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CORRESPONDENCE.

and also as to such tanks, being placed in any place.

Respectfully,

(Signed) Edward D. Preston.
Inspector of Buildings.

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OPINION.

LAW DEPARTMENT.

Baltimore, June 16, 1904.

Hon. W. Cabell Bruce,

City Solicitor.

Dear Sir:-

I am in receipt of your letter, and the enclosure from the Inspector of Buildings, in reference to the permit to place a 200 gallon tank in the yard of 1639 Mullikin Street, and also in reference to the one now standing on St. Mary's Avenue.

The Century Dictionary defines gasoline as "the lightest volatile liquid product commonly obtained from the distillation of petroleum."

The sections of the City Charter in reference to illuminating oil and fluids are 449 to 456. They refer, however, to the manufacture, sale and fire test of oils, and have no bearing upon the present injury.

The Baltimore City Code, Article 20, Sections 69 to 76, contains the provisions in reference to oils. Sections 69, 70, 71, 74 and 76 have no bearing upon the present inquiry. Section 72 is as follows:

"Naptha, benzine and gasoline shall not be kept on storage or for sale in quantities exceeding one barrel in any one building, and if kept in quantities less than a barrel, shall be kept in metallic packages".

Section 75 to as follows:

or shed, or deposit upon any vacant lot, or convey through any of the streets, lanes or alleys of the city, any dynamite, nitroglycerine, or any other explosive material or compound other than gunpowder, unless a permit in writing for such purpose or purposes be first obtained from the Mayor, under a penalty of fifty dollars for each and every day that such explosive material or compound may remain stored, kept, deposited or conveyed, as the case may be, after the proper notification from the Mayor of Fire Inspector for a compliance with the provisions of this section.

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