Thursday, December 28, 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. Beale presented a petition from Lepe D. Murphy and others, requesting an extension of the water pipes from Forest street to East street, which was read and referred to the water board.

Mr. Beale called up the resolution granting Elizabeth Harker permission to remove two frame houses on the bed of Biddle and Aisquith streets.

Mr. Crowley moved to amend the resolution, by inserting, after the word "streets," the words "one hundred feet back on the same lot," which was adopted.

The resolution, as amended, was adopted.

Mr. Crowley called up the resolution authorizing the agents of the McDonough will, to represent the city of Baltimore in any action now pending, or that may hereafter be brought before the Fifth District Court of New Orleans, which was adopted.

The First Branch returned the ordinance requiring the registers bond to be deposited with the Mayor, endorsed "passed, with proposed amendments."

Amendments proposed:

In the third line after the word "Mayor," insert the words "to be by him deposited in such fire proof vault as he may determine"; In the third line after the word "office" insert the words "and at the expiration of his term of office deliver the same to his successor."

On motion Mr Bartlett the amendment was concurred in.

Bill No. 16, "A supplementary ordinance to an ordinance to regulate the public wharves of the city of Baltimore, approved June 5, 1850." was recevd from First Branch and read.

On motion Mr Beale the bill was laid on the table and made the special order of the for to-morrow.

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

Resolved that the city commissioner, be requested to cause the footway in front of the lot at the north east extremity of Hanover street, adjoining the new foot bridge, and also at the corner of Baltimore street and Central

avenue, to be forthwith paved as required by sections 24, 25, 26, and 27, of ordinance No. 15.

On motion Mr Beale, the branch adjourned until to-morrow afternoon at 4½ O'clock.

By order. Allen E. Forrester, Clerk.

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Present James Armitage Esq. President and all the members.

The branch was opened with prayer by Mr. Crowley.

A report from the joint standing committe on water, with a resolution directing the city commissioner to advertise for proposals to repair the ice house at Mount Royal Mill, and appropriating one thousand and four hundred dollars for that purpose, to be taken out of the money received from water rents, was received from First Branch, read a first and by special order a second time and concurred in.

Bill No. 16, entitled "and ordinance to prevent the accumulation of ice on the foot pavements in the city of Baltimore", was received from the First Branch and read.

Mr Beale moved to refer the bill to the joint standing committe on police and jail, which was determined in the negative by the following vote, the yeas and nays being required by Mr. Beale:

Yeas-Messrs-Shoemaker, Beale, Welsh, Thomas-4.

Nays-Messrs-President, Crowley, Hinkle, Bartlett, Zimmerman-5.

The question was then taken on the passage of the bill, when it was rejected by the following vote, the yeas and nays being required by Mr Beale:

Yeas. Messrs. President, Houlton, Crowley, Hinkle, Bartlett-5.

Nays-Messrs-Shoemaker, Beale, Welsh, Thomas, Zimmerman-5.

A report from the joint standing committe of conference on the disagreement relative to the ordenance providing for the sale of the Charles street spring lot, was received from the First Branch, read a first, and by special order a second time, and concurred in:

The First Branch returned the resolution instructing