

Urban Sanitary Authority (U.S.A.) Letter Book 1 Aug 1895-30 Nov 1895. This set runs from 1892-1905. They are catalogued to December 1897. The letter numbers are given at the end of each subject entry. Unless specified, all letters are addressed to Mr Moger, Clerk to the Urban Sanitary Authority. This letter book contains letters relating to the following subjects.

**SMOKE FROM DESTRUCTOR** - the Mayor has complained to the Superintendent of the new destructor works and Joseph Barter the Superintendent writes to say that everything possible is being done to stop smoke of an offensive colour issuing forth. Monday's smoke is worst. It is mostly garden waste, and makes the most smoke. He says next week he intends to mix it with other waste. Much black smoke has been in the area recently, but not from the destructor. A gentleman had complained the previous week about black smoke reaching the park, but on being taken into the yard, could see that the smoke came from the gas works. 2, 23

**MILSOM STREET, 26 & 27** - planning permission for shop front, approved provisionally. 4. See Mar-Jul 1895, 232

**PULTENEY STREET, 52** - planning permission for additions to rear, approved. 4

**EDWARD STREET, 18** - planning permission for additions to rear, approved. 4

**HARLAM LODGE, RICHMOND ROAD** - planning permission for stables to rear, approved provisionally. 4

**GRAND PUMP ROOM** - planning permission for extension, approved provisionally. 4

**WESTGATE STREET, 13** - planning permission for alteration to shop front, approved. 4

**JAMES COBB, 17 EASTVILLE** - the new councillor for Walcot Ward was appointed a member of the Rivers Pollution & Floods Committee, 6<sup>th</sup> August 1895, in place of Sir Jevon Murch, deceased. 5

**VALE COTTAGES, 2, ENTRY HILL** - a sample of water has been taken from a tap connected to a spring in the neighbourhood and found impure. H. Graham Montagu, the Inspector, writes to Mr Moger asking him to arrange for a Statutory Notice to be sent to the owner and occupier Mr Weeks. 6

**GEORGE DAVIS, HACKNEY CARRIAGE DRIVER, 5 MILK STREET** - mentioned in police letter accompanying a list of convictions for Hackney Carriage drivers. The list is not in the archive, but the letter says that the list should have given his name and not George E. Davis of Monmouth Street, who obviously did not have convictions and had been listed by mistake. 7, 12

**TYNE VIEW ODD DOWN** - owner Mr Maggs has been served with a second notice to thoroughly construct drains from WC with six inch glazed stoneware pipes laid to a uniform gradient jointed in Portland cement & properly connected to a sewer. A new sanitary pan and syphon must be fitted to WC. Traps must also be fitted to all sinks. A cistern to discharge at one time not less than two gallons fitted with all necessary appliances and supplied with water by pipe and ball cock in accordance with the regulations of the Waterworks Committee must be fitted about five feet above pan of closet for efficiently flushing the same through not less than one and one quarter inch lead pipe. From Mr Fortune, City Surveyor, to Mr Moger, Clerk of the Urban Sanitary Committee. 15

**INVOICE FROM ERWOOD BROS, MASONS AND BUILDERS, PORTLAND TERRACE, HARLEY STREET** - for work at New Infants School, Christ Church. Addressed to the Destructor Works, with accompanying letter, saying that they bought a load of clinkers from the Destructor Works, to make the floor, but it turned out to have contained unslaked lime. It was provided by Mr Fryer, Lime Burner of Locksbrook Mills. See 24, 30. The floor had burst and been condemned by the architects, the bill for remaking it is being sent to Mr Moger. 22, 24, 30

**NEW INFANTS SCHOOL, CHRIST CHURCH** - work 1895 by Erwood Bros, Masons and Builders of Portland Terrace, Harley Street. They send an invoice and letter, addressed to the Destructor Works, saying that they bought a load of clinkers from the Destructor Works, to make the classroom floor, but it turned out to have contained unslaked lime. The floor had burst and been condemned by the architects, do the bill for remaking it is being sent to Mr Moger. 22. See 24, from Mr Fryer, Locksbrook Mills, about supply of lime.

**A. BURCKHARDT, 6 ROYAL CRESCENT** - writes a long letter to complain about the smoke from the destructor, enclosing a snippet from the Bath Journal, mentioning the stagnant duck pond and smoke from the destructor as detractors from the park. He says it 'is a gigantic blunder by the Corporation' to place the incinerator in this position. 23

**ROYAL CRESCENT, 30, STEPS OPPOSITE** - planning permission for steps abutting roadway from path opposite 30 Royal Crescent, consideration deferred. 29

**CORNWELL BUILDINGS, 42 & 43** - planning permission for alteration of frontage approved. 29

**ALBION HOUSE, UPPER BRISTOL ROAD** - planning permission for stables at rear, approved provisionally. 29

**MARGARET'S BUILDINGS** - planning permission for shop front opposite 20 Catharine Place, deferred. 29

**GRAMMAR SCHOOL** - planning permission for reconstruction of urinals, approved. August 1895. Not sure which school this is. 29

**BOILER INSURANCE AND STEAM POWER COMPANY LTD, MANCHESTER** - send formal acceptance on detailed headed advertising paper of insurance for destructor boiler. 33, 37, 72, 246, Dec 1895-Apr 1896 109. See Oct-Dec 1896 43 and Jan-Feb 1897 191. See Mar-Apr 1897 41 for further report, also 188

**TRAFFIC IN BURTON STREET**- Mr H. W. Tyler, Ironmonger of 5 Burton Street, complains to Mr Moger about the buses, cars and the changing of horses in the street, blocking traffic. He says that shop keepers have complaints from customers with carriages that they cannot pull out from the shops in the street because the traffic is blocked. The smell is also bad. 36, see also 42, from Police Chief saying he will attend to it. See Mar-Jul 1895, 159, 164, as this is the same Upper Boro (Borough) Walls problem and he signed two petitions about this already.

**UPPER BORO WALLS** - new iron gratings, H. W. Tyler writes to say that smaller gratings, half the size specified, would be the right size to carry away water and not look as offensive as the big ones. 39

**HENRIETTA STREET, 10** - drainage work as specified by Mr Fortune, City Surveyor, had not been carried out as instructed, so he asks Mr Moger to enforce it. 40

**HOLMES & CO., RAILWAY WHARF, WOOD PAVING SUPPLIER** - write to say that they are sorry that the quality of some of the wood blocks supplied for Upper Boro (Borough) Walls are defective. They are willing to take them back as they have always done. 41

**BATHWICK HILL, 8** - Commander H. Brand, R.N., writes to complain about the moving of street lights on the hill, which, he says, should light the street, not the yard of another resident who has complained that her yard is dark now the light has been moved. A cart had knocked one down and it was to be repositioned, to avoid the large tree blocking the light. It was moved across the road at Mr Brand's suggestion. Now he hears that it is to be moved back to please the lady and he objects. 49

**CRICKET PAVILION, RECREATION GROUND, REAR OF PULTENEY STREET** - planning permission for the cricket pavilion, approved. 50

**WAREHOUSE, ODD DOWN** - address not specified. Planning permission for the warehouse approved. 50

**LANSDOWN GROVE HOUSE** - planning permission for alterations, approved. 50

**STOTHERT PLACE, 8** - planning permission for alterations, approved. 50

**DOWN HOUSE, UPPER BRISTOL ROAD** - planning permission for additions to house adjoining it, approved. 50

**UPPER BORO WALLS, 19** - planning permission for building of auction room, approved. 50

**J. E. COTTRELL, POSSIBLE COACHMAKER** - Mr Sumer, partner of Mr Perry, Coach Maker of Bristol, (Mr Turner, partner, is the new Bath Inspector of Omnibuses and Hackney Carriages in Bath), writes to Mr Moger that Mr Perry has made enquiries about this Mr Cottrell and no one knows him. Is he a Master Coachbuilder, or just a mechanic, Mr Sumer asks? He says some of the painters and smiths are roving spirits. 51

**MR ARNOLD TAYLOR, OF 17 VICTORIA STREET, WESTMINSTER, LATELY INSPECTOR IN ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT BOARD** - sends a printed letter saying that he has recently retired under Civil Service rules, but intends to offer his services as an independent arbitrator in questions arising between local authorities, in questions relating to the union of districts, for instance. 52

**PETITION FROM LIVERY STABLE KEEPERS, CAB PROPRIETORS AND FLYMEN** - against the granting of licences to outsiders during race days etc. Lists the livery stable keepers of the major mews, followed by the cab men with their licence numbers. Their memorial, or petition, says that other cities do not allow it. They send a snippet from the Gloucester Chief Constable for the Bath & West Exhibition there, saying that no other licences will be granted. Men with only one cab and horse to support their families (the flymen) are finding it hard after the hardship of the previous winter. Signed: James Stuckey, York House Mews; Henry Gould, Lansdown Mews; William Goldsworthy, Circus Mews; Alfred Ames, Pulteney Mews; Enoch Humphries, Catharine Mews; John Hall, Crescent Mews; Robert Henry Page, Park Street Mews; Edward Thomas Davis, Park Street Mews; Alfred Adams, Camden

Crescent Mews; William Boyland, 4 Upper Lansdown Mews; Clement Frampton, Beaufort Mews; Ernest Brown Basson, Kensington Mews; W. Hillary, Darlington St Mews; William James Phillips, Charles Street Mews; Henry Bennett Wood, 12 James Street West; Francis Tugnet, Bloomfield Mews; Jacob Provis, Paradise Mews; Thomas Cutting, Kingston Mews; James Morse, Larkhall; George Stockden, Widcombe Wharf; G.E. Davis, licence number 25 & 53; W ? Ackerman? no licence number; C. Old, 36, 57, 101; H. Payne, 65, 84; C. Bell, 91, 94; John Dyer, 71; W. J. Dyer, 19; Arthur Morris, 29; Edward Grandfield, 14; William Knapp, 80; John E. Meecham, 1, 99; A. Thomas, 20; William Cooper, 119; George Bishop, 97; S. Cutting, 108; J. Dunn, 95; Fred Cutting, 32; William Comely, 54; A. White, 66; E. Culverhouse, 13; Thomas Smith, 60; William Clay, 11; John Wills, 78; Harry Cutting, 89; Charles Williams, 31; R. Giles, 49, 67; J. Frost, 2; H. Hanney, 112; H. Curtis, 49; D. Holder, no number; E. Coventry, 111, 72, 27; W. Freeth, 73; D. Corcoran, 47; W. Davis, 28; J. Lock, 45; A. Howe, 96; W. Shipton, 103, 59, 46, 22; H. Tanner, 4, 21. Letter 63.

**AGRICULTURAL LAND TENANTED BY MR C. H. SMITH, MARKET GARDENER, HOPMEAD COTTAGE, EAST TWERTON** - The Corporation want possession of this land from him. They are prepared to offer £12:10 shillings. He is obviously very astute and suggests through Henry Mortimer, Lands Valuer, who writes the letter, that at auction, the Authority would get only £5 for it, having already paid him £12 to leave early. He suggests he be allowed to remain rent free until December 21<sup>st</sup> (letter written 20<sup>th</sup> August) to allow him to reap and sell the crops. From December 21<sup>st</sup> he proposes that he be a monthly tenant, with immediate possession if necessary and no compensation granted, to allow him to remain in business until the end of his tenancy, also to remove any fruit trees, etc. Henry Mortimer says to Mr Moger that either he should send him a cheque for £12:10, or look into the possibility. Letter on Henry Mortimer's business paper; Auctioneer and General Business Valuer of 20 Monmouth Place. In 114, Mr Mortimer has paid £6 compensation, so it seems that the Authority agreed with Mr Smith's plan. 64, 114, 121, 136

**LARKHALL BROOK, 6 BROOKLEAZE BUILDINGS AND MR JOHN SMITH, LANSDOWN ARMS, LANSDOWN ROAD** - notice from Mr Smith, who owns 6 Brookleaze Buildings, of legal action to be taken against the Urban Sanitary Authority in the County Court of Somersetshire, for dredging the Larkhall Brook and thereby undermining the foundations of the garden wall, which fell down. Letter from George Bartlett, Solicitor, who witnessed and sent the document. 66. Unnumbered note following it says that Authority cannot be held responsible. See Nov 1894-Mar 1895, where J. Smith, owner of 4 Brookleaze Buildings, signed the petition asking for something to be done about the unsanitary brook.

**WATER SUPPLY, ODD DOWN, 1895** - Charles Gilby, Engineer at Bath Waterworks, writes on his headed paper, offices at Municipal Offices, Guildhall, to say that since the frost, the supply of water by Bath High Level Water Co. to Odd Down has been fairly satisfactory. 67

**MR HENRY PEACOCK, FAIRFIELD VILLA, HENRIETTA PARK** - writes 'Ever since my residence in Fairfield Villa I have been very much annoyed and disgusted by the constant annoyance of a nuisance perpetrated by men and boys opposite my house and that of my neighbour Mr Chacey. This nuisance even from a sanitary point of view is intolerable'. He asks the Authority to look in to it. His notepaper shows that he used to live at 6 Raby Place and that he was a surgeon in the Royal Navy, and is a member of the Royal College of Physicians. 68

**MR JOHN RICKETTS, SOLICITOR, 3 PARAGON** - often writing about council matters, writes to Mr Moger to say that he has succeeded in getting a committee formed to look into the numbers on council committees and suggests that Mr Moger attend the meeting at 12 noon, 10<sup>th</sup> September 1895, as it is possible that his committee 'will be dealt with.' 75

**ADAM PRITCHARD, SCAVENGER TO THE AUTHORITY** - Mr Pritchard was contracted to clean the 'street orderly bins', but has died. Mr Fortune, City Surveyor, writes to Mr Moger on 9<sup>th</sup> September 1895, that Mr Pritchard's effects are being sold at auction and he wonders what arrangements he should make to continue the work. 76, 80, 81

**LONDON COMMITTEE OF DEPUTIES OF BRITISH JEWS** - a letter with a hard to read signature, from possibly 'Lem Bernard' saying that he does not have his letter of 9<sup>th</sup> May to hand, but not to worry as it was issued under a misconception and has since been withdrawn. 77

**WILLIAM SHORT, SCAVENGER, 16 KINGSTON ROAD** - writes to say that now the aforementioned Adam Pritchard is deceased (see 76, 80) he understands that Mrs Pritchard is giving up the street orderly bin clearing business and he would be pleased to take over the Authority contract, for one, two or three years, for £1 per week. 81. Position is advertised, 87. He tenders officially at 117. See 116, 76, 80, 81

**CORNER ABBEYGATE STREET/ SWALLOW STREET** - planning permission for alteration to shop front, approved. 82

**SUMMERLAYS PLACE, 10** - planning permission for bedroom at rear, approved. 82

**HENRIETTA VILLAS, 10** - planning permission for alterations, approved. 82

**WIDCOMBE PARADE, 4** - planning permission for alterations at rear, approved. 82

**AUCTION ROOM AT UPPER BORO WALLS** - planning permission for one, approved. 82

**W. WOODWARD, OMNIBUS OPERATOR, 1895** - George Hext, Secretary of the Bath Broad Car and Tramway Co., writes on Art Nouveau headed paper from 8 Old Bond Street, to complain that this W. Woodward and his Conductor, Brooks, are touting outside the tramway office every day. In fact, they were touting at 7.50am, as Mr Hext wrote his letter. Touting was forbidden. All omnibuses and cabs had to be licensed and operate from official stands. 8, 95, 98. Dec 1895-Apr 1896 29

**BOROUGH ANALYST, PAY, 1895** - The Town Clerk of Swansea sends an official circular enquiring as to the earnings and duties of the borough analyst. The rateable value of property for the whole of Bath in September 1895 was £ 296, 871. Population 57, 844. The analyst was paid by fees, not salary. For fees, it appears to say 'according to scale averaging £50 five annum'. The analyst is also the electric lighting Inspector, with fees ranging from £90-£100 a year. As health analyst he takes for analysis six articles to the Sanitary Committee each alternate week. He is paid £1 for each water sample, 5/- for milk and £1:1/- for bread. Most other articles, 10/-6d each. This is not a full time post. We know that according to his headed notepaper, Mr Gatehouse, Analyst, was also analyst to Marlborough Town, and Wiltshire Council. 84

**LAND VALUATION, DOLEMEADS** - Mr Spackman, of Spackman and Long, 6 Terrace Walk, sends a note which accompanied his fees for valuing land and property at Dolemeads, for compulsory purchase for flood prevention. 88, 199, 200

**WILLIAM E. KNIGHT, PRINTER, 19 GREEN STREET** - sends a postcard asking whether it is too late to tender for printing the Urban Sanitary Authority agenda. 89.

**JOHN BARTRUM, 13 GAY STREET** - says as an old citizen, could he ask the Sanitary Committee to 'make varied enquiries as to the alleged annoyances caused by the new destructor. From the complaints made to me by the most calm and uncomplaining spirits living in the Crescent (Royal) and Marlborough Buildings or in range of the prevailing S.W. wind, I have no doubt a serious & just cause of complaint has arisen...' There are many letters of complaint about the smoke from this area; sometimes it appears to be the gas works. Why this sort of industry was built in a residential area is not explained. 90. Protests were made before and after installation. See also 2, 23 and Oct 1892-Feb 1893 210, Feb-Jun 1893 158, Jun-Oct 1893 211

**MR S. G. TURNER, NEW INSPECTOR OF HACKNEY CARRIAGES** - Writes on Perry & Co. paper, Carriage Manufacturers of Bristol, of which he is a partner. He says he has now carried out two general inspections and cautioned the owners of many of the oldest carriages that they have not passed the inspection. He says that after the next inspection, the Authority should see a material improvement in the condition of the Hackney Carriages, which is what he gathered the Committee wanted. 92. See Nov 1894-Mar 1895 232, 239 and Mar-Jul 1895 5, 27, 46, 72, 76, 108

**PARLOUS STATE OF STREET LIGHTING, SEPTEMBER 1895** - John Stone, Town Clerk, is instructed by the Watch Committee to bring to the attention of the Electric Lighting Committee the 'present condition of the electric lighting of the streets which they consider to constitute an urgent danger to the public safety.' 101

**ARROW PLACE, DOLEMEADS** - Elias Swift, Coal Merchant, writes on a business invoice, from 5 Arrow Place, in poor colloquial English, slightly unclear. He says that the agreement was for property in Arrow Place, Dolemeads, 'with Mr Ricketts, Mr Young, Mr Moore and Mr Smith was 350£ and they splitted the 50£ and made it 325£ in the presants of these gentlemen and my business 50£ total 375£.' (sic) 102, 177

**T. BLACKMAN, HAY, STRAW, CORN AND PEAT MOSS LITTER MERCHANT, CORSHAM** - writes that he will call in to see Mr Moger in a couple of days to discuss the lamp that was knocked in Northgate Street. 103, 241, 242

**CANAL BARGE, 43, 'VENUS,' CHANGE OF OWNERSHIP** - the Twine Brothers, of Wootton Bassett, write to say that they have bought the boat. They are George Twine, of Greenhill Farm, Wootten Bassett, and Adam Twine, of High Street, Wootten Bassett. 30<sup>th</sup> September, 1895. They enclose a cheque for the registration fee. 111

**FIRE CALL STATION TELEPHONE BOXES** - The National Telephone Co. Ltd, local offices 11 Northgate, write to quote for five 'Fire Call Stations', as discussed that day in the meeting with Mr Jolly, Mayor of Bath. The 'Boxes' with glass front. 'If the glass was broken and the handle pressed or pulled, the Exchange would at once know with certainty that a Fire Call had been made and inform the Fire

Station.' In a separate letter with the same number, a letter to Mr Bright of the Fire Station, quotes for connection to the Exchange, £25 per annum with a five year agreement. 112, 113

**C. BOOK, SCAVENGER, 4 BACK STREET** - tenders officially for the job of removal of manure from the street orderly bins, a contract recently belonging to Adam Pritchard, deceased. He offers to do it for £3:7:6 per month. 116. See 76, 80, 81, 87, 117

**J. T. WELCH, BUILDER, LOWER BRISTOL ROAD** - tenders for the scavenging contract to empty the street orderly bins of manure. He offers £31:4:0 per annum. Most unusual handwriting, seen before at Jan-Apr 1894, 159, 181. He seems to get the contract, see 132a. See also Jun-Oct 1893, for details of all correspondence where he is involved in a dispute over rent for land owned by Mr Sinnott and sold to the Authority. Also Aug- 21 Sep 1896 91, for his hand written reply on business headed paper

**EDWARD C. ALDING? STRAWBERRY GARDENS, CHURCH LANE, WIDCOMBE** - name hard to read and cannot find in trade directory. He tenders for the removal of manure from the street orderly bins, saying he has two good cobs and carts and large garden away from the city and can find a good place for tipping the manure. He tenders at £3:10 per month. 119

**ALFRED LEWIS, WESTMORELAND COTTAGES** - tender for the scavenging contract emptying street orderly bins, at '£50 for the year, to the satisfaction of the scavenger'. 122

**BATHWICK STREET, 33 & 34** - planning permission for alterations to rear of both houses, approved. 125

**INSPECTION OF CANAL BOATS** - John Brydone, H.M. Chief Inspector under the Canal Boats Act is to visit Bath and wants Mr Montagu, Canal Boat Inspector, to have his papers ready and to visit the waterway with him on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> October 1895, at about half past two. 128. In 138 and 141 he is confined to bed, but says he will come to Bath at the same time the next week.

**TELEPHONE POLES** - discussion by letter over agreement for erection of telephone poles. Mr Fortune, City Surveyor, says that the number of poles in the agreement of the National Telephone Co. is correct and agrees with the number erected. There was no agreement for a pole in the Midland Railway Corporation Yard, nor for two at the rear of Widcombe Crescent, which were put up before 1893. 131, 132, 149, 156

**CHANGES TO WAGES OF COROPRATION EMPLOYEES** - a volume was prepared annually to track changes in wages. The Labour Department of the Board of Trade write to ask for the information, which had not been sent as asked. Addressed to the Town Clerk. 135

**GENERAL PRINTING & PUBLISHING OFFICES, 21 BRIDEWELL LANE, WESTGATE BUILDINGS** - tender for printing 80 copies of the Urban Sanitary Authority Reports for £4:4:6. 137

**ACCOUNTS OF URBAN SANITARY AUTHORITY AND MUNICIPAL COUNCIL** - some discussion as the time for auditing the accounts approaches, as to whether the two sets of accounts should be separate and how they cannot be separated as they are entered into the same book. 138, 139

**NEWPORT, NEW ELECTRICITY WORKS** - opening on the Monday following October 9<sup>th</sup>, 1895. Mr Hammond, Engineer, invites Mr Moger to attend. 140

**KENSINGTON GARDENS** - planning permission for new houses, approved. 144

**LAMBRIDGE, 9** - planning permission for new W.C., approved. 144

**GREEN PARK, 26** - planning permission for W.C. at rear, approved. 144

**H. HAMMERMEISTER, CIGAR IMPORTER, 6 QUITE STREET** - writes on headed paper asking to whom the cheque for apportionment of Westmoreland Street should be addressed. 148

**WILLIAM DAVIDGE, 4 GREEN PARK** - writes about his sister Lucy, who is in the Statutory Hospital with Scarletina for five weeks. He seems to be in loco parentis, responsible for her and two other young siblings. The Authority are asking him to pay for her stay. He says he has three children of his own to maintain and cannot afford it. He writes on mourning paper. She has been there for 5 weeks. In 151, the Committee are asked by his Solicitor to intervene on his behalf as he clearly cannot afford it. 150, 151, 152

**W. HOPKINS, 7 BALLUSTRAD, GROSVENOR, IN STATUTORY HOSPITAL** - a bill from the Urban Sanitary Authority to a Mrs Hopkins, no address, for an 88 day stay in the hospital for one W. Hopkins. A bill of £6:13:8. She replies on mourning paper in the next letter. Mrs Diana Hopkins, of 7 Ballustrade, Grosvenor. Her son may be in the hospital for seven months and the bill of 10/- a week is too much. 154, 155

**BEDFORD STREET, 6, WALCOT** - planning permission for new wash house, approved. 167

**FRANKLEY HOUSE, FRANKLEY BUILDINGS** - planning permission for shop and bedroom, approved. 167

**CRESCENT GARDENS** - planning permission for seven houses, deferred. 167

**RAILWAY PLACE** - planning permission for timber shed, not approved. 167

**MRS S. THEOBALD, LAKE VIEW, MONKTON COMBE** - writes that she is not prepared to sell the field below Camden Crescent. She says 'if the Sanitary Authority would buy enough ground to improve the road, I daresay I could manage it'. Not clear exactly what she could manage. The area had a major landslip and the authority want to stop that happening again. Letter from solicitor accompanies it. 168.

**PARISH OF WESTON** - the Clerk, S. Carpenter, writes on headed paper of the Parish Office, from 2 Station Road, Newbridge Road. The parish council officially protests against the siting of any new sewage treatment works in the parish. They have already to put up with the destructor, after all. 171

**CORDINGLEY & CO.** - Lovely coloured engraved business letterhead from Cordingley at Innox Iron Foundry, Trowbridge. He must have been on the council there, as he writes to Mr Moger in a familiar way, saying he thinks Bath are 'going to an enormous cost and altogether unnecessary about your Sewage. We have a deputation of 6 going to inspect the enclosed (not specified) in London on Friday from Trowbridge Council.' 179

**RATES BILL FOR AUTHORITY PROPERTY IN ST PETER AND ST PAUL PARISH, 1895-6.** 180

**CHARLES FORTUNE, CITY SURVEYOR** - rare letter in his own handwriting. 182

**MR THOMAS BALL SILCOCK, OF WALDEN, WIDCOMBE** - appointed to the Sanitary and Surveying Committees in place of Mr Ambrose, 9<sup>th</sup> November 1895. From J. Stone, Town Clerk, to Mr Moger. 184

**MR ARTHUR CONRAD CUFFE- ADAMS, 2 LANSDOWN CRESCENT** - a new member of the council, was appointed to the Rivers Pollution Committee and Flood Prevention Committee in place of General Jervis. 9<sup>th</sup> November 1895. From J. Stone, Town Clerk, to Mr Moger. 184.

**PULTENEY MEWS** - the dire state of the pathways is noted by Mr Ames, who objects to paying rates for it. 185

**CRESCENT GARDENS** - planning permission for seven houses, approved. 186. See 167

**KENSINGTON NURSERY, LONDON ROAD** - planning permission for alterations, approved. 186

**FEAR'S QUARRY, ODD DOWN** - planning permission for two cottages, approved. 186

**ORANGE GROVE/TERRACE WALK** - corner redevelopment, 1895. Letter concerning council resolution, from Town Clerk J. Stone, to Mr Moger. 187, 244

**CORNWELL BUILDINGS, 43** - J. Stone, Town Clerk says he is instructed to write to the Surveying Committee by the Corporate Property Committee, to say that the steps at the side of this property are dangerous. 188

**COUNCILLOR MR A. AMBROSE, DECEASED** - Charles Fortune, City Surveyor, returns a letter to Mr Moger's office which had been sent in error to the late Mr Ambrose's house asking him to attend a meeting. He says 'this doubtless was a mistake which ought not to be repeated'. 3<sup>rd</sup> November 1895. 191

**UNIVERSAL WATER AND SEWAGE AND WATER PURIFICATION CO., 2 THE STRAND, DERBY** - letter of introduction on printer business paper asking for their system to be considered. 'The Most Modern Economical and Efficient System Known'. 193

**HENRY W. BLADWELL, SYDENHAM WHARF** - business memo on headed business paper about his property in Arrow Place. 195. See Mar-Jul 1895, 124

**CARBONS FOR ELECTRIC STREET LIGHTING** - the City of Bath Electric Lighting and Engineering Co. write to explain that they are testing various carbons, so that the committee can choose which they think gives the best light, and the company will use that regardless of cost. Mr Gatehouse of the Analytical Laboratory in Broad Street has gone into it very thoroughly and provided his results. They were testing the carbons over the weekend when bad lighting was reported, it seems. 204

**URINAL, WESTON ROAD** - plan, specification and tender of Messrs Erwood supplied by Mr Fortune, City Surveyor, so that Mr Moger can make up the contract. 205

**DANIEL DUTTON, MASON, UPPER MAGDALEN COTTAGES, WELLS ROAD** - writes about Miss Coles' property at Prospect Cottages, Odd Down. The work for connection to the sewers is ready, but she wants to retain the pump (to the well) and not have it closed, as sometimes there is no water for days. One of the cottages is lived in by a woman who takes in washing and the other by a man who has three horses. 'If all the wells and pumps is closed on the Down, what is to be done at times when the pipes might freeze and burst?' he asks in colloquial English. 206

**MISS COLES' PROPERTY AT PROSPECT COTTAGES, ODD DOWN** - Mason Daniel Dutton, of Upper Magdalen Cottages, Wells Road, writes to Mr Moger that the work for connection to the sewers is ready, but she wants to retain the pump (to the well) and not have it closed, as sometimes there is no water for days. One of the cottages is lived in by a woman who takes in washing and the other by a man who has three horses. 'If all the wells and pumps is closed on the Down, what is to be done at times when the pipes might freeze and burst?' he asks, in colloquial English. 206

**H. GOULD, LANSDOWN MEWS** - writes about his cottages at Hedgemoor. He has been told they are un-tenantable and is trying to get the tenants out. Two have left and the others will leave shortly. 209

**ST DAVID'S PLACE, 1 & 2, DOLEMEADS** - Mr Stevens is willing to sell these cottages to the Authority for the river widening scheme. He also owns a piece of land to the north of the cottages and his Solicitors, Titley, of 14 Orange Grove, write to Mr Moger suggesting that he treat with him for it. 212. See also Apr-May 1896 47

**H. SMITH, GROVE LODGE, LAMBRIDGE** - writes to complain about the condition of London Street, from Mr Glisson, Greengrocer, to Mr Young, Butcher. 219. See also Dec 1895-Apr 1896 77

**COUNCILLOR ARTHUR CUFFE-ADAMS, 2 LANSDOWN CRESCENT** - asks Mr Moger for a complete list of all the different types of vehicle licensed under the Hackney Carriage byelaws. He is new to the council, but thinks that it ought to be looked into. He lists the sorts of conveyance as four wheeled cab, 'Hansom' cab, pony chair, (drawn by one pony) and wheel chair (drawn by hand). 222, 228. Also Dec 1895-Apr 1896 1, 9

**C. F. MARSHALL, THE FERNS, HAMILTON ROAD, LANSDOWN** - says that he surely cannot be expected to attend another meeting of the Lighting Committee on Saturday after the 'pointed personal remark of Mr Knight at a recent council meeting.' 223

**MACAULEY BUILDINGS RESIDENTS PETITION FOR AN ELECTRIC LIGHT ABOVE THE STREET AT THE BOROUGH BOUNDARY, NOVEMBER 1895** - signed by: Edwin S. Payton, 1 Copseland and 3 Wood Street; W. Hitchcock, 2 Copseland & 3 Argyle Street; Edward Hancock, 10 Clarence Terrace and Rock Cottages, Dolemeads; Charles Mould, Orphanage and Westmoreland; A'Deane Gent-Wood, The Woodlands, Bathwick Hill; Fredr Clarkson, Uplands, Bathwick Hill; R.A. Moger, 3 Wood Street; W. T. Chesterman, 6 Woodland Place; J. Heath, 1 Woodland Place; H. F. Clutterbuck, Combe Royal, Bathwick Hill. 226

**CORRIDOR, 12A** - planning permission for alteration to window, approved. 227

**RABY PLACE, 6** - planning permission for alteration to rear, deferred. 227. See Dec 1895-Apr 1896 11

**DOWN HOUSE** - planning permission for alteration to frontage, approved. 227. See Dec 1895-Apr 1896 58

**THOMAS HULBERT, ENTRY HILL HOUSE** - writes a fairly illegible letter on headed paper, to say that he is endeavouring to get the water laid on to the 'cottages' and make sure that the impure water is not used for domestic purposes. 231

**RICKETT SON & VEZEY, 3 PARAGON** - Mr John Ricketts writes to Mr Moger that he was surprised to see work starting on a cab stand below the east window of the Abbey. He was under the impression that they were to be under the Police Station. He asks Mr Moger to ask Mr Fortune to get the work stopped at once. 26<sup>th</sup> November 1895. 233

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**MR MARTIN, 4, 5 & 6 ROSE COTTAGES, BATH ROAD, ODD DOWN** - says that he is managing Mr Carpenter's business matters for a while so that in response to the letter addressed to the latter, he is quite willing to take the water supply for all of their cottages when the pipes are brought to the curtilage of the property, or have permission to break up the road to get to the nearest pipe 100 yards away. 234, 235 and 236 for the owner Mr Magg's the builder's opinion.

**CRESCENT GARDENS** - failure of builders to leave a path wide enough on the north side, says J. Stone, Town Clerk. 237

**EXTRA HALF HOUR OF STREET LIGHTING** - the beleaguered Bath Electric Lighting and & Engineering Co. have seen a notice in the paper that a motion was passed the previous week by the Authority to give an extra half hour of lighting for three months. They started to do this straight away, but have not received official notification, so are unclear whether to continue. 30<sup>th</sup> Nov 1895. 239

**BARTON COURT URINAL** - Mr Fortune, City Surveyor, tells Mr Moger that the owner has agreed that it be made a public urinal provided that a nominal rent of 1/- per annum is paid by the Authority and that the Authority put it into proper repair and tend to it from time to time. 79