from Howard street along Pratt street on the north side to the basin, and from Charles street on the south side to the basin. I would also, call your attention to the gutters at the intersections of most of the prominent business streets, and recommend to your favorable consideration the propriety of having iron sewers put down in place of open gutters.

As it is almost impossible in many instances to ascertain whether certain streets have ever been conveyed to the city as public highways or not, I beg leave to suggest the propriety of an appropriation of $ to have an alphabetical list of all the public thoroughfares made, said list to contain a short description of the length and width of each, and by what process they were conveyed to the city, and as it is presumable there are several of which this information could not be given, would it not be advantageous to apply to the legislature to declare, subject to all the regulations of streets, &c., in the city of Baltimore, all avenues, streets, lanes and alleys, which have been in common use as public highways for a certain number of years, provided the owners, (if there are any) of the beds of said avenues, &c., shall not object thereto within six months from the passage of the law, by this means a perfect alphabetical list might be made, that would be of great importance, and avoid much difficulty.

In conclusion, permit me to say, that if the duties enjoined on this office have not been carried out as promptly as might have been expected, the delay has been caused by the ordinances and resolutions not having been published until about the last of November or the first of December, making it almost impracticable in some instances to ascertain what duties were enjoined, or the conditions and restrictions under which they were to be performed. You will, therefore, confer a great favor on the City Commissioner, and enable all connected with his office, to discharge with promptitude the duties enjoined on them, by having the ordinances and resolutions published as they are approved by the Mayor, and thereby enable the City Commissioner at any time to ascertain the duties enjoined, and the conditions and restriction under which those duties are to be performed.

Respectfully submitted.

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