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Boston, February 1, 1903.

HON. PATRICK A. COLLINS,

*Mayor of the City of Boston:*

SIR,—The Board of Street Commissioners present the following as the report of the Street Laying-Out Department, including a statement relating to public lands in their care, for the year ending January 31, 1903.

Under the orders for laying out, widening and extending streets passed by the Board during the year, land to the amount of about 95,824 square feet was taken for street purposes. Streets having a total mileage of 2.10 were made public ways. Under authority of the acts of the Legislature of 1891, for the assessment upon abutting property of the cost of laying out and constructing streets, there has been assessed upon fifty-five streets a total of \$593,433.09, and for fifteen public alleys a total of \$19,574.57. For benefits of sewerage works assessments to the amount of \$106,972.11 have been made. The total of benefits assessed for streets and sewerage works during the year is the sum \$719,979.72.

The Board has issued ninety orders of notice of intention to lay out, widen, relocate, extend and discontinue streets or parts of streets and public alleys, calling for public hearings. It has considered forty-four petitions for street improvements. For the laying of sewers and surface drains there

have been sixty-four petitions presented to the Board during the year. In the settlement of damages for takings of land, etc., for various changes in the city's streets, 161 cases have been acted upon by the commissioners. Claims for damages for sewers and surface drains ordered have been settled to the number of forty-seven. Thirteen petitions for release of assessments have been received and the releases made by the Board under authority of the acts empowering it to release parts of estates from assessments for sewers and sidewalks upon payment of the proportional parts due upon the parcels released.

Under the provisions of acts of the Legislature giving the Street Commissioners authority to take land for and order the construction of sewerage works, orders have been passed for the improvement and relocation of various natural streams or water courses, and surface drainage has been supplied for territories needing it, as follows: At *Dorchester* — Freeport Street brook, between Dorchester avenue and Pleasant street; Oakland brook, between River street and the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad. At *Brighton* — Fanueil Valley brook, from Lake street to Rogers park. At *West Roxbury* — Roslindale branch of Stony brook, from Cohasset street to Washington street; and Stony brook, Green street to Brookside avenue.

Takings have been made for and sewers ordered built in the following private ways: At *Roxbury* — In Caldwell street, Lawton street, Mountfort street, Wensley street, Wait street, Wensley street. At *Dorchester* — In Ballou avenue, Barnes street, Cornell street, Fessenden street, Gustine street, in private land between Geneva avenue and Stanwood street, in private land between Highland avenue and Sheridan street, Jacob street, Jones avenue, Kineo street, Minot place, Mascoma street, Mattapan street, Tileston avenue, Millet street, Northam park, Sheridan street, Spring street, Samoset street, Sheridan street, Stratton street, Southern avenue, Wales place, Wrentham park, Welles avenue. At *Brighton* — In Corey road, in private land from Foster street at Rogers park, Litchfield street, La Rose place, Nantasket avenue, Smith street, Waverly street, Wallingford road. At *West Roxbury* — In Aldrich street, Augustus avenue, Augustus avenue, Bellevue avenue, Bellevue avenue, Cass street, Cedar street, Cleaves street, Fletcher street, Kittredge street, Knoll street, Kittredge street, Montclair avenue, Malcolm street, Norfolk street, Temple street and Westover street.

Sewers have been ordered built in the following public streets:

*Bath street*, from Post Office square northerly.

*Boylston street*, at West Roxbury, from Stony brook to Lamartine street.

*Bullard street*, Dorchester, from near Rosseter street to Bowdoin avenue.

*Bowen street*, South Boston, from C street 145 feet westerly.

*Brighton street*, from Chambers street to Milton street.

*Baker street*, at West Roxbury, from Spring-street brook and railroad.

*Carson street*, Dorchester, from Shoreham street, 340 feet southerly.

*Centre street*, Dorchester, near Centre court.

*Cotting street*, from Lowell street to Wall street.

*Cottage terrace*, Dorchester, from Marshfield street to East Cottage street.

*Chatham street*, at Merchants' row.

*Copley street*, Roxbury and West Roxbury, from School street to Atherton street.

*Canterbury street*, West Roxbury, from Blue Hill avenue to Calder street.

*Concord street*, Charlestown, from Bunker Hill street to Bartlett street.

*Cohasset street*, West Roxbury, culvert across Carson street, Dorchester, from Shelburne street 206 feet southerly.

*Cass street*, West Roxbury, from Powell street to Ashland street.

*Centre street*, West Roxbury, from Arundel street to Fletcher street.

*Cedar street*, Roxbury, from Columbus avenue to Centre street.

*Cedar street*, Dorchester, from Sanford street to Manchester street.

*Chickatawbut street*, Dorchester, from Neponset avenue to Narragansett street.

*Dunham street*, South Boston, from East Ninth street to Old Harbor street.

*Dorrance street*, Charlestown, from Arlington avenue to Mystic street.

*Dighton place*, Brighton.

*Davenport street*, Roxbury, from Tremont street to Columbus avenue.

*East Ninth street*, South Boston, from Mercer street to Dunham street.



*Endicott street*, from Thacher street to Cooper street.

*East First street*, South Boston, from P street to Q street.

*East First street*, South Boston, from Vicksburg street to H street.

*Foundry street*, South Boston, from Dorchester avenue to Broadway.

*Fleet street*, from Commercial street to North street.

*Fox street*, Dorchester.

*Faneuil street*, Brighton, from Market street to Parsons street.

*Fuller street*, Dorchester, from Capen street to Milton avenue.

*Garland street*, from Washington street to Shawmut avenue.

*Geneva avenue*, Dorchester, from Normandy street to Blue Hill avenue.

*Henley street*, Charlestown, from Wapping street to the Navy Yard.

*Halleck street*, Roxbury, to Caldwell street.

*Hayden street*, from existing sewer to Fisher avenue.

*Hanover street*, from Washington street to Cross street.

*Halleck street*, Roxbury, from Caldwell street to Prentiss street.

*Ingleside street*, Roxbury, from existing sewer to Blue Hill avenue.

*Kneeland street*, from South street to Atlantic avenue.

*Kittredge street*, West Roxbury, from Norfolk street.

*Lamartine street*, West Roxbury, from Boylston street to Bell street.

*L street*, South Boston, from Reserved channel, eight hundred feet towards East First street.

*Marshfield street*, Dorchester, from Norfolk avenue to Cottage terrace.

*Mitchell street*, South Boston, from West Ninth street.

*Mount Vernon street*, West Roxbury, from Vermont street, four hundred fifty feet southeasterly.

*Morton street*, Dorchester, from River street, two hundred ninety-five feet northerly.

*Murdock street*, Brighton, from south of Elmira street to Mapleton street.

*Monson street*, Dorchester, from Sturbridge street to Temple street.

*Massachusetts avenue*, Roxbury, from railroad to Magazine street.

*Massachusetts avenue*, from Huntington avenue to St. Botolph street.

*Millet street*, Dorchester, from Colonial avenue to Talbot avenue.

*North street*, from Fleet street to Clark street.

*Norfolk street*, Dorchester, from Capen street to Nelson street.

*Normandy street*, Dorchester, from Devon street to Stanwood street.

*Oak avenue*, Dorchester, six hundred and fifty feet west from Plain street.

*Ophir street*, West Roxbury, from Brookside avenue to Washington street.

*Oakland street*, Dorchester, from River street to Rockdale street.

*Prospect street*, from Causeway street to South Margin street.

*Proctor street*, Roxbury, from Norfolk avenue two hundred and fifty feet northeasterly.

*Parker Hill avenue*, Roxbury, from near Wait street to Darling street.

*Pleasant street*, from Tremont street to Carver street.

*Proctor street*, Roxbury, from existing sewer one hundred and fifty feet northeasterly.

*Parker street*, Roxbury, from Fisher avenue to Heath street.

*Powell street*, West Roxbury, from Spring street to Cass street.

*Renfrew street*, Roxbury, from Winslow street to Harrison avenue.

*Russell street*, Charlestown, from Auburn street to Oak street.

*South Margin street*, from Prospect street to and across Staniford street.

*Seaver street*, Roxbury, from Blue Hill avenue three hundred feet northwesterly.

*South street*, West Roxbury, from Dudley avenue to Bradford terrace.

*Saratoga street*, East Boston, from Trumbull street to Pope street.

*Summer street*, West Roxbury, from Powell street to Autumn street.

*Stanwood street*, Dorchester, from Columbia road.

*Sutherland road*, from Strathmore road to Englewood avenue.

*St. Margaret street*, Dorchester, from Roseclair street to Boston street.

*Summit avenue*, Brighton, from Allston street to Commonwealth avenue.

*South street*, from Kneeland street to Beach street.

*Thacher street*, from Washington street north to Endicott street.

*Temple street*, Dorchester, from River street to Monson street.

*Tolman street*, Dorchester, from Neponset avenue to Norwood street.

*Tremont street*, Roxbury, from St. Alphonsus street to Pontiac street.

*Vermont street*, West Roxbury, from Libby street to Mt. Vernon street.

*Warren street*, Brighton, from Commonwealth avenue to Allston street.

*Wall street*, from Cotting street to Causeway street.

*Wachusett street*, West Roxbury, from Weld Hill street to Varney street.

*Warren street*, Brighton, from Commonwealth avenue five hundred feet westerly.

*Wordsworth street*, East Boston, from Trumbull street to Pope street.

*Whitford street*, West Roxbury, from Augustus avenue to Kittredge street.

*Walk Hill street*, Dorchester, near Tileston avenue.

*Williams street*, West Roxbury, from Washington street to Forest Hills street.

The following is a list of new streets, with their lengths, laid out as public streets during the year:

BOSTON PROPER.		
STREET.		FEET.
Dilworth street . . . . .		308 21
St. Botolph street . . . . .		178.39
Hale street . . . . .		142.00
		<u>628.60</u>
ROXBURY.		
Dunreath street (extension to Aspen street) .		349.92
Bynner street . . . . .		317.00
Davenport street . . . . .		312.02
Oswold street . . . . .		282.81
Atkinson street . . . . .		846.40
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