meet the

First Branch in convention, on a sealed communication from the Mayor.

On motion of Mr. Beale, the invitation was accepted and the members proceeded to the chamber of the First Branch.

After some time spent therein, the convention adjourned, and the members returned to their chamber.

A report from the joint standing committee on education, authorizing the Register to borrow the sum of ten thousand dollars for the use of the commissioners of public schools, was received from the First Branch, read and laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Zimmerman, the Branch adjourned until to-morrow afternoon at 4½ o'clock.

By order
Allen E. Forrester, Clerk

Thursday, December 7, 1854.

The Branch met pursuant to adjournment.

Present — James Armitage, Esq. President, and all the members.

The Branch was opened with prayer by Mr. Thomas.

Mr. Crowley called up the report of the joint standing committee on education, authorizing the Register to borrow the sum of ten thousand dollars for the use of the commissioners of public schools, which was read and concurred in.

The President laid before the Branch the following communication from the city commissioner, which was read and referred to the joint standing committee on water:

City Commissioner's Office,
Baltimore, Dec. 7, 1854.

To the Second Branch of the City Council:

Gentlemen: As directed by your resolution of the 5th inst. relating to the expediency of removing the pump at the new Bel-Air market house, I would respectfully state that the pump referred to, should be removed to one of the side walks of Lou street, east of the market space.

Respectfully submitted
James Pedgoy, City Commissioner.

D. Harris Blanchard, the Secretary to the Mayoralty, appeared and presented the following communication which was read: