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PROCLAMATION.

\$1,000 REWARD.

MAYOR'S OFFICE,
New York, September 23, 1873.

WHEREAS, On the 22d day of August last, a fiendish outrage was committed on the person of Mr. Walter Gibson, proprietor of the Harlem Local, by throwing a large quantity of vitriolic acid in his face, destroying the sight of the right eye, and endangering the sight of the other; and whereas active but unsuccessful efforts have been made to discover the perpetrators of the assault.

Now, I, W. F. Havemeyer, Mayor of the city of New York, do hereby offer a reward of one thousand dollars for the apprehension and conviction of the person or persons who were guilty of the offense; the said reward to be paid on their conviction and the certificate of the District Attorney that such conviction was had upon the testimony of the person or persons claiming the reward. But all claims not presented to the Mayor within twenty days after such conviction shall be disregarded.

W. F. HAVEMEYER,
Mayor.

LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT.

STATED SESSION.

BOARD OF

ASSISTANT ALDERMEN.

No. 16 CITY HALL,
MONDAY, September 29, 1873,
2 o'clock P. M.

The Board met, pursuant to adjournment, in their chamber, No. 16 City Hall.

Present—WILLIAM WADE, Esq., President, in the chair, and the following members:

Thomas Foley,	Patrick Keenan,
Jeremiah Murphy,	John J. Kehoe,
John C. Keating,	Edward Brucks,
Henry Wisser,	George Kelly,
Thomas L. Thorwell,	Stephen N. Simonson,
John Theiss,	Philip Cumisky,
Geo. F. Codrington,	Henry A. Linden,
Joseph P. Strack,	Isaac Sommers,
William S. Kreps,	Benjamin Beyea.

Minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

RESOLUTION.

By Assistant Alderman Codrington—
Resolved, That Francis S. Lambert be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the city and county of New York, in place and stead of Phillander Brush, deceased.

Which was adopted by the following vote:
Affirmative—The President, Assistant Aldermen Foley, Murphy, Keating, Wisser, Thornell, Theiss, Codrington, Strack, Kreps, Keenan, Kehoe, Brucks, Kelly, Simonson, Linden, Sommers—17.

By Assistant Alderman Codrington:
Resolved, That Pascal T. Southern be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place and stead of Malcolm Snowden, who has failed to qualify.

Which was adopted by the following vote:
Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Foley, Murphy, Keating, Wisser, Thornell, Theiss, Codrington, Strack, Kreps, Keenan, the President, Kehoe, Brucks, Kelly, Simonson, Linden, Sommers—17.

By Assistant Alderman Kehr—
AN ORDINANCE to amend an ordinance, entitled "an ordinance to regulate permits for street stands, sheds, cases, signs, stairways, hoistways and deliveries," approved February 24th, 1866.

The Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of New York, do ordain as follows:

Section 1. Section 5 of the above entitled ordinance is hereby amended, and shall read as follows:

"Section 5. Every grantee of a privilege under this ordinance shall pay therefor the sum of one dollar per annum, toward the expense of executing this ordinance, to be accounted for among other fees of the Mayor's office."

Section 2. All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent or conflicting with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

Section 3. This ordinance shall take effect immediately.

Which was referred to the Committee on Ordinances.

By Assistant Alderman Linden:

Resolved, That One Hundred and Thirty-eight street, from Eleventh avenue or Boulevard to the Hudson River Railroad, be paved with Belgian or trap-block pavement, or granite-block pavement, and that at the several intersecting streets and avenues cross-walks be laid, where not now laid, and relaid where those now laid are, in the opinion of the Commissioner of Public Works, not in good repair, or are not upon a grade adapted to the grade of the proposed new pavement, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, and that the Commissioner of Public Works is hereby authorized and directed in making said pavement, to use on the sides of the portion of said street to be paved, such blue or other stone (to be longer and deeper than the ordinary paving block aforesaid) as he shall deem proper, to form cut-offs and prevent the water from under-running the street and undermining the pavement, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was laid over.

G. O. 171.

By Assistant Alderman Sommers—
Resolved, That One Hundred and sixteenth street, from Second to Third avenues be paved with Belgian or trap-block pavement, and that, at the several intersecting streets and avenues, crosswalks be laid where not now laid, and relaid where those now laid are, in the opinion of the Commissioner of Public Works, not in good repair, or are not upon a grade adapted to the grade of the proposed new pavement, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was laid over.

G. O. 172.

By the same—
Resolved, That the sidewalk on south side of Forty-second street, from Lexington to Fourth avenue, be flagged full width, where not already done, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was laid over.

G. O. 173.

By the same—
Resolved, That One Hundred and Twenty-first street, from Second avenue to East River, be paved with Belgian or trapblock pavement, and that, at the several intersecting streets and avenues, crosswalks be laid where not now laid, and relaid where those now laid are, in the opinion of the Commissioner of Public Works, not in good repair, or are not upon a grade adapted to the grade of the proposed new pavement, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was laid over.

G. O. 174.

By the same—
Resolved, That gas-mains be laid, lamp-posts erected, and street lamps lighted in Fifty-sixth street, between Sixth and Seventh avenue, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

Which was laid over.

G. O. 175.

By the same—
Resolved, That gas mains be laid, lamp-posts erected, and street lamps lighted in Sixty-third street, from Third avenue to East River, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

Which was laid over.

G. O. 176.

By the same—
Resolved, That Sixty-third street, from the Third avenue to the East river, be regulated and graded, the curb and gutter stones set, and the sidewalks flagged where not already done, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was laid over.

G. O. 177.

By the same—
Resolved, That Second avenue, from Forty-second street to Sixty-first street be paved with Belgian or trap-block pavement, and that, at the several intersecting streets and avenues, cross-

walks be laid where not now laid, and relaid where those now laid are, in the opinion of the Commissioner of Public Works, not in good repair, or are not upon a grade adapted to the grade of the proposed new pavement, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was laid over.

G. O. 178.

By the same—
Resolved, That the vacant lots on the north side of Seventy-eighth street, between Second and Third avenues, be fenced in, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was laid over.

By Assistant Alderman Beyea—
Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to the East Side Association to erect four lamps in front of their Hall, situated on north-east corner of Eighty-six street and Third avenue, the gas to be supplied from their own private meter under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, such permission to remain only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

Which was referred to the Committee on Lamps and Gas.

By the same—
Whereas, The carriageway of One Hundred and Twenty-ninth street, between the Third and Eighth avenues, was, prior to the year 1869, paved with a good stone pavement, and the cost and expense thereof assessed upon the lots fronting on said street, and the same paid for by the owners of the lots on said street.

And, whereas, said pavement was taken up and removed from said street between the Third and Sixth avenues, under and in pursuance of an ordinance of the Common Council, passed March, 1869, and the "Fiske Concrete Pavement," laid in said street, without any application thereof on the part of the owners of lots on said street, and contrary to and against the wishes and protests of said owners.

And, whereas, by section 115 (as amended June 13, 1873), of an act entitled "An act to organize the local government of the City of New York," passed April 30, 1873, it is provided—
"That no street, avenue or public place in the City of New York, which has been once paved, and the expense thereof paid for by the owners of the adjoining property by assessment, shall hereafter be paved at their expense, nor shall any assessment therefor be imposed, unless the same shall have been, or be petitioned for, by a majority of the owners of the property on the line of the proposed improvement, &c."

And, whereas, the carriageway of said street is now in a very dangerous and unsafe condition, full of holes and ruts, occasioned by the total destruction and wearing out in many places of said "Fiske Concrete Pavement;" and whereas such carriageway is in such a condition as to render it unsafe and dangerous to persons, horses and vehicles to pass or drive through said street; therefore,

Resolved, That the carriageway of One Hundred and Twenty-ninth street, between the Third and Sixth avenues, be paved with granite block pavement, and the curb and gutter stones reset, and that at the several intersecting avenues, crosswalks be relaid where those now laid are, in the opinion of the Commissioner of Public Works, not in good repair, or are not upon a grade adapted to the grade of the proposed new pavement, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, and that the same be done at the expense of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty, without delay, the amount thereof to be charged to the appropriation for "Streets, repaving and repairs, stone pavement."

Which was referred to the Committee on Street Pavements.

REPORTS.

The Committee on Lamps and Gas, of the Board of Assistant Aldermen, to whom was referred the annexed resolution in favor of permitting Pooton & Lawrence to place two ornamental lamps at No. 500 Third avenue, respectfully

REPORT:

That, having carefully examined the subject, they are in favor of granting the permission asked for, no objection having been made thereto. Accordingly, your Committee recommend that said resolution be adopted.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Pooton & Lawrence to place two ornamental lamps in front of their premises, No. 500 Third avenue, the gas to be supplied from their own meter, and under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, and such permission to remain only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

WM. S. KREPS,
THOMAS FOLEY.

Committee on Lamps and Gas.

Which was adopted by the following vote:
Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Foley, Murphy, Keating, Wisser, Thornell, Theiss, Codrington, Strack, Kreps, Keenan, the President, Kehoe, Brucks, Kelly, Simonson, Linden, Sommers—17.

G. O. 179.

The Committee on Public Works of the Board of Assistant Aldermen, to whom was referred the

annexed resolution and ordinance from the Board of Aldermen, in favor of removing a free hydrant from opposite Nos. 253 and 255 Sixth avenue, and placing the same in front of Nos. 244 and 246 Sixth avenue, respectfully

REPORT:

That having carefully examined the subject, they believe the proposed change to be necessary and proper. They are, therefore, in favor of concurring with the Board of Aldermen in adopting said resolution and ordinance, and accordingly respectfully recommend that such action be had thereon by this Board.

Resolved, That the Commissioner of Public Works be, and he is hereby authorized and directed to remove the free hydrant now on the sidewalk in front of No. 253 and 255, 6th avenue, and place the same on the sidewalk opposite No. 190 Sixth avenue.

JOHN J. KEHR,
WM. S. KEHOE,

Committee on Public Works.

Which was laid over.

The Committee on Salaries and Offices of the Board of Assistant Aldermen, to whom was referred the annexed resolution and ordinance from the Board of Aldermen, in favor of appointing William H. Bostwick a City Surveyor, respectfully

REPORT:

That having carefully examined the subject, they believe the proposed appointment should be made. They are, therefore, in favor of concurring with the Board of Aldermen in adopting said resolution and ordinance, and accordingly respectfully recommend that such action be had thereon by this Board.

Resolved, That William H. Bostwick be and he is hereby appointed a City Surveyor.

JOHN J. KEHOE,
EDWARD BRUCKS,
G. F. CODRINGTON,

Committee on Salaries and Offices.

Which was concurred in by the following vote:
Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Foley, Murphy, Keating, Wisser, Thornell, Theiss, Codrington, Strack, Kreps, Keenan, the President, Kehoe, Brucks, Kelly, Simonson, Linden, Sommers and Beyea—18.

The Committee on Salaries and Offices of the Board of Assistant Aldermen, to whom was referred the annexed resolution, from the Board of Aldermen, in favor of appointing Peregrine White a City Surveyor, respectfully

REPORT:

That, having carefully examined the subject, they believe that the appointment should be made. They are, therefore, in favor of concurring with the Board of Aldermen in adopting said resolution and ordinance, and accordingly respectfully recommend that such action be had thereon by this Board.

Resolved, That Peregrine White be and he is hereby appointed a City Surveyor in and for the city of New York.

JOHN J. KEHOE,
EDMUND BRUCKS,
G. F. CODRINGTON,

Committee on Salaries and Offices.

Which was concurred in by the following vote:
Affirmative—The President, Assistant Aldermen Foley, Murphy, Keating, Wisser, Thornell, Theiss, Codrington, Strack, Kreps, Keenan, Kehoe, Brucks, Kelly, Simonson, Linden, Sommers, Beyea—18.

The Committee on Salaries and Offices of the Board of Assistant Aldermen, to whom was referred the annexed resolution and ordinance from the Board of Aldermen, in favor of appointing Diederich A. Schierenbeck a Commissioner of Deeds, respectfully

REPORT:

That having carefully examined the subject, they believe the proposed appointment should be made. They are, therefore, in favor of concurring with the Board of Aldermen in adopting said resolution and ordinance, and accordingly respectfully recommend that such action be had thereon by this Board.

Resolved, That Diederich A. Schierenbeck be and is hereby appointed Commissioner of Deeds, in place of Charles Daly, whose term of office has expired.

JOHN J. KEHOE,
EDWARD BRUCKS,
G. T. CODRINGTON,

Committee on Salaries and Offices.

Which was concurred in by the following vote:
Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Foley, Murphy, Keating, Wisser, Thornell, Theiss, Codrington, Strack, Kreps, Keenan, the President, Kehoe, Brucks, Kelly, Simonson, Linden, Sommers, and Beyea—18.

The Committee on Salaries and Offices of the Board of Assistant Aldermen, to whom was referred the annexed resolution from the Board of Aldermen, in favor of appointing George A. Moore a Commissioner of Deeds, respectfully

REPORT:

That having carefully examined the subject, they believe the appointment should be made. They are, therefore, in favor of concurring with the Board of Aldermen in adopting said resolution, and accordingly respectfully recommend that such action be had thereon by this Board.

Resolved, That George A. Moore be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in

place of James R. Adams, whose term of office has expired.

JOHN J. KEHOE,
EDWARD BRUCKS,
G. F. CODINGTON,

Committee on Salaries and Offices.

Which was concurred in by the following vote:

Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Foley, Murphy, Keating, Wisser, Thornell, Theiss, Codington, Strack, Kreps, Keenan, the President, Kehoe, Brucks, Kelly, Simonson, Linden, Sommers, Beyea—18.

COMMUNICATIONS.

Being a communication from the Comptroller, as follows:

CITY OF NEW YORK, DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, Sept. 20, 1873.

To Board of Assistant Aldermen.

Weekly statement, showing the appropriations made under the authority contained in chapter 758, Laws of 1873, for carrying on the Legislative Department, from January 1 to December 31, 1873, both days inclusive, and of the payments made up to and including the date hereof for and on account of each appropriation:

Title of Appropriations.	Am't of Appropriations.	Payments.
Advertising for the Common Council City Contingencies.	\$8,000 00	\$8,000 00
Contingencies, Legislative Dep't.	5,000 00	613 00
Printing for the Common Council	1,000 00	393 20
Salaries Legislative Department.	8,000 00	7,001 72
	183,597 17	116,577 03

AND H. GREEN,
Comptroller.

Which was ordered on file.

PAPERS FROM BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

Being a resolution as follows:

Resolved, That David J. Van Winkle be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place of Howard Silleck, who failed to qualify.

Which was referred to the Committee on Salaries and Offices.

Being a resolution as follows:

Resolved, That on the north side of Fifty-ninth street, between Third and Lexington avenues, the sidewalks be flagged and reflagged where not already done, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was referred to the Committee on Streets.

Being a resolution as follows:

Resolved, That Eighty-eighth street from Second to Fourth avenue be paved with Belgian or granite block pavement, and that, at the several intersecting streets and avenues, crosswalks be laid where not now laid, and relaid where those now laid are, in the opinion of the Commissioner of Public Works, not in good repair, or are not upon a grade adapted to the grade of the proposed new pavement, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was referred to the Committee on Street Pavements.

Being a resolution as follows:

Resolved, That Sixty-fifth street, from Third to Fifth avenue, be paved with Belgian or trap-block pavement, and that, at the several intersecting streets and avenues, crosswalks be laid where not now laid, and relaid where those now laid are, in the opinion of the Commissioner of Public Works, not in good repair, or are not upon a grade adapted to the grade of the proposed new pavement, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was referred to the Committee on Street Pavements.

G. O. 180,

being a resolution as follows:

Resolved, That lamp posts be erected, and street lamps lighted in Eighty-sixth street, between the Boulevard and River Side Park, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

Which was laid over.

Being a resolution as follows:

Resolved, That the sidewalk on the south side of Thirty-fourth street, between Eighth and Ninth avenues, be flagged full width, where not already done, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was referred to the Committee on Streets

Being a resolution as follows:

Resolved, That permission be and is hereby given to Augustin Daly, proprietor of the new Fifth Avenue Theatre, on the north side of 28th street, near Broadway, to place and keep an ornamental lamp-post and lamp at the corner of Broadway and 28th street; provided such lamp-post shall not exceed the dimensions of the ordinary street lamp-post; the gas be paid for by said Augustin Daly, the work to be done at his own expense, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

Which was referred to the Committee on Lamps and Gas.

Being a resolution as follows:

Resolved, That the Commissioner of Public Works be and he is hereby requested to have the carriageway of First avenue, between Thirty-second and Thirty-sixth streets, thoroughly repaired and put in good order.

Which was concurred in.

Being a resolution as follows:

Resolved, That the Board of Street Openings and Improvements be requested to take the ne-

cessary steps to have the following-named streets and avenues opened, according to law, viz.:

Seventy-fourth street, from the Eighth avenue to the Hudson river.

Eighty-first street, from Bloomingdale road to the Hudson river.

Eighty-fifth street, from Ninth avenue to the Hudson river.

Eighty-eighth street, from Bloomingdale road to the Hudson river.

Eighty-ninth street, from Eighth avenue to 90 feet of Ninth avenue.

Eighty-ninth street, from Bloomingdale road to the Hudson river.

Ninety-first street, from Eighth avenue to 500 feet of Ninth avenue.

Ninety-first street, from Bloomingdale road to Hudson river.

Ninety-second street, from Bloomingdale road to Hudson river.

Ninety-third street, from Bloomingdale road to Hudson river.

Ninety-fourth street, from Eighth avenue to Hudson river.

Ninety-fifth street, from Eighth avenue to Hudson river.

Ninety-seventh street, from Eighth avenue to Hudson river.

Ninety-eighth street, from Eighth avenue to Hudson river.

One Hundredth street, from Broadway to Hudson river.

One Hundred and second street, from Eighth avenue to Hudson river.

One Hundred and third street, from Eighth avenue to Bloomingdale road.

One Hundred and third street, from Eleventh avenue to Hudson river.

One Hundred and fourth street, from Boulevard to Hudson river.

One Hundred and fifth street, from Boulevard to Hudson river.

One Hundred and sixth street, from Boulevard to Hudson river.

One Hundred and seventh street, from Eighth avenue to Hudson river.

One Hundred and eighth street, from Eighth avenue to Bloomingdale road.

One Hundred and ninth street, from Eighth avenue to Tenth avenue.

One Hundred and ninth street, from 125 feet west of Eleventh avenue to Hudson river.

Eleventh avenue, from Fifty-ninth street to One Hundred and seventh street.

Which was concurred in.

Being a resolutions as follows:

Resolved, That on the north side of Fifty-eighth street, between Lexington and Fourth avenues, the sidewalks be flagged and reflagged full width, where not already done, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was referred to the Committee on Streets.

Being a resolution as follows:

Resolved, that the vacant lots on both sides of Fifty-third street, between 5th and 6th avenues be fenced in, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was referred to the Committee on Streets.

Being a resolution as follows:

Resolved, That Seventieth street, between Third avenue and the East river, be regulated and graded, the curb and gutter stones set, and the sidewalks flagged where not already done, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was referred to the Committee on Streets.

Being a resolution as follows:

Resolved, That the vacant lots on the southeast corner of Fifty-fourth street and Fifth avenue be fenced in, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Health.

Being a resolution as follows:

Resolved, That lamp-posts be erected, and street-lamps lighted in Fifty-eighth street, between Fifth and Sixth avenues, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

Which was referred to the Committee on Lamps and Gas.

G. O. 181,

being a resolution as follows:

Resolved, That Twenty-fourth street, from the Eleventh avenue to the North River, be regulated and graded, the curb and gutter stones set, and the sidewalks flagged four feet wide through the centre thereof, where not already done, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was laid over.

Being a resolution as follows:

Resolved, that the Commissioner of Public Works be, and he is hereby directed to notify the several gas companies in this city not to disturb the surface of any street, lane, avenue, highway or public place within the corporate limits of the city of New York, for the purpose of laying gas pipes, or erecting gas lamp posts or lamps, unless first authorized to do so by the Common Council, as provided in sub-division 5 of section 17 of chapter 335, Laws of 1873, (commonly called the Charter).

Which was referred to the Committee on Lamps and Gas.

G. O. 182,

being a resolution as follows:

Resolved, That the Commissioner of Public Works be authorized to have Eighty-sixth street, between Eighth and Tenth avenues, brought up

to the grade of September 2, 1871, in such manner as he deems most advantageous to the public interest under the direction of the said Commissioner of Public Works, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was laid over.

Being a resolution as follows:

Resolved, That the Comptroller be authorized and directed, on behalf of the City of New York, to execute a lease from Alexander L. Whitelaw, of the premises situated on the east side of Fourth avenue, between Twenty-seventh and Twenty-eighth streets, and known as Nos. 389½ and 391 Fourth avenue, New York City, for a period of five years from the first day of May, 1873, at the annual rent of two thousand five hundred dollars, with a condition in said lease that the premises be put in proper condition for the use of the Sixth District Court of said city, at the expense of the owner, and the Comptroller of the City of New York is hereby authorized and directed to pay said rent quarterly, from the proper appropriation.

Which was referred to the Committee on Law.

GENERAL ORDERS.

Assistant Alderman Simonson moved that each member be allowed to call up as many General Orders as may suit him.

Assistant Alderman Thornell moved to amend by making the number five.

Assistant Alderman Murphy moved an amendment to the amendment by making it two, which was lost by the following vote:

Affirmative—The President, Assistant Aldermen Murphy, Keating, Wisser, Codington, Strack, Kreps, Kehoe—8.

Negative—Thornell, Theiss, Keenan, Brucks, Kelly, Simonson, Cumisky, Linden, Sommers, Beyea—10.

And the amendment of Assistant Alderman Thornell was carried by the following vote:

Affirmative—The President, Assistant Aldermen Murphy, Keating, Wisser, Thornell, Theiss, Codington, Brucks, Kelly, Simonson, Cumisky, Linden, Sommers, Beyea—14.

Negative—Assistant Aldermen Strack, Kreps, Keenan, Kehoe—4.

Assistant Alderman Beyea called up

G. O. 21,

being a resolution as follows:

Resolved, That One hundred and twenty-sixth street, from Second to Seventh avenue, be paved with Belgian or trap-block pavement, and that, at the several intersecting streets and avenues, crosswalks be laid where not now laid and relaid where those now laid are, in the opinion of the Commissioner of Public Works not in good repair, or not upon a grade adapted to the grade of the proposed new pavement, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Murphy, Keating, Wisser, Thornell, Theiss, Codington, Strack, Kreps, Keenan, the President, Kehoe, Brucks, Kelly, Simonson, Cumisky, Linden, Sommers and Beyea—18.

Assistant Alderman Beyea called up

G. O. 22,

being a resolution as follows:

Resolved, That One hundred and Twenty-seventh street, from Second to Seventh avenue, be paved with Belgian or trap-block pavement, and that, at the several intersecting streets and avenues, crosswalks be laid where not now laid, and relaid where those now laid are, in the opinion of the Commissioner of Public Works, not in good repair, or are not upon a grade adapted to the grade of the proposed new pavement, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Murphy, Keating, Wisser, Thornell, Theiss, Codington, Strack, Kreps, Keenan, the President, Kehoe, Brucks, Kelly, Simonson, Cumisky, Linden Sommers and Beyea—18.

Assistant Alderman Beyea called up

G. O. 122,

being a resolution as follows:

Resolved, That One Hundred and Twenty-first street from Madison avenue to the East river be paved with Belgian or granite-block pavement, and that, at the several intersecting streets and avenues, crosswalks be laid where not now laid, and relaid where those now laid are, in the opinion of the Commissioner of Public Works, not in good repair, or are not upon a grade adapted to the grade of the proposed new pavement, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Murphy, Keating, Wisser, Thornell, Theiss, Codington, Strack, Kreps, the President, Kehoe, Brucks, Kelly, Simonson, Cumisky, Linden, Sommers, Beyea—17.

Negative—Assistant Alderman Keenan—1.

Assistant Alderman Beyea called up

G. O. 159,

being a resolution as follows:

Resolved, That the sidewalk on both sides of Fifth avenue, between One Hundred and Twenty-fourth and One Hundred and Thirtieth streets, be flagged eight feet wide, where not already done, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Murphy, Keating, Wisser, Thornell, Theiss, Codington, Strack, Kreps, the President, Kehoe,

Brucks, Kelly, Simonson, Cumisky, Linden, Sommers, Beyea—17.

Negative—Assistant Alderman Keenan—1.

Assistant Alderman Beyea called up

G. O. 160,

being a resolution as follows:

Resolved, That the sidewalk on south side of One Hundred and Twenty-ninth street, between Fourth and Sixth avenues, be flagged eight feet wide, where not already done, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Foley, Murphy, Keating, Wisser, Thornell, Theiss, Codington, Strack, Kreps, the President, Kehoe, Brucks, Kelly, Simonson, Linden, Sommers, and Beyea—17.

Negative—Assistant Alderman Keenan—1.

Assistant Alderman Sommers called up

G. O. 85,

being a resolution as follows:

Resolved, That the sidewalk on the east side of Fifth avenue, between Fifty-ninth and Sixty-second streets, be flagged full width, where not already done, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—The President, Assistant Aldermen Murphy, Keating, Wisser, Thornell, Theiss, Codington, Strack, Kreps, Kehoe, Brucks, Kelly, Simonson, Cumisky, Linden, Sommers, Beyea—17.

Negative—Assistant Alderman Keenan—1.

Assistant Alderman Sommers called up

G. O. 169,

being a resolution as follows:

Resolved, That permission be and is hereby given to Hawks & Wetherby, proprietors of the new Windsor Hotel, to substitute two lamp posts and lamps, of a style and size to correspond with the lamp posts and lamps in front of the entrances to the hotel, for the city lamp posts and lamps now on the corners of Forty-sixth and Forty-seventh streets and Fifth avenue, provided the work be done, materials supplied and gas furnished at the expense of the proprietors of the hotel, and under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; the permission hereby given to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

Which was concurred in by the following vote:

Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Murphy, Keating, Wisser, Thornell, Theiss, Codington, Strack, Kreps, Keenan, the President, Kehoe, Brucks, Kelly, Simonson, Linden, Sommers and Beyea—17.

Assistant Alderman Sommers called up

G. O. 86,

being a resolution as follows:

Resolved, That the sidewalk on the north side of Sixty-second street, between Fourth and Madison avenues, be flagged full width, where not already done, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Murphy, Keating, Wisser, Thornell, Theiss, Codington, Strack, Kreps, the President, Brucks, Kelly, Simonson, Cumisky, Linden, Sommers, Beyea—16.

Negative—Assistant Aldermen Keenan and Kehoe—2.

Assistant Aldermen Sommers called up

G. O. 84,

being a resolution as follows:

Resolved, That on both sides of Fifty-sixth street, between Sixth and Seventh avenues, curb and gutter stones be set, and the sidewalks be flagged and reflagged full width, where not already done, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Murphy, Keating, Wisser, Thornell, Theiss, Codington, Strack, Kreps, Keenan, the President, Kehoe, Brucks, Kelly, Simonson, Linden, Sommers, Beyea—16.

Negative—Assistant Alderman Strack—1.

Assistant Alderman Linden called up

G. O. 60,

being a resolution as follows:

Resolved, That One Hundred and Twenty-sixth street, from Fifth avenue to Manhattan street, be regulated and graded, the curb and gutter stones set, and the side flagged, where not already done, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Murphy, Keating, Wisser, Thornell, Theiss, Codington, Strack, Kreps, Keenan, the President, Kehoe, Brucks, Kelly, Simonson, Linden, Sommers, and Beyea—17.

Assistant Alderman Linden called up

G. O. 65,

being a resolution as follows:

Resolved, That on the west side of Sixth avenue, from Fifty-sixth to Fifty-seventh street, the sidewalks be flagged full width, where not already done, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Murphy, Keating, Wisser, Thornell, Theiss, Codington, Strack, Kreps, Keenan, the President, Kehoe, Brucks, Kelly, Simonson, Linden, Sommers and Beyea—17.

Assistant Alderman Linden called up

G. O. 73,

being a resolution as follows:

Resolved, That the vacant lots on both sides of

Fifty-sixth street, from Sixth to Seventh avenue, be fenced in, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—The President, Assistant Aldermen Murphy, Keating, Wisser, Thornell, Theiss, Codington, Strack, Kreps, Keenan, Kehoe, Brucks, Kelly, Simonson, Linden, Sommers, Beyea—17.

Assistant Alderman Linden called up G. O. 91,

being a resolution as follows: Resolved, That gas mains be laid, street lamp posts erected and lamps lighted in Seventy-eighth street, from the Boulevard to a distance fifty feet of the Eleventh avenue; also Croton water pipes be laid in said street, between the points above indicated, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

Which was adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Murphy, Keating, Wisser, Thornell, Theiss, Codington, Strack, Kreps, Keenan, the President, Kehoe, Brucks, Kelly, Simonson, Linden, Sommers, Beyea—17.

Assistant Alderman Simonson called up G. O. 106,

being a resolution as follows: Resolved, That Forty-first street, from Tenth to Eleventh avenue, be paved with Belgian or trapblock pavement, and that at the several intersecting streets and avenues, crosswalks be laid where not now laid, and relaid where those now laid are, in the opinion of the Commissioner of Public Works, not in good repair, or are not upon a grade adapted to the grade of the proposed new pavement, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Murphy, Keating, Wisser, Thornell, Theiss, Codington, Strack, Kreps, Keenan, the President, Kehoe, Brucks, Kelly, Simonson, Linden, Sommers, and Beyea—16.

Negative—Assistant Alderman Theiss—1. Assistant Alderman Simonson called up.

G. O. 140, being a resolution as follows: Resolved, That Forty-eighth street from the Tenth to the Eleventh avenues be paved with Belgian or Trap-block pavement, and that, at the several intersecting streets and avenues, crosswalks be laid where not now laid, and relaid where those now laid are, in the opinion of the Commissioner of Public Works, not in good repair, or are not upon a grade adapted to the grade of the proposed new pavement, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Murphy, Keating, Wisser, Thornell, Theiss, Codington, Strack, Kreps, Keenan, the President, Kehoe, Brucks, Kelly, Simonson, Linden, Sommers and Beyea—17.

Assistant Alderman Simonson called up G. O. 141,

being a resolution as follows: Resolved, That the sidewalk on north side of Fifty-fifth street, from Ninth to Tenth avenues, be flagged full width, where not already done, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—The President, Assistant Aldermen Murphy, Keating, Wisser, Thornell, Theiss, Codington, Strack, Kreps, Keenan, the President, Kehoe, Brucks, Kelly, Simonson, Linden, Sommers, Beyea—17.

Assistant Alderman Simonson called up G. O. 142,

being a resolution as follows: Resolved, That Seventh avenue, from Fifty-second to Sixty-first streets, be paved with Belgian or Trap-block pavement, and that, at the several intersecting streets and avenues, crosswalks be laid where not now laid, and relaid where those now laid are, in the opinion of the Commissioner of Public Works, not in good repair, or are not upon a grade adapted to the grade of the proposed new pavement, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Murphy, Keating, Wisser, Thornell, Theiss, Codington, Strack, Kreps, Keenan, the President, Kehoe, Brucks, Kelly, Simonson, Linden, Sommers and Beyea—16.

Negative—Assistant Alderman Keenan—1. Assistant Alderman Simonson called up G. O. 148,

being a resolution as follows: Resolved, That west Fifth street, between Tenth and Eleventh avenues, be paved with Belgian or Trap-block pavement, and that, at the several intersecting streets and avenues, crosswalks be laid where not now laid, and relaid where those now laid are, in the opinion of the Commissioner of Public Works, not in good repair, or are not upon a grade adapted to the grade of the proposed new pavement, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Murphy, Keating, Wisser, Thornell, Theiss, Codington, Strack, Kreps, Keenan, the President, Kehoe, Brucks, Kelly, Simonson, Linden, Sommers, and Beyea—17.

Assistant Alderman Kelly called up G. O. 154,

being a resolution as follows: Resolved, That a crosswalk be laid from No.

504 East Fourteenth street to opposite side, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Murphy, Keating, Wisser, Thornell, Theiss, Codington, Strack, Kreps, Keenan, the President, Kehoe, Brucks, Kelly, Simonson, Linden, Sommers, and Beyea—17.

Assistant Alderman Kelly called up G. O. 149,

being a resolution as follows: Resolved, That Twelfth avenue, between Thirty-fifth and Forty-second streets, be regulated and graded, the curb and gutter stones set, where not already done, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was lost by the following vote: Affirmative—The President, Assistant Aldermen Murphy, Keating, Wisser, Thornell, Theiss, Codington, Strack, Kreps, Keenan, the President, Kehoe, Brucks, Kelly, Simonson, Linden, Sommers, Beyea—15.

Negative—Assistant Aldermen Keenan, Kehoe—2. Subsequently reconsidered and again laid over. Assistant Alderman Kelly called up.

G. O. 116, being a resolution as follows: Resolved, That the sidewalk on both sides of Fifty-eighth street, between Fifth and Sixth avenues, be flagged full width, where not already done, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Murphy, Keating, Wisser, Thornell, Theiss, Codington, Strack, Kreps, Keenan, the President, Kehoe, Brucks, Kelly, Simonson, Linden, Sommers and Beyea—17.

Assistant Alderman Kelly called up G. O. 109,

being a resolution as follows: Resolved, That Sixty-eighth street from Fourth to Lexington avenues, be regulated and graded, the curb and gutter stones set, and the sidewalks flagged where not already done, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Murphy, Keating, Wisser, Thornell, Theiss, Codington, Strack, Kreps, Keenan, the President, Kehoe, Brucks, Kelly, Simonson, Linden, Sommers, Beyea—17.

Assistant Alderman Brucks called up G. O. 58,

being a resolution as follows: Resolved, That the sidewalks on both sides of Twenty-seventh street, between Ninth and Tenth avenues, be flagged full width, where not already done, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was concurred in by the following vote: Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Murphy, Keating, Wisser, Thornell, Theiss, Codington, Strack, Kreps, Keenan, the President, Kehoe, Brucks, Kelly, Simonson, Linden, Sommers and Beyea—17.

Assistant Alderman Brucks called up G. O. 151,

being a resolution as follows: Resolved, That a sewer, with the necessary receiving basins and culverts, be built in Madison street, from Gouverneur to Scammell streets, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Murphy, Keating, Wisser, Thornell, Theiss, Codington, Strack, Kreps, Keenan, the President, Kehoe, Brucks, Kelly, Simonson, Linden, Sommers and Beyea—17.

Assistant Alderman Brucks called up G. O. 152,

being a resolution as follows: Resolved, That the vacant lots 393 and 397, Cherry street, be fenced in, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Murphy, Keating, Wisser, Thornell, Theiss, Codington, Strack, Kreps, Keenan, the President, Kehoe, Brucks, Kelly, Simonson, Linden, Sommers, and Beyea—17.

Assistant Alderman Brucks called up G. O. 66,

being a resolution as follows: Resolved, That Seventy-fifth street, between Second and Third avenues, be regulated and graded, the curb and gutter stones set, and the sidewalks flagged where not already done, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Murphy, Keating, Wisser, Thornell, Theiss, Codington, Strack, Kreps, Keenan, the President, Kehoe, Brucks, Kelly, Simonson, Linden, Sommers, Beyea—17.

Assistant Alderman Kehoe called up G. O. 155,

being a resolution as follows: Resolved, That the sidewalk on the northwest corner of Tenth street and Third avenue be flagged full width, where not already flagged, and reflagged where out of repair, for a distance of one hundred and twenty-five feet on Tenth

street, and a distance of fifty feet from said corner on Third avenue, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Murphy, Keating, Wisser, Thornell, Theiss, Codington, Strack, Kreps, Keenan, the President, Kehoe, Brucks, Kelly, Simonson, Linden, Sommers and Beyea—17.

Assistant Alderman Kehoe called up G. O. 156,

being a resolution as follows: Resolved, That the Commissioner of Public Works be, and is hereby directed to remove the fire hydrant now situated on the North-west corner of Tenth street and Third avenue, from its present location, and locate same at a point (on Third avenue) 8 ft northerly from present site.

Which was adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Murphy, Keating, Wisser, Thornell, Theiss, Codington, Strack, Kreps, Keenan, the President, Kehoe, Brucks, Kelly, Simonson, Linden, Sommers, Beyea—17.

Assistant Alderman Kehoe called up G. O. 17,

being a resolution as follows: Resolved, That on both sides of Ninety-first street, from Third to Fourth avenue, curb and gutter stones be set, and the sidewalks be flagged and reflagged, full width, where not already done, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Murphy, Keating, Wisser, Thornell, Theiss, Codington, Strack, Kreps, Keenan, the President, Kehoe, Brucks, Kelly, Simonson, Linden, Sommers, and Beyea—17.

Assistant Alderman Kehoe called up G. O. 24,

being a resolution as follows: Resolved, That lamp-posts be erected and street lamps be lighted in Second avenue, from Seventy-second to Seventy-eighth streets, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

Which was lost by the following vote: Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Keating, Wisser, Thornell, Theiss, Codington, Strack, Kreps, Keenan, the President, Kehoe, Brucks, Simonson, Linden, Sommers and Beyea—15.

Negative—Assistant Aldermen Murphy and Kelly—2. Subsequently reconsidered and again laid over. Assistant Alderman Keenan called up.

G. O. 144, being a resolution as follows: Resolved, That Croton mains be laid in Sixty-seventh street from Eighth avenue to Boulevard, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

Which was adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Keating, Wisser, Thornell, Theiss, Codington, Strack, Kreps, Keenan, the President, Kehoe, Brucks, Kelly, Simonson, Linden, Sommers and Beyea—16.

Negative—Assistant Alderman Murphy—1. Assistant Alderman Keenan called up G. O. 126,

being a resolution as follows: Resolved, That a crosswalk be laid from the north east corner of Seventh avenue and Fourteenth street, to the southeast corner of the same, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was concurred in by the following vote: Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Murphy, Keating, Wisser, Thornell, Theiss, Codington, Strack, Kreps, Keenan, the President, Kehoe, Brucks, Kelly, Simonson, Linden, Sommers, Beyea—17.

Assistant Alderman Kreps called up G. O. 114,

being a resolution as follows: Resolved, That a sewer, with the necessary receiving basins and culverts be built in Ninety-ninth street, from Eighth avenue to the Boulevard, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Murphy, Keating, Wisser, Thornell, Theiss, Codington, Strack, Kreps, Keenan, the President, Kehoe, Brucks, Kelly, Simonson, Linden, Sommers and Beyea—17.

MOTIONS RESUMED. Assistant Alderman Kehoe moved to adjourn, which was lost by the following vote:

Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Murphy, Kreps, Keenan, Kehoe, Brucks, Beyea—6. Negative—Assistant Aldermen Keating, Wisser, Thornell, Theiss, Codington, Strack, the President, Kelly, Simonson, Linden, Sommers—11.

Assistant Alderman Strack called up G. O. 37,

being a resolution as follows: Resolved, That gas-mains be laid, lamp-posts erected, and street-lamps lighted in Sixty-third street, from Ninth to Tenth avenue, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

Which was lost by the following vote: Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Keating, Wisser, Thornell, Theiss, Codington, Strack, Kreps, Keenan, the President, Brucks, Kelly, Simonson, Linden, Sommers, Beyea—15.

Negative—Assistant Aldermen Murphy, Kehoe—2. Subsequently reconsidered and again laid over.

Assistant Alderman Strack called up G. O. 40,

being a resolution as follows: Resolved, That gas mains be laid, lamp-posts erected, and street-lamps lighted in One Hundred and Fiftieth street, from St. Nicholas avenue to Tenth avenue, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

Which was lost by the following vote: Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Keating, Wisser, Thornell, Theiss, Codington, Strack, Kreps, Keenan, the President, Brucks, Kelly, Simonson, Linden, Sommers, and Beyea—15.

Negative—Assistant Aldermen Murphy, Kehoe—2. Subsequently reconsidered and again laid over.

MOTIONS AGAIN RESUMED. Assistant Alderman Strack moved to adjourn, which was lost by the following vote:

Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Keating, Strack, Kreps, Keenan, Kehoe, Brucks—6. Negative—Assistant Alderman Murphy, Wisser, Thornell, Theiss, Codington, the President, Kelly, Simonson, Linden, Sommers, Beyea—11.

Assistant Alderman Strack called up G. O. 39,

being a resolution as follows: Resolved, That Croton-mains be laid in One Hundred and Fiftieth street, from St. Nicholas avenue to Tenth avenue, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

Which was lost, and subsequently reconsidered and again laid over. Assistant Alderman Strack called up G. O. 41,

being a resolution as follows: Resolved, That Croton mains be laid in Sixty-fourth street, from Boulevard to Eleventh avenue, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

Which was lost by the following vote: Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Kreps, Keenan, Kehoe, Brucks, Linden and Beyea—6.

Negative—Assistant Alderman Murphy, Keating, Wisser, Thornell, Theiss, Codington, Strack, the President, Kelly, Simonson and Sommers—11.

Which was subsequently reconsidered and again laid over. MOTIONS AGAIN RESUMED. Assistant Alderman Simonson moved to adjourn, which was lost by the following vote:

Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Kreps, Keenan, Kehoe, Brucks, Linden, Beyea—6. Negative—Assistant Aldermen Murphy, Keating, Wisser, Thornell, Theiss, Codington, Strack, the President, Kelly, Simonson, Sommers—11.

Assistant Alderman Codington called up G. O. 167,

being a resolution as follows: Resolved, That the two streets, as shown on the accompanying map of parcel No. 3 of the Fort Gansevoort property, extending from West street and Tenth avenue to Thirteenth avenue, and lying between Gansevoort and Little West Twelfth street, heretofore nameless, shall hereafter be known and designated, respectively, as "Bogart street" and "Bloomfield street;" such designations being intended to commemorate the names of Joseph O. Bogart, lieutenant-colonel commanding at Fort Gansevoort, and General Bloomfield, who was the officer in command to assign bodies of troops to the fortifications around the harbor of New York during the war of 1812.

Which was concurred in by the following vote: Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Murphy, Keating, Wisser, Thornell, Codington, Strack, Kreps, the President, Brucks, Kelly, Simonson, Linden, Sommers, and Beyea—14.

Negative—Assistant Aldermen Keenan and Kehoe. Assistant Alderman Thornell called up G. O. 120,

being a resolution as follows: Resolved, That the Comptroller be and he is hereby authorized and directed to draw a warrant in favor of A. D. Selleck, attorney, for the sum of two thousand five hundred dollars, to be in full for all obligations incurred by the Corporation in alterations to building on the corner of Waverly place and Macdougall street; that all the property of the city, coal, iron work, &c., shall be removed from the premises. The amount to be charged to the appropriation for "Rents."

Which was lost by the following vote: Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Murphy, Keating, Wisser, Thornell, Codington, Kreps, Keenan, the President, Kehoe, Brucks, Kelly, Simonson, Linden, Sommers and Beyea—15.

Negative—Assistant Alderman Strack—1. MOTIONS AGAIN RESUMED. Assistant Alderman Kelly moved to adjourn.

Which was lost by the following vote: Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Strack, Kreps, Keenan, Brucks, Kelly, Linden and Beyea—7.

Negative—Assistant Aldermen Murphy, Keating, Wisser, Thornell, Codington, the President, Kehoe, Simonson and Sommers—9.

Assistant Alderman Wisser called up G. O. 139,

being a resolution as follows: Resolved, That a cross-walk be laid in front of Primary School 13, in Downing street to No. 10 opposite, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Murphy, Keating, Wisser, Thornell, Codington, Strack, Kreps, Keenan, the President, Kehoe, Brucks, Kelly, Simonson, Linden, Sommers and Beyea—16.

Assistant Alderman Wisser called up
G. O. 125,
being a resolution as follows:
Resolved, That a crosswalk be laid across Spring street, opposite No. 100, and leading to the ladies entrance to Station "A" United States Post Office, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.
Which was adopted by the following vote:
Affirmative—Assistant Aldermen Murphy, Keating, Wisser, Codrington, Strack, Kreps, Keenan, the President, Kehoe, Brucks, Kelly, Simonson, Linden, Sommers, and Beyea—16.

MOTIONS AGAIN RESUMED.

Assistant Alderman Murphy moved that this Board do now adjourn, which was carried.
And the President declared the Board adjourned until Monday next, the 6th proximo, at 2 o'clock, P. M.

CONSTANTINE DONOHO,
Clerk.

DEPARTMENT PUBLIC PARKS

Abstract of the proceedings of the Board of Commissioners of the Department of Public Parks for the week ending September 27th, 1873.
WEDNESDAY, September 24th, 1873.
SPECIAL MEETING.

The Board met in special session, pursuant to the call of the President, for the purpose of considering the proposed plans for laying out of Kingsbridge.

A large deputation of the property owners attended, by request of the President, and Gen. John Ewen presented a map which he had prepared of the plan suggested by him.

When the deputation retired the following business was transacted:

The necessary work to ascertain the section of rock surface on the lines of the foundations for the proposed building for the Metropolitan Museum of Art, was directed to be proceeded with.

The resolution of 16th April, 1873, laying out the continuation of "F" street, was rescinded, and a resolution was adopted laying out said street in accordance with a map dated "New York, June 26, 1873," and signed "Wm. H. Grant, Civil and Topographical Engineer," which map was adopted.

The opinion of the Counsel to the Corporation was received, stating that in his judgment the contract entered into with the New York Mutual Gaslight Co., and dated 30th April, 1873, was legally entered into, and is now binding and valid; and said Company were thereupon given permission to lay their main and service pipes in the City Hall Park, Bowling Green and the Battery.

The specifications and plans for the wall of Central Park on 110th street, between 6th and 7th avenues, were directed to be prepared, and the necessary proceedings were also directed to be taken to have the wall completed as soon as possible.

THURSDAY, September 25th, 1873.

Shrubs and trees, the cost of which amount to \$54.50, were directed to be planted in Jackson Square.

The estimates for the year 1874, amounting to \$687,000, were presented to the Board and directed to be transmitted to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment.

The "Round System," for the regulation of the park keepers' force, was directed to be discontinued, and the "Beat System" to be adopted, and the park keepers were directed to be furnished with suitable clubs.

The Landscape Architect was directed to proceed with the preparation of the plans for Riverside and Morningside Parks.

The continuance of the work of filling and grading on the Central Park adjoining 110th street, and the purchase of \$1,000 worth of material for that purpose, was directed.

The President was authorized to purchase a pair of Moose at a cost not to exceed \$400 when delivered.

The Civil and Topographical Engineer was directed to report the cost of the necessary repairs to the draw and the cylinders of the Harlem River bridge at Third avenue.

The Treasurer was authorized to make application to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, to transfer the credit balances of special appropriations to the credit of the appropriation for the general maintenance of parks and places.

The work on the Pergola, the road steps at the south end of the wall, and on the drive near the Dairy on the Central Park, was directed to be proceeded with.

The preliminary drawings and plans for an additional building for the Menagerie were approved, and the building directed to be constructed at an estimated cost of \$4,000.

The preliminary drawings and plans of a pavilion to be erected on the summit of Mount Morris were approved of.

Appointments.

Michael E. Cunningham as gate-keeper, from 1st October, 1873, at \$2 50 per day.

Contracts entered into.

No. 11—To construct and set up all the iron-work of the ornamental lamps, flag-staffs and decorations on Union Square. Contractors, Messrs. Wm. L. Miller & Co.; sureties, Michael Treacy, of No. 338 West 59th street, New York, and John Klein, of northwest corner of 60th street and 9th avenue, New York.

Bills Audited and Certified.

Maintenance.....	\$4,483 41
Construction.....	5,832 89
Construction of Museum of Natural History.....	200 00
	\$10,516 30

WM. IRWIN,
Secretary D. P. P.

COMMISSIONERS OF THE SINKING FUND.

Abstract of the proceedings of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund at the meeting held at the Comptroller's office, Sept. 5, 1873.

Present—Hon. Wm. F. Havemeyer, Mayor (chairman); Hon. John K. Hackett, Recorder; Hon. Andrew H. Green, Comptroller; George W. Lane, Esq., Chamberlain.

The Chamberlain was appointed a Committee to examine the securities held by the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, and report.

Applications were received for water grants, as follows, viz.:

John A. Haven, Hudson river, between 173d and 176th streets, and 176th and 178th streets.

H. A. Burr, Hudson river, between 27th and 28th streets.

Henry P. McGowen, Harlem river, between 108th and 109th streets.

John Jones Schemerhorn and others, East river, between 72 and 73d streets; and

Stephen Smith, East river, between 4th and 5th streets.

Which were laid upon the table until the opinion of the Counsel to the Corporation, on applications of a like character referred to him, is received.

Adam Neidinger was heard in relation to application for water grant on the East river, between 63d and 64th streets. The application having been referred to the Counsel to the Corporation, further action was deferred until he reports on the same.

The application of Charles G. Cornell for water grant on 134th street, between 4th and 5th avenues (Harlem river), with accompanying report of Counsel to the Corporation in the case, was submitted, and laid over for consideration.

The application of Henry Hanfield, one of the sureties of Henry Bryan, lessee of cellars Nos. 14 and 15 Fulton Market, to have the lease canceled (the cellars being unoccupied, Mr. Bryan having left the country); and that he may be released from further responsibility as surety of said lessee on paying the rent now due, was received, and referred to the Comptroller to examine and report.

A. Oakley Hall appeared as Counsel on behalf of Bradish Johnson, and was heard in relation to the sale of certain lots of the Fort Gansevoort property, bid off by said Johnson at the sale at public auction, October 21, 1867, the deed for which has not been delivered; and proposed to complete the purchase by payment of the balance of the purchase money—less the amount of interest on the ten per cent. paid on the day of sale.

The subject was referred to the Comptroller to ascertain the facts in the case and report.

A statement of "Sales of real estate, not closed," was submitted and referred to the Comptroller to examine and report.

A resolution was adopted, requesting the Comptroller to provide for the payment of certain bills for expenses incurred on account of the proposed sale of real estate at auction April 29, 1873, out of taxation, as the sale was not perfected, and no receipts have been received therefrom by the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund.

An act of the Legislature (chap. 431, Laws of 1873), "for providing a site for an armory in the City of New York, for the use of the Seventh Regiment of the National Guard of the State of New York," was submitted and placed on file.

W. H. DIKEMAN,
Clerk.

LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT.

OFFICE OF
CLERK OF THE COMMON COUNCIL,
No. 8 CITY HALL,
NEW YORK, Sept. 27, 1873.

Stated session of the Board of Aldermen in their Chamber, City Hall, Thursday, October 2, 1873, at 3 1/2 o'clock P. M.

JOS. C. PINCKNEY,
Clerk Common Council.

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AB'M DISBECKER,
Supervisor.

DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS

New York, September 29, 1873.

The following comprises the operations of the Department of Buildings for the week ending September 27, 1873.

W. W. ADAMS,
Superintendent of Buildings.

BUREAU OF CONSTRUCTION AND ALTERATION OF BUILDINGS.

Plans, Specifications and Special Applications, filed, examined and passed upon.

NEW BUILDINGS.

No. of Plans and Specifications filed and examined.....	12
No. of Buildings embraced in same.....	18

CLASSIFIED AS FOLLOWS:

Second class Dwellings.....	2
French Flats.....	6
Tenements.....	4
First class Stores.....	1
Third class stores.....	1
Manufactories and Workshops.....	2
Stables.....	2
Total.....	18

Plans &c., approved, including those previously filed.....	10
" amended and approved.....	3
" dis-approved.....	2
" pending.....	1
Total.....	16

ALTERED BUILDINGS.

No. of Plans and Specifications filed and examined.....	13
" Buildings embraced in same.....	13

CLASSIFIED AS FOLLOWS:

First class Dwellings.....	5
Second " ".....	4
Tenements.....	2
Second class Stores.....	1
Public Buildings.....	1
Total.....	13

BUILDINGS EXAMINED AND PLANS RELATING THERETO PASSED UPON INCLUDING THOSE PREVIOUSLY FILED:

Approved.....	19
Amended and approved.....	4
Disapproved.....	2
Pending.....	4
Total.....	29

SPECIAL APPLICATIONS.

Number filed examined and passed upon.....	26
Approved.....	17
Disapproved.....	1
Amended and approved.....	1
Pending.....	7
Total.....	26

HENRY J. DUDLEY,
Deputy Supt.
and Chief of Bureau.

BUREAU OF UNSAFE BUILDINGS, VIOLATIONS AND COMPLAINTS.

Abstract of operations for the week ending September 27, 1873:

Complaints received from outside sources.....	12
Violations of the law reported.....	25
Violations of the law removed.....	12
Unsafe buildings reported.....	32
Unsafe buildings made safe.....	22
Unsafe buildings taken down.....	2
Surveys held on unsafe buildings.....	0
Violation cases sent to Attorney for prosecution.....	1
Unsafe building cases sent to Attorney for prosecution.....	1
Violation notices served.....	37
Unsafe building notices served.....	42
Buildings surveyed as to general condition.....	628

The classification of the unsafe buildings reported are as follows:

Unsafe floors.....	4
" walls.....	20
" balustrades.....	1
" chimneys.....	1
" ceilings.....	1
" piers.....	3
" generally.....	2
Total.....	32

ANDREW OWENS,
Chief of Bureau.

BUREAU OF IRON WORK.

Abstract of operations for the week ending September 27, 1873:

Buildings reported for fire-escapes.....	65
Fire-escapes provided.....	11
Arch girders tested, (8 approved and 1 not).....	9
Iron beams tested (14 approved and 1 not).....	15
Iron lintels tested (7 approved).....	7
Notices for Fire Escapes served.....	31
Cases sent to Attorney for prosecution.....	0

JOHN VANDERBECK,
Chief of Bureau

BUREAU OF THEATRES, HOTELS, SCHOOL-HOUSES, FACTORIES AND SPECIAL SURVEYS.

Abstract of operations for the week ending September 27, 1873:

THEATRES.

Official examination has been made during the week of eight theatres, to wit:—Booth's Theatre, Wallack's, the Metropolitan, Niblo's, the Union Square, the Lyceum, the Olympic, and the Stadt Theatre, and no violations of Section 29 of the Building Law found to exist in either. Important alterations, under the supervision of the Department, are in progress in the Metropolitan Theatre, whereby increased facilities for egress will be secured. The Lyceum (formerly the French Theatre) has undergone extensive alterations, and is now provided with every modern appliance for safety and facility for rapid and convenient egress therefrom in case of fire, conforming fully to all the requirements of the law. The Board of Inspection or Survey of the Stadt Theatre have ordered the defective columns supporting the balconies and roof thereof to be taken out and replaced by substantial iron columns, which, in the opinion of the Board of Survey, render the building safe, its general construction being considered good.

HOTELS.

Official surveys have been made during the week of fifteen hotels, to wit:

The Northern Hotel, southeast corner Courtlandt and Church streets.

The National Hotel, Nos. 3 and 5 Courtlandt street.

The Cosmopolitan Hotel, corner Chambers street and West Broadway.

The Anderson Hotel, 44th street, between Lexington and 4th avenues.

The Commercial Hotel, 73 Courtlandt street.

The Merchants' Hotel, 35, 37, 39 and 41 Courtlandt street.

The Franch's New Hotel (formerly Commercial), corner Courtlandt and Church streets.

The Summit Hotel, northeast corner Canal and Bowery.

The Brandreth House, southwest corner Canal and Broadway.

The Arlington House, 22, 24 and 26 East 14th street.

The Brevoort House, northeast corner 5th avenue and 8th street.

The Hartman Hotel, 45 and 47 Bowery.

The Ruckert's Hotel, 23 Bowery.

The Zahn Hotel, 109 Chatham street.

And the Hoffman House, Broadway and 25th street.

Of which the Hoffman House and Franch's New Hotel are reported as having been found to contain every requisite, and all the modern appliances for protection from and security against fire, in full accordance with the law.

The Brevoort House is also reported as being provided with ample facilities for egress therefrom in case of fire.

The Western Hotel has been taken down, and alterations have been recommended in most of the remainder of the hotels enumerated.

SCHOOLS.

Three public schools have been inspected during the week, in all of which the recommendations of the Department as to repairing steam-pipes, repairing ceilings and guarding window openings at heads of stairs, were found to have been carried out and completed.

FACTORIES.

Two factories have been examined officially during the week, viz.:

Building, 77 Greene street.

Building, 171 Canal street.

SAMUEL T. WEBSTER,
Chief of Bureau.

On and after October 1, 1873, the office hours of the Department will be from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

THE CITY RECORD.

The Board of City Record, &c., met in the Mayor's office, Monday, September 22, 1873. Present—The Mayor, Commissioner of Public Works, and Counsel to the Corporation.

The following estimate of the expenses for conducting and printing THE CITY RECORD, for the year 1874, was submitted:

For printing the City Record.....\$25,000

SALARIES.

Supervisor.....	\$5,000
Bookkeeper.....	2,000
Clerk and Messenger.....	1,000
Incidental Assistance.....	1,500
	9,500
For contingencies.....	2,500
	\$37,000

The Chairman of the Board was authorized to certify to the above estimate, and submit the same to the Board of Apportionment.

D. S. WENDELL,
Secretary,

ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS, &c., &c.,

PASSED BY BOTH BRANCHES OF THE COMMON COUNCIL

AND APPROVED BY THE MAYOR,

DURING THE WEEK ENDING SEPT. 27, 1873.

Resolved, That John Lovelock be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and county of New York, in place of John S. Duffy, who has failed to qualify.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, July 14, 1873.

Adopted by the Board of Assistant Aldermen, Sept. 22, 1873.

Approved by the Mayor, Sept. 23, 1873.

Resolved, That John Duggan, Jr., be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place of Henry Smith, whose term of office has expired.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen Sept. 18, 1873.

Adopted by the Board of Assistant Aldermen Sept. 22, 1873.

Approved by the Mayor Sept. 23, 1873.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to John E. McDonough to remove an ornamental lamp from the corner of Broadway and Twenty-eighth street to the corner of Broadway and Sixteenth street; the gas to be supplied from his own private metre and at his own expense, such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

Adopted by the Board of Assistant Aldermen, September 15, 1873.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, September 25, 1873.

Approved by the Mayor, September 26, 1873.

LAW DEPARTMENT.

The following opinions constitute a portion of the proceedings of the Law Department for the week ending September 27th, 1873 :

The Board of Assessors have power to award damages to the owners of lands affected by the change of the grade of 123d street, in the City of New York.

LAW DEPARTMENT, OFFICE OF COUNSEL TO THE CORPORATION, NEW YORK, Sept. 26, 1873.

Hon. Thomas B. Aston, Chairman of the Board of Assessors :

SIR :—Your letter of the 12th instant, desiring my opinion as to the power of your Board to award damages for change of grade of 123d street to the owners of lands affected thereby, has been received.

The act, Chapter 697, Laws of 1867, provides that all damage to any land or to any building or structure thereon, existing at the time of the passage of this act, (April 24th, 1867,) on any street, avenue or road laid out on the map of the City of New York within the district specified in the first section of the act, (bounded northerly by 155th street, easterly by 8th avenue, southerly by 59th street, westerly by the Hudson River,) by reason of closing such street, or altering the grade thereof, shall be ascertained and paid in the manner provided in Sections 3 and 4 of the act, Chapter 52, Laws of 1852.

Section 3 of the last named act provides that whenever the grade of certain streets shall be altered, the assessors appointed to estimate and assess the expense of conforming to such change of grade, and regulating the street or avenue, shall estimate the loss and damage which each owner of lands fronting on such street or avenue will sustain by reason of the change and improvement, and make a just and equitable award of the amount of the loss and damage to the owner or owners of such lands or tenements; and the amount of such award shall be included in the expense of such proceeding.

I am, therefore, of the opinion that under the statutes cited you have the power to award damages to the owners on the 24th of April, 1867, of lands or of buildings affected by changes of grade made by the Commissioners of the Central Park within the district herein above defined.

I am, Sir, yours very respectfully, E. DELAFIELD SMITH, Counsel to the Corporation.

Persons in default to the corporation are not received as contractors, nor as sureties upon contracts for work required by the city; but such persons cannot be regarded as "in default to the corporation" until their liability has been determined, the amount due from them liquidated, and the city is in a position to receive the same or to commence suit therefor if unpaid. So held where a surety upon a contract for a certain work presented himself as a surety upon a contract for another and independent work under substantially these circumstances: The contract first mentioned provided among other things that if the contractor failed to perform, and a new contract with other persons should become necessary, any excess of the consequent cost of the work over the amount of the first contract should be paid to the city. The first contract was abandoned. A second, made with other persons, was for a sum less than that mentioned in the first, and was also forfeited. A third contract was entered into with still other persons at a sum greater than the amount fixed in the first. But the work had not yet been completed, and it was therefore uncertain whether the third contract, like the other two, might not yet be forfeited or abandoned. The excess of cost to which the city might ultimately be subjected was therefore a matter of uncertainty.

Where a person offers himself as a surety, the Comptroller may properly take into consideration any contingent liability to which such person has subjected himself by other agreements of suretyship; but the fact applies to his pecuniary responsibility, and not to his competency as a proper person for acceptance as a surety upon other and independent contracts.

LAW DEPARTMENT, OFFICE OF COUNSEL TO THE CORPORATION, September 18, 1873.

Hon. Andrew H. Green, Comptroller of the City of New York :

SIR :—Your letter of the 27th ultimo makes substantially the following statement of facts :

On the 24th of June, 1872, a contract was awarded to James F. and William H. Keyes, as the lowest bidders for the construction of a sewer in 56th street, at \$5,804. The sufficiency of Henry Stollmeyer and Christopher Keyes as sureties was approved by the Comptroller on the 15th of July, 1872, and the bid was returned to the Department of Public Works, where it had been made. The Messrs. Keyes refused to execute the contract. After re-advertisement, a new contract for the work was awarded by the Commissioner of Public Works to Messrs. Gleason & Meyers, at \$5,337 40—a lower sum than that in the first contract. On the 29th of Oc-

tober, 1872, the sufficiency of William and Michael Loughlin as sureties upon the second contract was approved by the Comptroller. This second contract also was not performed, and on the 12th of August, 1873, after the usual preliminaries, a third contract was awarded for \$7,440, to R. J. Howe, the lowest bidder, being higher than either of the two previous awards.

The contract of suretyship in each case was substantially as follows :

We, the undersigned, consent and agree, that if the contract for which the preceding estimate is made be awarded to the person or persons making the same, we will become bound as sureties for its faithful performance; and if the said person or persons shall omit or refuse to execute such contract, if so awarded, we will pay, without proof of notice or demand, to the said Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty, any difference between the sum to which such person or persons would have been entitled upon the completion of such contract and the sum which the Corporation may be obliged to pay to the person to whom the contract shall be awarded at any subsequent letting: the amount in each case to be calculated upon the estimated amount of the work by which the bids are tested.

It appears that the names of Henry Stollmeyer and Christopher Keyes, the sureties of the first contractors above mentioned, are offered as contractors or as sureties upon other proposed contracts, and the question now submitted to me is whether, under the circumstances, these two persons are to be considered "in default to the corporation," and therefore incompetent to act as sureties upon contracts to which the corporation is a party.

The terms above quoted of the agreement executed by these gentlemen as sureties are so broad as, in my judgment, to render them liable to the city for any cost in excess of the amount of the first contract to which the city may be ultimately subjected upon the completion of the work by other persons, at any time after the first contract was abandoned. This liability was not cancelled by the act of the city in making a second contract with other persons for the performance of the same work, at a sum less than that mentioned in the first contract. The second contract having also been abandoned, the sureties must be held for any excess of cost to which the city may prove to have been subjected when the work is ultimately completed, no matter by whom, under a third or any successive contract to which the city may be driven by successive failures or abandonments, until the work shall have been ultimately completed.

At the same time the sureties cannot be regarded as "in default to the city" until such completion of the work has been accomplished, and the precise difference between the amount of the first contract and the ultimate expense and cost has been liquidated and ascertained. The city is not in a position to receive payment from these sureties on the first contract until the sum for which they have bound themselves has been accurately stated, and this of course cannot be done until the work in its completed state shall have been accepted by the city.

It is undoubtedly proper for the Comptroller, in considering the sufficiency of these sureties when offered upon contracts for other public works, to take into view the contingent liability to which they have subjected themselves by executing this and other contracts of suretyship; but they cannot be rejected as contractors or as sureties upon contracts for any new works upon the ground that they have made default in paying a sum which, as above explained, the city cannot yet be regarded as in a condition to demand or receive. They present themselves as contractors or sureties upon contracts for new works in a light equally favorable to themselves as though they had never been accepted as sureties before; provided they are possessed of sufficient property and responsibility. It is also to be borne in mind that the amount for which they may ultimately prove liable as sureties upon the first contract, must be equitably apportioned and be shared by the sureties on the second contract whose principal's failure to perform involves those sureties in a like liability to that incurred by the sureties upon the first contract.

I am, sir, Very respectfully yours, E. DELAFIELD SMITH, Counsel to the Corporation.

Where a contract was made between the Croton Aqueduct Department and an individual for paving an avenue, and under the stipulations thereof, the Department annulled the same upon the ground that it was not being prosecuted by the contractor in good faith, and the Department entered into a new contract with another person for the performance of the same work at a sum greater than that mentioned in the first contract; Held, That a surety who as such had guaranteed both contracts could not be rejected as a proposed contractor for other and separate work required by the city, upon the ground that he was "in default to the corporation," until the paving in question should in some

manner be wholly completed and accepted, and the city be placed in a position to ascertain and receive from such surety the exact excess of cost involved in the ultimate and complete performance of the work, under new contracts or otherwise, according to the stipulations of the original contract.

A liability must be liquidated and absolute, not uncertain and contingent, in order to render a person "in default to the city" within the meaning of the provisions of law and of ordinance under which the Comptroller is called upon to refuse upon that ground his acceptance of a person proposed as a surety upon a contract with the city.

LAW DEPARTMENT, OFFICE OF COUNSEL TO THE CORPORATION, NEW YORK, Sept. 20th, 1873.

Hon. Andrew H. Green, Comptroller of the City of New York.

SIR :—From your letter of the 25th ultimo, I obtain substantially the following facts:

In July, 1867, the Croton Aqueduct Department opened bids for paving Second avenue, from Sixty-first to Eighty-sixth street, and awarded the contract to Robert Jardine at \$99,425. The Comptroller approved the sufficiency of Theodore Martine and Charles Devlin as sureties. The contract was filed in the Department of Finance, as required by law.

The agreement of the sureties was in the shape of a money bond in the penalty of \$15,000, with the condition that their principal should well and truly, in good, sufficient, and workmanlike manner, perform the work mentioned in the contract in accordance with its terms, and comply with the conditions and covenants therein contained.

Among other stipulations, the contract contained a provision that if at any time the Board should be of opinion, and should so certify in writing, that the contractor was executing the contract in bad faith, they should have the power to discontinue the work and to employ persons, by contract or otherwise, to complete the same; and in case the expense should be less than the sum which would have been payable under the contract, if the same had been completed by the contractor, he should be entitled to receive the difference; and in case the expense should exceed the amount mentioned in the contract, the contractor should pay the amount of such excess upon notice from the Board.

After the work had been proceeded with for several months, the Croton Aqueduct Department annulled the contract, as they were therein authorized to do, for the regularly alleged reason that the contractor was prosecuting the same in bad faith.

In 1868, a proposal for the performance of the work was re-advertised, and in August of that year, John Gargan, being the lowest bidder, was awarded a new contract for the same work at \$100,450. His sureties were Charles Devlin and Matthew Sheridan. This proposal was returned to the Croton Department August 25, 1868, without the approval of the Comptroller, for the reason stated, that Mr. Sheridan had refused to justify in the amount required as surety, and that Mr. Gargan, the contractor, declined to accept the contract in a letter to the Finance Department. Mr. Charles Devlin now appears as surety on a number of bids for contracts, which bids have been stated by the Department of Public Works to the Department of Finance for the approval of the Comptroller.

This second contract, and the agreement of Mr. Devlin as surety thereon, are not before me; but I assume that Mr. Devlin's agreement of suretyship is similar to that executed by the sureties upon the first contract.

The question now submitted to me is whether under the circumstances Mr. Devlin is "in default to the Corporation" under the lettings to which I have referred.

I am not informed as to what, if anything, has been done since the second contract was awarded. I am, however, clearly of the opinion that Mr. Devlin cannot be regarded as "in default to the Corporation" upon the mere fact that the contractor in the first contract has forfeited the same; nor upon the further fact that the proceedings above mentioned have been taken toward the uncompleted execution of a second contract for the execution of the work by another person. Before Mr. Devlin could be held a debtor to the Corporation upon his agreements of suretyship under the first or second contract, the Board must, in my judgment, go on by contract or otherwise to the execution or completion of the work; and then, upon an account stated, it must be ascertained and certified to him what excess of cost over the amount mentioned in the first or in the second contract has been necessarily, actually, and ultimately incurred by the Board in procuring the execution of the work.

Upon the facts, therefore, as I understand them, and as above set forth, my answer to your

communication must be that Mr. Devlin is not "in default to the Corporation" under the lettings of either 1867 or 1868.

I am, sir, very respectfully yours, E. DELAFIELD SMITH, Counsel to the Corporation.

OFFICIAL DIRECTORY.

Statement of the hours during which all public offices in the City are open for business, and at which each Court regularly opens and adjourns, as well as of the places where such offices are kept and such Courts are held.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT. OFFICES. LOCATION. HOURS. Mayor's Office, No. 6, City Hall, 10 a.m.—3 p.m. Mayor's Marshal, No. 5, City Hall, 10 a.m.—3 p.m. Permit Bureau, No. 1, City Hall, 10 a.m.—2 p.m. License Bureau, No. 1, City Hall, 10 a.m.—2 p.m.

LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT. Clk of the Common Council and of Bd of Supervisors, 7 & 8 City Hall, 9 A.M.—4 P.M. Clerk of Bd of Assistant Aldermen, 9 1/2 City Hall, 9 A.M.—4 P.M.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT. Office hours from 9 a. m. to 4 p. m. Comptroller's Office, West end, New County Court House. 1—Bureau for the collection of the revenue accruing from rents and interest on bonds and mortgages, and revenue arising from the use or sale of property belonging to or managed by the City—Ground floor, West end, New County Court House. 2—Bureau for the Collection of Taxes—Brown-stone building, City Hall Park. 3—Bureau for the collection of arrear of taxes and Assessments and of water rents—Ground floor, West end, New County Court House. 4—Auditing Bureau—Main floor, west end, New County Court House. 5—Bureau of Licenses, 1 Ground floor, west end, New County Court House. 6—Bureau of Markets, County Court House. 7—Bureau for the reception of all moneys paid into the Treasury, in the City and for the payment of money on warrants drawn by the Comptroller and countersigned by the Mayor—(Office of Chamberlain and County Treasurer.) Main floor west end, New County Court House. 8—Bureau for the Collection of Assessments—Governor's room, City Hall (temporarily.)

LAW DEPARTMENT. Counsel to the Corporation, 82 Nassau st., 9 a. m., 5 p. m. Public Administrator, 115 and 117 " 10 a. m., 4 p. m. Corporation Atty., " " 8:30 a. m., 4:30 p. m. Attorney for the Collection of Arrears of Personal Taxes, 265 Broadway, Room 13, 9 a. m., 4 p. m. Attorney to the Department of Buildings, 20 Nassau street, Room 52, 9 a. m. to 5 p. m.

POLICE DEPARTMENT. Central Office, 300 Mulberry street, always open. Com's Office, " " " " Supt's Office, " " " " Inspector's Office, " " " " Chief Clerk's Office, " " 8 a. m., 5 p. m. Property Clerk, " " " " Bureau of St Clean'g, " " " " Bureau of Elections, " " " "

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. Commissioners' Office, 19 City Hall, 9 a. m., 4 p. m. Chief Clerk, 20 " " " " Contract Clerk, 21 " " " " Engineer in charge of sewers, 21 City Hall, " " Engineer in charge of Boulevards and avenues, 18 1/2 City Hall, " " Bureau of repairs and supplies, 18 City Hall, " " Bureau of Lamps and Gas, 13 City Hall, " " Bureau of Incumbrances, 13 City Hall, 9 a. m. to 4 p. m. Bureau of Street Improvements, 11 City Hall " " Bureau of the Chief Engineer of the Croton aqueduct, 11 1/2 City Hall, " " Bureau of Water Register, 10 City Hall, " " Bureau of Water Purveyor, 4 City Hall, " " Bureau of Streets and Roads, 13 City Hall, " "

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION. Central Office, 66 Third av. 8 a. m., to 5 p. m. Out Door Poor Dep't, 66 Third av., always open. Entrance on 11th Street. Free Labor Bureau, 8 and 10 Clinton pl. 8 a. m. to 5 p. m. Reception Hospital, City Hall Park, N. E. Corner, always open. Reception Hospital, 99th street and 10th av. always open. Bellevue Hospital, foot of 26th street, E. R. " " "

FIRE DEPARTMENT. Commissioner's Office, 127 and 129 Mercer St., 9 a. m. to 4 p. m. Chief of Department, 127 and 129 Mercer St., 9 a. m. to 4 p. m. Inspectors of Combustibles, 127 and 129 Mercer St., 9 a. m. to 4 p. m. Fire Marshal, 127 and 129 Mercer St., 9 a. m. to 4 p. m.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT. Commissioner's Office, 301 Mott St. 9 a. m. to 4 p. m. Sanitary Superintendent, 301 Mott St., always open. Register of Records, 301 Mott St., for granting burial permits, on all days of the week except Sundays from 7 a. m. to 6 o'clock p. m., and on Sundays from 8 a. m. to 5 o'clock p. m.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS. Commissioners' Office, 36 Union Square, 9 a. m. to 5 p. m.

DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS. Commissioners' Office, 346 and 348 Broadway, corner Leonard St., 9 a. m. to 4 p. m.

DEPARTMENT OF TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS. Commissioners' Office, Brown Stone Building, City Hall Park, 32 Chambers St., 9 a. m. 4 p. m., on Saturday 9 a. m. to 3 p. m. Surveyor's Bureau, 19 Chamber St., 9 a. m. to 4 p. m. Board of Assessors, " " " "

DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS. Superintendent's Office, 2 Fourth av., 9 a. m. to 4 p. m.

BOARD OF EXERCISE. Commissioners Office, 299 Mulberry street, 9 A. M. 4 P. M.

BOARD OF EDUCATION. Office of the Board, cor Ges 11 and Elm sts, 9 A. M. 5 P. M. Supt. of Schools, " " " " 9 A. M. 5 P. M.

COMMISSIONERS OF EMIGRATION. Commissioners, Office, Castle Garden, 9 a. m. to 5 p. m. Superintendents, Office, Castle Garden, 9 a. m. to 5 p. m. THE CITY RECORD OFFICE, No. 2 City Hall, N. W. corner (basement), 8 a. m. to 6 p. m.

MISCELLANEOUS OFFICES. Coroner's Office, 40 E. Houston st. Sheriff's " first floor, S. W. cor. } 9 a. m. to 4 p. m. New Court House. County Clerk's Office, first floor, N. E. cor. New Court House. } Surrogate's Office, first floor, S. E. cor. } 9 a. m. to 4 p. m. New Court House. Register's Office, Hall of Records, } 9 a. m. to 4 p. m. City Hall Park. District Attorney's Office, second floor } Old Court House, 82 Chambers } 9 a. m. to 5 p. m. Street.

DEPARTMENT PUBLIC PARKS.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS, 36 UNION SQUARE, (EAST), NEW YORK, Sept. 29th, 1873.

SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED at the office of the Department of Public Parks until Saturday, the 11th day of October, 1873, at 4 o'clock P. M., for the construction and erection of the iron, carpenters' and painters' work, for an arch upon the Central Park, known as the "outset arch," in accordance with the drawings and specifications for the same, which may now be seen at the office of Design and Superintendence (architect's room), as above.

To be completed on or before May 15, 1874. The proposals will be publicly opened by the Commissioners at the office of the Department, as above, on Wednesday, the 15th day of October, 1873, at the hour of 9.30 o'clock A. M.

No proposal will be considered unless accompanied by a consent in writing of two responsible householders or freeholders of the City of New York, their respective places of business or residences being named, to the effect that they will become bound as sureties in the sum of six thousand dollars for the faithful performance of the contract, should it be awarded upon that proposal.

Each proposal must state the name and place of residence of the person making the same; the names of all persons interested with him therein, that it is made without collusion with any other person making an estimate for the same work, and that no member of the Common Council or other officer of the Corporation is directly or indirectly interested therein, or in any portion of the profits thereof.

The Department reserves the right to reject any or all proposals. Proposed sureties must verify their consent before a Judge of a Court of Record in the County of New York.

Forms of proposals may be obtained, and the terms of the contract (settled as required by law), seen at the office of the secretary as above.

Proposals must be addressed to the President of the Department of Public Parks, and endorsed "Proposals for Iron, Carpenters' and Painters' work, Outset Arch."

S. H. WALES, President. H. G. STEBBINS, PHILIP BISSINGER, D. B. WILLIAMSON, SAMUEL HALL, Commissioners.

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The Department reserves the right to reject any or all proposals. Proposed sureties must verify their consent before a Judge of a Court of Record in the County of New York.

Forms of proposals may be obtained, and the terms of the contract (settled as required by law) seen at the office of the Secretary as above.

Proposals must be addressed to the President of the Department of Public Parks, and endorsed "Proposals for Mason and Stonework, Outset Arch."

S. H. WALES, President. H. G. STEBBINS, PHILIP BISSINGER, DAVID B. WILLIAMSON, SAMUEL HALL, Commissioners.

CHARITIES AND CORRECTION.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION, No. 66, Third Avenue, NEW YORK, Sept. 29, 1873.

PROPOSALS FOR SUPPLIES.

PROPOSALS WITH "SAMPLES" will be received by the Commissioners of the Department of Public Charities and Correction until Friday, October 10th, at 1 o'clock, P. M., for the following articles:—

- 6,000 pounds Common Souchow Tea. 1,000 " Ordinary Oolong Tea. 200 " Farina. 700 " Corn Starch. 1,500 " Bakers Cocoa. 1,500 " Soda Crackers. 50,000 " Brown Sugar. 700 " Whole Black Pepper. 9,000 " Rangoon Rice. 250 Bushels Rye (best quality). 300 Quintals Cod Fish. 20 Bbls. Homony. 10,000 Selected Eggs.

The Commissioners reserve the right to reject any bid not deemed advantageous to the interests of this Department.

Goods to be delivered "free of charge."

WILLIAM LAIMBEER, JAMES BOWEN, MYER STERN, Commissioners.

DEPARTMENT PUBLIC WORKS.

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC WORKS, NEW YORK, September 25, 1873.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNERS.

CHANGE OF GRADE.

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT A petition of the property owners with map and plan for the change of grade in Sixty-eighth street, between Madison and Lexington avenues, and in Fourth avenue, between Sixty-seventh and Sixty-ninth streets, from an elevation of seventy-three, to seventy-five feet, is now pending before the Common Council.

All persons interested in the above mentioned change of grade and having objections thereto, are requested to present the same in writing to the undersigned at his office on or before the seventh day of October.

GEO. M. VAN NORT, Commissioner of Public Works.

STREET OPENINGS.

SUPREME COURT.—IN THE MATTER OF THE application of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonality of the City of New York, relative to the opening of One Hundred and Fortieth street, between the Eighth avenue and the Harlem river, in the City of New York.

We, the undersigned Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment in the above entitled matter hereby give notice to the owner or owners, occupant or occupants, of all houses and lots and improved or unimproved lands affected thereby, and to all others whom it may concern, to wit:

That we have completed our estimate and assessment, and that all persons interested in these proceedings or in any of the lands affected thereby, and who may be opposed to the same, do present their objections in writing, duly verified, to Robert Sutherland, Esq., our Chairman, at the office of the Commissioners, No. 82 Nassau street (Room No. 24), in the said city, on or before the 3d day of November, 1873, and that we, the said Commissioners, will hear parties so objecting within the ten week days next after the said 3d day of November, and for that purpose will be in attendance at our said office on each of said ten days, at 12 o'clock M.

That the abstract of the said estimate and assessment, together with our maps, and also the affidavits, estimates and other documents which were used by us in making our report, have been deposited in the office of the Department of Public Works, in the City of New York, there to remain until the 15th day of November, 1873.

That the limits embraced by the assessment aforesaid are as follows, to wit: All those lots, pieces or parcels of land, lying and being in the said City of New York, and included and contained within the following described limits or bounds, that is to say: On the north by the centre line of the blocks between 140th and 141st streets; on the south by the centre line of the blocks between 140th and 139th streets; on the west by the easterly line of the avenue Saint Nicholas; and on the east by the westerly line of Exterior street at the Harlem river.

And that our report herein will be presented to the Supreme Court of the State of New York, at a Special Term thereof, to be held in the New Court House, at the City Hall, in the City of New York, on the 2d day of December, 1873, at the opening of the Court on that day, and that then and there, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon, a motion will be made that the said report be confirmed.

Dated New York, September 27, 1873. ROBERT SUTHERLAND, GRATZ NATHAN, MICHAEL C. MURPHY, Commissioners.

SUPREME COURT.—IN THE MATTER OF THE application of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonality of the City of New York, relative to the opening and extending of Lexington avenue, from One Hundred and Second street to the Harlem river, in the City of New York.

We, the undersigned Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment in the above entitled matter, hereby give notice to the owner or owners, occupant or occupants, of all houses and lots and improved or unimproved lands affected thereby, and to all others whom it may concern, to wit:

First.—That we have completed our estimate and assessment, and that all persons interested in these proceedings or in any of the lands affected thereby, and who may be opposed to the same, do present their objections in writing, duly verified, to William Hitchman, Esq., our Chairman, at the office of the Commissioners, No. 51 Chambers street, (Room No. 3), in the said city, on or before the 25th day of October, 1873, and that we, the said Commissioner will hear parties so objecting within the ten week-days next after the said 25th day of October, and for that purpose will be in attendance at our said office on each of said ten days, at 12 o'clock M.

Second.—That the abstract of said estimate and assessment, together with our maps, and also the affidavits, estimates and other documents which were used by us in making our report, have been deposited in the office of the Department of Public Works, in the City of New York, there to remain until the 6th day of November, 1873.

Third.—That the limits embraced by the assessment aforesaid are as follows, that is to say: All those lots, pieces or parcels of land in the City of New York, and contained, lying and being within the following bounds or limits: Beginning at a point formed by the intersection of the westerly line or side of Third avenue and the northerly line or side of Fifty-ninth street; running thence northerly along the said westerly line or side of Third avenue to the southerly line or side of Exterior street; thence southerly along the southerly line or side of Exterior street to the southerly line or side of One Hundred and Thirty-fourth street; thence westerly along the southerly line or side of One Hundred and Thirty-fourth street to the easterly line or side of Fourth avenue; thence southerly along the said easterly line or side of Fourth avenue to the northerly line or side of Fifty-ninth street; and thence easterly along the northerly line or side of Fifty-ninth to the point or place of beginning.

Fourth.—That our report herein will be presented to the Supreme Court of the State of New York, at a special term thereof, to be held in the New Court House, at the City Hall, in the City of New York, on the 20th day of November, 1873, at the opening of the Court on that day, and that then and there, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon, a motion will be made that the said report be confirmed.

Dated, New York, September 22, 1873. WILLIAM HITCHMAN, SHEPARD F. KNAPP, DANIEL WHALEN, Commissioners.

SUPREME COURT.—IN THE MATTER OF THE application of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonality of the City of New York, relative to the opening of Seventieth street, from Fifth avenue to Fourth avenue, and from Third avenue to the East River, in the City of New York.

We, the undersigned Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment in the above-entitled matter, hereby give notice to the owner or owners, occupant or occupants, of all houses and lots and improved or unimproved lands affected thereby, and to all others whom it may concern, to wit:

FIRST.—That we have completed our estimate and assessment, and that all persons interested in these proceedings, or in any of the lands affected thereby, and who may be opposed to the same, do present their objections in writing, duly verified, to Cyrus H. Loutrel, Esq., our Chairman, at the office of the Commissioners, No. 82 Nassau street (Room No. 24), in the said city, on or before the 11th day of October, 1873, and that we, the said Commissioners, will hear parties so objecting within the ten week-days next after the said 11th day of October, and for that purpose will be in attendance at our said office on each of said ten days, at 12 o'clock M.

SECOND.—That the abstract of the said estimate and assessment, together with our maps, and also the affidavits, estimates and other documents which were used by us in making our report, have been deposited in the office of the Department of Public Works in the City of New York, there to remain until the 23d day of October, 1873.

THIRD.—That the limits embraced by the assessment aforesaid are as follows, that is to say: All those lots, pieces, or parcels of land, situate, lying and being in the City of New York, and which taken together are bounded and contained as follows, to wit: Beginning at a point on the easterly line or side of Fifth avenue, equidistant from Seventieth and Seventy-first streets, and running thence easterly and parallel with Seventieth street to the westerly line or side of Avenue B; thence southerly along the westerly line or side of Avenue B to a point equidistant from Seventieth and Sixty-ninth streets; thence westerly and parallel with Seventieth street to the easterly line or side of Fifth avenue; and thence northerly along the easterly line or side of Fifth avenue to the point or place of beginning.

FOURTH.—That our report herein will be presented to the Supreme Court of the State of New York, at a special term thereof, to be held in the New Court House at the City Hall in the City of New York, on the 7th day of November, 1873, at the opening of the Court on that day, and that then and there, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon, a motion will be made that the said report be confirmed.

Dated New York, Sept. 6th, 1873. CYRUS H. LOUREL, GRATZ NATHAN, HENRY McDONNELL, Commissioners.

SUPREME COURT.—IN THE MATTER OF THE application of the Commissioners of the Central Park, for and in behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonality of the City of New York, relative to Opening the Eleventh Avenue, from Fifty-ninth street to the Boulevard in the City of New York.

Notice is hereby given that the bill of the costs, charges and expenses incurred by reason of the proceedings in the above entitled matter, will be presented for taxation to one of the Justices of the Supreme Court at Chambers in the New Court House at the City Hall, in the City of New York, on the third day of October 1873, at 10 1/2 o'clock in the forenoon.

EMANUEL B. HART, JAMES MORROGH, BERNARD SMYTH, Commissioners.

Dated, New York, September 20, 1873.

DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS.

DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS, 346 AND 348 BROADWAY, NEW YORK, Sept. 17, 1873.

TO CONTRACTORS.

PROPOSALS FOR FURNISHING SAND AND BROKEN STONE FOR MAKING CONCRETE AND RIP-RAP STONE FOR FOUNDATIONS, FROM 1st OCTOBER 1873, TO 1st OCTOBER 1874.

SEALED PROPOSALS FOR FURNISHING THESE materials will be received at the office of the Department of Docks until 12 o'clock, noon, of Tuesday, Sept. 30, 1873, at which time the bids will be publicly opened and read.

The award of the contract will be made as soon as practicable after the opening of the bids. Any bidder for this contract must be known to be engaged in and well prepared for the business, and must have satisfactory testimonials to that effect.

No proposal will be considered unless accompanied by the consent in writing, of two householders, or freeholders of the City of New York, with their respective places of business or residence, to the effect that if the contract be awarded under that proposal they will on its being so awarded, become bound as sureties for its faithful performance, which consent must be verified by the justification of each of the persons signing the same, for double the amount of surety required.

Bidders will state the price in their proposals for each separate item of the material to be furnished, by which the bids will be tested.

Material to be furnished is as follows, and to be delivered in such quantities as shall be required:

- 2000 Cubic yards of Sand. 3000 Cubic yards of Broken Stone. 5000 Cubic yards of Rip-rap Stone, more or less. Samples of the materials required under the specifications must be deposited at the Department of Docks, labelled with the name of the contractor, and locality from which they are taken, on the delivery of the proposals. The Department of Docks reserves the right to decline any and all proposals, if deemed to be for the public interest; and no proposal will be accepted from, or contract awarded to any person who is in arrears to the Corporation, upon debt or contract, or who is a defaulter, as security or otherwise, upon any obligation to the Corporation.

Blank forms of proposals can be obtained by application at the office of the Department.

Proposals must be endorsed as above, and addressed to "Commissioner Budd, Treasurer of Department of Docks." JACOB A. WESTERVELT, WILLIAM GARDNER, WILLIAM BUDD, Commissioners of the Department of Docks.

DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS, 346 AND 348 BROADWAY, NEW YORK, September 18, 1873.

TO CONTRACTORS.

PROPOSALS FOR FURNISHING THREE STEAM PILE DRIVERS.

SEALED PROPOSALS FOR FURNISHING three (3) Steam Pile Drivers will be received at the office of the Department of Docks until 12 o'clock noon, of Tuesday, September 30, 1873, at which time the bids will be publicly opened and read.

The award of the contract will be made as soon as practicable after the opening of the bids.

Any bidder for this contract must be known to be engaged in and well prepared for the business, and must have satisfactory testimonials to that effect.

No proposal will be considered unless accompanied by the consent in writing, of two householders, or freeholders of the city of New York, with their respective places of business or residence, to the effect that if the contract be awarded under that proposal they will on its being so awarded, become bound as sureties for its faithful performance, which consent must be verified by the justification of each of the persons signing the same for double the amount of surety required.

Bidders will state in their proposal the price for the Pile Drivers complete and in working order, to be delivered within thirty days after signing the contract.

The Department of Docks reserves the right to decline any and all proposals, if deemed to be for the public interest; and no proposal will be accepted from, or contract awarded to any person who is in arrears to the Corporation, upon debt or contract, or who is a defaulter, as security or otherwise, upon any obligation to the Corporation.

Blank forms of proposals, plans and specifications can be obtained by application at the office of the Department.

Proposals to be endorsed as above, and addressed to "Commissioner Budd, Treasurer of Department of Docks."

JACOB A. WESTERVELT, WILLIAM GARDNER, WILLIAM BUDD, Commissioners of the Department of Docks.

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

CENTRAL DEPARTMENT OF MUNICIPAL POLICE, PROPERTY CLERK'S OFFICE, 300 MULBERRY STREET, NEW YORK, September 24, 1873.

OWNERS WANTED, BY THE PROPERTY Clerk of the Police Department, 300 Mulberry street, Room 39, for the following property now in his custody without claimants: One box zinc nails, three gold watches, two silver watches from pawn shop, silver watch from body drowned man, lot rope and several small sums of money.

C. A. ST. JOHN, Property Clerk.

THE CITY RECORD.

COPIES OF THE CITY RECORD CAN BE OBTAINED at No. 2, City Hall, (N. W. corner basement.) Price five cents each.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, BUREAU OF COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS, ROOM No. 14, CITY HALL, NEW YORK, September 3, 1873. NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNERS. PROPERTY HOLDERS ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the following assessment lists were this day received in this bureau for collection:

DATE OF CONFIRMATION: Aug. 25, 1873.

- Eighty-third street—regulating, setting and resetting curb and gutter, and flagging and reflagging sidewalks between Fourth and Fifth avenues. One Hundred and Thirty-third street—regulating, grading, curb gutter and flagging between Fourth and Eighth avenues. One Hundred and Ninth street—sewer between Fourth avenue and Harlem river. Eleventh street—sewer between Dry Dock street and East river. Sixty-fifth street—sewer between First and Third avenues. Fifty-fifth street—sewer between Avenue A and First avenue. One Hundred and Thirty-eighth street—sewer between Boulevard and Hudson river. Fifty-fifth street—sewer between Fifth and Sixth avenues. Sixty-sixth street—sewer between Avenue A and First avenue, and between Second and Third avenues. Second avenue—sewer between One Hundred and Eleventh and One Hundred and Sixteenth streets; in One Hundred and Fifteenth street, between First and Third avenues and in One hundred and twenty-seventh street between Second and Third avenues. Third avenue—sewer between Eleventh and Twelfth streets. Worth street—sewer between Baxter street and Chatham Square. Underground drains between Seventy-second and Seventy-third streets, and First and Second avenues. Fencing vacant lots south side Ninetieth street, between Third and Lexington avenues. Fencing vacant lots west side Eighth avenue, between Fifty-fifth and Fifty-sixth streets. Eighth avenue (west side)—flagging sidewalk 25 feet south Fifty-sixth street, southerly, 75 feet. Thirty-eighth street—regulating and grading from First avenue to East river. Second avenue—trapblock pavement between Eighty-sixth and One Hundred and Twenty-fifth streets. Eighth avenue (west side)—flagging south-west, between Forty-eighth and Forty-ninth street.

All payments made at this office within sixty days from this date, are, by law, exempted from the charge for interest at seven per cent., which runs from the date of confirmation. The collector's office is open daily from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

ANDREW W. LEGGAT, Acting Collector.

BUREAU OF THE RECEIVER OF TAXES, September 24, 1873.

NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS.—THE BOOKS FOR Taxes on Personal Property will be opened for payment at this office on Saturday next, September 27, 1873. Due notice will be given when the books for Real Estate and Bank Stock are ready.

MARTIN T. McMAHON, Receiver of Taxes.

INTEREST ON CITY STOCKS.

THE INTEREST ON THE BONDS AND Stocks of the City and County of New York, due November 1st, 1873, will be paid on that day, by the Chamberlain at his office in the New Court House. The Transfer Books will be closed from September 27th to November 1st, 1873.

ANDREW H. GREEN, Comptroller.

CITY OF NEW YORK, DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, Sept. 23, 1873.

INDICES OF RECORDS.

CITY OF NEW YORK, DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, July 14, 1873.

A LIMITED NUMBER OF COMPLETE SETS OF the INDICES OF RECORDS are offered for sale, full bound in sheep, as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Item and Price. Includes Grants, Notices of Suits in Equity, Insolvents, Judgments, Sets unbound, etc.

Incomplete sets may be completed on application at this office.

Communications in relation to the Records should be addressed "Superintendent of Records, Comptroller's Office."

ANDREW H. GREEN, Comptroller.

BOARD OF EDUCATION.

SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED BY the School Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, at the office of the Clerk of the Board of Education, corner of Grand and Elm streets, until Wednesday, October 8, 1873, and until 9 o'clock A. M. on said day, for the Desks, Seats and other Furniture required for Grammar School No. 19, on East Fourteenth street, near First avenue.

Plans and specifications may be seen at the office of the Superintendent of School Buildings, No. 146 Grand street, third floor.

Two responsible and approved sureties will be required from the successful bidder.

Proposals will not be considered unless sureties are named. The Trustees reserve the right to reject any or all of the proposals offered.

HENRY MERZ, WM. BALSER, M. D., ADAM WEBER, OWEN MURPHY, FREDK. C. WAGNER, Board of School Trustees, 17th Ward. Dated New York, September 24, 1873.

DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS.

DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS, Office No. 2 Fourth av., opposite Sixth st.

ARCHITECTS, BUILDERS AND OTHERS, Having plans and specifications for the erection, alteration or repair of buildings to file with this Department are hereby notified, that in all cases where iron girders or lintels are provided to support brick walls, it is necessary for them to submit properly drawn and eared elevations of the walls to be so supported.

W. W. ADAMS, Superintendent. New York, August 27th, 1873.