

File No. 9283 Continued.

CORRESPONDENCE.

I also send Copy of Minority Report.
Please return these Reports after you are through with them
for my files.

Please advise me if any responsibility rests on me as In-
spector of Buildings for this work.

Very truly yours,

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

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OPINION.

LAW DEPARTMENT.

Baltimore, April 23, 1909.

Hon. J. Barry Mahool,
Mayor of Baltimore.

Dear Sir:-

6925 I beg to advise you that I have carefully considered the
majority report of the Board of Arbitrators selected to pass upon
the appeal of the Sewerage Commission from the decision of the In-
spector of Buildings, filed with the Inspector of Buildings April 21,
1909, and that I have reached the conclusion that the report fully
covers the points in controversy, and should be accepted as final by
both the Sewerage Commission and the Inspector of Buildings.

6926 The question that the Arbitrators were called upon to de-
termine was the various depths to which the foundations for the Pump-
ing Station should be carried, so that the said foundations would rest
upon a hard sustaining stratum sufficiently firm to sustain, in ac-
cordance with the provisions of the Building Code, the weight that
the foundations were designed and intended to carry, as provided for
by the plans and specifications relating to the Pumping Station.

The Sewerage Commission claimed that it was only necessary to
go to certain depths before this hard sustaining stratum would be
reached; the Inspector of Building maintained, on his part, that it
would be necessary to go to much greater depths.