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CORRESPONDENCE.

of the pumps on the foundations weighing each 700 tons, and all of this being construction for which the Inspector of Buildings is responsible (except the four corners named) as decided by the City Solicitor and His Honor, the Mayor, and in view of the fact that the Site was the bed of an Old Creek, which fact naturally leads me to doubt the sufficient solidity of strata at the depths shown to me by any of the Drawings submitted by you, I hereby give you Notice that all parts of the Pumping Station Site to be used in the erection and construction of this Station, (except the four corners now being considered by the Arbitration Commission) must be tested by sinking test wells or pits at and in such places as the Inspector of Buildings shall direct.

Permit me to say that in such action I have no other motive than to be sure of a proper foundation and the least depth that will be necessary will be gratifying to me, but I cannot or will not have the responsibility resting on me for this building, without proper testing has been done.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) Edward D. Preston,
Inspector of Buildings.

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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY-IMPROVEMENTS.

CITY HALL.

SUB-DEPARTMENT OFFICE INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS.

Baltimore, April 22, 1909.

Edgar Allan Poe, Esq.,

City Solicitor.

Dear Sir:-

I herewith send you Copy of Report of Majority of Arbitration Commission on Sewerage Pumping Station which I have rejected on the ground of its not dealing with the question at issue and not naming depth to which the foundations are to go. This depth must be known so the proper thickness of walls can be determined.