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OPINION.

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In order to abate the nuisance it is now necessary to divert the sewer from its present course, so that it may run Westerly on Presbury Street to Peck's Branch. It would not be safe to simply pipe the distance between the Boston Fear sewer and the Branch, because this would bring the sewer too near to the surface of the ground, and if a break occurred, the adjacent houses would be undermined.

Under these circumstances, I think that the property, which is served by the sewer, may be properly called upon to abate the same by constructing, or contributing to the construction of, the new sewer down Presbury Street. I understand from Mr. Putts that one hundred and sixty-three houses now drain into the sewer; that the approximate cost of the new sewer will be Sixteen hundred dollars; that all property-holders have been notified, and that about one-third of them have already consented to pay their contribution.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) Albert C. Ritchie,
Assistant City Solicitor.

File No. 10012.

CORRESPONDENCE.

SEWERAGE COMMISSION
OF THE CITY OF BALTIMORE,
CHIEF ENGINEER'S OFFICE,
AMERICAN BUILDING.

Baltimore, May 17, 1909.

Mr. Edgar Allan Poe,
City Solicitor.

Dear Sir:-

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In building our sewer along Boston street in front of building No. 2226, owned by the Canton Company, the front wall of building, which rested on a very shallow foundation, was allowed to settle on account of the very treacherous earth through which the sewer was constructed.