burdens on the streets of said city, not to affect persons hauling produce to the said city.

864. They shall have power to pass ordinances regulating the limits within which it shall be lawful to erect steps, porticoes, bulk windows, or other architectural ornaments to houses fronting on any of the streets, lanes or alleys of said city.

SURVEYOR.

865. The mayor and city council shall prescribe by ordinance the duties and compensation of the surveyor.

TAXES AND LOANS.

- 866. The mayor and city council may, for the purpose of promoting or effecting any great or permanent improvement, issue stock in certificates of an amount not less than one hundred dollars each, transferable only in person or by letter of attorney, in books to be kept for that purpose in the office of the register of the city; or may borrow money on the credit of the corporation; *Provided*, the amount of stock so created and issued, or money borrowed, shall at no one time exceed one million of dollars, exclusive of all debts created under special acts of Assembly for the purposes in the said acts specified.
- 867. They may levy upon the assessable property within the city, and collect by tax, any sum which may be necessary to pay and discharge the principal and interest of any loan which may heretofore have been obtained, or which may hereafter be obtained, by said corporation, according to law.
- 868*. They may endorse the bonds of the Northern Central Railway Company, payable at such periods as may be agreed upon between the said company and the said mayor and city council, and bearing interest at the rate of six per cent. per annum; Provided, however, that before the said endorsement shall be made, the said railway company shall execute to the said mayor and city council a mortgage to secure the payment of the said bonds at maturity and of the interest thereupon in the mean time.
- 869*. The mayor and city council of Baltimore shall be authorized to exercise the powers given by the preceding section