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shall be payable, in what proportions they shall be payable and what rate of interest they shall bear is conferred solely upon the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore.

The Act contemplates, therefore, cooperation between the Commission and the Council. Without this cooperation the provisions of the Act cannot be actually carried into effect.

The Commission is also clothed with full power to acquire property by purchase or condemnation, or by other methods of acquisition; also to make contracts in the name of the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore; also to employ experts, agents, clerks, and other employees; provided, of course, these powers are exercised in connection with the purposes authorized by the Act.

Section 6 of the Act limits the amount of stock that may be issued in any one year to one million dollars, and also provides that the appropriations for the cost of work shall be annually included by the Board of Estimates in the Ordinance of Estimates. In this way the expenditures of the Commission are brought under the supervision and control of the Board of Estimates and the Council.

Trusting that the foregoing covers your inquiries, I am

Very respectfully,
(Signed) Edgar Allan Poe,
City Solicitor.

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File No. 12569

Baltimore, March 26, 1911.

O. F. Lackey, Esq.,
Harbor Engineer.

Dear Sir:

I have your favor of the 24th, in reference to the razing of the building now belonging to Mrs. Susan Brooks.

Inasmuch as Pratt Street is being widened by the Commissioners for Opening Streets, the law requires that the Commissioners, themselves, shall sell, at public auction, the old material..