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# Water Works Shop

No. 60, St. Charles Borromeo Street

Montreal, June 12 1896

J. C. A. Laforest & Co.

Surt. Ent. de l'Agueduc

Monsieur

Les dommages dont se plaint  
M<sup>r</sup> Martin dans sa réclamation ci annexée  
ont été causés par l'âge, la détérioration  
et par l'eau d'une fuite sur un tuyau de  
service vis à vis les Nos 135. 135 1/2 Rue Champlain,  
que nous avons réparé le 16 Mai dernier.  
Les dits dommages n'ont été causés que  
partiellement par l'eau; en conséquence  
je ne peux pas recommander de payer  
plus de Cent trente dollars (\$130<sup>00</sup>) que  
je crois être une rémunération raisonnable  
pour les dommages fait par notre eau,  
quoique M<sup>r</sup> Martin réclame deux cent  
quarante une fractus (\$241<sup>00</sup>).

Respectueusement Soumis  
Chs. Lagace

Par J.R.

M. Martin 70  
135 Champlain  
Clair

\$241.00

May 24/96

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Estimation des reparations a faire a la maison  
 de M. M. Martin au numers 135, 135½, 137 & 137½ rue  
 Champlain "maison a quatre planches et contenant  
 six logement et construit en bois et les briques en briques  
 sur solage en pierre.

	#	cts
Hommage au plancher du soubassement par l'eau stagnante y compris les lambourdes		50.00
28 Portes et chassis a retoucher @ 75 <sup>cts</sup>		21.00
Reparage a faire au enduit au six logement		30.00
Pour tirer les joint de la maconnerie en ciment et faire le creusage necessaire sur trois face		32.00
Pour repare la briques du pignon et facade		20.00
Poser une couche de goudron sur la couverture		12.00
8 Ventilateurs en fer de 6" dia avec coudes bc. et faire tous le creusage et percer le mur en pierre pour ventiler pour le plancher du soubassement		56.00
Frais d'evaluation		25.00
total		<u>\$ 241.00</u>

Certifie  
 L. H. Montbriant  
 Architecte-Mesureur  
 Office 230 St. Andre  
 Bell Tel. 6703  
 March. 297

Montreal 22 Mai 1896

Adresse a M. Martin  
 143 Champlain  
 cte  
 Archives de la Ville de Montréal

Préclamation  
Pour dommages causés  
par l'eau deégout  
de la rue Champlois

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M. La Roche - Déposé  
au B. M. de la Ville -  
J. O. A. K.  
pend.



# The Lachine Rapids Hydraulic & Land Co. Ltd.

G.B. BURLAND, PRES.  
T. PRINGLE, VICE-PRES.  
W. McLEA WALBANK, MAN. DIR.

115<sup>th</sup> JOHN ST. Montreal, July 15, 1896

Dictated by W. McL.W.

R. Costigan Esq., Chairman  
Water Committee.

My dear Sir,

On behalf of the Lachine Rapids Hydraulic & Land Co., L'td., who, you are doubtless aware, are harnessing the Lachine Rapids for power purposes, the object being to supply cheap light and power to the Citizens of Montreal, we would ask you to be good enough to allow our Company permission to erect poles along the bank of the Aqueduct, leading from our works to the City. We propose to use iron poles and will not in any way interfere with, or damage the corporation property.

I am, dear Sir,

Yours faithfully

*W. McLea Walbank*

Man. Director



The Lachine Rapids Hydraulic and Land Co. Ltd.

G.S. BURLAND, PRES.  
T. PRINGLE, VICE-PRES.  
W. MCLEA WALBANK, MANDIR.

17, ST. JOHN ST. Montreal, May 20th, 1898.

Dictated W. McL.W.

Ald. Costigan, Esq.,  
Chairman Water Committee,  
City.

Dear Sir,--

As you are doubtless aware we have awarded our contract for the electrical machinery in connection with the development of the water power at Lachine Rapids, and purpose, during the Fall, constructing our lines into the City. We would be obliged if your Committee will give us permission to erect poles following the bank of the Aqueduct. We will place our poles in a position that will not be any obstruction or inconvenience to your department in any way.

We will be obliged for your early consideration.

Yours faithfully,

*W. McL. Walbank*

Managing Director.

et alors le passage des tuyaux, ci-haut mentionnés, sera chargé au compte de "improvisé" pour lequel un crédit de \$20,000. a été accordé.

Je recevais également, en même temps, une demande de M. Chas. Langlois pour passer un service d'eau, au numéro 326 av. Duluth, précisément à l'endroit où il se pose un drain.

Il faudra poser, à cet endroit de l'av. Duluth, deux tuyaux; un de 12" pour le service du haut niveau, et un de 8" pour le service du niveau inférieur, au coût de \$900.00 pour les deux.

Veuillez, s'il vous plaît, me donner des instructions à ce sujet.

Je demeure  
votre respectueux serviteur.

J. O. Lafont

Surintendant intérimaire.

10/ <sup>112</sup>Suppl. Repack,  
re. man. —  
required in  
Duluth Ave.

July 16/96

Montreal Aug 24, 96

Alfred Larigueau Esq

Chairman Water Committee.

Dear Sir

I made application last week at your office City Hall for 3 Service Pipes to be put into my new building in course of erection on Dorchester St.

I find I cannot have them put in accepting depositing the money to cover the Expense -

before coming so desirous to know who is to be responsible for the amount to me as I find no one will guarantee the City funds for that purpose or even pay when I shall be refused.

The amount of the City is so hard up they cannot carry out their obligations to the Citizens.

I certainly shall not advance my money without being secured & the City will have to bear the responsibility of damages arising from their not being put in.

I am willing to advance the amount required if it goes off my Taxes which is a fair offer on my part -

please let me know as soon as possible what I am to do -

I am dear Sir

Yours Truly

M. E. Field

M. E. Hill<sup>187</sup>  
re. Services  
required by  
him  
25/8/96

- Hill

J. O. A. Lafrest: Gérant  
Surintendant de l'Académie  
Montreal



Monsieur,

Nous soussignés, Actionnaires et  
Abonnés de La Compagnie de Téléphonie des  
Marchands de Montréal, désirons vous in-  
former, qu'il nous serait très commode  
de pouvoir correspondre avec l'Académie  
de Montréal par cette Ligne.

Comme cette Compagnie est  
maintenant répandue dans tous les quar-  
tiers de la Ville et qu'elle donne une  
communication secrète entre les abonnés,  
nous vous prions de bien vouloir ordonner  
de placer ses instruments dans vos  
départements et vous rendre service et  
justice à vos Clients.

— Montreal, 8 juillet 1896

Entrepreneurs  
Entrepreneurs  
Sito

Hortense 290 Rue Beauchamp  
Jos Beauvais 31 1/2 St Elizabeth  
Jos Gump 299 Rochester  
Jos Lambert 357 Berri  
McDonald Labille 1437 St Catherine  
Jean & Paris 10 Rue St Laurent  
Casson Letour 26 " " "  
Alphonse Drapeau 25 " "  
Ulric Dubreuil 66 " "  
Z. L. Gagnon 77 " "  
Et Paul Heil 250 St. Paul



✓ Harkati Commission  
asking for water  
in Sec. 43 Hochelaga  
20/10/91

Subject: \_\_\_\_\_

Office of the \_\_\_\_\_



Superintendent of Water Works,

Montreal, Oct 26th 1896

To the Chairman and Members  
of the Water Committee  
Gentlemen,

I beg to call your attention to the following: The Bell Telephone Co. & The Standard Light & Power Co., in laying their conduits, cross our pipes, valves &c and in many cases damage same, I therefore suggest that the City Attorney be requested to protect the Corporation in question holding them responsible for all damages caused to our pipes &c.

Yours truly

J. D. Lafont  
Acting Supd. W. W. W.

Sujet



Bureau du Surintendant de l'Aqueduc,  
Hôtel-de-Ville,

Montréal, 26 Octobre 1896

M. le Président

et aux Membres

de la Commission de l'Aqueduc.

Messieurs,

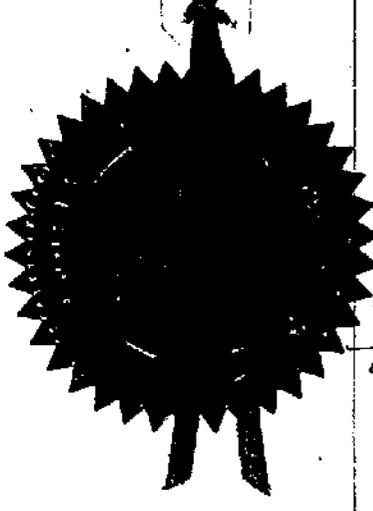
Je dois attirer votre attention sur le fait que les Compagnies suivantes, "The Bell Telephone, the Standard and Light and Power" en passant leurs conduites de tuyaux, ont traversé les rues au-dessus de nos tuyaux, soupapes, etc, et en plusieurs cas les ont endommagés. C'est pourquoi je vous suggère de donner avis à l'avocat de la Cité de protester ces compagnies et de les tenir responsables pour les dommages survenus à nos tuyaux, etc, à la suite de leurs travaux.

Votre respectueux serviteur

J. O. Lefort

Surintendant intérimaire.

Sup<sup>93</sup>to Repair  
n. Bell Telephone  
& Standard Light  
Pans on bricklay  
pipes while laying  
circuit  
57/10/96



L'An mil huit cent qua-  
-tre vingt seize, le trente et deuxième jour  
du mois d'Octobre,

Devant M<sup>re</sup> Joseph C. E. Sévy,  
Notaire Public, pour la Province de Québec,  
résidant et pratiquant en la Cité et dans  
le District de Montréal, en la dite Province,  
soussigné;

A comparu:

Monsieur Napoléon Léonard,  
Entrepreneur-mercier, domicilié en la  
dite Cité de Montréal;

Lequel est convenu et con-  
-vient de ce qui suit, Savoir:

Attendu que le dit Sieur  
Léonard, est propriétaire d'une immeuble  
sis en la dite Cité de Montréal, faisant  
front à la rue St. Dominique, connu et  
désigné aux Plan et Livre de renvoi officiels  
du Quartier St. Louis, de la dite Cité, sous  
le lot officiel numéro quatre-vingt treize  
(93), à la profondeur duquel, il a fait  
élever une bâtisse en bois, lambrissée  
en briques, divisée et à être occupée en  
et comme 14 logements;

Attendu que le Comparant  
a fait application à la Cité de Montréal,  
afin d'obtenir l'approvisionnement de  
l'eau pour chacun des dits logements,  
mais

mais que cette dernière lui a fait observer qu'il ne lui était pas permis de poser un tuyau d'alimentation pour le service de l'eau au delà de l'alignement de chaque rue;

Attendu que le Comparant a fait poser un tuyau en fonte, depuis le front de la dite rue St. Dominique jusqu'à la devanture de la bâtisse érigée à la profondeur de l'immeuble ci-dessus désigné, pour servir à la conduite de l'eau à ces divers logements, avec connexions à chacun d'iceux;

Attendu que pour avoir droit d'exiger de la Cité de Montréal qu'elle fasse la connexion requise afin de relier le tuyau posé par le Comparant, à la conduite d'eau principale posée sur la dite rue St. Dominique, appartenant à la dite Cité de Montréal, cette dernière exige avoir, exercer et retenir en tout temps le contrôle de l'approvisionnement de l'eau à tous et chacun des logements ou occupations existant en arrière de la maison faisant front à la dite rue St. Dominique érigée sur le susdit lot officiel N<sup>o</sup> 93, du dit Quartier St. Louis, à Montréal;

Attendu

When our operations were stopped  
an account of the rain,

The reservoir when quite full was found  
to be leaking at the rate of about 303,000  
gallons per 24 hours; when 5 feet lower  
the leakage was only about 100,000  
gallons per 24 hours; and when  
feet lower the leakage was found to  
be only \_\_\_\_\_ gallons per 24 hours.

The above shows peremptorily the opinion  
already expressed by me, that nearly all  
the leakage was from near the water line  
where the action of the ice took place.

It also shows that our department was  
prudent and wise in not concurring  
with outsiders who tried to exaggerate  
the dangerous condition of the reservoir.

The leakage in the High Level reservoir  
is about 45,000 gallons per 24 hours.

The total leakage in the two reservoirs  
is about 350,000 gallons per 24 hours.

If we take into consideration the capital invested in the Water Works System, that water costs the City \$ 35.00 per day. Taking into consideration only the yearly maintenance it costs the City \$ 8.00 per day to pump the water that not only goes to waste but causes damages which may amount to hundreds of thousands of dollars.

On account of it being so late in the season I suggest that a sum of about \$ 2000.00 be placed at the disposal of the Water Committee to cover the cost of repointing the masonry of the walls of both reservoirs, and make while the Spring to make the permanent work, a detailed estimate of which I will shortly place before the Committee.

The capacity of the W. Parish Reservoir is 35 millions and the N. L. 1,570,000 gallons.

Yours very truly  
J. D. Lo Forum  
Acting Chief Engineer

Sujet



Bureau du Surintendant de l'Agueduc,  
Hôtel-de-Ville,

Montréal, 6 Nov. 1896

Monsieur le Président  
et aux Membres  
de la Commission de l'Agueduc.

Messieurs,

Conformément aux ordres que j'ai reçus du maire et du Président de notre comité, dorénavant le 30 du mois dernier, je me suis mis en communication avec le professeur McLeod, du Collège McElli, afin de prendre les mesures nécessaires pour s'assurer de la quantité de l'eau que le réservoir de la rue McTavish perd par les murs. J'ai fait ériger immédiatement une plate-forme et tout ce qu'il fallait pour arriver à ce résultat. Une recherche a été faite mardi, deux mercredi et une autre jeudi. On doit arrêter alors les travaux à cause du mauvais temps.

Lorsque le réservoir est plein il perd près de 300,000 gallons par 24 heures; à 5 pieds de moins, il perd <sup>ou</sup> 100,000 gallons, et à <sup>5</sup> pieds de moins encore il ne perd que <sup>par</sup> 24 heures, ce qui démontre ainsi l'importance de l'attitude

exactitude de mon opinion, que j'ai déjà  
donnée, que le plus grand volume d'eau  
se perd par les murs à la ligne d'eau, là  
où la gelée se fait le plus sentir. Cela prouve  
aussi la prudence et la sagesse du comité  
en ne partageant pas les opinions de cer-  
taines personnes qui ont exagéré l'état dan-  
geroux des murs du réservoir.

Le réservoir de la haute pression perd près  
de 45,000 gallons par 24 heures, ce qui fait  
un total de près de 350,000 gallons par 24  
heures.

Si l'on prend en considération le capital  
investi dans le dept. de l'eau, cette perte repré-  
sente une somme de \$35.00 par jour à la  
corporation. D'autre part si l'on ne prend  
en considération que les dépenses annuelles  
de l'entretien du dept. il dépense \$8.00 par  
jour pour pomper cette eau perdue, qui  
n'est, non seulement gaspillée, mais  
qui est de plus une cause de dommages  
de plusieurs centaines de mille piastres.

Vu la saison avancée, je suggère  
qu'une somme de \$2000.00 soit mise  
à la disposition du comité de l'eau  
pour se faire cette année que le repoin-  
talement des murs des réservoirs et d'

d'attendre à l'année prochaine pour  
faire les réparations dispendieuses mais  
urgentes dont je soumettrai prochaine-  
ment au comité de l'eau un état détaillé.

La capacité du réservoir de la rue St<sup>e</sup> Louise  
est de 35,000,000 gallons, mesure impé-  
riale, et celle du réservoir de la haute  
pression est de 1,570,000 gallons.

Je demeure  
votre respectueux serviteur,

J. O. B. Lafont

Surintendant intérimaire.

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# REPORT

FROM THE

*Water Committee*  
On the leaky con-  
dition of the Reservoirs  
& for an appropriation  
of \$2000.00 for immediate  
repairs to same.

Presented 6 Nov 1896  
*back to water*

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sustaining the water in the Reservoir will give way and the flood carry away all the buildings and soil upon the Requerant's property.

That the various buildings on the property of the Requerant are constantly used and occupied by the professors and instructors of the University of McGill College and by students attending the lectures and demonstrations, over a thousand persons being frequently on the premises at one time whose lives would be in imminent peril and would be probably sacrificed if the embankment were to give way.

- That the Requerant has suffered most extensive damage in connection with the premises and has been put to great expense.

That it has frequently during the past several years complained to the said City of Montreal and to the different departments and officers connected with its government, of the leakage from the said Reservoir and from the flow of water upon its property and the damage suffered and expense to which it was put, but without receiving any satisfaction and without the leakage being stopped or even reduced.

That said Reservoir in its present state and condition is a dangerous nuisance.

W H E R E F O R E, I the said Notary, at the request aforesaid and speaking as aforesaid and under reserve of all previous notifications and complaints made by the Requerant or in its interests notified the said City of Montreal of the premises and required the said City forthwith to make such repairs or alterations as may be necessary to make the said Reservoir water tight and to prevent the flow of water from it upon the Requerant's

Requerant's property and so to repair and strengthen the walls and embankment around the said Reservoir as to remove the cause of the damage to the Requerant's property and the danger of its entire destruction and to take all and every such other steps as may be necessary or required to cause said source of danger to cease, and I further notified the said City that the Requerant holds it liable and responsible for all loss and damage which it has suffered and for all expenses it has been put to and for all loss and damage which it may suffer in the future and expense which it may be put to in any way in connection with the premises.

F O R all of which I did and do most solemnly protest.

A N D I have served an authentic copy of these presents upon the said City of Montreal for signification hereof speaking as aforesaid.

THIS DONE NOTIFIED AND PROTESTED at the City of Montreal on the date first written an' in truth and testimony of the premises I have signed these presents, which remain of record in my office under Number Five thousand five hundred and *eighty three*.

(SIGNED)

HENRY FRY N. P.

A true copy of the original hereof remaining of record in my office.

*Just*

*Two marginal notes are  
four words crossed out*

*Henry Fry N. P.*

No. 55 *fs*

*2<sup>e</sup> November 1896*

NOTIFICATION AND PROTEST

request of

THE ROYAL INSTITUTION FOR THE  
ADVANCEMENT OF LEARNING

to and vs.

THE CITY OF MONTREAL.

*Complaining of  
Damage caused to their  
property by the water  
Company during the summer*

1st. Copy.

Presented to Council *6 Nov 1896*

Presente au Conseil *18*

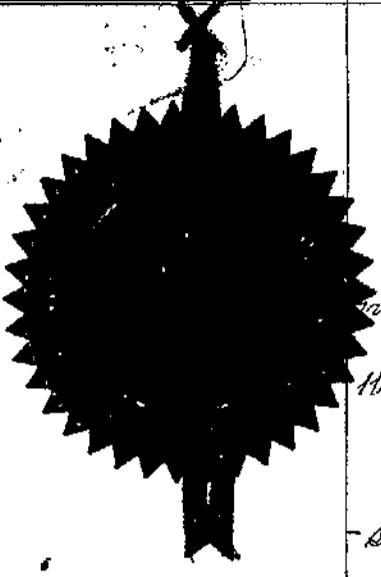
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Renvoye a

Fry & Clerk,

Notaries,

Montreal.



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MONTREAL

On this day, -the thirteenth day of the month of November, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and ninety six;

Before Me, Joseph C. E. Levy, the undersigned Public Notary, duly commissioned and sworn, in and for the Province of Quebec, residing & practising at the City of Montreal, in the District of Montreal, in the said Province;

Personally came and appeared:-

Clarence Ettric Jostin, of the said City of Montreal, Esquire, Confectioner;

Who, previous to the granting of the following servitude and permit to the City of Montreal, a body politic and corporate, having its place of business in the said City of Montreal, has made the following declarations, to Wit:-

Whereas the Apparer is owner of a lot of land, situate in the said City of Montreal, fronting on Vitre' Street, known and distinguished upon the official plan and in the book of reference of the St-Louis Ward of the said City, as official lot number fourteen (N<sup>o</sup> 14), with a house erected on the level and the entrance whereof bears the civic No of 12 of said Vitre' Street, thereon erected;

Whereas the Apparer has caused a new building to be erected in rear of the above mentioned house and at the depth of the said official lot, to which access is gained by a passage left on the South West side of said house, leading from Vitre'

Vitre' Street, aforesaid;

Whereas the Apparator has applied to the City of Montreal (Water Committee) for the water service and supply to be laid on & furnished to the divers tenants and occupants of his said building erected in rear of the said house N<sup>o</sup> 12 Vitre' Street, with a view to its being granted he has already caused the necessary cast iron service pipe to be laid from the line of said Vitre' Street, up to the front of his said new building, together with the required branch pipes for each tenement, which request has been granted by the City of Montreal, subject to the proviso hereinafter mentioned, as appears by a resolution of a Meeting of the Water Committee held on the 27<sup>th</sup> ultimo, certified extract whereof remains hereto annexed. For reference thereto, if need there be,

Whereas, before granting such application the City of Montreal, requires previous to making the necessary connection with the main laid down by the Apparator and that belonging to the City, on the line of said Vitre' Street, and placing their stop-cocks on his private property, in rear of said N<sup>o</sup> 12 Vitre' Street, that permit so to do, be granted them by the Apparator, in order to have, exercise and retention at all times, the control of the water supply to each and all the tenants and occupants of the said building erected at the depth of the said official lot N<sup>o</sup> 14 of the said St Louis Ward, Montreal, that a Notarial Deed be drawn up and signed by him

to

to that effect;

Whereas the Apparator is willing to abide by such requirements, subject to the conditions & under the proviso hereinafter mentioned;

Wherefor, the Apparator hereby gives and grants, forever, subject to the proviso hereinafter determined, to the City of Montreal, all permit, permission & authority:

1<sup>o</sup> To make the necessary connection, in order to join together their respective pipes above mentioned;

2<sup>o</sup> To place stop-cocks on his private property above described, opposite the building erected by him in rear of the said No 12 Vitru' Street.

3<sup>o</sup> To gain access at all times and enter on the said private property by the passage above described or otherwise, in order to turn on or off the water supply, superintend or control its distribution to each or any lessee, sublessee or family or occupant living in the said premises, make all repairs, renovations or alterations &c, as the case may be, with hindrance or interference on the part of the Apparator or of his representatives.

It is agreed. 1<sup>o</sup> That the City of Montreal is to assume the cost and expense entailed by such water connection and laying of stop-cocks, and of all repairs and renovations to the same.

2<sup>o</sup> The City of Montreal, will not be held liable for any damages that may be caused by water from any defects, leaks &c, which may occur at the stop-cocks, joints or couplings of the said stop-cocks.

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Supt. Report  
on Permanent  
Work to be done  
in 1897—

17/2/97

101 report

How can we  
find out  
of our own  
own

Arthur<sup>2025</sup> Lamare  
estimej pas  
services - in  
Rozel st  
17/7/97

Referé à l'0  
d'ici

A Monsieur le président et Messieurs  
les membres du Comité de l'Eau  
Messieurs.

Ayant bâti une maison  
l'an dernier sur la rue Rozel à  
l'ouest de la rue Charlevoix et l'eau  
n'étant pas encore rendue dans la  
rue Rozel jusqu'à ma propriété  
j'aimerais beaucoup que vous ver-  
riez à me la faire passer d'ici  
au premier Mai prochain car mes  
logis sont tous lavés et j'aurai  
provisoirement mes baignoires et  
ma table closes il me faut de toute  
nécessité avoir l'eau espérant que  
vous allez faire droit à ma  
juste demande.  
Je demeure votre etc.

Arthur Lamare  
# 115. 117. 119. 121. Rue Rozel  
Comité de la Ville de Montréal

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SWAN BRAND





*Montreal, Jan. 28<sup>th</sup> 1897.*

*To The Chairman of the Water Committee  
Montreal.*

*Dear Sir*

*I am pleased to inform you that I have  
invented a non-interfering water cut-off  
to be attached to Hydrant in the City which  
I think will answer your requirements.  
By notifying me where competition for  
the same takes place you will much  
oblige yours truly.*

*D. S. Masterman*



W. H. <sup>203</sup>Masterman  
Inventor of a cut off

17/2/97

Montreal 16 Février 1894

Messieurs le President et les  
membres du Comité de l'eau

Messieurs  
J'ai l'honneur de  
faire application pour obtenir  
la charge qui occupait mon père  
J. Olivier Delisle au pavillon des  
roues de votre département. Depuis  
plus de deux mois que mon père  
était retenu chez lui par la maladie  
j'ai pu le remplacer avec avantage  
et à la satisfaction de l'ingénieur  
Mr Beaulieu, et j'ai la parfaite assu-  
rance qu'il en sera de même pour  
l'avenir si vous m'accordez la faveur  
que je demande. Cette faveur sera  
d'autant plus grande que je suis  
le seul soutien de ma mère qui reste  
sans ressources et chargée d'une

famille de six jeunes enfants

J'ai l'honneur d'être,

Messieurs

Votre très humble serviteur

René Delisle

A MONSIEUR LE PRESIDENT

Messieurs les Membres

de la Commission de l'Aqueduc  
de Montréal.

Messieurs,

Je suis à me demander si Mr. Laforest ne doit être considéré que comme un simple fonctionnaire de l'Hotel de Ville. N'est-il pas plus raisonnable de croire qu'il est plutôt chef de la Commission de l'Aqueduc que Surintendant, puisqu'il s'arroge le droit de conserver en sa possession, sans vous en donner connaissance des documents venant du Conseil pour être lus devant vous.

Une lettre que j'adressai au Conseil de Ville le 12 Avril dernier, et qui fut renvoyée à votre Comité pour y être lue à sa première réunion subséquente, est encore entre les mains de Mr. Laforest et n'a jamais été produite, quoique vous vous soyiez assemblés plusieurs fois depuis cette date.

Laissez-moi vous dire, aussi que Mr. Laforest me semble posséder tous les vilains défauts qu'il reprochait à son prédecesseur Mr. Davis: son injustice et ses prétentions égalent au moins sa rancune. Je sais bien qu'il lui est impossible de pardonner à quelques uns leur franchise lors de l'enquête Davis-Laforest; cependant, il devrait se rappeler qu'un honnête homme ne peut et ne doit dire que la vérité lorsque, sous serment, il est appelé à rendre témoignage.

Espérant que vous ne vous en laisserez pas imposer plus longtemps par la fourberie de cet homme et que vous exigerez la production de ma lettre,

J'ai l'honneur d'être

Messieurs,

Votre Obéissant Serviteur,

*Louis Hilaire Blouin*

Montréal, 1 Mai 1897.

Archives de la Ville de Montréal

L. N. Blain <sup>208.</sup>  
re: unemploy  
C. Brossard  
4<sup>th</sup> May / 97

(Blain) -  
Write to him



*Harbour Commissioners of Montreal.*

*Secretary's Office.*

*Montreal,*

28th May 1897.

Ald. Richard Costigan,  
Chairman, Water Committee,  
City.

Dear Sir:-

At the last meeting of the Commissioners, a letter was read from Mr. Laforest, Superintendent, Montreal Water Works, as to the laying of a pipe down Nicolet Street, Hochelaga, to supply water to a new latrine which is badly required on the wharves at that point. The matter was referred to Mr. Robert Mackay, President and Mr. John Kennedy, Chief Engineer, and I am now asked by Mr. Mackay to request a conference with yourself, if possible, tomorrow or Monday, so that a report can be made to the Commissioners at their next meeting on Tuesday.

Trusting that it may be convenient for you to have a meeting as suggested, I am,

Yours obediently,

*Alexander Robertson*

Secretary.

Harbour <sup>209</sup>  
Commission  
re notes for  
Lafitte sec  
#3 of Harbour  
8 June/97

W. B. Bédouin

7/7/97

Montréal, 29 Juin 1897

Au Président et aux membres  
de la Commission de l'Agueduc,  
Messieurs:

Je vous adresse  
ces quelques mots, pour vous  
informer que la correspondance  
qui vous a été adressée par  
Mr. L. H. Plouin, le 31 Mai  
courant, l'a été, à mon insu,  
car j'ignorais entièrement que  
mon beau-père devait vous en-  
voyer cette lettre; par consé-  
quent je m'en connaissais  
absolument rien.

Espérant que vous

que vous ne me rendrez nul-  
lement responsable de cet écrit;

J'ai l'honneur de me soussigner  
Messieurs,

Notre très humble

serviteur  
C. Brousseau  
Dessinateur.

Subject: .....

Office of the .....



Superintendent of Water Works,

Montreal, 10 Août

1897

Au Président  
et aux Membres  
de la Commission de l'Agueduc.

Messieurs,

Le Conseil de Ville, dans son  
assemblée d'hier, a accordé au départe-  
ment de l'eau une somme de \$50,000.  
pour faire les travaux suivants: la pose  
des maîtres tuyaux; tuyaux de service;  
les raccordements nécessaires à la mai-  
son des roues; amélioration des sou-  
papes; etc.; et des réparations aux réser-  
voirs pour une somme de \$10,000.

On pose actuellement les maîtres tu-  
yaux et les tuyaux de service; Les rac-  
cordements à la maison des roues sont  
commencés ainsi que les changements

à faire aux soupapes. Ces deux derniers travaux devront être terminés avant de vider le réservoir pour lui faire les réparations nécessaires. De sorte que l'on pourra fermer promptement un tuyau, en cas d'une rupture sérieuse, sans pour cela priver la ville de son eau. Il faudra déduire \$ 2,500.00 de cette somme de \$ 10,000.00 pour des réparations qui ont été faites l'année dernière aux réservoirs ne laissant ainsi qu'un montant de \$ 7500.00 pour les réparations actuelles.

Il faudra réparer d'abord le mur de division, afin de pouvoir vider un des deux côtés du réservoir. Dans toute la longueur du dit mur la maçonnerie du sommet est désagrégée chaque hiver par la pression des glaces. Pour éviter à cet inconvénient il sera nécessaire de reconstruire le dit sommet en pierres de taille dures, avec un fruit

beaucoup plus prononcé que celui qui existe.  
Le coût de ce travail sera d'environ \$2,600.00

La partie nord du dit mur peut être  
remise en bon état par un simple rejointoyage  
en ciment qui coûtera environ  
\$ 550.00.

Dans la partie sud, la maçonnerie est  
entièrement à sec dans presque toute  
son épaisseur; tout le mortier a été en-  
traîné par l'eau qui passe librement  
à travers le dit mur. Plusieurs pierres  
sont décollées complètement et menacent  
de se détacher du mur.

Il ya plusieurs moyens de remédier à  
ces graves inconvénients. L'un consiste à  
demolir entièrement le dit mur, de  
construire les parements en pierre dure  
ébauchée et d'employer la pierre de dé-  
molition pour le remplissage du mur  
à l'intérieur, ce qui coûterait très cher.  
Le moyen le plus rapide et de beaucoup  
le moins dispendieux consiste soit à  
laisser le mur dans son état actuel.

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et à le revêtir de chaque côté d'une chape  
en béton prise dans une armature en  
barres de fer d'un faible diamètre, reliée au  
mur par des crampons de fer scellés entre  
les assises du dit mur, et de couvrir  
cette chape d'un enduit de ciment. Cette  
couche de béton et de ciment devra aussi  
couvrir la partie supérieure du mur dans  
toute sa longueur avant de poser le cha-  
peron. Le coût de ce dernier travail sera  
d'environ \$3,900.00 formant un total  
de \$4050.00. En ajoutant les imprévus  
nous arrivons à la somme de \$4,500.00  
qui est la somme disponible.

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Votre respectueux serviteur.

J. O. Loford

Surintendant de l'Agueduc.

Report<sup>214</sup> from the  
Supt. showing  
how he proposes  
repaying the Rev-  
& spend the \$50,000  
voted by the Council  
10/8/94

To the Chairman  
and Members of Water Committee

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Gentlemen

I desire to call your attention to the manner in which some of the large manufacturing establishments situated on the Water edge, River or Canal are charged Water rates.

These firms being recorded as "All by Meter" pay Water rates only for the readings by their meters, yet take the bulk of their supply outside that furnished by the City, consequently the readings of the meters are kept as low as possible. It being only for Domestic use, or when the water is out by the Canal, or River low, that they use all City Water. (Some use wells)

I don't pretend to prevent these Companies from using Water outside that furnished by the City if they can get it, but if they do they should be charged on their rental, as Water outside of Domestic use is treated as "Specials". As the term "All by Meter" is a privilege to be enjoyed by those Manufacturers using All City Water.

There is not only a loss of Revenue to the City, but it is unjust to those who are situated in a similar position as far as the supply of Water is concerned, yet are charged on assessed rental as well as their "Specials" being metered.

It is my intention to immediately notify these Companies that in order to be "All by Meter" means that they must consume all City Water, otherwise they will be charged on assessed rental as the "Specials" only metered.

I have had two Schedules prepared (herewith attached) showing those "all by meter" and those whose "Specials" are metered, and at the same time pay assessment.

Subject: \_\_\_\_\_



Office of the \_\_\_\_\_

Superintendent of Water Works,

Montreal, May 5th 1896

To the Chairman and Members,  
of the Water Committee,  
Gentlemen.

I beg to inform you that I have been notified by Mr. Dupres, the City Comptroller, that if the expenditure on items for distribution pipes is not reduced, he will refuse to accept our pay roll warrants. I therefore wish to draw your attention to my report of the 7<sup>th</sup> ult. in which I ask for the sum of \$15,450.00 to carry out the work coming under the above heading, and which report is now before the Finance Committee of a weekly expenditure of \$1300.00 in the month of March I have now reduced this item to \$500.00, and fail to see any

any means of further reducing it  
without exposing the city to actions  
for damages through our failing  
to shut or open water valves required  
owing to the state of the boxes, neglecting  
to thaw pipes &c. Also, only the large  
leaks will be attended to, the smaller  
ones will have to remain unrepaired  
thereby increasing the consumption  
if no further appropriation is granted.

I have now only \$9000. left  
as a/c of distribution pipes, making a weekly  
allowance of \$250.00 until the end of  
the year, therefore you will see the  
necessity of taking immediate action  
to provide a further appropriation and  
thereby guard the city against actions  
which are sure to follow if no appro-  
priation is granted.

Yours truly  
J. B. Lafont  
Acting Suph. M. W. W.

Sujet



Bureau du Surintendant de l'Agueduc,  
Hôtel-de-Ville,

Montréal, 5 Mai 1896

Au Président  
et aux Membres  
de la Commission de l'Agueduc.

Messieurs,

J'ai l'honneur de vous faire  
savoir, que l'auditeur de la cité, Mr.  
Dufresne, m'a notifié que si les dé-  
penses pour "travaux de distribution",  
n'étaient pas diminuées, il refusera  
de payer les mandats pour la paie.  
Je desiré attirer votre attention sur  
mon rapport du 2 du mois dernier  
par lequel je demandais la somme de  
\$ 15,450.00 pour continuer les travaux  
de l'item ci-haut mentionné, ce rap-  
port est maintenant entre les mains  
des membres de la Commission des  
finances.



Bureau du Surintendant de l'Agueduc,  
Hôtel-de-Ville,

Montréal,

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Les dépenses, qui étaient de \$1300 par semaine pour le mois de mars, sont maintenant réduites à \$500 par semaine et je ne vois aucun moyen de les réduire davantage sans nuire au bon fonctionnement du département et sans exposer la ville à des dommages, si on ne peut, par le mauvais état des boîtes de services fermer ou ouvrir l'eau, ou si on refuse de déjeler les tuyaux etc. Il n'y a que les tuyaux brisés les plus importants qui seront réparés, les autres seront laissés à plus tard, quand des crédits auront été accordés pour cela, Par conséquent la consommation de l'eau sera augmentée.

Il ne reste plus pour finir l'année qu'une somme de \$9000 pour les travaux des tuyaux de distribution, soit \$250 par

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Bureau du Surintendant de l'Agueduc,  
Hôtel-de-Ville,

Montréal, 18

semaine. Il est donc bien évident qu'il  
faut absolument que vous preniez les  
moyens d'avoir de nouveaux crédits  
pour ces travaux et éviter ainsi des  
poursuites en dommages contre la cité.

Votre très respectueux serviteur

*J. O. Lafont*  
Surintendant intérimaire.

Suppl<sup>8</sup> Report re  
appropriation for  
Distribution Pipes  
6/5/96

G 179  
Geo. Lutz  
asking to rent  
piece of land  
Grand Trunk  
St

6/5/96

City, May 4<sup>th</sup>/96

Water Committee  
Dear Sirs

I ask permission for  
use of field on Grand Trunk Street,  
for to erect a Steam Merry-go-  
Round, and would like to know  
what the rent of the ground would  
be per month

Respectfully Yours

George Lutz

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Bureau du Surintendant de l'Assainissement,  
Hôtel-de-Ville,

Montréal, 6 Mai 1896

A M. le Président  
et aux Membres  
de la Commission de l'Assainissement.

Messieurs,

Je prends la liberté de vous  
faire savoir que, quoiqu'ayant des inté-  
rêts à la campagne, où j'ai établi l'un  
de mes fils, je tiens feu et lieu dans  
une propriété située au n<sup>o</sup> 197 rue  
Bleury, pour laquelle je paie taxes et co-  
lisation.

Je demeure,

Messieurs,

votre respectueux serviteur

B. G. G. G.

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W. G. Mallett  
informing the Com-  
mittee that he  
was holding laws  
in town -

8/5/96



# Water Works Shop

No. 60, St. Charles Borromeo Street

Montreal, June 22 1896



J. V. A. Laforest Esq.  
Act. Supt. M. C. C.

Dear Sir

The damages complained of by M<sup>r</sup>. Martin in his here annexed claim were caused by old age, decay and by the water from a leak on a service pipe opp. C<sup>o</sup>. 135. 135 1/2 Champlain St, which we repaired on the 16<sup>th</sup> May last; said damages were only partly caused by water; therefore I cannot recommend to pay more than one hundred and thirty dollars (\$130<sup>00</sup>) which I think is a reasonable remuneration for the damages done by our water; although M<sup>r</sup>. Martin claims two hundred and forty one dollars (\$241<sup>00</sup>)

Respectfully submitted  
Chs. Lagace  
Per J. D.

Mr Field sent back  
all the papers with  
letter to Chairman  
who handed it to the  
Supt -

Was told by him to  
file - answer -  
June - /96 F.S

Montreal Feb 14 96

Ald. Leostigan Esq

Chairman Water Comms. City

Dear Sir

I am in receipt of letter of this days date referring my  
claim to the Boats, I cannot understand  
how you could come to such a decision. When  
your Men before witnesses stated I was your Dept  
at fault. and they had to fix a pipe - & turn  
off Cocks not tight also having to fill up hole  
with Clay outside which should have been  
done at the time you put your thumbspe Cocks  
in - I trust you will reconsider it and see -  
that I get Justice in the matter - as I am  
only asking for what my Legal demands,  
and you are well aware - that the well is  
liable to cause sickness & the health Dept  
has visited it & they say there is nothing  
on my side at fault. I should have attended  
the Water Committee personally only I kept  
my side. at the time your Men was there - remaining  
the Cellar of possible I will attend your

next meeting there I can more fully  
explain; Trusting you will see more  
into the case and see justice done  
to me which I feel sure you &  
the Committee will see done -

Yours truly

M. E. Field

P.S. please let me know what decision you  
have come to so that I may comply  
by return.



Subject: \_\_\_\_\_



Office of the \_\_\_\_\_

Superintendent of Water Works,

Montreal, March 14th 1896

W. E. Field Esq.  
684 Sandwich St. City

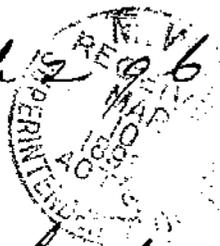
Dear Sir,

I beg to inform you, that  
the water committee at a meeting held  
on the 15th inst resolved to return  
your annexed claim and request  
that you send your claim to the  
Road committee to whom it  
belongs.

Yours truly  
Frank Dawd  
City Water Committee

Copy of Mrs Drown's letter

March 26



Mr Field

Owing to the continuation  
of the water coming in the Cellar  
dampness arising from water in it  
causing my family & me to suffer -  
sickness through it also damaging  
Vegetables & Tobacco it being a great  
loss to me

I enclose three \$3. months -  
rent or. I will have to vacate your  
house hoping you will attend & take  
immediate steps towards this matter

Mrs Antonia Drown

684 Dorchester St

Montreal Mch 9, 96

Ala Costigan Esq

Chairman to the Commission the City

I beg to say that owing to the flooding of the cellar 592 Dorchester St - on Saturday Sunday & Monday <sup>July 31<sup>st</sup></sup> 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> March owing to the defect of the water Dept. and which they have now fixed 5.23.96. - -

I enclose you a copy of a letter my Tenant has sent me demanding 3 months rent or they will vacate the place - as compensation for all the suffering & damage they have suffered through the wet this winter from this defect in your Dept.

I am myself willing to save trouble to settle the matter for the sum of \$50<sup>00</sup>

to cover what I have expended & pay them \$39<sup>00</sup> the 3 months - if we cannot

settle & they go I shall hold the City responsible for 3 years lease at \$156 per year & taxes & repairs - They having been a Tenant of 16 years standing

I cannot allow them to go - and also hold the City responsible for any sickness that may arise from it - trusting the Gentlemen of the Committee will see that such the matter settled on the smallest Basis possible

I am Gentlemen Dear Sir

Yours Truly

M. E. Field

This is nothing to do with my other claim

M. E. Field

89.2.96

A. S.

Mr. Field & 182  
his servants  
Closer  
June - 196

Subject: re drain on Duluth av bet Pentaleon and Cadieux



Office of the

Superintendent of Water Works,

Montreal, July 9<sup>th</sup> 1895

To the Chairman and Members  
of the Water Committee  
Gentlemen

Contractors are making a drain in the rock on Duluth av. between Cadieux and Pentaleon Street, and before filling in their cut applied to me to know whether we had pipes to lay there or not. We have no pipe in that part of the street and I have no appropriation to lay any before the Finance Committee votes the amount of \$204,272.64 asked for by the Water Committee. If that amount was voted this work would be charged to "unforeseen" for which item I asked \$20,000.00

At the same time last week I received an application for a service from Mr Chas Langlois No 326 Duluth av. exactly between the two streets

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Superintendent of Water Works,

Montreal, ..... 189

above mentioned,

Two main pipes have got to be laid one 12" for High Level and one 8" for the Low Level service the total cost will be about \$ 900.00. Please give me instructions regarding this matter

I remain

Your obt servant -

J. P. Lafourche

Acting Supt. M. W. W.

Subject: Tuyaux à l'eau dans l'Av. Duluth.



Office of the

Superintendent of Water Works,

Montreal, 9 juillet 1895

Au président et aux membres  
de la Commission de l'aqueduc.

Messieurs,

Il se construit actuellement dans l'avenue Duluth, entre la rue Cadieux et la rue Paratallon, un drain dans le roc: il n'y a pas de tuyaux à l'eau à cet endroit, et les entrepreneurs, avant de remplir la tranchée du drain, m'ont demandé si nous avions l'intention d'en poser. Il n'y a pas de crédit de vote pour le passage des tuyaux et l'on ne pourra en poser que lorsque la commission des finances aura accordé au département de l'aqueduc, la somme de \$ 204,272.64

Mercants 188  
Lafayette

Requested to be  
placed in our  
shops -

25/8/96

Evans Brothers,  
Anthracite and Bituminous Coal,

Delivered to all Ports by Rail or Water.

x Victoria Square,

Montreal, P.Q., Sep 30<sup>th</sup> 1896

To the Water Committee  
City Hall

Gentlemen We are surprised that as yet we have not received the contract for your supply of hard coal, as we were the only "bona fide" dealers who tendered.

We also understand that the coal is being supplied by other parties.

Will you kindly explain this & oblige

Yours truly

Evans Brothers



# W. M. KNOWLES & CO.

IMPORTERS AND DEALERS IN  
ANTHRACITE AND BITUMINOUS  
**COAL**

*Montreal,* Sept 28th 1896



Delivered by R. RM.

**Contractors to the British Government.**

J. A. O. Laforest Esq.,

Supt. Water Works Dep.

City.

Dear Sir,

We beg to remind you of the deposit for \$500, which you have in hand for us and which you said you would have passed for re-payment at the next Water Committee Meeting. As we understand that there is to be a meeting to-morrow afternoon, we beg to call your attention to this matter and ask that you arrange for us to receive this amount at once and oblige,

Yours truly,

W. M. KNOWLES & CO.

*W. M. Knowles*  
Per W. M. Knowles

*You also have a number of August Invoices which I think have satisfied at the same meeting oblige.*

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M.M. Knudsen  
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30/9/96



The  
*Machine Rapids Hydraulic and Land Co. Ltd.*

G.B. BURLAND, PRES.  
T. PRINGLE, VICE-PRES.  
W. MCLEA WALBANK, MAN. DIR.

17 ST. JOHN ST.

*Montreal*, Oct 1st, 1896

Dictated by W. McL.W.

Frank Dowd Esq.,

Secretary Water Committee.

Dear Sir,

I was surprised to receive your letter of even date, stating that the permission granted by the Water Committee on the 17th of July had been rescinded yesterday. There surely must be some misunderstanding as I was personally present at the Meeting on the 17th of July, when said permission was granted and I was told that I might proceed with the work, on the strength of which we at once ordered our poles.

I will only be too pleased to arrange for a representative of our Company to meet your Committee on Saturday at 10.30 A. M. when I feel sure that the matter shall be amicably settled to the satisfaction of all.

Yours faithfully

*Wm. McLea Walbank*

Man. Director

1901

SECTION OF CITY

I HAVE BEEN FIRST AND LASTLY CALLED TO BE REGISTERED

AT THE COMMISSION TO BEYOND YOUR JURISDICTION ON FEBRUARY 14 10 30 A. M. WHEN

I WENT INTO BE REGISTERED TO SIGNATURE FOR A REPRESENTATIVE

OUR INTEREST

BEFORE THE COURT ON THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF THE LATE

OF THIS CASE BEING REGISTERED AND CALLED AND I AM NOW FREE TO EXERCISE

JURISDICTION AS I WAS REGISTERED TO SIGNATURE ON THE 14TH

OF THIS MONTH AND REGISTERED AS SUCH. THESE SIGNATURES BEING THE

THE ONLY ONE REGISTERED BEYOND THE COURT JURISDICTION ON THE 14TH

I WAS CALLED TO REGISTER YOUR SIGNATURE ON EACH OF THESE

OUR INTEREST

BEFORE THE COURT, COMMISSION

YOUR SIGNATURE

Lachine Rapids  
to Lachine St

Oct 14/98

Disposed of at 1000

God bless

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*Harbour Commissioners of Montreal.*

*Secretary's Office.*

*Montreal,* 18th September 1896.

J. O. A. Laforest, Esq.,

Acting-Supt., Montreal Water Works,  
City.

Sir,

At the last meeting of the Commissioners, a report from the Harbour Master was read to the effect that a Latrine (water closets, urinals, and horse watering troughs) was badly needed on section 43 of the Wharves at Hochelaga, now that the new Pier at that point is finished and a large lumber shipping business being done there.

The Commissioners unanimously concurred in the report and directed me to address you and request that the necessary pipes and water supply should be provided free by the City, as is now done for all the Latrines in the upper part of the harbour.

They also gave directions that their Chief Engineer should at once have the Latrine built and put in operation on a favourable reply being received from the civic authorities.

I am to add that such conveniences as these Latrines afford to the many citizens working in the Harbour are indispensable, on sanitary, as well as many other grounds.

Respeaking a favourable and prompt consideration and reply,

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant

*Alexander Robert Kerr*

Secretary.

P.S. I enclose a small plan showing the locality where the new Latrine is required.

*a.s.p.*

*See*

M. Lagace. Please see the  
estimate for this work -  
return this letter please

J. O. O. K.  
ped.



# Water Works Shop

No. 60, St. Charles Borromeo Street

Montreal, Sept. 28<sup>th</sup> 1896

J. A. A. Laforest Esq.  
Act. Supt. C. M. W. W.

Dear Sir

M<sup>rs</sup>. Lucier will not give permission to cross her land to put in a water pipe from Notre Dame St. to the wharf. Will I make estimate to lay pipes from Desery or from Ancolet St., please let me know. 1000 ft. by Ancolet St. and 1500 feet by Desery St.

Respectfully Submitted  
Chas. Laface  
Per J. H.

Attendu que pour et dans l'exercice de ces fins, la Cité de Montréal requiert du Comparant une permission et autorisation par écrit, laquelle ce dernier est disposé à lui accorder aux charges, conditions et sous la restriction ci-après ;

C'est pourquoi le Comparant, donne et accorde présentement, - à perpétuité, sujet à l'éventualité ci-après prévue, à la dite Cité de Montréal, tout permis et autorisation :

1<sup>o</sup>. - De faire la correction requise afin de relier le tuyau qu'il a posé sur la longueur de son dit immeuble, depuis l'alignement de la dite rue S<sup>t</sup> Dominique, afin de le relier avec la conduite d'eau de la dite Cité de Montréal ;

2<sup>o</sup>. - D'avoir accès, en tout temps, par l'entrée de cour faisant front à la dite rue S<sup>t</sup> Dominique au susdit immeuble N<sup>o</sup> officiel 93 du Quartier S<sup>t</sup> Louis, aux fins de donner, retirer, surveiller ou contrôler le service de l'eau, suivant le cas, à tous ou chacun des logements ou habitations existant sur le dit immeuble, sans molestation de la part du dit Sieur Léonard ou représentants

représentants;

3<sup>e</sup>. - De poser, installer et mettre en opération en face de l'entrée de chaque logement ou habitation un tuyau avec robinet d'arrêt (Stop-cock) à ses frais risques et périls et de voir à leur entretien et réparation ou renouvellement s'il y a lieu.

Il est expressément convenu entre les parties qu'au cas où le Coparcant ou représentants désirerait discontinuer de se servir de l'approvisionnement de l'eau fourni par la dite Cité de Montréal, il aura le droit de le faire, en par lui donnant à cette dernière, trois mois d'avance et par écrit de telle son intention au préalable, et dans telle éventualité les permis et autorisation présentement accordés prendront fin et la Cité de Montréal aura le privilège de reprendre les tuyaux et robinets d'arrêt (stop-cocks), qu'elle aura pu installer sur les dites prémisses.

Il est convenu entre les parties que la Cité de Montréal ne sera pas responsable d'aucun dommage pouvant résulter par l'eau, provenant d'aucunes déficiences, fuites etc., qui pourraient survenir aux dits robinets d'arrêt (Stop-cocks), à leurs rassemblements (joints), ou pièces d'accouplement (couplings)

(couplings), ou de l'eau s'infiltrant dans les  
dits robinets d'arrêt ou à travers l'entourage  
en bois d'iceux.

Le Comparant s'engage par  
les présentes de faire insérer en tout contrat  
de vente ou d'échange qu'il pourrait consentir  
relativement à tout ou partie de l'immeuble  
ci-dessus désigné, la présente servitude.

Le Comparant paiera le  
coût des présentes et d'une expédition cer-  
tifiée pour la Cité de Montréal.

Donc Acte: ———

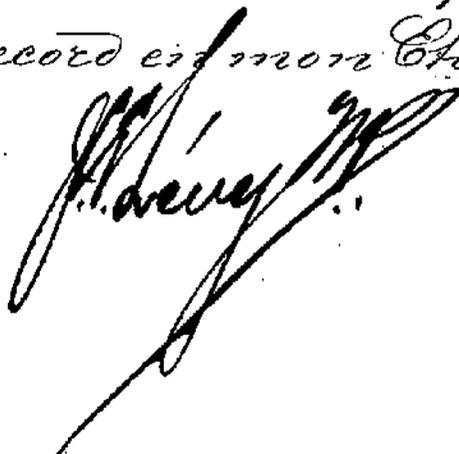
À Montréal, sous le numéro  
trois mille neuf cent deux des minutes  
du répertoire des actes du Notaire  
Sousigné(s);

Et après lecture faite le  
comparant a signé avec et en présence  
du Notaire.

———— (Signé:) Napoléon Léonard ———

———— " J. C. E. Sévy N. P. ———

Vraie copie de la minute des pré-  
sentes demeurée de record en mon Étude.



N<sup>o</sup> 3902

Le 31 Octobre 1896.

Servitude

— pour —

M<sup>r</sup> Napoléon Léonard,

— en faveur de —

La Cité de Montréal.

J<sup>é</sup> Exp<sup>d</sup> L

Joseph Lévy, N.P.

Montréal.



Montreal

November 6th. 1896.

His Worship the Mayor of Montreal.

Dear Sir,

I have at your request made an examination of the condition of the McTavish Street reservoir and have the honour to report as follows:-

Measurements of the loss of water through leakage of the walls were made at five stages of the water level within the reservoir. These measurements were made by means of Hook gauges, reading to one-thousandth of an inch and a correction applied for evaporation, which in all cases was also measured. With 23 feet of water in the reservoir, at which the water level stands 6-ins. from the top of the cross-wall and the reservoir is considered full, a test was made extending over 13 hours and the water was found to fall at the rate of 2.302 inches in twenty-four hours.— This drop in level is equivalent to a loss of 290,000 gallons per day.

When the water level stood at 18 feet, it fell at the rate of 0.778 in. per day, representing a loss through leakage of 100,000 gallons per day

At the intermediate stages of water level of 21.5 ft., 20.0 ft. and 19.0 ft., the tests were made at times when the well was full or partly full of water and the measurements show that there is a leakage of water from the well to the reservoir, either through the valves connecting the well with the reservoir, or through the dividing wall between the well and

the reservoir, when the water level in the well exceeds that in the reservoir.

An examination of the valve chambers, which are situated below the level of the well and between it and Carleton Road, shows a considerable stream of water running through the foundations of the walls. This seems to come from the junction between the cross and front walls, and the water probably finds its way into the latter through the former, which is in a very leaky condition, especially in the upper levels.

The very large volume of water now escaping from the reservoir especially at the higher levels and passing as it does directly into the McGill College Grounds, constitutes a very serious source of injury to the buildings and Grounds of the University, and to a considerable extent also is a menace to the health of the large number of students now in attendance at the University.

As to the course which should now be adopted to remedy the existing state of affairs, I beg to recommend that, on account of the rapidly advancing winter, the complete repairs of the percolating surface be postponed to next summer, but would urge very strongly that the vertical walls should be very thoroughly repaired from the top down to at least the fifteen foot level, that is, for a depth of eight feet around the whole interior of the wall of the reservoir.

I should recommend that further tests be made on the condition of the cross wall in order to ascertain to what level the cementing should there be carried, as it seems possible that it might be desirable to make the repairs there to a lower level than on the sides.

The repairs would consist entirely in replacing the cement which has been removed from between the courses of the masonry. The work should be done under very thorough inspection, as to its quality and that of the

materials used. The cement should in all cases be rammed well within the wall so as to ~~as far as possible~~, entirely fill the voids. The mortar should be not less than one to one of the best Portland Cement. It might also be well to consider the advisability of coating the walls with a waterproof wash.

Should the repairs as above indicated be thoroughly carried out the leakage will probably be found not to exceed 100,000 gallons per diem., a quantity which would without doubt ~~escape without causing serious damage~~ to the surrounding property, until next spring, when the complete repairs to the reservoir should be carried out.

I have the honour to.

be, Sir

Yours truly

C. H. M. Hood

Professor C. H. McLeod's  
report on the Museum's Revenue

Presented to Council 6 Nov. 1896  
Presente au Conseil 18

Referred to Water

To the City of Montreal.

The Water Committee.

Respectfully Report.

That they have this day considered the annexed report of the acty Supt. of W. We are the lucky condition of the reservoir, in which he states that \$7000.00 dollars will be required to make immediate repairs to same.

Your committee after due deliberation, Resolved to accept the acty Supt's report and report to the Council accordingly.

Respectfully Submitted,

Committee Room  
City Hall  
Montreal 6th Nov 1896

A. Costigan  
J. H. Purovian  
H. C. C. C. C.  
C. P. G. G. G.  
J. P. S. S. S.  
L. J. J. J.

Subject: \_\_\_\_\_



Office of the \_\_\_\_\_

Superintendent of Water Works,

Montreal, Nov 6th 1896

To the Chairman and Members  
of the Water Committee  
Gentlemen,

I am obedient to an order from His worship the Mayor and the Chairman of our Committee, issued to me on the 30th ult. I immediately communicated with Prof. M<sup>r</sup> Leod of M<sup>r</sup> Gill College, and made arrangements with him to test the M<sup>r</sup> David Reservoir and ascertain the quantity of water leaking through its walls.

Men were at once put to work to build the platform &c. necessary to make the test. One test was made on Tuesday two on Wednesday and one on Thursday

Faculty of Applied Science.



Montreal

December 3rd 1896



His Worship the Mayor of Montreal

Dear Sir,

I beg to hand you herewith the results of measurements of the loss of water from the McTavish Street Reservoir, which I have made since the date of my former report to you, November 6th. last.

On November 7th. and 8th. observations were made when the depth of water in the reservoir was 12 feet, and it was found that, with the well full, the level of the water increased at the rate of 21/100ths. of an inch per diem., or, in other words, the amount of water which came into the reservoir through seepage from the mountain slopes and leakage from the well exceeded the leakage from the reservoir by 27,300 gallons. When the level of the water in the well had been lowered to that in the reservoir, the gain in level per diem. amounted to 12/100ths., or in volume to an increase of 15,600 gallons. From a comparison of this result with those obtained for the higher levels of water surface, it would appear that there would be, should the reservoir be empty, a daily gain due to seepage from the rear of about one-half an inch, or 65,000 gallons. This of course would be smaller with a full reservoir, but must still be considerable, owing to the high level of the source of the water. As the amount of the in-seepage could not be estimated at the time when the former report was made, no allowance was made for it in the quantities then given.

Owing to the commencement of repairs on November 9th., the observations



at the lower levels were discontinued, and no special observations were made on the condition of the cross-wall, as I was informed by Mr Laforest, that it was not his intention to repair it during the present season.

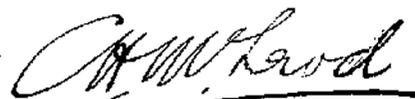
On November 24th. Mr Laforest notified me that the repairs had been completed and observations on the leakage were immediately commenced, with the water surface at the 23-ft. level. This test extended over 20 hours and a drop equivalent to  $93/100$ ths. of an inch, or 121,000 gallons per day, was observed. If to this be added the gain in level due to in-seepage, it will be seen that there is still a leakage of considerably over 150,000 gallons per diem.

As this amount was considerably in excess of what I had predicted and as the repairs to the cross-walls had not been carried out, I examined the chambers below the valve-house and found that the stream of water, to which I referred in my former report, was still running through the foundations of the chamber walls. This stream of course accounts to a considerable extent for the large volume of the leakage still existing. As it is

As it is not possible to make further repairs to the reservoir walls until next spring, I beg to recommend that, in view of the somewhat large volume of water escaping at the 23-ft. level, the depth of the water in the reservoir be maintained at 21-feet, throughout the winter and until such time as the walls can be completely repaired. This would give a sufficient head for the operation of the high level pumps and would not seriously impair the storage capacity for fire purposes.

I have the honour to remain

Yours faithfully



Letter of  
Mr C. H. Meade  
to the Council

Montréal, 6 novembre 1896.



A son Honneur le maire de Montréal-

Cher monsieur,

A votre demande, j'ai fait un examen de l'état du réservoir de la rue McTavish, et j'ai l'honneur de vous présenter le rapport suivant:-

Les pertes d'eau par les fuites des murs ont été mesurées à 5 différents niveaux, dans le réservoir. Les mesurages ont été faits au moyen de flotteurs à crocs donnant jusqu'à un millième de pouce, et une correction a été appliquée pour l'évaporation, qui a été aussi mesurée dans tous les cas. avec 23 pieds d'eau dans le réservoir (alors que le niveau de l'eau se trouvait à six pouces du sommet du mur de séparation et que le réservoir était considéré comme étant plein) une expérience a été faite, couvrant un espace de 13 heures, et il a été constaté que l'eau avait baissé à raison de 2,302 pouces en 24 heures. Cette baisse de niveau est équivalente à une perte de 290,000 gallons par jour.

Au niveau de 18 pieds, l'eau baissa à raison de 0.778 pouces par jour, ce qui représente une perte par les fuites de 100,000 gallons par jour.

Aux niveaux de 21.5, 20 et 19 pieds, les expériences ont été faites aux moments où le puits était plein ou presque plein d'eau, et les mesurages font voir que l'eau s'échappe du puits dans le réservoir, soit par les soupapes reliant le puits au réservoir, ou par le mur de séparation entre le puits et le réservoir, lorsque le niveau de l'eau dans le puits est plus élevé que dans le réservoir.

En examinant les chambres des soupapes, qui se trouvent situées au-dessous du niveau du puits et entre celui-ci et le chemin Carleton, on a constaté qu'il s'écoulait beaucoup d'eau à

travers les fondations des murs. L'eau paraît s'échapper au point de jonction du mur de face et du mur de séparation, et ce dernier offre beaucoup de fuites, surtout dans sa partie inférieure.

Le volume considérable d'eau s'échappant à l'heure qu'il est du réservoir, surtout dans sa partie supérieure, et s'infiltrant directement dans les terrains du collège McGill, endommage considérablement les édifices et terrains de l'université, et menace sérieusement la santé des étudiants qui suivent en grand nombre les cours donnés à l'université.

Pour remédier à cet état de choses, je recommande que, vu l'approche de l'hiver, la réparation complète de la surface endommagée soit retardée jusqu'à l'été prochain, mais j'insiste fortement pour que les murs verticaux soient réparés à partir du sommet jusqu'au niveau de 15 pieds au moins, c'est à dire sur une profondeur de 8 pieds autour de tout l'intérieur du puits du réservoir.

Je recommande que de nouvelles expériences soient faites relativement à l'état du mur de séparation, afin que l'on puisse savoir jusqu'à quel niveau ce mur devrait être cimenté, car il est possible qu'il serait nécessaire de faire des réparations au mur en question à un niveau plus bas que sur les côtés.

Les réparations consisteraient entièrement à remplacer le ciment qui est disparu des joints de la maçonnerie. Les travaux devraient être exécutés avec le plus grand soin. Le ciment devrait dans tous les cas être bien enfoncé dans le mur, de manière à remplir parfaitement les vides. La proportion du mortier ne devrait pas être moindre que 1 à 1 du meilleur ciment de Portland. Il serait peut-être aussi à propos de donner aux murs une couche de matière imperméable.

Si les réparations que je viens de suggérer sont effectuées de la manière voulue, les fuites d'eau n'excéderont pas Montréal

(3)

probablement 100,000 gallons par jour, quantité qui  
séchapperait sans causer, sans doute, de dommages sérieux aux pro-  
priétés avoisinantes, jusqu'au printemps prochain, alors que de  
complètes réparations devraient être faites au réservoir.

Votre, etc.,

(Signé) C. H. McLeod.

Lettre de  
C. H. McLeod  
re Pénitencier

Dec 3/96

ON THIS *Second* day of *October*, one  
thousand eight hundred and ninety-six,

A.T the instance and request of the ROYAL INSTITUTION  
FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF LEARNING, a body corporate duly  
incorporated having its chief office and place of  
business at the City of Montreal.

I, HENRY FRY, the undersigned Public Notary for the  
Province of Quebec, practising at the  
City of Montreal.

PROCEEDED to the City Hall in the City of Montreal,  
being the usual place of business of the City of Mont-  
real a duly incorporated body.

Where being and speaking to the City Clerk in his  
own office.

I D E C L A R E D:

That the City of Montreal is the owner of a large  
Reservoir on the side of Mount Royal in the said City  
situate between the upper part of McTavish Street and  
Carleton Road, which is used to supply almost the whole  
of the said City with water and is kept constantly full  
containing many millions of gallons of water.

That the Requerant is the owner of the greater part  
of the land immediately below the said Reservoir on the  
side of the Mountain, its property being known on the  
Official Plan and Book of Reference of the St. Antoine  
Ward of the said City as lots Numbers One thousand  
eight hundred and seven, one thousand eight hundred and  
four and part of one thousand eight hundred and three  
and other adjoining lots upon which property are erected  
a number of buildings all of which are large and very

valuable

valuable and some of which are new and extremely costly, which buildings are used for educational purposes, as museums, libraries, and for expensive machinery, instruments and appliances,; the grounds being used for the recreation of the students attending McGill College and for the cultivation of trees for ornamental purposes.

That during the last two years and more the said Reservoir has been in a leaky condition, and the water which escaped from it has flowed upon and across the property of the Requerant and against and under the buildings erected thereon and the Requerant has suffered great loss and damage from this flow of water, and has been put to great expense in endeavoring to minimize the injury to its property and buildings as much as possible and in making drains to carry off the water and repairing damage which has been caused.

That the flow of water has been so great that the entire grounds of the Requerant have been completely saturated with water, and the streams have been of such a size that drains have had to be made and conducted to the sewers at considerable expense.

That great injury has already been done to the buildings on the said property and to the grounds and the trees and other vegetation upon them and this more particularly in the ways hereinafter mentioned.

The foundations of the William Molson Hall have been undermined and the cement and mortar carried away, and the beams and floors have become rotten from the damp condition of the soil underneath and of the whole building and all the buildings on the said property, and especially the rear of the whole main building next

Carleton

Carleton Road having been affected in the same way.

The water from the said Reservoir has constantly flowed against the foundations of the Peter Redpath Museum and the basement of this building has been constantly damp to the great injury of the foundations and the whole building tending to cause moreover damage and danger to the valuable specimens in the building for the proper care of which it was erected.

The Peter Redpath Library, a building of great beauty and value and containing a most costly collection consisting of over forty thousand volumes of books is now becoming damp from the said water, and this building and its contents are in great danger of permanent injury and of destruction although it was built in a most substantial manner.

The foundations of the Medical building have been injured and are in danger of further injury; and the Requerant was obliged at considerable expense to put a French drain around it in order to carry off the water which flowed towards it from the said Reservoir, and the water has flowed under and into the new and costly engineering building to such an extent that the Requerant was obliged to put in a special pump to free the basement of it and to keep it free of water.

*There is damage*  
*PRM*  
The trees about the grounds have been greatly damaged and their growth and beauty interfered with by the saturated condition of the soil and by the water collecting around them and the ice which forms in winter

That moreover the leakage has been so great that <sup>o</sup>  
~~fear is entertained~~ that the walls and embankment

sustaining

Stop-Cocks or from water running into or through the Stop-Cock boxes.

It is made an express condition of these presents and one without which they would not have been granted by the Apparors, that in the event ~~the latter or his representatives should at any time, during the continuance of the present servitude, discontinue the use of the water supply of the City of Montreal, with respect to the building above described erected in rear of No 14 St Louis Ward, Montreal, he or they shall have the right to do so, on~~ by him or they giving the City of Montreal, three months notice in writing, in advance, of such his or their intention, and in such event the permits, permission & authority hereby granted will cease & determine and the City of Montreal shall have the privilege of removing their Stop-cocks, boxes & accessories and of closing the water connection. The Apparors shall cause the present servitude

The Apparors shall bear the expense of these presents and of a certified copy thereof for the City of Montreal.

Whereof Acte: \_\_\_\_\_

At Montreal, under the number three thousand nine hundred and eight of the original Deeds remaining of record in the office of the undersigned Notary.

And signed by the Apparors with and in the presence of the undersigned Notary, after due reading thereof.

(Signed) C.E. Jostin. (Signed) J.C.E. Lory, N.P.  
A true copy of the original hereof remaining of record in my office. Two true copies of the original hereof are valid.

No 12 Vitré Street  
the said official lot

and its terms to be inserted in any Deed of Sale, Conveyance or Exchange that he or his representatives may grant in relation to the said official lot No 14 St Louis Ward or any part or portion thereof.

N<sup>o</sup> 3908

The 13<sup>th</sup> November 1896

Servitude

by

Mr. C. E. Jostin,

in favor of

The City of Montreal.

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Joseph Levy, D.P.,

Montreal.

Property belonging to the Water Works  
which may be disposed of.  
March 1897

	Lot No.	Area, feet	Rate per foot	\$	¢
1 Property occupied partly by the G. I. R. Boating Club and partly by J. L. Gagnon cad. # of Verdun - Area of official plan of Montreal Portion outside of Dyke -	3261	119,927			
		29,372	5 <sup>0</sup> / <sub>100</sub>	1468	60
		90,550	15 <sup>0</sup> / <sub>100</sub>	13582	50
2 Property on Butler St West of Reading and North of Butler do. North of Butler + East of Reading do. do do + West do do. do do + West of Coleraine do. do do + East of Coleraine		39,015			
		20,115			
		23,568			
		31,456			
		13,770			
		127,904	15 <sup>0</sup> / <sub>100</sub>	19,185	60
3 do. on Atwater Av.	2514	4231			
do. do.	2516	2471			
do. Bound by do. G. I. Ry + Riviere St Pierre	2517	130,408			
do. " by Atwater Av. - Centre, + D'Argeanson + G. I. Ry -	2518 2519	83,870			
		220,980	12 <sup>0</sup> / <sub>100</sub>	26,517	60
do. Bound by D'Argeanson, Grand Trunk St. Charlevoix + Mullin Facing Grand Trunk St.	2657	5,670			
	2656	4,500			
	2655	4,500			
	2654	4,500			
	2653	4,500			
	2652	4,500			
	2651	4,500			
	2650	4,500			
	2649	4,500			
	2648	4,500			
		46,170	25 <sup>0</sup> / <sub>100</sub>	11,542	50
Carried.					

	Load No.	Area feet.	Rate per foot	#	c
<i>Amount Brought Forward -</i>					
<i>Property Facing Grand Trunk St. Cont.</i>	2647	4500			
	2646	4500			
	2645	4500			
	2644	4500			
<i>do Facing Mullin St -</i>	2671	4500			
	2670	4500			
	2669	4500			
	2668	4500			
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		80764	28 <sup>00</sup>	20191	00
<i>do Facing Charlevoix St.</i>	2673	6491			
	2672	5816			
	2643	5164			
	2642	4511			
		21982	30 <sup>00</sup>	6594	60
<i>do Bounded by Hibernia Rd. Grand</i>					
<i>Trunk St. Saulayes &amp; Mullin</i>					
<i>do Facing Hibernia Rd.</i>	2943	4774			
	2963	7182			
		11956	30 <sup>00</sup>	3586	80
	2944	4165	28 <sup>00</sup>	1041	75
<i>Carried</i>					

	Cont. No.	Area. feet.	Rate per foot	\$	¢
Amount Brought Forward -					
Property Facing Grand Trunk St.	2961	4250			
	2962	4250			
do. do Mullin St.	2946	4300			
	2945	4300			
do. Mullin St East of Richmond	803	4400			
	804	4400			
		25900	.25 <sup>00</sup>	6475	00
do. do. East of Shearer	872	4375			
	871	4350			
	870	4350			
	869	4350			
	868	4350			
		21775	.35 <sup>00</sup>	7621	25

\$ 102,755.50  
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230  
Land that may  
be used -  
March/97

Montreal 16 Feb 1897

To the Chairman and Members  
of the Water Committee  
Gentlemen,

I beg to submit for your  
consideration the following repair  
and permanent work to be done in 1897

Repairs to be refunded -		10,670.86
To laying main in the following streets where there are none at present.		
Main Anne near Sydenham		210.00
Banquet 800 ft 8"		2200.00
Plymouth Grove from Gaudry East 250 ft 8"		688.00
St Urbain Mt. Royal Av. South		4000.00
Seaton Mt. Royal, going South 400 ft 8"		1600.00
Sydenham 300 ft 8"		825.00
Lasalle 120 " 8"		330.00
Mt. Royal Av. Lasalle to Durham 670 ft 12"		1700.00
Chambord Mt. Royal going South 500 ft 8"		1375.00
Mt. Royal Av. Chambord West 100 ft 8"		275.00
Av. Dumont		260.00
Overdale Av. 150 ft 8"		375.00
Reading 36 " 8"		90.00
Knop 100 " 8"		250.00
Therville 600 " 12"		2400.00
Unforeseen P. L.		+ 20000.00
New services, -		+ 30000.00

20 ft. pipe	1 - 30" Valve - new	}	3500.00
Flap	1. 30" " New.		
"	1. 24" " "		
"	1. 20" " "		
"	1 - 10" " "		
"	3. 4" " "		
	Carried		+ 80,698.86

ad - Royal St.

(Amount Brought Forward) - \$ 80,698.86

Altering Valves Pipe Work. 6500.00

To connecting the 30" main from No. 1  
Turbine to the two 24" mains in the  
tunnel at Wheel House. 1200.00

To connecting the 30" main of No. 1 Engine  
to the 30" main of No. 1 Turbine 1600.00

To connecting No. 2 Engine to the 30"  
main of No. 1 Engine 1700.00

Repairs to the Reservoir  
Meters. 10,000.00

6362.00

To repairs made to permanent pavements \$ 108060.86

6 2000.00

Say \$ 110,000.00

\$ 110060.86

Montreal 16 Février 1897

Au Président et aux Membres  
de la Commission de l'Agueduc.

Messieurs, j'ai l'honneur de vous soumettre le rapport suivant des travaux permanents pour l'année 1897

Dépôts à remettre	\$	10 620.86
Posage des tuyaux dans des rues où il n'y en a pas actuellement:		
Mariasse, près de la rue Sydenham		210.
Bougeois 800 pieds de 8"		2200.
Plymouth Grove 250 pds. de 8" à l'est de Landry		688.
St. Urbain, au sud de l'Av. Mt. Royal.		4000.
Seaton " " " 400 de 8"		1600.
Sydenham 300 pieds de 8"		825.
Lasalle 120 " "		330.
Av. Mt. Royal, 620 pds. de 12" entre Lasalle et Sydenham.		1700.
Chambord 500' de 8" sud de Mt. Royal av.		1375.
Av. Mt. Royal 100' de 8" à l'ouest de Chambord		275.
Av. Drumont.		260.
Av. Overdale 150' de 8"		375.
Reading 36 "		90.
Knox 100 "		250.
Cherville 600 12"		2400.
Impression P. L.		20 000.
Nouveaux Services.		30,000.

X	Nouvelle soupape de 30"	}	3,500.
X	Nouvelles " "		
1	" " 24"		
1	" " 20"		
1	" " 10"		
3	" " 4"		

Reportée.

\$ 80,698.86

# Reportée

\$ 30,696.86

Changements aux soupapes des tuyaux d'ascension.	6500.
Pour raccorder le tuyau de 30" de la turbine n°1 au deux tuyaux de 24" dans le tunnel à la Maison des Ponds	1,200.
Pour raccorder le tuyau de 30" de la machine à vapeur n°1 au 30" de la turbine n°1	1600.
Pour raccorder la machine à vapeur n°2 au 30" de la machine à vapeur n°1	1400.
Réparations au réservoir	10000.
Compteurs.	6362.
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	\$ 108,060.86
Réparations aux parages permanents.	2,000.00
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	\$ 110,060.86
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Sait \$	110,000.00

Subject: \_\_\_\_\_



Office of the \_\_\_\_\_

Montreal Water Works,  
Low Level Pumping Station,

Montreal, February 16th 1897

To the Chairman and Members, of the Water Committee, of the City, of Montreal.

Gentlemen:—

I respectfully beg, to bring under your notice, that the late, J. Olivier Delisle in his life time, employed as clerk, at the above named Works, and who died, on the 13th inst., was obliged, to give up his duties through sickness, on the fourth of October 1896. Since which time, his son, Rene Delisle, who has, and is still performing his Father's duties efficiently and well, and to my entire satisfaction, without receiving any personal consideration for the same.

I have much pleasure in stating, that, he is a sober, steady, intelligent young man, with a good commercial education. He is now trained into the work, and is consequently thoroughly competent, to discharge the duties of the position. He is the only support of his Mother and six children.

I would, therefore, earnestly recommend him to your favorable consideration. His Father, served your department, for twenty-nine years; without a fault being found with him.

I have the honor to be, Gentlemen,

Your most humble servant,

*J. Kearney*

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Rev. Delisle  
Joint pastor  
of clerk at  
St. Paul

17/2/94

Epiphany

A.F. GAULT,  
President.

P.C. SHANNON,  
Secy. Treas.

JAMES JACKSON,  
Manager.

# The Dominion Cotton Mills Co. Ltd.

MILLS AT

ROCHELAGA, P.Q.	KINGSTON, ONT.
MAGOG, P.Q.	HALIFAX, N.S.
COATICOOK, P.Q.	WINDSOR, N.S.
BRANTFORD, ONT.	MONCTON, N.S.
CHAMBLY, P.Q.	

*Montreal.* 26th February, 1897 189

Copy.

J.O. V. Laforest Esq.

Supt. Montreal Water Works

Montreal.

Dear Sir:-

Your favor of the 25th inst duly to hand. We now request you to put in one (1) 6 inch Meter at your earliest convenience.

As regards the yearly rental of one hundred dollars, we consider this to be excessive, considering that if your Committee was willing we could put in this Meter ourselves for about five hundred dollars which at 10 per cent interest would mean say about fifty dollars a year.

No doubt the rental of one hundred dollars per annum was fixed by the Water Committee years ago when these large Meters cost a great deal more money and we think it only fair now that the cost price of such Meters has been reduced that the yearly rental ought to be reduced in proportion—we desire therefore to make a formal application to your Committee to have the By-Law amended so that the annual rental of 6 inch Meters shall be a fair interest on cost. We would suggest that fifty dollars per annum ought to be ample. Yours truly, (sgd) James Jackson.

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fair interest on cost. We would suggest that fifty dollars per  
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Dawsonian  
Cotton Mills  
asked for a  
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Company of  
New York

convenience.  
in one (1) of four water at your service  
this favor of the South just data to hand. We now  
Montreal.  
Subj: Montreal Water Works  
Montreal

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Sept 1900

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Apr 13th 1977

Extract from Finance  
Committee of 2 Sept/92

re claim for damage —

all must be sent to Finance  
Committee

handed to Supr

3 avril 1897

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Montréal, 31 Mai, 1897.-

A Monsieur le Président,

et à Messieurs les Membres,

de la Commission de l'Aqueduc,

de Montréal.

Messieurs,

Après avoir constaté que la plupart d'entre vous doivent obéissance et respect aux volontés, aux haines et aux caprices de Mr. Laforest, je me suis décidé à vous adresser une dernière lettre pour vous annoncer mon intention de continuer, mais d'une autre manière, à m'occuper de Mr. Laforest.

J'ai le plaisir de vous annoncer que plusieurs personnes influentes m'ont promis, pour cela, l'aide d'associations fondées dans le but de faire cesser les injustices si fréquentes qui se commettent à l'Hôtel-de-Ville.

Je me servirai de la voix des journaux pour faire connaître à tous la raison véritable pour laquelle Mr. Laforest, devant son Comité, a toujours raison, et pourquoi, juste au moment où l'on renvoyait de pauvres ouvriers, sous le prétexte qu'on n'avait pas l'argent nécessaire pour les payer, Mr. Laforest, recevait une augmentation de salaire de quinze cents dollars par année. Alors, l'on comprendra le besoin qu'éprouve ce Monsieur de se faire à lui-même de si grands éloges, sur les journaux.

En vous disant au revoir et à bientôt

J'ai bien l'honneur de me souscrire

Votre obéissant Serviteur,

*Louis Adolphe Blain*

*652 Rue St-Laurent*

P.S. En vous transmettant une copie de la lettre que Monsieur le Surintendant m'a fait adresser par le secrétaire de la Commission de l'Aqueduc

l'Aqueduc le 7 de Mai, mais que je n'ai reçue que le 28 courant, laissez-moi vous dire que je ne puis m'empêcher d'admirer la naïveté de Mr. Laforest: Il prétend que Messieurs les Echevins en sont venus à la conclusion que les allégations contenues dans ma lettre sont erronées et non-fondées. J'en suis encore à me demander si Monsieur le Surintendant espère, ainsi me faire croire que, en devenant membres de la Commission de l'Aqueduc, vous recevez le don d'une science infuse qui vous dispense de vous rendre compte des faits avant de rendre un jugement. ou bien prétend-il, de cette manière, vous accuser d'imbécilité? sur quels témoignages se serait-on basé pour m'accuser de fausser la vérité, et quels moyens m'aurait-on fournis pour me justifier?

L.H.B.

Office of the SUPERINTENDENT OF WATER WORKS,

Montreal, May 7th., 1897.-

Mr. L. H. Blouin,

Cher Monsieur,

A une assemblée du Comité de l'Aqueduc tenue le 4 courant votre lettre du 1er courant au Comité a été lue, et j'ai reçu instructions de vous informer que le Comité n'a eu qu'une séance depuis la réception de la lettre que vous avez envoyée au Conseil, et qu'à cette séance il n'a été fait que peu de chose, les affaires importantes ayant été remises à plus tard, parceque le comité était obligé d'ajourner.

Le comité en est arrivé à la conclusion que les allégations contenues dans votre lettre sont erronées et non-fondées, votre lettre n'ayant pas été prise en considération à l'assemblée dont vous parlez pour les raisons ci-dessus indiquées,

Je demeure

Votre res-serviteur,

(signé) Frank Dowd

Sec. du Comité de l'Aqueduc.

L. N. Blaccon  
1 June 1877

Subject: \_\_\_\_\_



Office of the \_\_\_\_\_

Superintendent of Water Works,

Montreal, 6 July 1897

To the Chairman & committee  
Works = Water department

The Estate Pallavicini  
submits forms for a 2<sup>nd</sup> supply  
pipes instead of one inch  
for domestic & fire purposes for  
the Hotel Comptable of James St  
H. F. Newberry

Agent for the Estate

Received  
July 10 1897

Estate Pallascio  
asking for a 2"  
pipe for Caseloto  
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granted  
6/17/94

Referred to the  
Supr - by the  
committee -

10 Aug/97

File by order F.D.

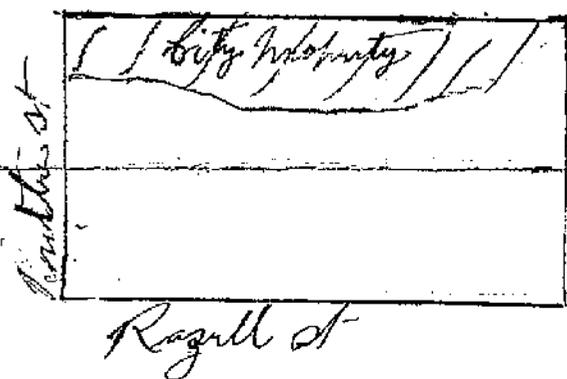
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7/10/97 F.D.

Montreal

Jan 9<sup>th</sup> 1897

Dear Sir.

I try to submit a proposal, to you and your  
Committee, in regard to the purchase of a strip of  
land, running between the Lane and my property,  
corner of Royal and Butler St. Point St Charles  
Which have examined is under the jurisdiction of  
the Portau Committee this strip contains about 2600 Sq.  
Feet I am willing to pay market price for it. This sketch  
will give you an idea of the locality



Hoping you will consider my letter favorably  
I remain your humble servant

C. M. Foxon 79, Knox St

Point St Charles

Montreal

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P. Morvahan  
71 Knox St

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July 10/97

Sus. J. J.  
Repau

City Hall.



City Clerk's Office.

Montreal, 12th. July, 1897.

Dear Sir,

Mr. Roy, the City Attorney, has given the opinion that the notices for the meetings of Committees must be of 24 hours. As we cannot have ~~the~~ such notices served within that delay, when we receive instructions to call a meeting for the following day, I would request you to give us order, in future, to call the meetings of your Committee two days before, in order that the members may receive the notice the day before and that the 24 hours required may be complete.

Your Obedient Servant,

*L. O. David*

City Clerk.

*Mr Dowd  
Please take note of above*

Extract of calling  
 of meeting of  
 Committee.  
 12 July/94

CITY CLERK

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF MONTREAL

The meeting of the Committee on the 12th inst. was held at the  
 City Hall, Montreal, at 10 o'clock, A.M. The following members  
 were present: Mayor, Aldermen, and the City Clerk. The Mayor  
 presided. The minutes of the meeting of the 5th inst. were read  
 and approved. The following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, that the City Clerk be authorized to call a meeting of the

City Council



THE CITY CLERK  
 OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

CITY HALL

Subject: \_\_\_\_\_



Office of the \_\_\_\_\_

Superintendent of Water Works;

Montreal, Aug 10th 1897

To the Chairman and Members  
of the Water Committee,  
Gentlemen.

At the Council meeting held yesterday the department was voted the \$50,000.00 asked, for Pipe Laying, mains and services, making connections at the Wheel House, improving the Valve system, \$10,000.00 of the above sum being for repairs to Reservoirs.

The services are being laid, as also mains in streets where required. The new connections at the Wheel House and the improving of the Valve system has been commenced, as this work

will have to be completed before  
the Reservoir can be emptied for  
repairs, so that in the event of a big  
burst occurring we will be able  
to shut off the water promptly, without  
depriving the city of water. Out of the  
\$10,000.00 voted for the Reservoir some  
\$2,500.00 spent on repairs made last  
year will have to be deducted, leaving  
only \$7,500.00 for the present repairs.  
The first work in connection with these  
repairs will be the repairing of the centre  
wall so that one side of the Reservoir  
may be emptied at a time. That  
portion of the centre wall which is  
exposed to the action of the ice will  
have to be rebuilt with cut stone  
and for ~~more~~ <sup>more</sup> slant given to that part  
of the wall; this work will cost some  
\$2,600.00. — The northern portion of the  
wall can be placed in thorough good

Repair by simply pointing the masonry  
which will cost some \$550.00 -

The south side of the wall has all the cement  
washed out, and may now be considered  
as a dry wall, it will either have to  
be taken down and rebuilt with  
good stone and cement, or left as it  
is at present, and cover it with a  
coast of concrete 8" thick bonded to the  
wall with iron anchors, and the whole  
covered with a coat of good cement,  
this coat of concrete and cement  
should cover the whole of the top of the  
wall before the coping is put on; the  
cost of this work will be about \$3,900.00  
making a total of \$7,050.00; allowing  
\$450.00 for contingencies making a  
grand total of \$7,500.00.

Yours truly

J. O. B. Lofgren  
~~Sept. 11, 1884.~~

As an example, I will point out the Dominion  
Cotton Mills, this Company with assured rental for the  
two mills of \$23,100.- (pay the City for water by meter  
\$512.00, whilst the Canadian Paper Co assured at  
\$11,000 pay \$957.00 per annum.

As the Companies that will be affected by this change  
are large concerns, I expect there will be determined  
opposition. This will increase the revenue of the City upwards of \$10,000  
Therefore I desire you to fully consider this report and  
should my action in the matter meet your approval  
to give me your support.

Yours truly

J. O. Lafont

Supt. M. C. C.

Sept - 14<sup>th</sup> 1897.

(No 2)

Establishments paying by assessment <sup>to</sup> Special by Meter, also using other than City water as shown below.

Firm	Address	Assessed rental	Water rates by Assessment	Specials by Meter	Total	Where taking Water
Canadian Tubing Co	Notre Dame	\$11000.	\$447.00	\$300.20	\$757.20	River
Royal Electric Co	Water St	2000.	86.00	894.92	980.92	do
do	Queen St	4400.	254.00	84.98	338.98	Canal
Montreal Woolen Mills	Basin	2500.	118.00	40.23	158.23	do
J. Forsyth	do	700.	30.00	36.50	66.50	do
Union Cold Storage	Murray	2500.	110.00	50.00	160.00	do
Conservatory Condore	St. Patrice	3000.	134.00	84.40	218.40	do
Eugene Phillips	Shearn	1800.	86.00	18.95	104.95	do
John Shearn	do	1200.	74.00	15.80	89.80	do
Swiss Milk Co	Notre Dame	800.	39.00	40.72	79.72	do
D. Cantife	do	1000.	47.00	8.96	55.96	do
		31000	1425.00	1505.56		
		31000.	1425.	1505.56		

- J.H. -

Establishments now "Old by Meter" (No 1) - i.e. only paying water rates as per meters but at the same time using other than City water as shown below.

Firm	Address	Assessed rental	Water rates by assessment	Amount paid by meter 1-day Special	% Meter and Assessment	When taking water	Increase in revenue less amount paid
Dominion Cotton Mills	Dudson -	\$ 17500.	702.	\$ 511.76	\$ 1439.76	River	\$ 928.
do	St. Ann -	5600.	226.				
Mutual Wool & Sheep Wash	St. Catherine	700.	32.	July 100.00	182.00	Well	32.
Masterman A.S.H. & Co.	Notre Dame	1600.	91.	319.77	410.77	Well	91.
Pack. Banning	Mill St	4500.	182.	119.43	301.43	Canal	182.
Films Keefe	Mill St.	4200.	170.	320.60	490.60	Canal	170.
do	St. Patrick	3000.	122.	89.20	211.20	Canal	122.
Island City Paint Works	St. Patrick	600.	26.	79.26	105.26	Canal	26.
Pelding Paul	Shearer	4000.	162.	220.10	382.10	Canal	162.
The Canada Paint Co.	William	2500.	102.	101.78	203.78	Canal	102.
Mutual St. J. & Power	Same as	4500.	182.	458.70	640.70	Canal	182.
Okus Brewery	St. Lawrence	900.	38.	435.44	473.44	Well	38.
Mutual Gas Coy.	Ottawa St.	9000.	364.	206.63	570.63	Canal	364.
do	Bochelaga	15000.	602.	453.72	1055.72	River	602.
Canada Switching	St. Etienne	2300.	94.	196.98	290.98	Canal	94.
Grand Trunk Ry.	St. St. Charles	26000.	1042.	768.32	1810.32	River	1042.
do	Bonaventure	37000.	1484.	1774.21	3258.21	City rates only	1484.
Canadian Pacific Ry.	Bochelaga	29500.	1184.	3916.63	5100.63	City & River	1184.
do	2 Elevators	10000.	404.	982.73	1910.73	River	404.
do	Dalhousie	13000.	524.			City only	524.
do	Dudson	27500.	1102.	2823.55	3925.52	do	1102.
Canada Sugar Refy	St. Patrick	8000.	322.	465.07	785.07	Canal	322.
		\$ 226900.		14391.88			9157.

Supt's Report re  
Manufacture of  
water from River &  
Canal. →

14 Sept 97

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Sujet.



Bureau du Surintendant de l'Agueduc,  
Hôtel-de-Ville,

Montréal, 14 Septembre 1897

Messieurs  
et aux Membres  
de la Commission de l'Agueduc.

Messieurs,

Je desire attirer votre attention sur la manière dont plusieurs manufactures, placées à proximité de la rivière ou du canal Lachine, paient la taxe de l'eau.

Ces manufactures ont tous des compteurs à leur établissement et doivent payer la totalité de l'eau nécessaire à leur commerce par compteurs, cependant la plus grande partie de leur approvisionnement est puisée dans la rivière, ou dans le canal ou dans des puits creusés à cet effet. Ce n'est

que pour des fins domestiques ou lorsque l'eau de la rivière est trop basse, ou que l'eau du canal est retirée qu'ils se servent de l'eau fournie par la sille.

Mon désir n'est pas de m'opposer à ce que ces manufacturiers se servent d'une autre source d'approvisionnement que celle fournie par la sille, mais alors ils devraient payer l'eau d'après le prix basé sur la cotisation pour les besoins domestiques et payer par compteur pour toute l'eau consommée pour les besoins commerciaux. Le privilège de ne payer que d'après le compteur ne doit être accordé qu'aux manufacturiers dont toute la consommation de l'eau est chargée par compteur.

Cet état de chose est non seulement une perte considérable de revenu, mais il constitue également une injustice

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vers les manufacturiers qui prennent leur approvisionnement de la même manière que les précédents et qui, tout en payant par compteur pour l'eau consommée pour fins commerciales, paient aussi, d'après le tarif basé sur la cotisation, pour l'eau consommée pour les besoins domestiques.

Je me propose de notifier les manufacturiers qui se servent d'une autre eau que celle fournie par la ville, qu'à moins de prendre toute leur approvisionnement de la ville, ils seront chargés, à l'avenir, au tarif basé sur la cotisation pour l'eau dépensée pour les besoins domestiques, et au tarif d'après le compteur pour les fins commerciales.

Ci-joint deux tableaux, dont le premier montre ce que paient les manufacturiers qui ne paient que par compteur seulement et qui s'approvisionnent

également à la rivière ou ailleurs. Le second montre ceux qui prennent l'eau de la même manière et qui sont chargés au tant basé sur la cotisation et aussi par compteur.

Ainsi par exemple, prenons la Cie. de Cotton Dominion dont les deux manufactures sont évaluées à un loyer annuel de \$23,100.00 et paie d'épis compteur \$572.00 par année, tandis que la Cie. Canadienne de Caoutchouc avec un loyer estimé à \$11,000.00 paie \$457.00

Comme je m'attends à beaucoup d'opposition de la part de ces manufacturiers à l'égard de ce changement, qui donnera au moins près de \$10,000.00 de plus de revenu à la ville, je vous prie d'étudier sérieusement ce projet et de me donner votre aide si cela devient nécessaire.

Votre respectueux serviteur

J. D. Lafont

Surintendant de l'égout

J. O. A. Lapointe Eng.  
Supt. W. W. W.  
Dear Sir

Attached to this, are two Schedules, marked No 1 & No 2. These give a list of Establishments, situated on the Water edge, Canal, or River, & taking water from same, or from Wells, these firms use very little City water as their Consumption is metered.

No 1 - Shows those that are "All by meter" & only paying water rates to the City, as per the readings by their meters.

No 2 - Shows those that pay on assessed rental, & have their "Specials" metered only.

Those on No 1 pay the City for water on an average of  $6\frac{1}{2}\%$  of the assessed rental, & those on No 2 pay  $9\frac{1}{2}\%$  or in other words those paying on assessed rental with all Specials metered, pay  $3\frac{1}{2}\%$  more for water than those "All by meter" yet there should be no difference, as these "Wells" concerns take their supply from the same source. The percentage above mentioned is an average, but in some instances there is a greater difference.

Therefore you will see at a glance that there is not only a great loss of Revenue to the City, but it is unjust to those on Schedule No 2! & Probably others not mentioned here. & those on Schedule No 2 should be compelled to pay on assessed rental & the Specials remain metered, & the bylaw interpreted to read = Manufacturing establishments & others that are entitled to meters to be all by meters provided they use all City water =

In the last Column of Schedule No 1, an allowance must be made for water used for Domestic use, but this is a very trifling matter.

But in the event of consumers being compelled to use

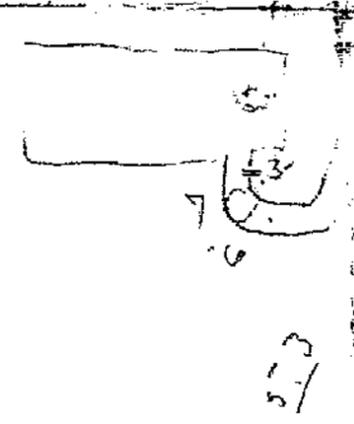
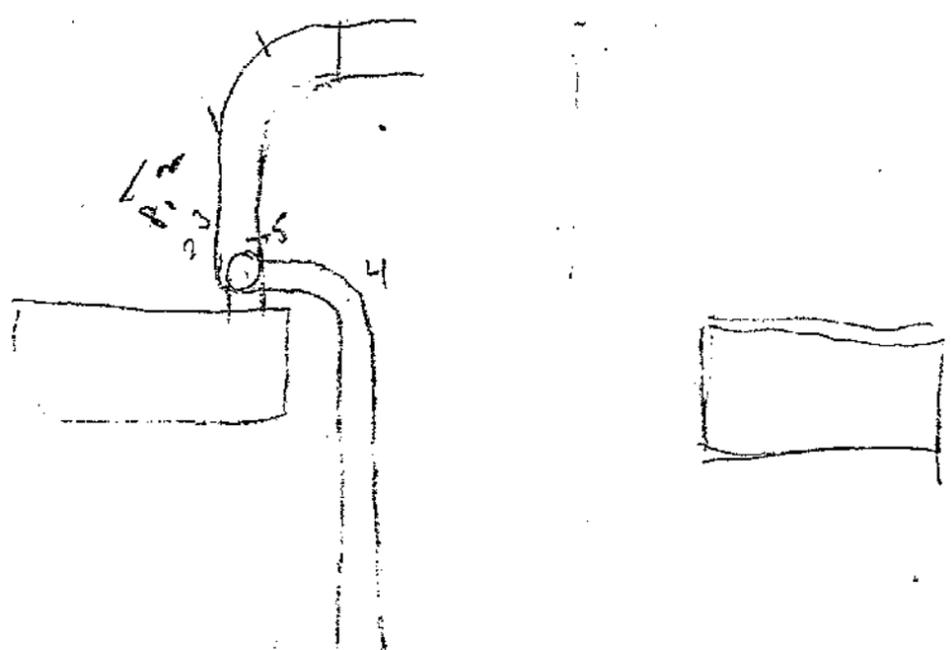
all City water or coming under the head of "all by meter" some measure would have to be taken to supply water for Domestic use only as all the City's supply is metered a small meter might be connected to supply this need, the reading to be deducted from the total quantity consumed. The word Special as used here means the Steam Engines, Closets & water used for Mill purposes. in fact all outside of Domestic use. Closets are usually rated at \$4.00 but in these cases might be put with the other Specials metered.

The figures regarding in these Schedules were furnished by the Revenue Dept. I had intended giving the estimated consumption of these firms as had worked to that end, but abandoned it, concluding that it would simplify matters by laying it before you in this manner, as I found it next to impossible to get the exact total consumption. I might mention that I called the late Sup.'s attention to this matter on Oct 29<sup>th</sup> 94. but nothing was done in the matter.

Respectfully Submitted

August 17<sup>th</sup> 1897.

J. A. May.  
Chief Sup. -



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17th Feb 1909  
To City Attorney for his  
obedience  
F.D.

Montreal, Dec. 14<sup>th</sup>, 1889.

Received from W. McLean Walbank  
the sum of Twenty three dollars  
to pay men for labour of excavating  
to lay pipe on Quiblier Street of Fort  
St.

(Sgd) John Fallon

HENRY TUCKER, B. C. L.

TELEPHONE 1447.

Advocate and Barrister,  
ROOM 22 MECHANICS' INSTITUTE BUILDING,  
204 ST. JAMES STREET.

Montreal 23 Sept 1897

The City of Montreal  
Montreal



Dear Sirs

I desire to revive a claim Mr Norman Wright has against the City of Montreal for having constructed at his own costs the laying of water pipes on Dupper St in 1889. At that time the Street was private property & the City claimed it had no right to do any works there. Mr Wright caused the work to be done & some time after the City took possession of it & has never indemnified him of the costs of construction, \$48.<sup>66</sup>. It would appear Mr Fallon supervised the work. I enclose you <sup>copy of</sup> receipts showing Mr Wright has paid for it.

Yours sincerely  
Henry Tucker

<sup>317</sup>  
Mr. Worman  
White -  
Rev. Pape in  
Dunblin St  
Sept 23/94

M. J. Brennan  
Applying for  
Sheridan's place  
5 Oct/97

Montreal Sept 28/97

To the Chairman of the Water Dept.

Dear Sir  
Having heard that there  
was a vacancy in the Water Dept.  
I beg to make application for  
the position.

I can speak, read and  
write French and have a good  
knowledge of general office work  
having been employed in the  
Firm of Thos May Co from whom  
as well as others I can furnish  
references relative to character

and ability, should you so  
require them.

Hoping you will give  
this your earnest consideration  
I Remain

Respectfully yours  
M. J. Sperman  
388 St. Antoine St.