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OPINION.

a day's work of eight hours.

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In my opinion, this Act only covers workmen, laborers and mechanics who can fairly be said to be employed day by day, and who are only, therefore, paid for those days, or parts of days that they actually work. In other words, the Act applies only to day laborers, and does not cover cases where the employees are on a regular salary; especially, where the salary is paid notwithstanding absence from sickness or any other proper cause. Applying this test to the cases that you have submitted to me, I beg to say that in my opinion only the three coal-passers, who are now employed by the day at one dollar and sixty-six and two-third cents per day, are affected by the Act in question.

The pay of these men should be increased to two dollars per day.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) Edgar Allan Poe,
City Solicitor.

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CORRESPONDENCE.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE,
SUB-DEPARTMENT
BOARD OF ESTIMATES,
CITY HALL.

Baltimore, May 24th, 1910.

Edgar Allan Poe, Esq.,
City Solicitor,
City.

Dear Sir:-

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At the regular meeting of the Board of Estimates held this day, a communication was read from Commissioner of Street Cleaning Wickes, relative to the arrangement of his charge for labor to comply with the recent increase passed by the last Legislature and same was ordered referred to the City Solicitor for his opinion as to its legal-