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This list comes from bound volumes and loose numbers found in Philadelphia City Archives Record Group 60-5.2 A second collection of this periodical can be found at the Free Library of Philadelphia, Government Documents Collection, Call# P53-331. Each issue has many good photographs illustrating the topics covered. The notes following some of the volumes reflect my interest in particular areas of public works and particular areas of the city. Facsimile PDFs of the volumes highlighted in bold can be found www.phillyh2o.org/backpages/Philadelphia_1909_1911.htm.

Vol. I, No. 1, July 1909: Bullitt Bill and other information about the City government

Vol. I, No. 2, August 1909: The [Benjamin Franklin] Parkway. History of Highway Department

Vol. I, No. 3, September 1909: History of charities and public health in Philadelphia

Vol. I, No. 4, October 1909: Philadelphia's public schools

Vol. I, No. 4, supplement: Public improvements during the present administration: April 1907 to October 1909, 56 p. Subjects include bridges and elevated railroad trestles, schools, Queen Lane, fire and police stations, public bath houses, Wingohocking sewer in Annsbury Street (long view of rural scene), Rock Run sewer in Fairhill Street (long view) Spring Garden testing station, Torresdale filters, parks including Clark Park (great shot looking east downhill from 44th Street), Lardner's Point pumping station, Philadelphia Hospital for Contagious Diseases, etc.

Vol. I, No. 5, November 1909: Philadelphia's Fire Department

Vol. I, No. 6, December 1909: Philadelphia Police Department

Vol. II, No. 1, January 1910: Department of the Mayor

Vol. II, No. 2, February 1910: Select and Common Councils

Vol. II, No. 3, March 1910: Home of the City Government (City Hall)

Vol. II, No. 4, April 1910: Pleasure Grounds of the People (Fairmount Park and other parks, including good photo of Clark Park before trees grew up; and of Charles Dickens and Little Nell statue)

Vol. II, No. 5, May 1910: The bridges of a great city

Vol. II, No. 6, June 1910: Water Supply of a Great City

Vol. III, No. 1, July 1910: For the pleasure of the people (music, picnic, auto and horse racing, playgrounds, tennis, 4th of July, etc.)

Vol. III, No. 2, August 1910: Electrical bureau of a great city

Vol. III, No. 3, September 1910: Removal of railroad grade crossings and increase of rapid transit facilities

Vol. III, No. 4, October 1910: Department of Wharves, Docks and Ferries

Vol. III, No. 5, November 1910: Highways of a Great City, No. 1--Outlying business districts, including photo of 49th and Baltimore; others of West Philadelphia

Vol. III, No. 6, December 1910: Highways of a great city, No. 2--In the heart of the city

Vol. IV, No. 1, January 1911: Highways of a great city, No. 3--The City of homes.

Vol. IV, No. 2, February 1911: Highways of a great city, No. 4--The Schuylkill River

Vol. IV, No. 3, March 1911: Philadelphia's comprehensive plans for public improvements, with list of committee memberships, and list of items displayed in mayor's reception room, and many drawings and views of proposed changes

Vol. IV, No. 4, April 1911: Philadelphia's Free Libraries

Vol. IV, No. 5, May 1911: Philadelphia's Comprehensive Plans: progress of the work to May 31, including photo of Spring Garden pumping station, Queen Lane filter plant

Vol. IV, No. 6, June 1911: Underground Philadelphia: Main and branch sewers Photos of Wissahickon high level cut off, rock work 75-100 feet under surface; Mill Creek sewer, without arch, creek running in invert through valley, with houses visible above; Mill Creek sewer with arch; Shawmont interceptor sewer under construction; Wingohocking sewer at Annsbury Street under construction, Ogontz Avenue sewer, with manholes prior to grading; Rock Run Sewer; Outfall of Ontario Street sewer; sewer running through Wissahickon Creek dam; Devereaux Street sewer, showing wooded nature of area with houses in background; etc.

Vol. V, No. 1, July 1911

Underground Philadelphia, No. 2--Water Supply System

Many photos including: "Difficult work of laying 30 inch pipe across the bed of Wissahickon Creek---water flowing down a natural channel, fighting effort to convey other water in an artificial channel."

Vol. V, No. 2: either missing or never published

Vol. V, No. 3: either missing or never published

Vol. V, No. 4, October 7, 1911: Underground Philadelphia, No. 3--Conduit system: Gas Mains: Subway

Vol. V, No. 5, November 8, 1911: Philadelphia's work for the health and happiness of children

Vol. V, No. 6, December 1911: The lighting of a great city