Monday March 16 1874

The Branch met pursuant to adjournment.

Present John B Seidenstricker Esq pres. all the members except Messrs Parlow & Richardson.

Mr Gerrard, Chairman of the joint committee on Ways & Means reported an ordinance entitled "A supplement to an ordinance, entitled 'An ordinance to enforce useful regulations'", which was read a first & second time & passed.

On motion of Mr Gerrard the bill entitled "An ordinance in execution & fulfilment of the provisions of the will of the late John McDonogh, insofar as they relate to the city of Baltimore" was taken up & read.

The question being on the motion (of the 13th inst) to fill the blank in section 3, with the words "four thousand", it was determined in the negative.

Mr Vickers moved to fill the blank with the words "three thousand five hundred" which was determined in the negative; Yeas 3 Nays 4.

The question then recurring on the motion of the 13th inst, to fill the blank with the words "three thousand", it was determined in the affirmative.

Mr Gerrard moved to insert after the word "Baltimore" in 4th line, sec 3, the words "the Mayor to approve of said bond", which was determined in the affirmative.

Mr Gerrard moved to strike out the words "Mayor & City Council of Baltimore" in 4th line sec 3 in 3 & 4th lines sec 6, & in 3 line sec 8, and insert the words "State of Maryland for the use of the McDonogh estate", which was determined in the affirmative.

Mr Suter moved to lay the bill on the table, which was determined in the negative Yeas 2. Nays 5.

The ordinance being now on passage it passed.

A report of the joint committee of conference on the subject of lighting the offices of the Mayor &c, with gas, received from the First Branch, read a first & second time & concurred in.

A resolution to sell the stalls in the Arline st market, received from the First Branch, read & laid on the table.

Mr Griffith, from the joint committee on fire companies, reported a bill entitled "An ordinance to establish the United States Hose Company", which was read & laid on the table.

On motion of Mr Vickers it was resolved that the joint committee on police be requested to report in relation to the placing & standing of meat carts in the streets on other than market days.

On motion of Mr Webster the resolution to authorize surveys for the purpose of introducing a supply of water into the city, was taken up & read.

Mr Vickers moved to insert after the word "dollars", in the last line but one the words "or so much thereof as may be necessary", which was determined in the affirmative.

The resolution was adopted.

On motion of Mr Suter, the Branch adjourned till to-morrow afternoon at 3 o'clock.

By Order Jno Griffith Clerk

Friday March 17, 1874.

The Branch met pursuant to adjournment.

Present John B Seidenstricker Esq pres. all the members except Mr Richardson.

On motion of Mr Parlow, a message was sent to the First Branch proposing that when the Council adjourns this evening, it stand adjourned till Monday afternoon next at 3 o'clock.

The First Branch by message concurred.

On motion of Mr Webster the ordinance, regulating the sale of medicine at Second Point, was taken up, read & bill on passage by the following vote: Yeas 3 Nays 6.

On motion of Mr Vickers the ordinance was reconsidered & laid on the table.

Mr Suter moved to reconsider the ordinance in execution and fulfilment of the provisions of the will of the late John McDonogh, insofar as they relate to the city of Baltimore", which was determined in the negative by the following vote; Yeas 4, Nays 5.

A message was received from the First Branch proposing that when the Council adjourns this evening, it stand adjourned till Wednesday afternoon next, which was read and concurred in by the following vote; Yeas 4 Nays 5.

A resolution relative to placing a fire plug at Sharp and Henrietta streets, received from the First Branch, read a first & second time & concurred in.

On motion of Mr Griffith the ordinance to establish the United States Hose Company was taken up & read.

Mr Griffith moved to strike out the word "William" in 3 line, & insert "John" which was determined in the affirmative.

Mr Suter moved to strike out all from the word "and" in 17th line, to the word "effect" in 20th line, both inclusive, which was determined in the affirmative.

Mr Suter moved to lay the ordinance on the table, which was determined in the negative.

The Ordinance being now on passage it passed.

On motion of Mr Tilly the Branch adjourned till to-morrow afternoon at 3 o'clk.

By Order J Mc Griffith Clk

Saturday March 18, 1874

The Branch met pursuant to adjournment

Present John B Seidenstricker Esq pres. all the members except Messrs Richardson, Tilly, and Gill.

On motion of Mr Vickers, the ordinance in relation to commissioners for opening streets, was taken up, and proposed amendments read, & concurred in.

On motion of Mr Parlow, the Branch adjourned till to-morrow afternoon at 3 o'clock

By Order

J Mc Griffith

Clk