

AFFAIRS ABOUT HOME.

SUPPLY OF MYSTIC WATER FOR CHELSEA.
The Water Committee of the Charlestown City Government submitted a report to the Board of Aldermen last evening, on the subject of supplying the city of Chelsea with Mystic water from the Charlestown water works. They recommended that the city decline to accept the terms proposed by Chelsea, and ask that the Mystic Water Board be authorized, in behalf of the city of Charlestown, to arrange to supply Chelsea with water upon the following terms:—

1st—All the pipes, stop-gates and everything connected with the distribution and use of the water in Chelsea, and also the appurtenances necessary for conveying the water to Chelsea, across the Mystic river, to be laid by the city of Chelsea at its own cost and expense.

2d—Chelsea to lay a cast iron pipe of not less than 10 inches in diameter, and a syphon not less than 20 inches in diameter, from their pipes to the point necessary to connect with the pipe to be laid by the city of Chelsea as before named. The interest on the cost of the pipe to be laid to be paid by Chelsea; provided, however, if the city of Chelsea shall at any time construct a reservoir of suitable dimensions for the benefit of that city and for a temporary supply to Charlestown from the same, in the case of accident, then the payment of said interest shall cease.

3d—The supply of water needed by Chelsea is not to be restrained unless the source should prove inadequate to exceed the requirements of the city of Charlestown, with its present limits of rates as low as those now or which may hereafter be established. The supply for fire hydrants, fountains, etc., to be furnished at the same rates as assessed in Charlestown,—Charlestown to collect the rates, provide a Superintendent who shall have the care of pipes, etc., under the rules now adopted, and to pay Chelsea the following percentage of water rates collected in that city: On the amount of annual receipts up to \$20,000, 15 per cent; on the annual amount in excess of \$20,000 and up to \$30,000, 20 per cent; from \$30,000 to \$40,000, 25 per cent; from \$40,000 to \$50,000, 30 per cent; and on the amount in excess of \$50,000, 40 per cent; this arrangement to be continued until the debt of Charlestown incurred for the construction of the water works be extinguished.

If, however, arrangements shall be made with other places upon terms more favorable, then Chelsea shall be entitled to be placed on an equal footing. If the two cities cannot agree on the terms for the construction of works for the supply of water, the matter shall be referred to a commission of three persons; if unable so to agree, then by the appointment of persons by the Supreme Court.

The Board of Aldermen passed an order directing the Water Board to act in accordance with the suggestions contained in the report.