File No. 3656. CORRESPONDENCE.

SEWERAGE COMMISSION
OF THE CITY OF BALTIMORE,
AMERICAN BUILDING.

Baltimore, October 26, 1905.

Hon. W. Cabell Bruce,
City Solicitor,
Baltimore, Md.

Dear Sir:-

At a meeting of the Sewerage Commission of the City of Baltimore held on the 24th inst., a communication from the City Engineer was received, a copy of which is herewith enclosed for your consideration, in connection with this letter.

2925 The Sewerage Commission understand that it is a matter of common public belief, that either with or without the knowledge and consent of the municipal government, connections have been made between the storm-water drains and sewers and many private drains leading from dwelling and other houses in all parts of the city, through which house-sewage is turned into the storm-water sewerage system.

Referring to your letter of the 26th of September last to this Commission, in which you express the opinion that it has no power to build any sewer, subsidiary or otherwise, that would discharge crude sewage into Jones' Falls or any other tributary of the Chesapeake Bay; an opinion is requested from you as to the powers and duties of the Commission to construct the storm-water sewers referred to in the project contained in a paper appended to the copy of the letter of the City Engineer.

Very respectfully,
(Signed) Peter Leary, Jr.,
Brig. Genl., U. S. A.,
Retired, Chairman.