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CORRESPONDENCE.

Co-operation with these people means an absolute surrender on the part of the City of all jurisdiction and control over them.

You have no idea of the extent to which this thing goes on and every morning I receive from three to twenty letters from Hood containing long, drawn out and finely spun arguments setting forth why he should not carry out the plain provisions of the City's Ordinances. The thing has gone on to such an extent as to become absolutely intolerable.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) B. T. Fendall,

City Engineer.

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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS,
SUB-DEPARTMENT OF CITY ENGINEER.

Baltimore, January 29th, 1910.

Mr. Edgar Allan Poe,
City Solicitor.

Dear Sir:-

8284 You will, no doubt, recall some correspondence we had several months ago with regard to the paving of Ostend Street in connection with certain questions raised by Mr. Hood. I respectfully submit herewith a letter which I have this day received from Mr. Hood and copy of my reply thereto. I am perfectly certain of two things: First:- That Mr. Hood is not equipped for doing the paving, and could not have done a proper job on Ostend Street, and, Second:- That he could not possibly have done the work for the prices named, and to be governed by his bald statement of what the work would have cost him, after it is completed, is to my mind foolishness.

If you think that it is proper to meet Mr. Hood's compromise proposition, that will settle the matter, so far as I am concerned, but it will be against my judgment, and against my most earnest pro-