

enclosed a list of locations of arc lamps which it is proposed to place on half-night service, that is to say: Arc lamps that will go out of service after 12 o'clock each night during the year.

In this connection I desire to say that there are in service in several streets located in the business section of the city a number of arc lamps greatly in excess of the number required for the public convenience, - such excessive number of lamps having been placed on these streets for ornamental purposes.

It is my purpose to extinguish every alternating lamp where there six or seven in a block and this arrangement will not, in any manner, be detrimental to the public welfare, nor will these extinguished lamps be noticed by the public except when attention is called to them.

When I took charge of this department and for several years thereafter, there was but one arc lamp located at an intersecting street in the business section with here and there a small gas lamp in the centre of the block. Later, when I managed to bring about a reduction in the price of arc lamp service, I was enabled to place on every square on Baltimore street, (for ornamental purposes, as stated), twelve, and in some cases, fourteen arc lamps within each square from Paca street to Jones' Falls and in the squares east and west of those boundaries about six and seven single arcs, while on all streets running north and south of and parallel with Baltimore street there are in service six and seven arc lamps in each square.

The placing of these arc lamps on a half-night service will result in saving a sufficient amount each year that will enable me to still further extend the service without greatly increasing the fixed charges for lamp maintainance and will not, as stated, impair the efficiency of the service to the extent of being in the least detrimental to the public welfare.

Yours very truly,

ROBERT J. McCUEN,
Supt. Lamps and Lighting."

Wind Shield, - Damage to.

In respect to damage to wind shield and the Board's action thereon, as referred to in the proceedings of November 9th., 1911, a communica-