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to the pipe starting on Light alley, near Light street, and running down Light alley to Grant street.

The cost of extending this pipe can, in my opinion, be lawfully defrayed out of the appropriation from the Western Maryland Fund which you mention. The work, in my judgment, would be a necessary incident to the grading and paving work.

Truly yours,

(Signed) W. Cabell Bruce, City Solicitor.

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CORRESPONDENCE.

CITY OF BALTIMORE WATER DEPARTMENT.

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Baltimore, May 10, 1906.

Hon. W. Cabell Bruce, City Solicitor, Baltimore, Md.

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The Water Department has telephone lines connecting with Bear Sir:the municipal switchboard operated by the Maryland Telephone Company to all its stations. One line, the most important to us of all the lines, includes the stations of Loch Raven, Lake Roland, Hampden and Guilford reservoirs. The greater part of this line is built over the right of way of the Maryland & Pennsylvania Railroad ... This line was built at the expense of the Water Department fifteen or more years ago and although there is no written contract to be found between the Maryland and Pennsylvania Railroad Company with regard to it, the terms under which it was built probably were that the department would maintain the line for the privilege of using the right of way. In any event, the railroad company has assumed that this was the condition