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CORRESPONDENCE.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS, SUB-DEPARTMENT OF CITY ENGINEER.

Baltimore, December 16, 1903.

Hen. W. Cabell Bruce, City Solicitor.

Dear Sir:-

The question has been raised as to whether or not the three Assistant City Engineers should be bonded, and under what authority such bond is required. These men handle no money direct, but the payrolls, upon which money is disbursed, pass through their hands, and are certified by them. Will you kindly advise, as to whether or not, in your opinion, under the above recited circumstances, and under existing laws and ordinances, these men should or should not be bonded? A bond has always been required in the past, whether legally required is the questien nor raised.

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Tours very truly, (Signed) B. F. Fendall, Cathorine Englishment

The Assistant City Engineers also check and certify all bills for materials used on work under Ebeie Gifeet Burervielen.

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Replying to your favor of the leth inst., I beg leave to say that the City Engineer and his three assistants are required to give bond, the City Engineer in the penal sum of \$10,000, and the assistant engineers in the sum of \$5,000 each, by the terms of Ordinance No. 71,

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