fermented liquors, or cordials of any kind, or in any quantity, by any person in the State, on the Sabbath day, under a penalty of not less than twenty, nor more than one hundred dollars, with a forfeiture of his license, on a conviction of a second offence against the statute.

This law extends to tavern keepers as well as others, and it gives one half the penalties recovered, under its first section to the informer.

Respectfully,
Your, ob't serv't.
G. L. Dulany,
Per H. R. Dulany.

N. B. Mr. Dulany being called suddenly to Annapolis, before a copy of this opinion could be taken, authorized me to sign his name,
Respectfully,
H. R. Dulany.

The President laid before the branch the following communication from the city auditor, which was read and laid on the table:

Auditor's Office,
Baltimore, April 12th 1855.

To the Honorable
the Second Branch of the City Council:

Gentlemen:

In compliance with the resolution of your honorable body, asking "the auditor to inform the branch what amount of taxes was collected for the support of the public schools during the months of January, February and March;" I beg leave to reply, that the books for taxes in arrears did not pass into the hands of the auditor until the 12th of March, 1855; there was collected "for the support of the public schools" from the 12th to 31st of March, inclusive, three hundred and seventy four dollars and twenty one cents, as follows, viz:

For the year 1847	7.
" " 1848	7
" " 1849	8
" " 1851	7.27
" " 1852	22.28
" " 1853	344.48
	$374.21.

Respectfully,
B. F. Lemmerman, Auditor.

Mr. Bartlett, from the joint select committee on Register's office and accounts, presented the following report, which was read a first and by special order a second time and adopted:

The joint select committee on the Register's office and accounts respectfully report, that they have carefully examined the Register's book, compared them with vouchers, and find that the accounts have been accurately kept, and that the method of keeping

them is plain and satisfactory.

The committee take pleasure in bearing testimony to the courtesy of the Register and his assistants, in granting them every facility for the through examination of the records submitted and asked for by them.

In examining the certificates of state and city five per cent. stock to the credit of the new jail fund, they are as follows:

State stock	$14.396 40
City do.	22.042 67
	39.379 07
	2 01
And a balance on the books of	$39.381 08
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We have also examined the Baltimore and Ohio Rail Road (entitled an ordinance to provide for the completion of the B. and O. R. R.) sinking fund on the five million (5.000,000) loan, and find in the Register's hands, six per cent. stock amounting to one hundred and ninety seven thousand and twenty six dollars and sixty cents, (197,026.60,) which cost one hundred and ninety three thousand one hundred and forty three dollars and ninety six cents, (193,143 46,) showing a profit of three thousand eight hundred and eighty two dollars and sixty four cents. The interest of said stock received up to the thirty first December, 1854, amounted to two thousand nine hundred and eighty two dollars and ninety nine cents, and there is a cash balance on hand of nine thousand eight hundred and thirty nine dollars and three cents, (9.839 03.) There is also on hand in the office coupons which have been detached from the bonds some time previous to the issue, and some since they became due, and the due coupons have been paid in the interest accounts, and we recommend that they be destroyed by a committee.

Herewith, we respectfully submit deficiencies in the various departments, they have accumulated since 1845:

Port Warden's Department.

For Improving Back Basin, including balance due,	$12.369 88.

City Commissioner's Department.

For paving and repairing, per bills rendered and orders unpaid,	$19.122 75.
For paving and repairing in front of city property, per bills rendered and ordered unpaid,	2,194 65
For repairs of paved streets, per bills rendered and orders unpaid,	41,620 32
For repairs of unpaved streets, per bills rendered and orders unpaid,	391. 13
For repairs of bridges, bills due,	262 75
For repairs of sewers, bills due,	644 33
For repairs of pumps, bills due,	2.207 17
For flag and step stones, bills due.	1,157 28