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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

OFFICE OF

SUPERVISOR OF SCHOOL BUILDINGS. LAFAYETTE AND MADISON AVES.

Baltimore, November 13, 1905.

Mr. W. Cabell Bruce,

City Solicitor.

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I have been directed by the Board of School Commissioners to Dear Sir:ask your opinion concerning the following matter:

It has been suggested that two of the pupils of the Colored High School be employed as janitors of the building. This need not in any degree interfere with their studies or recitations. The pay received for the service rendered will enable them to continue their studies longer than would otherwise be the case. Neither boy is twenty-one years old, hence, is a minor. Has this Department the legal right to employ minors to do work of this character? Yours very truly,

(Signed) Benjamin B. Owens.

Supervisor.

OPINION.

File No. 376Q.

LAW DEPARTMENT.

Baltimore, November 16, 1905.

Benjamin B. Owens, Esq., Supervisor of School Buildings.

Replying to your favor of the 13th inst., in reference to the employment of two of the pupils of the Colored High School as janitors of the building, I would say that there is no legal objection to the employment of these minors to do the work that you speak of.

It would be well, however, to confer with the parents of the minors as to their compensation, and have the parents agree that the money shall be paid to the minors.

Very truly yours. (Signed) Edgar Allan Poe, Deputy City Solicitor.

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