

File No. 5706 Continued.

OPINION.

inst., from Mr. Ritchie, Assistant City Solicitor, to myself, with reference thereto. I concur in the conclusions reached by Mr. Ritchie.

Truly yours,

(Signed) W. Cabell Bruce,
City Solicitor.

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File No. 5718

CORRESPONDENCE.

OFFICE OF THE
COMMISSIONERS FOR OPENING STREETS.

Baltimore, January 5, 1907.

Hon. W. Cabell Bruce,
City Solicitor.

Dear Sir:-

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A question has arisen between this Department and the City Surveyor, as to the proper charge for making damage plats for a block of ground in connection with our work of compensating abutting owners for changes of grade in the Burnt District. Many of the blocks in this section of the City are very small and it seems that there should be some understanding as to what really comprises a block of ground. The only matter in this connection that we can refer to as bearing on this question, was during the passage of the Foutz law when an average block in the City was taken as a standard for the Annexed portion of the City and which would constitute 200,000 square feet. If we passed the bills taking all the blocks that are sub-divided by alleys and streets and allowing the same price per block, it has been intimated that the Comptroller may hold up the payment of the bills we present to him. We would be glad to have your decision upon this matter as early as practicable so that Mr. Thomas' bills for the work may not be delayed.

By order of the Board:

Very respectfully yours,
(Signed) Eugene F. Rodgers,
Clerk.