

File No. 26208 Continued.

produced in the City for a period of ten years, beginning with 1908 and ending with 1918. From the various tables in this section can be seen that the production of garbage within the City varied over this period. The lowest production was in 1910, being approximately 44,000 tons of garbage; the highest in 1916, approximately 62,000 tons. The population in 1916 was 588,000 and in 1918, 670,000, but yet in 1916 approximately 11,000 tons more of garbage were produced than in 1918. Hence it seems that the amount of garbage produced within certain limits does not necessarily increase in the same ratio as the population. Table 3 of this Section shows that there is less produced during the winter months than during the summer months.

Further referring to the tables of Section 11, Section 12 of the Specifications provides:-

"Bidders to Make Examination:-

Bidders must satisfy themselves by personal examination and investigation or other suitable means as to the accuracy of the foregoing estimate of the amount of garbage produced, which is approximate only and is not to bind the City as to the actual quantity to be purchased and disposed of under this contract."

Garbage is defined in Section 15 so as to include every accumulation of animal, fruit or vegetable food waste, containing not more than five per cent by weight of other refuse, generated by, or resulting from, the decay, deterioration, storage, preparation or handling of animal and vegetable matter in any place or at any point where food is prepared for human consumption, including kitchens, dining-rooms, households, hotels, restaurants, etc., within the City of Baltimore. However, I understand that garbage is not collected from hotels and that the contractor is aware of this fact, and has not insisted upon the collection of garbage from hotels.

The Section of the Specifications regarding deliveries is No. 26, and reads as follows:

"Deliveries of garbage and dead animals from May 15th to October 15th are ordinarily two or three scows every other day of an approximate total quantity of four hundred (400) tons.