Urban Sanitary Authority (U.S.A.) Letter Book Oct-Dec 1896. This set runs from 1892-1905.

They are catalogued to December 1897. The letter numbers are given at the end of each subject entry. Some letters are bound out of date order in this book. 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.

ST. STEPHEN'S SCHOOL - renewal of music licence for the year. 2, 4, 32

HOUSING OF THE WORKING CLASSES ACT 1890 - request for statistics for year ending March 1896. Number of representations made by Medical Office of Health for unfit habitations, 12. Number of complaints by householders, none. Number of closing orders made for dwelling houses, none. Number of penalties imposed for unfit housing, none. Number of compulsory demolitions, none. 5

ELECTRIC CONSTRUCTION CO. LTD - of Bushbury Engineering Works, Wolverhampton, copy paper missive with copy of recently sent telegram written on it. 'We can offer a reduction of £300 for plant with MacLaren engine at 200 revolution or Pollit & Wigzell engine at 158 revolutions.' 8. See 120, where Mr Hammond, consultant engineer, recommends the Pollit and Wigzell.

J. B. KEENE & CO., PRINTERS - send a not to accompany their bill (not kept) for the 'printing of the Byelaws 'streets.' 11

WALCOT CLOCK - a complaint about the darkness of the gas lamp at the clock, which means that one cannot take the time after dark there. From Mr Edward Hunt, 3 Worcester Terrace. 13

EDWARD HUNT, 3 WORCESTER TERRACE - writes to complain about the poor quality of the gas light at the Walcot clock. He says that after dark it is impossible to take the time there. 13

HENRIETTA PARK - planning permission to improve park entrances, deferred. 17. See Aug-Sep 1896 1, 33, 88, 126a, 154a

KENSINGTON GARDENS - planning permission for houses and plan for number 12, approved. 17

BATHWICK STREET, 31 - planning permission for alterations to rear, approved. 17

CLAREMONT BUILDING ESTATE AND MELROSE TERRACE - planning permission for alteration to plan, approved provisionally. 17, 49. Deferred, 216. See Jan 24 Feb 1897 52, amended plan approved provisionally again.

OLDFIELD NURSERY - planning permission for alterations, approved. 17

MALVERN BUILDINGS, 35 - planning permission for addition, approved. 17

MESSRS HOLMES & CO., RAILWAY PLACE - planning permission for timber shed, approved. 17

NEW VILLA, HAYESFIELD PARK - planning permission approved. 17

WALCOT BUILDINGS, 27 - planning permission for alterations, approved. 17

HOWELLS COURT, 13 SOUTHGATE STREET - planning permission for alterations, approved provisionally. 17

LYNCOMBE HOUSE - planning permission for addition, approved provisionally. 17

J. STURGE COTTERELL - writes from 9 Bridge Street on embossed paper, asking for a copy of Messrs Goode and Matthews flood prevention report, as he has mislaid his own copy. 29

SHACKELL to U.S.A. - several letters concerning the conveyance of land at Saltford to the Authority for building the sewage works. Some illegible, - 6, 20, 30, 37, 42

BROAD STREET - inspection of workroom where eight females work, by H. Graham Montagu. 31

THE DAIMLER MOTOR COMPANY, LIMITED - engraved pictorial notepaper showing a motor car and a photograph of a lifeboat on a ship. They are enquiring after the business of fitting the scavenger's carts with motors. 36

SPRING GARDENS ROAD IMPROVEMENT, PARKER TO U.S.A. - Sibly Dickenson wrote from 39 High Street Weston-Super-Mare to ask whether the consent of the Local Government Board has been obtained. 41

HOT BATH STREET, 5 - the City Surveyor's office send their bill for £8:6/- for relaying wood paving outside this property, to Mr George Watts of 3 Cleveland Terrace, who damaged it. 45, 50a

ANGEL PLACE, WELLS ROAD, 9-10 - planning permission for new shop fronts, approved. 49

MESSRS HAYWARD WORKS PREMISES, WALCOT STREET - planning permission for additions, approved provisionally, 49

IONA, OLDFIELD PARK - planning permission for new houses, approved. 49

THORNBANK PLACE, 12 - planning permission, amended plan, approved. 49. See also Nov 1894-Mar 1895 14, 27, 44, 231, Dec 1895-Apr 1896 239, Oct-Dec 1896 49 (n12)

THORNBANK PLACE, 14-15 - planning permission for new shed, approved. 49. See also Nov 1894-Mar 1895, 14, 27, 44, 231, Dec 1895-Apr 1896,239, Oct-Dec 1896 49 (12 Thornbank Place)

HOUSE AT TERRACE WALK - Mr Herbert Knight of George Street House writes to Mr Ricketts, Solicitor, that he has not thought of a price for the piece of land he owns that is required for the Orange Grove Improvement Scheme. All of the buildings on the river side of Terrace Walk were demolished, plus those buildings which stood where the Empire Hotel now stands. 54

BATHWICK STREET DEVELOPMENT - new houses planned. Letter from Mr Fred Farrell of 11 Laura Place thanking Mr Moger for the draft certificate issued under the Public Health Building and Street Act (1888) with plans and now returns both approved, and awaits both returned duly sealed (with a wax seal). 56, 65

REPAYMENT OF ELECTRIC LIGHTING LOAN - letter and article concerning terms for repayment of the £58,000 loan shortly to be taken out by the Authority. 59, 60

MR JOHN RICKETTS, ELM CROFT – Solicitor, writes to complain about the workman of Stephen Ambrose who were cutting stone at the entrance to this house, without a screen. The workman was 'morose' and only replied 'when I asked him whether he was deaf and dumb' he said that 'he might do as he liked' and when he was threatened with a policeman, said 'he did not care if it were forty'. Mr Ricketts got the foreman to bring a screen, but says that this might have been too late. His grandchildren and the children of his tenant are in and out of the house and there could have been serious injury. Mr Ricketts says that the contract with Mr Ambrose says that the pavements must be removed to the yard and jointing is the only process allowed to take place in situ. 62

BROAD STREET, 7 - notification under the Factory Act (1891), Section 26, Subsection 2, and the Factory Act (1895), Section 41, that the back of 7 Broad Street is operating as a dressmaking workshop under the occupation of Mrs Mills. 71

WELLBOURNE COTTAGES, WELLS ROAD - sample of water from well in the garden has been found to contain impurities. From H. Graham Montagu, Inspector, Sanitary and Inspections Department. 72, 84. There follows a heated exchange between the Authority and the land owner, see 110, 111, 112, 239. See also Jan-24 Feb 1897 22, 29, 42, Mar-Apr 1897 60, 64, 96, 230 and May-14 Jun 1897, 1, 26, 35. Also Jul-Oct 1897 72, 88

W. BRADDICK, OWNER, HOUSES SOUTH SIDE LONDON STREET - discussions about the purchase of these houses by the Authority. 74, 75

JACOB LONG, BUILDER, OWNER OF LAND IN OLDFIELD ROAD - discusses with the Authority the price that he is willing to accept for various pieces of land there. 77, 78

THOMAS JOLLY - the late owner of land in Oldfield Road. Discussion about the land and his will relating to the sale of land to the Authority. 79

RUSSIAN GUNS IN VICTORIA PARK - a sketch has been presented to the Authority which represents the occasion 'some years ago' when Russian guns were placed in Victoria Park under the auspices of the late Major Haviland. 80

MR J. BLACKMORE, BUILDER - of Twerton on Avon, will be summonsed to explain to the Surveying Committee why he has broken up the pavement opposite of Hayesfield Terrace, Wells Road, to construct a rain water channel, contrary to the regulations. Letter from Mr Charles Fortune, City Surveyor. 82

THE RANCHE, BLOOMFIELD AVENUE - Mr Charles Olivant writes to complain about the insanitary state of the drain outside the house of his cousins, the Misses Birchal, at 1 Bloomfield Park. The water comes up through the broken cement and smells foul. He has spoken to Mr Montague repeatedly and first complained six months ago. He says what use is it having a sanitary authority if they won't do anything? 83, see 84 for detailed response.

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OTAGO TERRACE, LARKHALL, 34 - planning permission for additions, not approved. 86

MILSOM STREET, 35 - planning permission for W.C. at rear, approved. 86

BROAD STREET, 34 - planning permission for alterations, approved. 86

UNION STREET, 12 - planning permission for alterations, not approved. 86. Amended plan approved, 216

SEPTIC TANKS IN CITY OF EXETER - discussion about the septic tanks relating to the new sewage plant proposed for Bath. 88

RINSO ROBERT SICCAMA - of The Whins, 35 Sion Hill, a new member of the council, was appointed to the Electric Lighting and Surveying Committees in place of Mr Alexander Wyatt. 89

WILLIAM FLETCHER GOULD - of Rockall, Oldfield Road, a new member of council, was appointed to the Finance and Parliamentary Committees in place of Mr George Samuel Pearce. 89

LONDON STREET, 4 - Mr Thomas Vezey, Solicitor, writes that he has examined the lease of this property. It is dated 22nd October 1895. Mr Robert Baggs demised it to Mr Robert Anstis for 14 years at the yearly rental of £35 payable quarterly. 90

QUEEN STREET, 9 - statutory notice for repair of W.C. ballcocks and cisterns which were found to be deficient. This was a statutory offence. 91

NATHANIEL S. WILCOCKS, BRASS FOUNDRY AND IRON WORKS - of 45 Avon Street. Exceptional engraved notepaper, the back of which shows various engines. Letters about the price for engraved nameplates. 93, 107

THE MISSES YARLEY - of Reed Vale, Teignmouth, formerly of Junction Road. They send a cheque for the apportionment of Junction Road, although they no longer live there and the land they once had is in new hands. They hope that they will not be asked for further payment. 94

G. H. KNIGHT, LEIGH, WESTBURY, WILTS - is the owner of an inn at London Street, which the council want for the London Street improvements. He says he will put no obstacle in the way of the council whatever, but they must be prepared to compensate him and his tenant for land, disturbance, noise, etc. 'you mention the construction of another street. If the property should be damaged by such a course someone is responsible'. 95, 147

LONDON STREET, 8 - In respect of the London Street Improvement, Fox and Whittuck Solicitors write to Mr Moger that Mr Whittuck claims to be the owner of the house, having been in possession

thereof for the statutory number of years. It was informally made over to him in respect of a claim, though no legal conveyance was taken. It was formerly owned by the Rev. Thomas Hooper. 96, 145

SOMERSET BUILDINGS, 22 & 23 - Information on the leaseholders, in respect of the London Street Improvement. The lease creating the term of seven years was from the late Mr James Clark, to Messrs J & E Gardiner. It was subsequently assigned to Messrs J. W & T. Preece. Afterwards Mr T. Preece assigned his interest to Mr J. W. Preece, the present tenant. 103. Letter from Mr Thomas Vezey, Solicitor, 3 Paragon. 103. He adds that Mr Gardiner carried on business in Stall Street. 103

ENAMEL SIGN CO. - Ablow Street, Penn Road, Wolverhampton, headed business paper, on letter about the engraving of nameplates. They say that they cannot go to the expense of engraving a whole plate as a sample, but they will send a sample upon receipt of the order. 109

WELLBORNE COTTAGES, ODD DOWN - letter from owner's surveyor concerning nuisance of wash house floor and non-flushing water closet. He says that he can have the floor repaired in the next few days, but not to fit a new lavatory pan, as there is no water system supplied for flushing the lavatory. He says that if the council will provide a water supply from the mains at Barrack (Farm) Cottages, as per his letter of July last, then he will be quite prepared to fix up a new closet with all the latest sanitary arrangements. The owner is Mr B. Hill, his surveyor Mr Beynon wrote this letter and Mr Hill wrote 111, in which he says that the water from the well has not been used for drinking for some time. Wellborne Cottages were at the top of Wells Road, Odd Down. Mr H. Graham Montagu, Inspector, says in 112 that he has been informed that the occupier of Wellborne Cottages get their drinking water from Barrack Farm. 110, 111, 112, 130. See 72, 84. Also

C. SEARS, PRINTER - of Argyle Street. Writes 'I beg to solicit a share of the printing from your Office during the coming year. Up to the present I have been overlooked by the various committees'. However, printing jobs were put out to tender and all comers welcome to tender, so it is not as he thinks. 121

J. BARTER, SUPERINTENDENT, DESTRUCTOR WORKS - his clerk writes a note to Mr Moger on headed Destructor Works note paper. 123

IMPERIAL ENAMEL CO. LTD - Imperial Works, Watery Lane, Birmingham. Write on headed notepaper a letter accompanying a sample of plate. They say that the name on the bottom says 'Willings & Co. Ltd' which is the name of their London Agent, but the plate is of their manufacture. Their telegraphic address is 'Impervious, Birmingham' 124, receipt of order, 142. Also Jan-24 Feb 1897, 179. Mar-Apr 1897 25, 29, 179, 194

CLAREMONT BUILDING ESTATE - planning permission for amendments, not approved. 129. Deferred, 162a

ST SAVIOUR'S SCHOOL, LARKHALL - planning permission for additions, approved. 129

JOHN STREET, 6 - planning permission for alterations, approved. 129

OAKWOOD, BATHWICK HILL -planning permission for alterations, approved. 129

LANSDOWN PLACE EAST - Mr Charles Fortune, City Surveyor, asks Mr Moger if he can write to Mr C. M. Glynton about his claim for a burst service pipe. 129a

MR C. MARTIN, 7 CLARENCE TERRACE, CLAVERTON DOWN - writes that he cannot pay the amount now but will pay it at the end of next month. Subject not mentioned, but previous letters concerning payment from members of the public have always referred to the Statutory Hospital, to which members of the public with infectious diseases were forcibly removed and then asked to pay fees for their stay afterwards, with no means testing in place. 132

SEWAGE - discussions about how various sewage plants visited deal with 'mud' and 'rags'. Burning, burying, etc.

HEDGEMEAD ROAD, NEW SLOPE, DEVELOPED POST LANDSLIDE - letters concerning, 131, 141, 154, 172

LONDON STREET, 4-6 - owned by Mrs Ellen Josephine Roper and Mr Herbert Roper, who live in Jamaica. They dissent to the council taking the properties, as they have freehold, in equal shares in the ground rent, at £31:10:10 a year. Letter from Eastwood, Wigan and Champernowne, of 3-4 Lincoln's Inn Fields, via their clients Child Abraham & Wigan. 148, 151

LONDON TERRACE, 1, 2 & 3 - the owner contests the council's right to take the property. Owned by Mr Johnson. 149

LONDON STREET, SOUTH SIDE- list of the clients of solicitors Payne and Fuller who have interests in the street: 4 London Street, shop, tenant Mr Anstis; 5 London Street, shop, Mrs Daniells; 6 London Street, shop, Mrs Smith; 11 London Street, dwelling house, Miss Nethey; and 12 London Street, dwelling house, Mrs Mills. Also a ground rent of £16.12.6 secured on 7, 8, 9, & 10 Trinity Square. 150

SOUTHGATE STREET, 49 - escape of sewer gas from the drains. Walter Raymond Pratley, the tenant there, is aggrieved under section 93 of the Public Health Act (1875). He writes a legal letter to inform the council. The owner is Walter Nathaniel Edbrooke, The Repose, Cheltenham Road, Bristol, Gentleman. 152

UNION STREET, 12 - planning permission for alterations, not approved. 162a

WINCHESTER AND CANTERBURY ROADS - planning permission for amended plan for a house at each, approved. 162a, see Jan-24 Feb 1897 7b (approved provisionally)

LOWER OLDFIELD PARK - amended plan for two houses, approved. 162a

ELECTRIC LIGHT CONSTRUCTION COMPANY LTD - of Wolverhampton, with London office at Dashwood House, 9 New Broad Street, E.C. Reply to Mr Moger that they have instructed their secretary to forward the names of their proposed sureties for the contract. For electric light extensions. 164, 196, 229. Also Jan 1897-24 Feb 1897 1, 31, 43, 47, 61, 178. Also Mar-Apr 1897 7

HENRIETTA PARK ENTRANCE BY DANIEL STREET - Charles Fortune, City Surveyor, writes that he would like a contract prepared as soon as possible between the Authority and Messrs Howard and Son. The Sub Committee recommended accepting the proposal for altering the width of the entrance to 40 foot. The fee of £80.10.0 for Messrs Howard, this includes compensation for the two properties who will lose ground. He recommends that it is proceeded with at once. 166. See Aug-Sep 1896 1, deferred and deferred again 36, deferred 88, deferred again 124a, and deferred again, 154a. See also Oct-Dec 1896 17.

MR T. STONE - John Ricketts, Solicitor, of Ricketts, Son and Vezey, writes to Mr Moger that yesterday (10th December 1896) he met Mr Stone, who was going to Mr Fuller (another solicitor) 'with a view to buying the property at the top of Walcot Street upon which Lloyds Bank have lien. 'I endeavoured to dissuade him but what he did I cannot say. Would it not be well that you should out yourself in communication with Mr Fuller as soon as possible?' 170

FRED J. CHAPPELL, 13 ST. MARK'S PLACE - Mr Chappell writes to say that he encloses his £1 fee for the Statutory Hospital. 171

H. J. FISHER - letter from Pembrook and Dickens, Artistic Electroplate Manufacturers, of Hall Street, Birmingham. They discuss the way that Mr Fisher makes his livelihood and give an opinion as to his wealth. Mr Fisher receives a salary of £1 per week from them and a commission on top of sales which varies from two and a half to seven and a half percent according to customers, with five percent being the most usual. Since he has been in their service, he has not made more than 21 shillings a week in salary and commission. On top of that he has to employ a man and a truck and rent a showroom, the cost of the rent being £20 a year. They conclude that Mr Fisher must find it hard to make ends meet. They add as a p.s. that he has recently started similar work in a firm in Sheffield, but they do not know any particulars other than that his income is very small. This letter is from May 1896, bound into the Oct-Dec volume at 173.

THOMAS A. PEARCE, DURHAM HOUSE, OLDFIELD STREET, CARDIFF - returns the notice sent to him about street improvement in the London Street area, as he has assigned his interest to Mr George Biggs, of Ashley Villa, Lower Weston, who is now the lessee of the Gloucester Inn. 176

CANAL BOATS ACT, 1878 - from the Local Government Board at Whitehall, saying that since the introduction of registration of canal boats in 1878, many have changed hands, been broken up or ceased to be used as dwellings, so that it is now impossible to tell how many really come under the operation of these acts. They enclose a schedule to be answered as soon as possible. They suggest keeping the schedule as it may be useful for the inspector. Signed with a printed signature, John possibly Bryden, Chief Inspector of Canal Boats. 184, 187. See Jan 1897-24 Feb 1897 19

WORKSHOP OF MR BROWN, 19-20 CLAVERTON STREET - The Factory Department of the Local Government Board, Whitehall, send an official form to the Medical Officer of Health, asking what steps have been taken in regard to the complaint forwarded to the Authority about these premises in September 1896. Three letters. In the second is the original notification from the H.M. Inspector of Factories in Bristol, addressed to the Medical Officer of Health in Bath. He has been informed that the sanitary conditions are detrimental to the health of those people employed therein. The third, a

letter to Mr Moger clerk to the U.S.A. from the Medical Officer of Health's office from W. H. Symonds, says that Mr Montagu 'made some sort of inspection but was prevented from concluding it' as the owner was not present and he wished to be. Mr Symonds asks if they are called upon to make an official inspection and whether that should not be done by the H.M. Inspector of Factories. He asks whether they have a right to entry under the new act, and thinks they do not unless the H.M. Inspector is present. He says the Medical Officer of Health does not have time to visit factories. 185, three letters.

LONDON TERRACE, 3 - Mr W. R. Crook writes to say that he is not the tenant of this address. He rents the house from Mr Clarke but sub-lets it for the last five months to Mr Harding. He says that when Mr Harding took it over it was clean and everything as it should be. Any nuisance there is entirely the responsibility of Mr Harding. He now wishes to get possession of the premises from Mr Harding and askes for guidance in the matter. 190, 189

UNION STREET, 24 - Mr Charles Fortune, City Surveyor, sends a copy of the notice of abatement of nuisance at this address and asks Mr Moger to take the necessary steps. 189

NORTH PARADE BUILDINGS, 3 - Mr Charles Fortune, City Surveyor, sends a copy of the notice of abatement of nuisance at this address and asks Mr Moger to take the necessary steps. 189a

AVON STREET, 18 - Mr Charles Fortune, City Surveyor, sends a copy of the notice of abatement of nuisance at this address and asks Mr Moger to take the necessary steps. 189a

SOUTHGATE STREET, 49 - Mr Montagu, Medical Officer of Health, writes to Mr Moger that he has inspected the premises and asked the City Surveyor to serve the necessary notice (of sanitary nuisance) 192.

SOMERSET LANE - Williamson Hill & Co. of King William Street, London (telegraphic address 'Upright,' London) write that they are taking the opinion of Counsel about the matter in dispute. They ask for a print of the Bath Act. 199

THE CLINICAL RESEARCH ASSOCIATION, 1 SOUTHWARK STREET, LONDON - send a circular inviting the Sanitary Authority to join the association. The association undertake testing of bacilli etc to determine whether there are major outbreaks or not. Includes a long list of hospitals around the country which have joined. 200

OAK STREET BOARD SCHOOL, WELLS ROAD - small scrap of paper on which the following details are written. 'Oak Street Board School, Girls 115, capacity 100. Infants 161, capacity 100.' The school later became Oldfield Boys and then Beechen Cliff Lower School. Now demolished. In 222, Mr Argent Simmons, Clerk to the Bath Schools Board, replies with detailed sums of the amount of cubic space available for each child, proving that in this respect the legal requirements of space for girls and infants have not been exceeded. He also says that the board had already decided to enlarge the infants department, but because the superficial space is not sufficient, rather than the cubic feet per child. He also says that as the cubic feet per child have not nearly been reached, then it is not a

matter for the Sanitary Authority, as it cannot be injurious to health. 201, 222. See Jan-24 Feb 1897 27, from Edmund Bagshawe, JP, Hon Sec, Bath Church School Managers Union

EAST WALCOT SCHOOL, DOVER STREET, SNOW HILL - small scrap of paper on which the details of numbers at some schools in 1896 were given, showing them to be seriously overcrowded. 'Walcot East, Dover Street' refers to East Walcot Mixed and Infants at Middle Dover Street, Snow Hill.

Possibly as a result of this enquiry, the boys were later at what became known as Walcot Boys, in Upper Dover Street, Snow Hill, although this school was on the map in 1886. At 'Walcot East', total number was 200, capacity 176. Infants 180, with capacity 150. Dover Street schools not to be confused with Walcot central school in Walcot Street or the school at Guinea Lane. The Authority obviously wrote to Colonel Eyre, of Rockcliffe, Lansdown, the Hon Sec of the Walcot Parochial Day Schools. He replies in 211 that the numbers have only been over the limit since November because of the retention on the books of the names of children awaiting their Labour Certificates (aged 12 or 13). 201, 211. See Jan-24 Feb 1897, 27, from Edmund Bagshawe, JP, Hon Sec, Bath Church School Managers Union

GUINEA LANE SCHOOL - small scrap of paper on which the number of pupils at the school in 1896 are given. Boys 250, capacity 190. The Authority obviously wrote to Colonel Eyre, of Rockcliffe, Lansdown, the Hon Sec of the Walcot Parochial Day Schools. He replies in 211 that the numbers have only been over the limit since November because of the retention on the books of the names of children awaiting their Labour Certificates (aged 12 or 13). 201, 211. See Jan-24 Feb 1897 27, from Edmund Bagshawe, JP, Hon Sec, Bath Church School Managers Union

WATER SOFTENING AND PURIFYING UNITED PATENTS LTD - of Broad Street House, Old Broad Street, London EC. Write with details of their water softening systems, in relation to the new boilers at the Electric Lighting Station. Bath has very hard water, so this would have been necessary to stop furring of the pipes. 203

WHOLESALE MARKETS, IMPROVEMENT PLAN - letter from J. Stone, the Town Clerk, reminding Mr Moger that in April 1895, a joint sub-committee of the Corporate Property and Markets and the Surveying Committees was appointed to consider Mr Councillor Knight's motion for the improvement of the wholesale markets. He asks that the matter be brought before the Surveying committee. 207

BURLINGTON STREET, WALL - Solicitors Stone King write to Mr Moger (who is himself a solicitor although also clerk to the Authority) that Mr Fortune, City Surveyor, had written to him about repairs to the wall, inferring that the wall must belong to the landowner bordering the road. However, the wall apparently 'holds up the highway' and is therefore the property of the Authority. 215, 242. See Jan-24 Feb 1897 78, 82. See Jan-24 Feb 1897 121, 125, 133. Mar-Apr 1897 18, 48, 49, 50, 71, 101, 122, 154, 210, 213

CHEAP STREET, 20, 21, 22 - planning permission for rebuilding these three buildings, not approved. 216. See Jan-24 Feb 1897, amended ground plan approved, 52

FAIRFIELD VIEW, 5-6 - planning permission for amended plan, approved. 216

FIRE HYDRANTS - the Waterworks Committee have decided that all of the fire hydrants should have special plates affixed on them, to make them more obvious in the event of fire. Currently, the signs were opposite the hydrants. From Charles Gilby, Engineer's Office, Bath Waterworks. 236

HENRIETTA PARK - railings. Col. Arnoll Davis, of 4 Marlborough Buildings, writes as Chairman of the Pleasure Grounds Committee, to enquire whether the Surveying Committee will agree to the replacement of circular railings on the east side with straight ones to make the railings uniform in that side of the park. 238.

SALE OF FOOD AND DRUGS ACTS 1875- the Local Government Board asks for copies of the reports made by Public Analysts and a statement of the cases in which legal proceedings have been taken. 240

W. & T. AVERY, MANUFACTURERS OF WEIGHING APPARATUS - headed paper from the famous company, of 14-16 Cow Cross Street, London. Workshop in Birmingham. They are requesting to be allowed to tender for any weighbridges or platform weighing machines for the Electric Lighting Works. 243

CHOLERA REGULATIONS ORDER RESCINDED - the Local Government Board send an official notification that the prohibition of importation of rags from various countries and ports issued to prevent the spread of cholera in 1893 is now lifted. 246