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OPINION.

damage or expense to which the City may be subjected by reason of any default or negligence, want of skill or care on the part of the parties doing the work, in or about the performance and execution of the work, there is no reason why you should not allow the work to be done under a permit from you instead of an ordinance.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) Edgar Allan Poe,

- City Solicitor.

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File No. 8829.

CORRESPONDENCE.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
SUB-DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH.

Baltimore, September 30th, 1908.

Mr. Edgar Allan Poe,
City Solicitor,
City.

Dear Sir:-

6618 Please find enclosed a letter from Mr. John Trainor, President of the State Board of Plumbing Commissioners, dated September 26th, accompanied by a copy of an opinion given to Mr. Trainor by Mr. W. P. Lyons, who is the Attorney for the State Board of Commissioners of practical plumbing. This letter and opinion is in reference to a controversy that is in my judgment of the gravest importance to have an immediate settlement.

The question is: Is this Department required to issue a permit to do plumbing work to any one besides those duly qualified by the Maryland State Board of Commissioners of Practical Plumbing, and has the Board the power to issue two sets of certificates, only one of which qualifies the plumber to receive permits from the Health Department?

For years this Department was governed by Section 130, Article 14, Code of 1906, which says in part: "which permit shall be issued without cost to any property owner, builder, architect or other person interested in, or in any way connected with such work, &c." And accordingly every applicant was given a permit, but in the Legislature of 1906, there was passed a law known as Chapter 144, entitled "An Act