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OF THE

WATERING COMMITTEE

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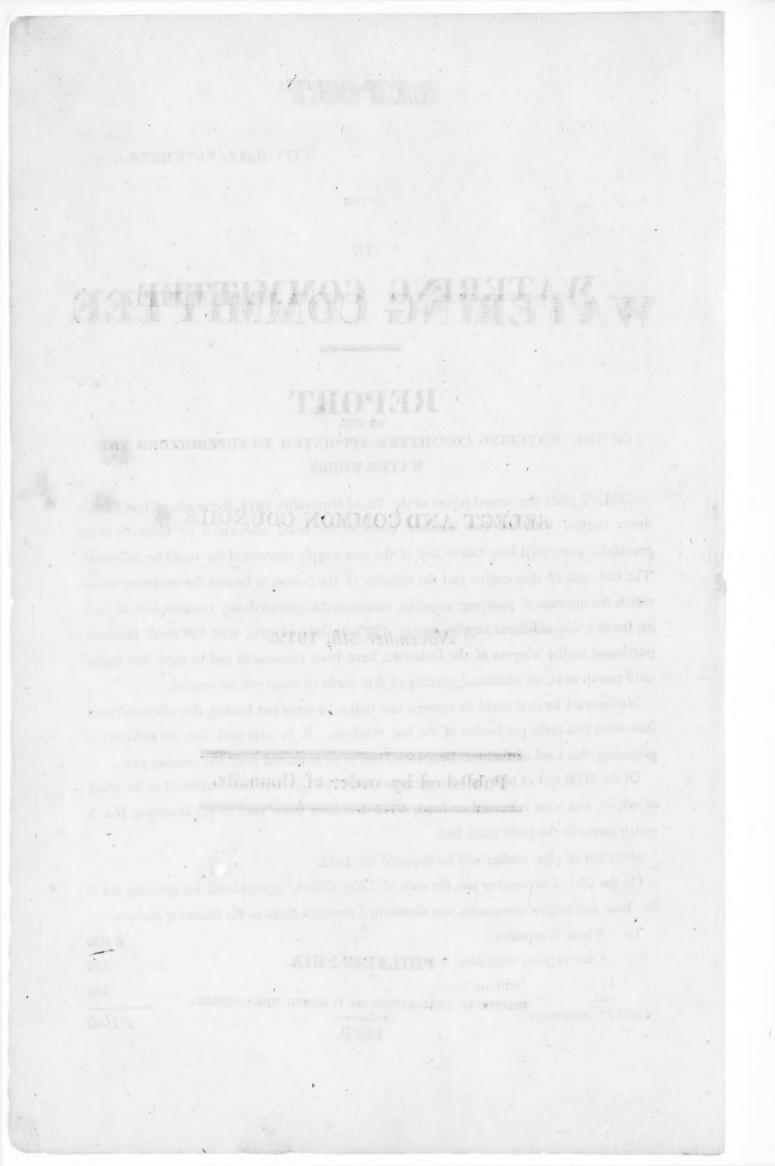
SELECT AND COMMON COUNCILS,

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CITY HALL, NOVEMBER 5, 1812.

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IN

WATERING COMMITTEE.

REPORT

OF THE WATERING COMMITTEE APPOINTED TO SUPERINTEND THE WATER-WORKS.

THAT since the annual report of the 7th of November 1811, the stock of fuel for the lower engine, with the two hundred cords of fire-wood authorized by Councils to be provided, were used long before any of the new supply contracted for could be delivered. The bad state of that engine and the inability of the boilers to furnish the necessary steam which the increase of pumping requires, occasions this extraordinary consumption of fuel, as, besides this additional supply, nearly 1200 bushels of coal, with 129 cords of wood, purchased on the wharves of the Delaware, have been consumed; and to work that engine until march next, an additional quantity of 200 cords of wood will be wanted.

No contract for coal could be entered into under 34 cents per bushel, this advanced price falls short two cents per bushel of the last estimate. It is expected that the difficulty of procuring this kind of fuel will be greater, and at an advanced price the ensuing year.

Of the 7000 feet of pipe timber contracted for, 6709 feet have been delivered at the pond, of which, and what remained on hand, 6718 feet have been used as per statement No. 3. which leaves in the pond 2926 feet.

5000 feet of pipe timber will be required for 1813.

On the 22d of September last the sum of 1500 dollars, appropriated for granting aid to fire hose and engine companies was distributed amongst them in the following manner.

To 8 hose	companies		•	• ,		\$ 800
6 fire e	ngines with hose, &	.c	all gd an	in inverter	map light	350
11	without hose		-		-	350
Total 25 comp	anies		-		-	\$ 1500

In order to apportion said sum, the several companies were invited in the daily papers to make application on or before the 21st of said month; of the above number only twelve of the companies applied, supposing that it proceeded only from neglect of the others, the allotment of the 1500 dollars has been made to all of them; discriminating however the applicants by granting them a larger proportion; and the mayor has been requested to issue his warrants accordingly, as the ordinance prescribes.

Contracts have been entered into in August and September, executed in the latter month and beginning of October following for pipe, timber, digging of the reservoirs, for all the castings for the engine and boiler, for making a new engine, and for quarrying stone on the spot, at the foot of Fair-mount, where the engine house is to be erected, for which purpose the ground has been cleared and the works are now progressing.

In August last the mayor was requested to borrow the sum of 5000 dollars to meet the expenditures on account of the contracts and labourers, which sum has been paid into the city treasury, and on which 2864 dollars 44 cents has been drawn. It is expected that by November or December, 1813, the City will be supplied with water from said works.

2396 dwellings, manufacturers, and institutions, are supplied with water up to the 30th September, 1812, as per statement NO. 4. Observing that the quantity of water used by the manufacturers, is greater in proportion than the rents at which they were rated, and that the rents established for dwellings, being considered as for culinary purposes only, to which a number of private baths and stables have since been attached, which consume more water than what Councils were then aware of, the rents have been increased in proportion to the consumption that such establishments are supposed to require and the new rates have commenced from the 1st of July, 1812, under a firm belief that Councils will approve of the same. The receipts of the rents in advance on issuing permits, from October 1st, 1811, to September 30th, 1812, are as follows:

In the	first	quarter ending	December	31st,	1811 on	57 dv	vellings		\$ 201	95
	Second	do	March	31	1812	21	do	101 101 F	36	26
	Third	do	June	30		110	do	-	335	4
	Fourth	do	September	30	1.1.1.1.1.1.1	113	do		634	54
don's an	to .					301	and the second		1207	79
In the	first qu	arter rent due l	by M. H. B	urges	s of 1811	L .		-	3	34
isso		*							\$ 1211	13
		Carried over	er					-	\$ 1211	13

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Brought forward 45 delinquents of the rent were returned by the Collectors on the 1st of June last, the allowances made to them on their duplicates amount- ed to 294 dollars 75 cents, of which	\$ 1211 1 3
 23 have paid the rent and one year in advance amounting to 1 The rent paid, the pipe destroyed 9 The rent sued for. 8 pipes destroyed 5 Insolvents, the amount of 40 dollars lost 6 Exonerated by the Committee the rent being 38 dollars 1 Error, rent paid by another proprietor 	- \$ 310 - 5
45 Delinquents as reported To which is to be added the sales of old materials and returned quar-	\$ 1526 1 3
terly by the superintendant as per statement N0. 2.	
In the 1st quarter 73 dollars 33 cents, 2d and 3d, 190 dollars 19 cents,	
and 4th 165 dollars, together	428 52
Total rents in advance, and sales of old materials, &c.	\$ I954 65
Which sum as stated has been paid into the treasury; also the follow-	
ing for repaying over water pipes, as per receipts,	
In the 1st quarter, 45 dollars, 2d, 18 dollars, 3d 72 dollars, and 4th 70	ind biomain?
dollars, together	\$ 205
42 certificates have been issued by the Committee, in the following ap-	
propriations, directed to the Mayor; being the amount of expenditures,	
from October 1st, 1811, to the 1st October, 1812, as per statement NO. 1.	\$ 27946 85
On balance of appropriation 1811 \$ 2488 88	0 210 20 00
On water rents, and sales, generally - 13115 86 On appropriation 1812 12342 11 -	\$ 27946 85
Remains a balance of last appropriation This sum is to cover the following to carry on the works to December 31st, next, inclusive. Laying 2926 feet of pipe - \$ \$ 2457	\$ 11057 89
Stop-cocks, frames, and covers, and other castings	
not delivered 585 20 tubs 200	
200 cords of wood of the contract - 1130	
Repairs to fire plugs, stop-cocks, &c 450 Wages to Engine men, labourers, &c 2000	
Incidentals, and improving Centre-square 288	
Supplement of 200 cords of wood, for lower engine 1300	8410
Supposed balance, on the 1st January next -	2647 89
N. B. The works at Fair-mount, being ordered by Councils, it became unnecessary, to make the extraordinary repairs, required to the engine, and boilers, except, to keep them in good order; nor has the removal of the boiler, at Centre-square, been attended to. These, together with the al- lowances of the two last years collections, of the rents being less than the estimate, occasion the present balance:	
Carried forward -	\$ 2647 89

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Brought forward			2647 89
To which the following is added Amount of the rents in advance, and sales of old	materials,	&c, of	
the last four quarters as above-mentioned -	-		1954 65
Amount of rents, to July 1st, 1813, now collecting 14739 dollars less 10 per cent, allowances and			
commissions -	1473 90	the line	13265 10
This sum to be deducted from the following estimate	e		\$ 17867 64
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Estimate of sums necessary to carry on the works, from January 1st, 1813, to December following.

FOR THE DISTRIBUTION.

40 new tubs, and finishing -		-	\$ 400	
Repairs for fire plugs, stop-cocks, pump	s, &c.		2000	
Castings for the same and cylinders	- 02	1.	1000	
8 thousand feet of boards, plank, and sca	antling	in real	270	
5 thousand feet of pipe timber, boring,		&c.	5000	

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FOR THE ENGINES.

24 bushels of coal, hauling and measuri	ing at 45 cer	its \$ 10800	in the off	
13 hundred cord of wood, cording and				
Wages to engine men -	-	3200		
Materials, and repairs, to engines	 mmil 	1200	Likk tom	23000

SALARIES.

Superintendant, 1200 dollars: messenger 25 dollars Incidentals, and improving Centre-square	1225	14 mil	- V8	272 (64
From which, deduct rents, and balances, as above		-		33167 6 17867 6	
Leaves to be appropriated on the 1st January, 1813	3 -	· lat	\$	15300	

By order of the Watering Committee.

JAMES VANUXEM, Chairman.

LIST OF CERTIFICATES,

OR, ORDERS FOR MONEY, DRAWN BY THE

WATERING COMMITTEE,

From October 1st, 1811, to October 1st, 1812, inclusive.

NO.	1811	107 E - FELT 1. COMMERCE EEU TRASPAGETO		Dolls.	Ctu
42	November 1	In favour of Frederick Graff, Clerk of the Wate	r-works.	681	0
43	11	ditto	-	550	
44	December 2	ditto	 1, 2 million 	545	88
45	21	ditto	-	673	0
46	1812. January 1	ditto		518	98
47	1	ditto	10.000	572	
48	February 3	ditto		461	01
49	March 2	ditto	-	548	07
50	21	ditto		566	68
51	April 2	ditto	-	988	34
52		ditto		577	44
53	io ais of its star	ditto	-	496	50
54	28	ditto	10000	856	16
55	May 1	ditto	to support	979	95
56	18	ditto	1000-000	500	D D D D
57	June 1	ditto		92	74
58		ditto		858	14
59		ditto		1304	67
50		ditto		836	08
51	10	ditto	1	500	00
52	15	ditto	121 2043	1014	00
53	July 1	ditto	1017 200 P	845	20
54		ditto -		637	32
55	4.22" 23.4	ditto		1064	11
56	178	ditto	200.04	814	34
57		ditto		1000	38
58	NAL'S AL	ditto	10.20	757	9
59	15	ditto		1197	39
70	and the week	ditto	1	500	89
71		ditto -			
72	August 1	ditto		362	18
73	guot -	ditto		713	79
14	September 1	ditto		724	95
5	orprenioer 1	ditto		849	62
16	19	ditto		482	24
77	15	ditto		500	
78	October 1	ditto		1037	72
	October 1	ditto -		439	78
19		ditto		504	05
0		ditto	1	339	68
31		ditto	1	522	93
2	2	ditto	1	415	08
3		uno		116	69

ABSTRACT OF PAYMENTS.

FROM THE FOREGOING ORDERS, AS FOLLOWS:

DISTRIBUTION.

Dates.		Dlls.	Cts
Nov. 1	Monthly wages for October	260	9
Dac. 2	Ditto November	223	8
	Abraham Jones for 933 feet ash scantling at 3 cents per foot	27	9
1812. Jan. 1	Monthly wages for December	207	8
	John Allison for horse feed	31	4
	Frederick Miley hauling 2 loads of logs	2	5
Feb'v. 3	Monthly wages for January	209	0
		153	1
	Daniel Rhoads for plank boards	16	5
Alcol		41	1
April 2		18	8
550	Monthly wages for March	251	18
30		356	1
			1
518			4
573		85	2
		300	
June 1	John Allison for horse feed		9
2008	John Warnick for nails		5
	Joseph Pierson for 50 bundles of straw and 2 loads of hay -		2
			1
979			2
July 1	The T		1.000
ung -			5
15			1
1001			2
Anoust 1			0
Tragaot 1			1
Sept. 1		/	-
ocpu i			23
Ten.			6
			7
19			
			5
x	David Prentice balance in full for castings		8
			7
			3
			5
			8
			1
			1
			1
			14
			2
		1	9
	William Danie for the Martin	10	5
	VVIIIIam Davis for chandlery		
	Nov. 1 Dəc. 2 1812. Jan. 1 Feb'y. 3 March 2 April 2 May 1 June 1 July 1 Sept. 1	Nov. 1 Monthly wages for October Dac. 2 Ditto November Abraham Jones for 933 fect ash scantling at 3 cents per foot 1812. Jan. 1 Monthly wages for December John Allison for horse feed	Dates. Monthly wages for October 260 Dac. Ditto, November 223 Abraham Jones for 935 feet ash scantling at 3 cents per foot 277 1812. Jan. Monthly wages for December 207 John Allison for horse feed 31 Frederick Miley hauling 2 loads of logs 223 March Ditto. February 209 March Daniel Rhoads for plank boards 163 Joseph Pierson for 2 loads of hay and 175 bundles of straw 41 April Frederick Graff for sundry small bills 18 Monthly wages for April 265 Joseph Smith for 9. 0. 17 band iron 265 Joseph Smith for 9. 0. 17 band iron 59 Thomas W. Duffield balance for 5651 feet of logs at 16 ets. 58 David Prentice on account of iron castings 30 John Allison for horse feed 30 John Marnit for 79 loads and hauling of pipes 77 Thomas W. Duffield balance for 5651 feet of logs at 16 ets. 58 David Prentice on account of iron castings 30 John Marnit for 79 loads and hauling of pipes 79 Thomas W. Duffield balance for fogs feet

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			Brought forwar		7000 99
VO.	1811			Dolls. Cts.	
42	Nov.	1	Monthly wages for October	157 98	1
1		1	Elijah and Thomas Dallet for 494 lbs. of tallow at 12 ± cts.	61 75	
44	Dec.	2	Monthly wages for November	144 75	
46	812. Jan	. 1	ditto December	180 36	
48	Feb'y	3	ditto January	141 86	
949	March		ditto February	180 61	
50			George Humes for 548 bushels of coals at 30 cents	164 40	
)51	April	2	Roberts and West for 1000 bushels of coals at 30 cents		1
1			and 1000 at 28 cents	580	-
952			Robert Dunwoody for hauling 2000 bushels of coal at 2 cts.	40	
		1	William Haskins for measuring 2000 bushels of coal at 33 •	667	
	~		Elijah and Thomas Dallet for 648 lbs. of tallow at 12 cts.	77 76	. 1
			Frederick Graff for sundry small bills	2085	
953			Monthly wages for March.	146 46	
955	May	1	ditto April	14325	
55	Inay	*	Thomas M'Ilwham for brass castings		
58	June	1	Edward M'Dermot, for 300 bushels of coals and measuring	9 91	
130	June		Robert Dunwoody hauling 4100 bushels of coal at 2 cents.		
1		-	Stellwaggon and Knight for 3800 bushels of coal at 34 cts.		
100					
59			and measuring	1304 67	1
960			Monthly wages for May	148 81	
962		15	Stellwaggon & Knight for 2954 bushels of coal & measur.		1
963	July	1	Monthly wages for June	158 43	-
964			Robert Dunwoody for hauling 8426 bushels of coal	168 52	
			Norris and Ridgeway for repairs to the boiler	2 50	
965			Stellwaggon & Knight for 3100 bushels of coals & measur.	1064 34	
966			ditto - 2372 do -	814 38	
968		15		757 39	1
69			ditto - 3489 do -	119789	1
071			Robert Dunwoody for hauling 5695 do -	113 90	
97-	Augus	t 1	Stellwaggon & Knight for 2079 bushels of coal & measur.	713 79	1
973		1	Monthly wages for July	13995	
			Robert Dunwoody for hauling 2079 bushels of coal at 2 cts.	41 58	1
975	Sept.	1	Monthly wages for August	135 30	
977		19	Jonathan Bowers for 1652 bushels of coal at 33 # & measur.	558 92	
			Robert Dunwoody for hauling 1652 bushels of coal at 2 cts.		
978	Oct.	1	Monthly wages for September	155 75	
981		-	Elijah and Thomas Dallet for 434 lbs. of tallow at 12 cts.	5208	
982			William Davis for chandlery -	0000	
002			Samuel Wetherill and son, oil, whiting, emery, &c.	182 50	1. 1.
	1.		John Carrell for ironmongery	35	1
983			William Arrentrue 112 lbs. of candles at 13 cents	4	
300			I contrate and the root of building at to cents	1618	17992

Carried over

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LOWER ENGINE.

-		Brought forward	Dlls.	Cts.	17992 8
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4	1811 Nov	. 1 Monthly wages for October	145		
		Elijah and Thomas Dallet for 439 lbs. of tallow at 12 ± cts.		87	
43		11 Jeremiah Buck for 100 cords of wood at \$ 5 50 -	550		
14	Dec.	2 Monthly wages for November	149		
45		21 Jeremiah Buck for 122 ± cords of wood -	673		
16	1812. Jar	. 1 Monthly wages for December	130		-
		Frederick Miley for hauling 22 3 cords of wood at 40 cents.		95	
18	Feb'y.		110		1
19	March	2 ditto February	141	11	
		Daniel Rhoads for cording 222 + cords of wood	15	56	
50		21 Douglass Saint for 32 cords of wood at \$ 625, and 4 cords			
		at \$ 6 and cording	226	16	
50	March	21 Cornish and Saint for 12 # cords of wood at \$ 6 & cordage		23	
	1. a.u. 0.u.	Frederick Miley for hauling 48 ¹ / ₄ cords of wood at 75 cts.		19	
		Cornish and Saint for 4 ¹ / ₄ cords at \$ 5 25. 8 cords at \$ 5			. 1
		and cordage	65	70	
51	April	2 Douglass Saint for 27 ± cords of wood at \$ 5 and cordage	139		
1	April	Cornish and Saint for 13 ‡ cords of wood at \$ 5 & cordage	68		
				24	
1		ditto for 14 ½ cords at 4 75 and cordage		04	
		Douglass Saint for 12 ¹ / ₄ cords of wood at \$ 5,25 & cordage		60	
-		John Martin hauling 80 3 cords of wood at 80 cts.			
52		Elijah and Thomas Dallet 648 lbs. of tallow at 12 cents.		76	
		Frederick Graff for sundry small bills		88	
13		Monthly wages for March		22	1
54		30 Joseph Jones for 100 cords of wood at \$ 5 -	500		
55	May	1 Monthly wages for April	108	78	
		Thomas M'Ilwham for brass castings	9		
56		18 Joseph Jones for 100 cords of wood	500	1 1	(Valanti
58	June	1 William Rees on account of hauling wood -	100	1	
50		Monthly wages for May	93	07	
51		10 Joseph Jones for 100 cords of wood	500	1	
3	July	1 Monthly wages for June	118	05	
4		William Rees on account for hauling wood	100		
1		Norris and Ridgeway for repairing the boilers	39	50	K.
7			1000		1
0		15 ditto 100 do. do	500		
3	August	1 Monthly wages for July	117	56	
4		1 Joseph Jones for 100 cords of wood	500		
1	P	William Rees on account for hauling wood -	100		
5		Monthly wages for August	78		
6		19 Joseph Jones for 100 cords of wood	500		1
8	Oct.	1 Monthly wages for September	106		
9	U.L.				
	1	David Prentice balance in full for iron castings -	78		
1		Elijah and Thomas Dallet for 433 lbs. of tallow at 12 cts.	51	90	
2		David Rhoads for cording 750 cords of wood	45		
2		William Davis, for chandlery,	132		
1	· · · · · ·	Samuel Wetherill and son for oil; whiting, emery, &c.	35		
31		William Arrentrue 55 lbs. of candles at 13 cents.	7	94	

Carried forward

SALARIES.

NO.	1812.	Amount brought forward,		26388 14
947	Jan. 1	Frederick Graff, on ac unt of salary,	300	
952	April 2	Ditto, ditto,	300	
964	July 1	Ditto, ditto,	300	
973	August 1	John Rafield, one year's Salary,	25	
979	Oct. 1	Frederick Graff, balance of Salary,	300	
	000	,, ,		1225
		INCIDENTALS.		
977	Sept. 19	Jane Aitken, for printing notices,	8 26	
983	Oct. 1	Joseph Cruckshanks. for stationary,	10	
100		William Duane, for advertising,	3425	1
		William M'Corckle, ditto,	13 99	-
		William M'Corckle, ditto,		3.
		William M'Corckle, ditto,	13 99	

PLANS AND ESTIMATES.

1	1812.		1
947	Jan.	1 John Davis, for services rendered, in planning and estimating as per report to Councils, for altering	
		the system for supplying the city with water, 150	
952	April	2 Frederick Graff, for sundry small bills, 7 71	
973	Aug.	1 Ditto, ditto, 37 67	
977	Sept.	19 Jane Aitken, for printing the report to Councils, for altering the system for supplying the city with	
		water, 37 50	
			23288

ABSTRACT OF PAYMENTS.

Made by the Watering Committee, from Octr. 1st, 1811, to Octr. 1st, 1812, inclusive.

Distribution, wages to workmen laying pipes, digging pipe trenches, repairs to pumps, fire plugs, setting new ones, with materials, &c. &c. 7000 99 Centre engine, working engine, wages, fuel, &c. 10991 82 Lower engine, ditto, ditto, 8395 33 Salaries of the superintendant and messenger, 1225 Incidental expences for advertising, &c. 100 83 Plans and estimates for the new work, - 232 88 ----- 2794685

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NO. 2.

AMOUNT.

Paid in the treasury by the Superintendant for articles sold, &c. from October 1st, 1811, to October 1st, 1812, inclusive.

P:	William Arrentrue, for 108 bushels of ashes, a 37 cts. S Overdrawn in settlement with Samuel and Thomas Richards, and returned to the Treasurer, Amount received for expence of shifting a hydrant pump, Old pipe sold, Michael Murphy, for 1100 of iron scraps, S 26 12	9	96 80 45		
	Deduct amount paid for a stove for the office. 10	16	12	73	33
	William Arrentrue, 198 bushels of ashes, a 37 cts.	73	26		
2		12			
1	Philip Wager, 34 feet of old pipe, 12 1-2, -		25		
	Henry Pratt, 52 feet ditto, ditto, - Sundries, 5 loads of cinders, a 12 1-2, $62\frac{1}{2}$ 28 do. do. 25 7 15 feet of pipe, $12\frac{1}{2}$ 1 $87\frac{1}{2}$	6	50		
5	To rect or pipe, 123 1 013	9	50		
	Frederick Graff, boring 4234 feet of cedar pipe, a \$ 2,		68		
-	- and the state of			190	19
	Pennel Beale, for 753 lbs. of old iron flues a 12+	94	12:		
1			75		
1	39 feet of pipe, a 12 ² ,		871	1	
	William Todd, 5 loads of cinders, a 25, 7 -	1	25	165	
1			s	428	52

NO. 3.

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STATEMENT OF PIPE,

Used in the distribution, from October 1811, to October 1812.

Part of George street, above Eleventh, -	.edite.	Fee 120
Eighth from Lombard street, south,	-	13
Pine street, between Eighth and Ninth,		440
Ninth from Vine to Maple,	-	559
Chester street, from Vine to Maple,		559
Eleventh, from Locust towards Walnut,	Alteral - Mar	246
Locust, from Ninth to Eleventh,		899
Tenth, from Locust to Spruce,		4.52
Back of Spruce, from Ninth to Tenth,	in a low	471
Fayette street, from Arch to Filbert,		284
Second street, from Drinker's to Elfrith's alley, middle of street	et.	142
Market street west of the engine house,		633
Sixth from Vine towards Race,		249
James street, from Maple to Chester street,	al. mid	316
Locust, from Eighth upwards,		257
Marshall's court, from Fourth to Fifth street, -	-niff	450
Repairs in the streets and for pumps and fire plugs,	SALAW D	714
- 66		6918
Remains in the pond, pipe and timber,	Dinog	2926
And the second of the stranger and the	ddie badiye he simig hoe	9844
In the pond, in October 1811,	3135	
Purchased this year.	6709	
a tronuoca mio jour.	0100	9844

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NO. 4.

List of Dwellings, Manufactories and Institutions, supplied with the Schuylkill water to the 30th September, 1812.

95 Dwellings, schools, &c a \$ 5	Dills. 9975
1 Ditto, with private stable,	7
37 Ditto, north of Vine and south of Cedar street, - 750	277 50
200 Ditto, with private baths, 8	1600
3 A vinegar yard and two dwellings, for three years, 9	27
26 Banks, curriers, hatters, taverns, 10	260
3 Skin dresser, stable and soap factory, 12	36
10 Small distilleries, stables and hatters; 13	.130
40 Hatters, tan-yards, soap factories, 15	600
21 Sugar refiners, hatters and stables, 20	420
3 Paper hanging manufactories, 24	72
16 Distilleries, livery stables, &c 25	400
1 Private with one hydrant pump,	28
12 Breweries, county jail and a public bath, 30	360
1 Ditto,	34
5 Ditto, distilleries and a morocco factory, 35	175
4 Distilleries, and one court with two hydrant pumps, - 40	160
2 Ditto,	88
IBrewery.	45
8 Distilleries, livery stables and hospital, - 50	400
1 Brewery,	60
1 Ditto,	75
Public bath,	80
1 The alms house,	100
1 Private stable	3
1 Back yard,	2 50
1 Private hydrant pump for four houses,	8
Private stables for two hundred and six horses,	206