

File No. 11194 Continued.

CORRESPONDENCE.

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

Baltimore, June 4, 1907.

Complaint against Foreman Kelly.

Mr. Calvin W. Hendrick,
Chief Engineer.

Dear Sir:

I shall have to ask for the dismissal of the foreman employed by M.A. Talbott & Company, on Charles street at Mount Royal avenue, for the following reasons:

8838 First,- He does not seem to be able to conduct the work as it should be conducted in a public place like that, and I have repeatedly had to call his attention to the fact that the settlement of the car tracks and the settlement of the pavement was a thing we could not allow at this location, and, with that end in view, he must drive his sheeting below the excavation as it progressed, so as to guard against this settlement of earth from behind the sheeting.

On Saturday, at 10.30, I was called to go to this place because this man said he could not, or would not, place sheeting in such a way as to not interfere with the car tracks. I visited the place in company with Mr. Beach and it was very quickly, under Mr. Beach's directions, fixed in such a way that the car service was not interfered with and the safety of the street and public were assured, but not until after Mr. Beach had to take the matter in his own hands.

On Saturday afternoon, in the midst of the rain, I went to Charles street and found many large holes in the street, caused by the settlement of the backfilling. I had to send men after this foreman, and he was in a saloon nearby and was, in my opinion, more or less under the influence of liquor when he reported upon the work, and I requested the filling of the holes and the replacement of the pavement in the midst of the rain, in order to assure the safety of the public.

On Saturday evening, at 9.30, I visited the place again and found that the foreman had not been there and that the safety of the pavement was only partially being cared for.

On Sunday morning, at 11 o'clock, I visited the place again