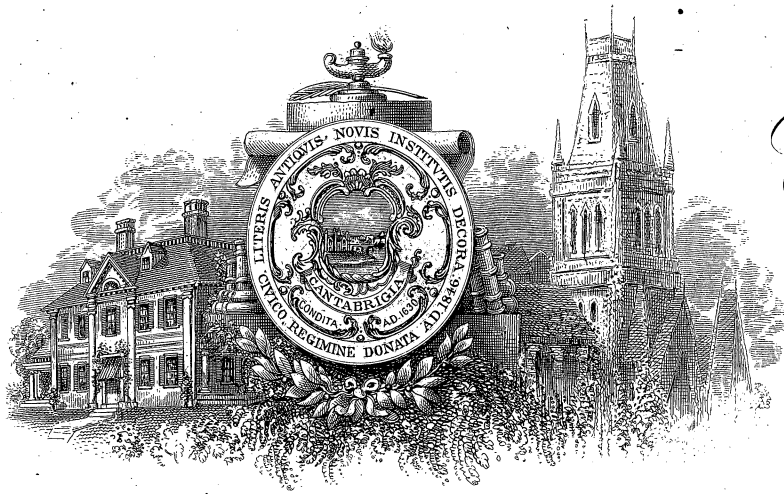




City of Cambridge,
Mayor's Office.

Cambridge, Mar 9th 1889

To Honnble Int Committee Roads & Bridges.

Dear Sir,

I ask to be permitted to make a suggestion for the consideration of your Committee, in relation to the procurement of cracked stone for making and repairing of roads — It is my opinion that money can be saved to the City by contracting with a party, or parties, made responsible through sureties, to deliver at such localities as your Committee may designate, 2000 to 5000 tons of cracked stone, (blue flint, or nearly equivalent quality) assorted sizes, fine, medium, coarse and heavy, to be graded as the judgment of the Supt of Streets may approve, intended for yearly consumption. A contract might be made to run for 3 or more years, which, however, must be authorized and approved by the City Council. It would be proper to advertise for proposals in at least two widely circulated newspapers, and at least four weeks interval be allowed.

for spread of the information that proposals are desired,
and to enable parties to investigate and make up their
Estimates. No doubt it will occur to your Committee
that work of this character can be done by individual
contractors to better advantage than by the City.

Arrangements can readily be made with either the
R.R. or Fitchburg R.R. Co. to weigh all car loads of
this material, and this check upon the contractor would
be effective.

Desiring the Committee to give this matter some
consideration, I respectfully remain.

Sincerely,

Henry A. Woodward.
Mayor.

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from the Mayor in regard
to the purchase of Cracked
Stone,

March 9, 1889.