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are based on the value of the land which carries with it riparian rights. In my judgment, it should be capitalized at about 2 1/2% the value of said property, per annum.

In the case of piers being constructed in the harbor, the privilege is certainly a decided advantage to the abutting property owner. In all cases, the piers are constructed for the purpose of bringing closer to deep water the land to which it is bridged. It enables the property owner to have more berths than could be accomplished if the ships were placed parallel with the bulkhead on shore line. Piers, in all cases obstruct the free navigation of the harbor, the same as any projection from a building on the public highway.

The Charges as fixed by the Board of Estimates, at 1/2¢ per square foot, is in my judgment, a most reasonable figure.

My object in writing is to make these points clear and I feel confident it will be agreed upon by all concerned.

Yours very truly,
(Signed) H. W. Johanning,
Chief, Bureau Minor Privileges.

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File No. 26208

Baltimore, February 19, 1920.

Roland R. Marchant, Esq.,
City Solicitor.

Dear Sir:

On the 16th instant you requested that I examine the contract entered into between the City and Daniel A. Gaumnitz covering purchase and final disposition of all garbage and dead animals produced in the

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