

A historical black and white photograph of a sewer tunnel. The tunnel is dark and narrow, with large, curved pipes or conduits running along the ceiling. Several workers in period clothing, including caps and heavy jackets, are visible. One worker is standing in the water, holding a long pole. Another worker is operating a piece of machinery, possibly a pump or a small engine, mounted on a platform. The water is turbulent and appears to be flowing through the tunnel. The overall scene depicts the manual labor involved in the early sewerage system of Paris.

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