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and the necessary preparations made to recommence the work early in the Spring we can calculate on it being speedily built and for such a sum as will not exceed your expectations as will appear from the accounts and estimates which I shall lay before you

As the accommodation hitherto afforded your night watch for the western district will by the removal of the old Court house probably cease with the coming summer it will probably be by you deemed expedient to purchase a lot of ground and provide a permanent establishment for that purpose -

The City Springs upon the lot purchased in conformity to a resolve passed at your last February Session have been improved in such manner as to excite the admiration of all strangers who visit our City, are now capable of furnishing a copious supply of pure and wholesome water and from the elegant and substantial workmanship of every part of the improvement, bid fair to be as permanent as useful. Considerable difficulties have been experienced in procuring and preparing the necessary materials, and in consequence thereof great delay in the completion of the work. We are greatly indebted to the persevering industry and indefatigable exertions of the three Gentlemen appointed to superintending, for the state of perfection to which they are brought, who are prepared to lay before you an accurate account of all sums paid and expended, as their future operations must be regulated by your wishes and the extent of your Appropriations -

To facilitate the water Company in introducing a supply of water to every part of the City, an ordinance was passed authorising the digging up and opening at their pleasure any of the street lanes and alleys of the City

and enjoining the restoring the same forthwith to their former condition, this privilege as used, has been attended with great inconvenience to our citizens and sometimes endangered their lives by the unceasing length of time the streets have been suffered to remain open, has greatly increased the expense and difficulty of cleaning the streets and has occasioned much unmerited censure being bestowed on the board of City Commissioners for a supposed neglect of duty. It is only justice to your execution officers that they be invested with ample power to enable them to fulfil such duties as are generally expected from them which cannot be done without modifying the powers hitherto granted to the water Company. -

In severe weather it is easy to excite the sympathetic feelings of the benevolent citizens of Baltimore and raise by way of contribution such sums of money as the necessities of the moment call for, a number of our fellow citizens have been actively engaged for the last ten days in collecting and distributing for the relief of the poor the sums that are always cheerfully bestowed for that purpose which I trust from the pains that have been taken will be rendered as useful and extensively beneficial as possible. But when we reflect that this mode is partial oppressive and inadequate to the extent of our wishes, you will see the necessity of endeavouring to devise some mean of providing a permanent establishment, many who solicit our charity are in the full enjoyment of health and strength and plead as their only excuse want of employment, if from such labour in return for the charity bestowed could be required  
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