year eighteen hundred and seventy-three a direct tax of fifty cents be, and the same is hereby, levied and imposed on every hundred dollars' worth of assessed value of all houses and lands in the City of Baltimore, lying without the limits of direct taxation and within the exterior limits of the City, and in like proportion for any greater or less amount; and the said direct tax shall be levied and collected in the same manner as is now provided with respect to other direct taxes which the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore are now authorized to impose, and the tenants in possession shall be liable to the payment of said tax upon the premises so occupied by them without its operating however to alter the nature of contracts between landlord and tenant.

Direct tax of 50 cents on every $100 levied and imposed.

How to be levied and collected.

Sec. 2.—And be it enacted and ordained, That the taxes levied and collected shall be expended under the direction of the City Commissioner, with the approbation of the Mayor, for the purpose of making and repairing such of the public highways and bridges and the necessary grading and masonry required for the construction of the same within the limits, subject to the present assessment, as they may deem most important to the public necessity and convenience.

How to be expended.

Approved April 12, 1873.

JOSHUA VANSANT, Mayor.

No. 39.

An ordinance to provide for exchanging of stalls under Cross street hall and providing for a fish market therein.

Whereas, by the erection of the Cross street Market Hall, several butchers and others having been deprived of their stalls formerly owned and used by them previous to the erection of said hall;

Preamble.

And whereas, the Mayor and City Council having made ample provisions for the accommodation of the large and increasing population of that portion of the City by erecting a new market house for the accommodation of butchers and others, and being desirous of making said market in uniformity with others in the City of Baltimore, thereby making provisions for a suitable fish market, therefore,

Section 1.—Be it enacted and ordained by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, That the City Comptroller be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to provide an equal number of butchers and other stalls in the new market house on Cross street, for the accommodation of butchers and others owning and occupying stalls under the Cross street Hall, or any that may have previously owned or held stalls therein prior to the erection of said hall, the same to hold such stall or stalls in the new market house as may be assigned them by the City Comptroller free of any extra charge.

City Comptroller to provide an equal number of butchers and other stalls in New Cross street Market House.

Sec. 2.—Be it further enacted and ordained, That the owner or owners of stalls held by him or them under the Cross Street Hall shall, as soon as the Comptroller, having complied with the first section of this ordinance, surrender and deliver to the City Comptroller, for the use of the Mayor and City Council, such stall or stalls owned or occupied by him or them under said Hall in lieu of such stall or stalls as the City Comptroller may designate for them respectively in the new market; and the City Comptroller is hereby to sell such stall or stalls under said Hall to the best advantage under the law regulating the sale of stalls in the different markets, and to be designated and known as the Cross Street Fish Market.

Owners of stalls under Cross street Hall to surrender them to Comptroller.

City Comptroller to sell stalls under Cross street Hall.

Sec. 3.—And be it further enacted and ordained, That this ordinance shall take effect immediately after the first day of May, A. D., 1873.

Approved April 14, 1873.

JOSHUA VANSANT, Mayor.