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CORRESPONDENCE.

MAYOR'S OFFICE.

Baltimore. March 3, 1905.

Hon. Wm. Cabell Bruce, City Solieitor.

Dear Sir:

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I enclose herewith a letter from the City Engineer, on the question of safety gates at grade crossings.

Won't you kindly advise me whether Sections 791 and 792 are mandatory, or whether, in your judgment, the City Engineer can use his discretion in requiring these safety gates to be installed?

Yours truly,

(Signed) E. Clay Timanus, Mayor.

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

Baltimore. March 21, 1905.

There are a number of Railway grade erossings in Baltimore, which are not provided with safety gates. My attention has just been called to Sections 791 and 792 of the City Charter, which provides that all erossings shall be provided with gates.

There are a number of erossings in Baltimore, which, in my judgment, are far safer as they are than if they were provided with gates, and for this reason I have never required the companies to place gates at the erossings; but in view of the provisions of the Charter, to which I have called your attention, I am inclined to think that we must insist upon the companies placing gates at these crossings, regardless of my views, or the views of any other preson.

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