

File No. 7969.

CORRESPONDENCE.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS,
 SUB-DEPARTMENT: HARBOR BOARD,
 BALTIMORE, MD.

Baltimore, May 5th, 1908.

Mr. W. Cabell Bruce,
 City Solicitor.

Dear Sir:-

I respectfully enclose herewith copy of letter from William
 Becker and Company.

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For years the Harbor Board have been dredging the Bush Street
 Channel, and it is absolutely necessary that the filth and material
 brought there through the sewers be carried away both for sanitary
 reasons and for shipping interests. There has been no dredging done
 this year in this channel, but the dredge is now in Spring Gardens and
 before leaving there it is necessary that she do this work.

The bulkhead spoken of in William Becker and Company's letter
 is private property and in bad condition, his office building is some
 little distance back of bulkhead with practically no foundation. Has
 the City not the authority to tell him to make the necessary repairs to
 his bulkhead and take what precautions he deems advisable to protect
 his building from cracking and settling, and to further advise him that
 we will give him a certain number of days in which to do this work before
 dredging the channel as is customary.

Yours truly,

(Signed) O. F. Lackey,
 Harbor Engineer.

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WILLIAM BECKER AND CO.
 COOPERAGE.

Baltimore, May 1st, 1908.

Mr. O. F. Lackey,
 City.

Dear Sir:-

We beg to advise you of some damage that has been done to our

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