OFFICE OF THE CITY COMMISSIONERS,

Baltimore, January 1, 1841.

To the Honorable

The Mayor and City Council of Baltimore:

GENTLEMEN:

As required by the Ordinance, passed relative to the improvement of Jones' Falls, we transmit you a separate report upon this subject.

We have found it necessary, during this year, to take down part of the wall binding on the west side of Jones' Falls, between Fleet and Pratt streets, and between Pratt and Lombard streets, and rebuild it, in consequence of the foundation having given way.

We have contracted with Mr. William Caldwell for building the wooden bridge, directed to be erected over the falls at Gay street. In consequence, however, of the lumber not having arrived until the winter had set in with considerable severity, we have deemed it prudent to defer the commencement of the work until the spring.

A bill for the amount expended by the City, in walling up the property of Messrs. John C. White & Sons, upon the line of the falls, has been handed to the Collector, with a warrant for the collection of the same, in accordance with the provisions of the Ordinance upon this subject. As this is the largest claim which the City holds against any of the individuals for walling upon the line of Jones' Falls, we have thought it proper to regard it as a test question, and to withhold the rest of the warrants until it is decided whether the City or the property-holders are bound to pay for the work.

We have had two machines operating during the year, in the Falls, one between Lombard and Pratt streets, and the other between Fleet street and the bend of the Falls. The amount expended thereby, and for the other work done in improving the Falls this year, will be seen upon reference to the Abstract marked (A.)

All which is respectfully submitted.

JAMES CURLEY,
ROBT. CARY LONG, } *Commissioners.*
JOHN N. MURPHY,

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ABSTRACT OF EXPENDITURES

By the CITY COMMISSIONERS, *for the year ending December* 31, 1840.

WORK DIRECTED TO BE DONE.	Approp'on	Drawn.	Undrawn.	Due.
Repairs of Paved streets,	$ 5,000 00	$ 500 00	$ 4,500 00	$ 4,500 00
Repairs of Unpaved streets,	600 00	584 69	15 31	
Flag and Stepping Stones,	550 00	391 50	158 50	158 50
New Lamps,	500 00	376 31	123 69	123 69
Repairs of Bridges,	1,000 00	527 12	472 88	472 88
Repairs of Sewers,	500 00	367 32	132 68	132 68
Cross streets, Paving and Repaving,	8,000 00	2,620 00	5,380 00	10,821 72
Improving Jones' Falls,	20,479 42	10,370 97	10,108 45	
Indexing streets,	50 00	50 00		
Monument street, Fences Removed,	150 00	100 00	50 00	50 00
Special Sewers Repaired,	500 00		500 00	500 00
Public Walk, Keeper's House Floored,	52 83	52 83		
Reservoir and Pump at F. P. Market,	275 00	238 91	36 09	275 06
New Fire Plugs—bal. on app'n of 1839, $525. " " appropriation of 1840, 750.	1,275 00	525 00	750 00	750 00
Calvert street Spring, Ladles,	12 00	12 00		
Copying Maps,	125 00	125 00		
Repairs of Fire Plugs,	555 35	555 35		294 92
Highways and Bridges,		757 23		
Hughes' street—Removing Obstructions,	452 50	198 50	254 00	
Eastern Fountain and Calvert street Spring,—Res. 49, approved March 12—No. 4, approved May 9--No. 4, approved June 30,	142 53	142 53		
Franklin Square,	1,405 00	1,404 63	37	85 62
Chatsworth Run, Tunnelling, Res. 71, of 1839,	1,155 00	675 32	479 68	479 68
Stone Culvert, on Madison st. " "	400 00		400 00	400 00
Chatsworth Run, Tunnelling along Bankard alley,	288 00		288 00	288 00
Chatsworth Run, Tunnelling along Cove st.—Resolution 74, of 1834,	1,558 25		1,558 25	1,558 25
Grading Ross street,	50 00	45 87	4 13	
Repairs of Pumps,	5,000 00	5,000 00		
Centre Market, Rivetted Hose,	50 00	50 00		

Respectfully submitted.

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