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Collection Description:
Financial documents relating to expenditure of funds for alteration and construction of gradation of the grade crossing at the Prison Point Bridge. Documents include expense accounts, statements, estimates, correspondence, plans, and auditor’s reports.

Series I: General Documents of Expenditure Relating to the Prison Point Bridge Case (folder 1)

Items:

1. Prison Point Street, Separation of Grades – Principal Items in Expense Account, nd (2 copies)
3. Extract from Report of Commissioners of the Abolition of Grade Crossing in Fall River, 1890
4. Memo: from William D. Bullock, Assistant Engineer in Charge of Bridges to unknown recipient re: building materials for bridge, nd
5. Letter: from E. P. Dawley, Division Engineer for the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad Company Civil Engineer’s Department to Mr. L. M. Hastings, City Engineer of Cambridge, MA re: asphalt sheets on bridges, 2 March 1897
6. An Act Relative to Certain Grade Crossing in the Cities of Cambridge and Boston, 22 April 1899 (carbon copy)
7. Estimates for Abolition of the Grade Crossing at Prison Point Street in Cambridge, nd
8. Petition draft submitted by city: In the Matter of the Petition of the Directors of the Boston and Lowell Railroad Corporation for Alteration of the Grade Crossing of Prison Point Street with the said Railroad in Cambridge in the said County, so as to avoid a crossing at grade, 23 Sept 1897
10. Commonwealth of Massachusetts House Act No. 728, 1899
11. Commonwealth of Massachusetts House Act No. 729, 1899 (2 copies)
12. General Explanation of Plan (handwritten), nd
13. Redirect Plan (handwritten), nd
14. Various handwritten note and figures (5 sheets), 1897-99 and nd

Series II: Statements of Expenditure Relating to the Prison Point Bridge Case (folder 2)

5. Oath of H. Bissell, Chief Engineer, re: expenditures of the Boston and Lowell Railroad Corporation for Alteration of the Grade Crossings of the Southern Division of the Boston & Maine Railroad at Prison Point St., Cambridge, a Public Way, in the City of Cambridge, 13 April 1906

Series III: Auditor’s Reports Relating to the Prison Point Bridge Case (folder 3)

1. Auditor’s First Report, 26 June 1903
2. Auditor’s Second Report, undated
3. Auditor’s Third Report, undated
4. Auditor’s Fourth Report, 1904
5. Auditor’s Fifth Report, undated
6. Auditor’s Sixth Report, 14 May 1906
7. Auditor’s Seventh Report, 1908
8. Auditor’s Seventh Report (revised), 1908

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