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LAW DEPARTMENT.

The following opinions constitute a portion of the proceedings of the Law Department for the week ending October 4th, 1873:

THE CITY RECORD, as established by law, is an official journal of the municipal government of New York, conducted by a supervisor and assistants appointed by the Mayor, Counsel to the Corporation and Commissioner of Public Works, and printed under a contract awarded by those three officials to the lowest bidder for the work.

The laws relating to the publication of THE CITY RECORD do not permit the contractor for the printing thereof to publish what are known as "legal notices," and receive money therefor to his own use or otherwise.

Such publications may be specifically authorized by the Mayor, Counsel to the Corporation and Commissioner of Public Works; but not as a means of emolument to the contractor for the printing of the paper.

LAW DEPARTMENT,
OFFICE OF THE COUNSEL TO THE CORPORATION,
NEW YORK, September 29, 1873.

The Honorable William F. Havemeyer, Mayor
of the City of New York,

SIR:—At a meeting of the Mayor, Counsel to the Corporation, and Commissioner of Public Works, a communication from Mr. P. W. Rhodes, the contractor for the printing of the CITY RECORD was referred to me for my opinion upon the true construction of the statutes referred to by him.

The substance of the communication, is a request to be permitted to publish in the RECORD what are called legal notices, and to receive therefor, to his own use, such sums as persons desiring the publications in question might pay for their insertion.

By Section 3 of Chapter 758 of the Laws of 1873, the Mayor, the Counsel to the Corporation, and the Commissioner of Public Works may by a concurrent vote allow the publication of legal advertisements in the CITY RECORD. There is therefore no doubt of the power of those three officers to permit the publication of such legal notices as Mr. Rhodes enumerates. The difficulty is that the statute just cited does not give to the contractor for the printing of the RECORD a right to appropriate to himself the emoluments which might arise from such publication.

By section 111 of chapter 335, of the Laws of 1873, the journal known as THE CITY RECORD is established. The Mayor, Counsel to the Corporation, and Commissioner of Public Works are therein authorized to appoint a proper person, together with such assistants as may be required, to supervise the preparation and publication of the paper, and fix the compensation of the supervisor and assistants. All the expenses connected with the publication and distribution of the paper, except the salary of the person appointed to supervise the same, and except also the salaries of his assistants, are to be covered by a contract for printing, to be made in the same manner as other contracts. The Board of Estimate and Apportionment is required to provide for all the necessary expenses of establishing and conducting THE CITY RECORD. By the act which I have last cited, nothing is to be inserted in the paper except such official matters as are in this act expressly authorized.

The legal notices referred to by Mr. Rhodes are not among the official matters which this act authorizes to be published in THE CITY RECORD. The contract for printing must provide for furnishing to the City, free of charge, not more than one thousand copies; and must provide also for a gratuitous presentation of two copies to every newspaper regularly printed in the City of New York, and one copy to every public library or public institution. Copies may be sold by the publisher at a price to be fixed by the three officers of the city government above named, and the proceeds of

all sales are to be paid to the city. All advertising required to be done for the city, and all notices required by law or ordinance to be published in corporation papers are to be inserted at the public expense, only in the CITY RECORD; but there may be inserted in two morning and two evening, and two weekly papers published in the English language, and in one newspaper published in the German language, all in the city, to be annually designated by the Mayor, Corporation Counsel and Commissioner of Public Works, brief advertisements calling attention to any contracts intended to be awarded or bonds to be sold, and referring for full information to the CITY RECORD. No money shall be paid from the city treasury for advertising hereafter done, except such as is in this law authorized, and no action shall be maintained or judgment obtained against the city for any advertising hereafter done except such as is in this law authorized. The copies of the CITY RECORD furnished to the city shall be distributed to the several departments and offices, and to such persons and in such manner as the Mayor shall direct. All printing for the city, including the printing of the CITY RECORD, shall be executed under contracts to be entered into by the Mayor, Corporation Counsel and Commissioner of Public Works. The first contract for printing the CITY RECORD shall be awarded after having been advertised in the five daily newspapers printed in said city having the largest circulation therein, for at least two weeks, inviting proposals. The Mayor may order the insertion of any official matter or report in THE CITY RECORD.

The only modifications of the law above cited are to be found, First, In section 19 of Chapter 757 of the laws of 1873, where it is enacted that nothing contained in the law from which I have quoted shall apply to any printing or supplies of stationery for any department where, by the concurrent vote of the Mayor, Commissioner of Public Works, and Corporation Counsel, it shall be decided to have such printing done or such stationery furnished without contract; but in such cases such printing and stationery shall be procured in such manner and on such terms and conditions as the said three officers shall deem for the best interests of the city; and Secondly, As I have already stated, section 3 of Chapter 758 of the Laws of 1873 empowers the three officers named, by a concurrent vote, to allow certain advertising in THE CITY RECORD, but not to the use or benefit of the contractor.

It is obvious that the whole scope of legislation in relation to THE CITY RECORD establishes a paper to be supervised, printed, published and sold by the city through its agents employed for that specific purpose; and that there is nothing in the original act nor in the amendments, permitting the contractor for the printing to realize a profit, either from the city or from individuals, for the insertion of matter of any kind in the paper. The city itself is the proprietor of THE CITY RECORD, and no individual connected with it can be permitted, as the law now stands, to make its publication a matter of profit to himself, except to the extent of the salaries allowed to the supervisor and his assistants, and the amount to be received by the contractor for the printing and publication.

These views, substantially expressed by your Honor, by the Commissioner of Public Works, and by myself, when the matter was under discussion in the Board, are confirmed by the careful examination which I have given to the statutes bearing upon the subject.

I am, sir,
With great respect,
Your obedient servant,
E. DELAFIELD SMITH,
Counsel to the Corporation.

The Commissioner of Public Works is empowered by law to take proceedings to acquire Lakes Mahopac and Kirk, for the purpose of furnishing to the City of New York a "further and inexhaustible supply of pure and wholesome water."

LAW DEPARTMENT,
OFFICE OF THE COUNSEL TO THE CORPORATION,
NEW YORK, September 27, 1873.

Hon. George M. Van Nort, Commissioner of
Public Works,

SIR:—Your letter of the 11th instant, enclosing a communication of Henry W. Johnson, Esq.,

Attorney for the Mahopac Manufacturing Company, relative to the purchase of Lakes Mahopac and Kirk, has been received.

If, in your judgment, it is necessary to acquire the property named for the purpose of furnishing and securing "a further and inexhaustible supply of pure and wholesome water" for the City of New York, you are authorized by Section 2 of Chapter 56, laws of 1871, to agree with the owners upon the amount of compensation to be paid to them; or if you are unable to agree with said owners as to such compensation, you are empowered to acquire title thereto for the City in the manner provided by law for acquiring lands for railroad purposes.

I therefore advise that, if you deem the acquisition of the property named necessary for the purpose of securing the supply of water needed by the City, your reply to Mr. Johnson should inform him what price you are willing to pay therefor, or that proceedings will be taken to appraise the same, if the sum offered by you is not acceptable to him.

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

LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT.

STATED SESSION.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

No. 15 CITY HALL,
THURSDAY, October 2d, 1873,
3 1/2 o'clock P. M.

The Board met, pursuant to adjournment, in their chamber, No. 15 City Hall.

Present:—SAMUEL B. H. VANCE, Esq., President, in the chair and the following members:

Oliver P. C. Billings, Patrick Lysaght,
Stephen V. R. Cooper, Robert McCafferty,
John Falconer, Joseph A. Monheimer,
Richard Flanagan, John J. Morris,
Peter Kehr, Oswald Ottendorfer,
George Koch, John Reilly.

On motion of Alderman Monheimer the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting was dispensed with.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM DEPARTMENTS AND CORPORATION OFFICERS.

The following estimate for 1874, was received from the Department of Public Charities and Correction.

Estimate of expenses of the Department of Public Charities and Correction for the year commencing January 1, 1874.

Barley.....	\$525 00
Beans.....	800 00
Beef fresh.....	150,000 00
Beef salt.....	16,000 00
Boats and repairs.....	4,700 00
Brooms and brushes.....	3,800 00
Buildings—repairs of.....	8,000 00
Butter.....	18,000 00
Candles.....	200 00
Children nursing in City.....	5,000 00
Cleaning and office expenses.....	5,000 00
Coal institutions.....	75,000 00
Coal—out door poor.....	23,000 00
Coffee, cocoa, peas and rye.....	20,000 00
Colored home paupers.....	13,000 00
Orphan Asylum.....	6,750 00
Combs.....	100 00
Crackers.....	1,500 00
Crockery—glass stone ware, &c.....	5,000 00
Croton water—expenses of steam heating.....	13,000 00
Donations to out-door poor.....	54,000 00
Drugs and medicines.....	25,000 00
Dry goods.....	85,000 00
Eggs.....	7,500 00
Farming implements.....	700 00
Feeding paupers and prisoners.....	200 00
Fish—fresh and salt.....	5,500 00
Flour.....	120,000 00
Furniture.....	10,000 00
Gas light and fixtures.....	6,500 00
Groceries—small.....	2,750 00
Garden seeds.....	300 00
Hardware—nails, iron, steel, &c.....	10,000 00
Hats and caps.....	500 00
Hay, grain, feed, straw, &c.....	8,500 00
Extra hire and rent.....	7,800 00
Lard.....	150 00
Leather and findings.....	3,500 00
Lime—whitewash.....	140 00
Live stock.....	2,500 00
Lumber.....	11,500 00
Malt and hops.....	500 00
Marketing for hospitals.....	9,000 00
Mason work and materials.....	2,500 00
Meat, corn and oats.....	12,000 00
Medical attendance—lunatics.....	750 00
Milk.....	35,000 00
Miscellaneous.....	7,200 00
Molasses.....	5,250 00
Mutton.....	22,250 00
Oil lamp, camphine, &c.....	4,500 00
Paints, oils, glass, &c.....	4,200 00
Pumbing and pumps.....	3,500 00
Pork, hams, &c.....	1,500 00
Postage and stamps.....	18,000 00
Potatoes.....	650 00
Powder and safety fuse.....	2,000 00
Rope, twine, &c.....	2,500 00
Salaries. { Commissioners, wardens, Su- } { perintendents, clerks, &c. }.....	395,015 50
Salt.....	1,500 00
Sand—white.....	150 00

Shoes.....	18,000 00
Soap, and materials for making.....	10,000 00
Spices.....	1,500 00
Starch.....	250 00
Stationary, printing, &c.....	12,000 00
Stoves, ranges, &c.....	5,500 00
Subscription and advertising.....	250 00
Sugar.....	24,000 00
Surgical instruments.....	2,000 00
Tea.....	10,500 00
Tin and copper ware.....	2,700 00
Tobacco and snuff.....	5,000 00
Transportation of paupers from city.....	3,000 00
Vehicles, harness, &c.....	7,500 00
Vinegar.....	1,400 00
Wages of mechanics.....	2,500 00
Wine, brandy, alcohol, &c. for hospital use.....	10,000 00
Wood.....	1,500 00
Wooden ware.....	2,200 00
Hart's Island improvement.....	5,000 00
Blackwell's Island improvement.....	5,000 00
Ward's Island improvement.....	4,000 00
MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES:	
Idiot Asylum extension.....	45,000 00
Heating Idiot Asylum.....	10,000 00
Pavilions, Blackwell's Island.....	35,000 00
Heating Blackwell's Island.....	8,000 00
Elevator, Bellevue Hospital.....	8,000 00
Steamboat repairs.....	8,000 00
Penitentiary for females.....	25,000 00

Total.....\$1,533,730 50
(Signed) WM. LAIMBEER,
MYER STERN,
Com's of Public Charities and Correction.

Schedule of attaches of the Department of Public Charities and Correction:

COMMISSIONERS.

NAME.	RANK.	ANNUAL SALARY.
William Laimbeer.....	President.....	\$6,500
James Bowen.....	Commissioner.....	5,000
Myer Stern.....	Commissioner.....	5,000

RECEPTION HOSPITAL—PARK.

NAME.	RANK.	ANNUAL SALARY.
Frank H. Hamilton.....	Surgeon-in-Chief.....	\$500
W. F. Fluhrer.....	Surgeon and physician.....	1,200
Maurice B. Early.....	Senior ass't physician.....	900
Z. P. McKown.....	Junior ass't physician.....	600
Wm. B. Clark.....	Steward.....	900
Frances Ann Clark.....	Matron.....	300
John Taylor.....	Engineer.....	600
John Colwell.....	Ambulance driver.....	500
J. P. Wright.....	Apothecary.....	360
Irving Grace.....	Orderly.....	240
Charles Taylor.....	Orderly.....	240
Robert Fitzgerald.....	Orderly.....	240
Ann Wilson.....	Nurse.....	168
Eliza McCann.....	Nurse.....	96
Margaret O'Brien.....	Nurse.....	96
Susan Ferris.....	Nurse.....	96

CITY PRISONS.

Wm. Johnston, warden.....	\$3,000 00 per an.
Mark Finley, clerk and deputy.....	1,500 00 "
John Orr, night ".....	1,200 00 "
David Brekes, physician.....	800 00 "
Wm. J. Jones, record clerk.....	1,000 00 "
Wm. F. Long, steward.....	1,000 00 "
David B. Dwire, deputy keeper.....	1,000 00 "
Wm. E. Kennedy, ".....	1,000 00 "
Lawrence Phillips, ".....	1,000 00 "
Benjamin Curren, ".....	1,000 00 "
George McClellen, ".....	1,000 00 "
Solomon Oberfelder, ".....	1,000 00 "
Andrew Fyans, ".....	1,000 00 "
James Finn, ".....	1,000 00 "
Charles Graham, ".....	1,000 00 "
Peter Collins, ".....	1,000 00 "
Richard Freeman, ".....	1,000 00 "
George Campbell, ".....	1,000 00 "
Wm. E. Jones, gate-keeper.....	750 00 "
Flora Foster, matron.....	750 50 "
Ann J. French, assistant matron.....	534 50 "
Lavinia Phelps, night matron.....	534 50 "
Elizabeth Hill, boys' matron.....	534 50 "
Thos. Burke, deputy keeper, ad dist.....	1,000 00 "
Andrew Wilson, ".....	1,000 00 "
Wm. L. Handy, physician.....	500 00 "
Matt. Daly, deputy keeper, 3d dist.....	1,000 00 "
Michael Corles, ".....	1,000 00 "
Marvin S. Butler, physician.....	300 00 "
Patrick Feora, dep'y keeper, 4th dist.....	1,000 00 "
Saml. B. Atkinson, ".....	1,000 00 "
Stephen Kelly, physician.....	50 00 "
B. B. Purdy, dep'y keeper, 5th dist.....	1,000 00 "
Joseph Hutton, watchman.....	500 00 "

FREE LABOR BUREAU.

Thomas W. Eagan, Chief Clerk.....	\$1,500 per annum.
Francis H. Nugent, Clerk.....	1,000 do
Chas. H. Pentz, Clerk.....	1,000 do
Jacob H. Schmitzler, Clerk.....	1,000 do
Peter Lebutzler, do.....	1,000 do
James H. Clark, do.....	1,000 do
Vacancies to be filled, Clerk.....	1,000 do
Louis P. Elderidge, Clerk.....	500 do
Peter McGovern, Janitor.....	750 do
Julia C. West, Matron.....	600 do
Vacancies to be filled, Ass't Matron.....	500 do
Ann O'Keefe, Cleaner.....	240 do
John E. O'Keefe, Clerk.....	360 do
Frank Sinclair, Boy.....	200 do
Joseph Lynch, do.....	300 do
Wm. Warner, do.....	300 do
Vacancies to be filled, Boy.....	300 do
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CENTRAL OFFICE.

Joshua Phillips, Secretary.....	\$3,250 per annum.
Edwin H. Lawrence, Cashier.....	3,250 do
Wm. P. Lawson, Supply Clerk.....	3,000 do
Augustus P. Butler, Exam'g Clerk.....	1,800 do
Wm. H. Knapp, Supervis'g Engineer.....	2,000 do
Samuel Nash, Clerk.....	1,000 do
John Donnelly, do.....	1,000 do
Patrick J. Noonan, Clerk.....	1,000 do
Arthur Phillips, do.....	1,000 do
Wm. Hughes, Engineer.....	600 do
Frederick S. Norman, Messenger.....	240 do
Tas. Fitzpatrick, do.....	240 do
Engineer Board in addition } to salary \$400 per week. }	208 do

OUT-DOOR POOR DEPARTMENT.

Geo. Kellock, Superintendent.....	\$4,750 per an'm.
Wm. Blake, Clerk.....	1,500 "
Henry W. Boswell, Clerk.....	1,000 "
Walter L. Childs, ".....	1,000 "
James Quackenbush, Visitor.....	1,000 "
Gilbert Lowe, ".....	1,000 "

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Table listing names and salaries for Central Office Stables, including M. M. Marshall, Superintendent, Patrick Martin, Driver of sick, etc.

Table listing names and salaries for District Physicians, including Geo. R. Phillips, medical inspector, James R. Healey, examining physician, etc.

Table listing names and salaries for Bellevue Hospital, including Thos. S. Brennan, warden of Park and Ninety-ninth street hospitals, D. W. Norris, clerk, etc.

Table listing names and salaries for Ambulance Corps, including F. A. Mitchel, surgeon board, W. Lane, driver, etc.

Table listing names and salaries for Small Fox Hospital and Steamer, including W. R. Oakes, physician board, Uriah Maroon, captain, etc.

Table listing names and salaries for Reception Hospital, Ninety-Ninth Street, including J. M. Delgado, house surgeon, W. Campbell, senior assistant surgeon, etc.

Table listing names and salaries for General Drug Department, including John Frey, superintendent general drug department, Elias Rice, first assistant general drug department, etc.

Table listing names and salaries for Printing Office, including Henry Stilwell, Foreman, Thomas A. Glover, Compositor, etc.

Table listing names and salaries for Steamer Bellevue, including Stephen Erwin, Captain, Allison Briggs, Pilot, Charles Palmer, Engineer, etc.

Table listing names and salaries for Steamer Minnahannonck, including David Bird, Pilot, Samuel Monnell, Mate, Leonard C. Stewart, Engineer, etc.

Table listing names and salaries for Ferry House, Twenty-Sixth Street, including John Brewer, dock and weighmaster, John Murphy, night watchman, etc.

Table listing names and salaries for Small-Fox and Fever Hospital, including John H. McKinney, house physician, Richard Buckley, steward, etc.

Table listing names and salaries for Charity Hospital, including A. E. Macdonald, chief of staff, Wm. Joralemon, steward, John Sheridan, engineer, etc.

Table listing names and salaries for N. Y. Penitentiary, B. I., including Joseph L. Liscomb, warden, James T. Counhoven, first deputy warden, Henry Miner, second deputy warden, etc.

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Table listing names and salaries for Baker, B. I., including Alfred Chancellor, superintendent, John Melville, fireman, etc.

Table listing names and salaries for Work House, B. I., including Joseph Keen, Superintendent, Henry Y. Foster, Clerk, Patrick Golden, engineer, etc.

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Geo. Lyons, boatswain's mate	180
Patrick O'Mealia	144
Thomas McCaffrey	144
Commissioners	\$16,500 00
Reception Hospital, Park	7,036 00
City Prisons	31,883 00
Labor Bureau	12,250 00
Central Office	18,588 00
Out-door Poor Department	21,050 00
Central office Stables	6,600 00
District Physicians	8,970 00
Bellevue Hospital	22,152 00
Ambulance Corps	2,932 00
Small-pox Hospital and Steamer Hope	3,376 00
Reception Hospital, 99th street	3,240 00
General Drug Department	2,800 00
Printing Office	2,360 00
Steamer Bellevue	4,791 00
Steamer Minnahannonck	4,391 00
Ferry House	1,747 75
Small-pox and Fever Hospital	2,144 00
Charity Hospital	19,359 25
Penitentiary	54,981 00
Alms House	4,780 00
Incurable Hospital	396 00
Blind Asylum	576 00
Store Department	3,300 00
Garden Bureau	1,500 00
Gas Works	360 00
Stable Bureau	360 00
Island Improvement	60 00
Bakery	1,368 00
Work House	12,022 50
Lunatic Asylum	20,838 00
Epileptic and Paralytic Hospital	2,008 00
Wards Island Improvement	1,180 00
Inebriate Asylum	5,928 00
N. Y. City Asylum for Insane	19,280 00
Infants' Hospital	17,172 00
Randalls Island Hospital	12,620 00
Randalls Island Nursery	12,176 00
Convalescent Hospital	2,120 00
Industrial School	7,080 00
Schoolship Mercury	21,840 00

Which was referred to the Committee on Finance and ordered to be printed in the minutes.

The following communication, transmitting estimate for 1874, was received from the District Attorney's office.*

CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK,
DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE,
September 24, 1873.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen—I have the honor to transmit herewith a duplicate of the departmental estimate of this office for the year 1874.

Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,

BENJ. K. PHELPS,
District Attorney.

To the Board of Estimate and Apportionment:

GENTLEMEN—In accordance with the provision of section 112, of chapter 335, Laws of 1873, I respectfully submit the accompanying estimate of the amount required for this office during the year 1874.

Schedule "A" contains an estimate of sums to be appropriated for salaries.

Schedule "B" contains an estimate of sums to be appropriated for contingent expenses.

Schedule "C" shows the present status of the office, names of employees, salaries as fixed for the current year.

The total appropriation asked for is \$87,300. The vast increase in the business transacted in this office renders it necessary that a larger appropriation should be made than heretofore.

There are no sinecures, the work is fully twice as laborious as in the administration of any of my predecessors, and the present salaries of the clerks in my office are utterly inadequate.

I therefore ask for a slight addition to their salaries.

I have also asked for an appropriation for the payment of a stenographer, who will save the work of several clerks, and very greatly assist me in the speedy preparation and transaction of business.

My own salary and that of my assistants is fixed by statute, all others are regulated by myself.

Respecting the estimate for contingencies, Schedule "B,"—The experience of the present year has shown that fully \$7,500 will be required for the payment of medical and other experts in important cases;—The employment of experts is of late years often absolutely necessary to the detection of guilt, and the successful prosecution of crime, and there are at this time more cases pending in which expert testimony is required than ever before.

I am especially solicitous upon this point, as the extreme tardiness with which the just claims of eminent experts have been passed or paid, makes it each day more difficult to obtain such services at a reasonable rate.

I have also included an estimate for stationery, printing blanks, and law books, in Schedule "B."

The printing of cases and points on appeal, indictments, notices and blanks of every description, which must be done with the utmost care, renders it proper that this office should control such an appropriation, especially since in some instances it has been found almost impossible to obtain what is required from some of the designated printers or stationers within any reasonable time.

The Criminal Law library of this office, which is one of the best in this city, is absolutely necessary for successfully conducting business, and is useful to the Courts, and the bar as well.

It was made quite complete during the Spring, and should be furnished with all the necessary current reports and digests as fast as they are issued.

For traveling expenses, postage and telegrams, I have asked an appropriation of one thousand dollars.

This item covers only the expenses of myself and my subordinates.

The large correspondence of this office, by telegraph and by mail, the necessity of attendance at points distant from the office, such as coroner's inquests, examinations before magistrates, &c., upon short notice; argument of motions before judges in other counties, and attendance upon the Court of Appeals at Albany, renders such an appropriation necessary.

For expenses in procuring the arrest or extradition of prisoners and fugitives from justice, in this and other States, of procuring evidence, of bringing witnesses from other States, &c., I have asked an appropriation of \$2,500.

These items require no explanation; the appropriation is necessary; the amount asked is as small as I feel justified in asking, in view of the experience of the present year.

In making these estimates, I have considered the present financial condition of the city and county, and have endeavored to state the lowest amounts with which public business can be satisfactorily transacted.

If less amounts be appropriated, it does not concern me personally, more than any other tax-paying citizen, but I am satisfied that whether appropriated or not, those amounts will, if necessary, be expended, and will be paid by the county; the only question being whether a sufficient amount shall be raised this year by taxation to meet them, or whether they shall appear next year in the county accounts, as unsettled liabilities, to be added to the permanent debt of the county.

Having given to your Board my best judgment in the matter, further responsibility rests upon you alone. I need hardly say that if the Board contemplates a reduction of any amount asked for, or desires any further explanation, I shall be happy to appear in person before you, and shall feel greatly disappointed if this Board, like the last, shall, without hearing, and without notice, make such insufficient provision as to impair the usefulness of this office.

With reference to that, it is perhaps proper to say, that an additional appropriation of \$5,500 is necessary to meet the salaries of the present year.

Yours respectfully,
BENJ. K. PHELPS,
District Attorney.

NEW YORK, Sept. 24, 1873.
SCHEDULE "A."

Estimate of Salaries required for the year 1874:

District Attorney	\$15,000
3 assistants, \$10,000 each	30,000
1 deputy assistant	5,000
1 chief clerk	2,500
1 record clerk	2,000
1 recognition clerk	1,800
1 grand jury clerk	1,500
1 copyist	1,300
5 subpoena clerks, \$1,500 each	7,500
4 messengers, \$1,300 each	5,200
1 stenographer	2,900

SCHEDULE "B." \$73,800

Estimate of Amounts required for Expenses other than Salaries, for the year 1874:

Expert witnesses	\$7,500
Stationery, printing, blanks, law books, &c.	2,500
Traveling expenses, postage, telegrams	1,000
Expenses in procuring arrest of prisoners, in this and other States, evidence of detectives, and bringing witnesses from other Counties and States	2,500

SCHEDULE "C."

Statement of the present salaries of District Attorney and subordinates:

Benjamin K. Rollins, District Attorney	\$15,000
Daniel G. Phelps, assistant	10,000
Horace Russell	10,600
George W. Lyon	10,000
Henry C. Allen, Deputy	5,000
Moses P. Clark, chief clerk	2,500
David M. Doremus, record clerk	1,200
James C. Denny, recognition clerk	1,200
James A. Christie, copyist	1,200
Thomas Riker, grand jury clerk	1,200
Samuel Lerou, subpoena clerk	1,200
John D. Lent	1,200
Henry A. Beatty	1,200
Michael McCann	1,200
Jackson Corsa	1,200
John Glynn, messenger	1,000
Edward J. McCoy, messenger	1,000
Charles E. Marsac	1,000
John W. Bartine	1,000

Which was referred to the Committee on Finance and ordered to be printed in the minutes.

The following estimate for 1874, was received from the Department of Public Works.*

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS,
Commissioners Office, Room 19, City Hall,
New York, September 30th, 1873.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York:

GENTLEMEN,—In accordance with Section 112 of the Charter, I have the honor to transmit herewith a duplicate of the departmental estimate of the amounts required to pay the expenses of conducting the public business of the City of New York, under the charge of the Department of Public Works, for the year 1874, together with a statement of the salaries of each of its officers, clerks, employes and subordinates:

DEPARTMENTAL ESTIMATE—DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

TITLE OF APPROPRIATIONS.	ESTIMATES 1874.
Aqueduct repairs and maintenance	\$125,000
Boulevard roads and Avenues, maintenance of	75,000
Contingencies and legal expenses—Department of Public Works	5,000
Flagging sidewalks and fencing vacant lots in front of city property	2,000
Free floating baths	10,000
Lamps and gas	800,000
Printing, stationery and blank books for Department of Public Works	10,000
Public buildings, construction and repairs	50,000
Public drinking hydrants	5,000
Removing obstructions in streets and avenues	2,500
Repairing and keeping in order wooden and concrete pavements	50,000
Repairing and renewal of pipes, stopcocks, &c	85,000
Roads and avenues and sprinkling	25,000
Salaries—Department of Public Works	175,000
Sewers—repairing and cleaning	75,000
Streets—repairing and repairs, stone pavements	100,000
Streets—improvements for street signs, &c.	2,500
Supplies for, and cleaning public offices	50,000
Wells and pumps—repairing and cleaning	2,500
Amount	\$1,649,500

Owing to the rapid extension of the macadamized roadways an increase is necessary in the appropriation for "Maintenance of Boulevard, Roads and Avenues," from \$50,000, as estimated for the current year, to \$75,000 for the year 1874. The area of roadways under maintenance at the beginning of the present year was less than 400,000 square yards, and at this date it already exceeds 500,000 square yards, and is being continually added to by the completion of works in progress.

The sum of \$2,000 is required for flagging sidewalks and fencing vacant lots in front of city property.

This year's experience has shown that a larger appropriation for removing obstructions in public thoroughfares is required, and the sum of \$2,500 is asked for that purpose.

Many of the street signs on the public lamps have been broken or obliterated, and new lamps erected in the upper part of the city require such signs; the house numbers on many of the up-town streets are to be established, and monuments, showing grades and boundaries, are to be reset. An appropriation of \$2,500 is required to provide for these works.

The estimate for repairing and cleaning wells and pumps is increased to \$2,500.

The estimates on all the other accounts are either the same as those for 1873, or at a reduced rate.

The extraordinary reduction made by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment in the appropriation for salaries for the current year has compelled me to reduce the force of employes below the number required for an efficient administration of this Department. It is to be hoped, therefore, that no reduction will be made on the estimate of \$175,000 for that purpose, which is \$15,000 less than the estimate for 1873, and \$50,000 less than the appropriation for 1872.

The aggregate amount required for the year 1874 is \$1,649,500. For the purpose of comparison I will state that the expenditures on taxation for the year 1871 were \$3,175,192.79; for the year 1872 they were \$1,862,399.79; and the estimate for 1873 was \$1,669,500.

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

List of Officers, Clerks, &c., in the Department of Public Works.

EMPLOYMENT.	SALARY.
Commissioner of Public Works	\$10,000
Deputy Commissioner of Public Works	5,000
Chief Clerk	4,000
First bookkeeper	3,500
Second bookkeeper	3,000
Three general clerks at \$2,250	6,750
One general clerk	2,500
Messenger	1,500
First Assistant Messenger	1,200
Second Assistant Messenger	1,000
Contract Clerk	4,000
Clerk to Contract Clerk	1,800
Supt. of Street Improvements	4,000
Clerk to do	1,500
Map Clerk	1,800
Supt. of Streets	2,500
Supt. of Lamps and Gas	2,500
Clerk to do	1,800
Twenty Inspectors of Lamps at \$3 per day	2,500
Clerk to do	1,500
Keeper of City Hall	1,800
Regulator of Public Clocks	300
Supt. of Incumbrances	2,500
Clerk to do	1,200
Inspector Incumbrances	1,200
Messenger to Supt. of Incumbrances, \$2.50 pr. day	6,500
Chief Engineer	5,000
First Asst. do	2,000
Clerk to Chief Engineer	2,000
Water Purveyor	3,000
First Clerk to do	2,000
Second do. do	1,500
Inspector of Vaults and Areas	1,500
Water Register	4,000
Deputy do	3,000
Chief Clerk do	2,500
Four clerks do, at \$1,800 each	7,200
Six do. do, at \$1,500 each	9,000
Complaint Clerk	1,800
Inspector of Meters	1,200
Messenger	1,200
Five Water Policemen at \$1,000 each	5,000

Which was referred to the Committee on Finance and ordered to be printed in the minutes.

The following communication with accompanying estimate for 1874 was received from the Department of Public Parks.*

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

Hon. Samuel B. H. Vance, President Board of Aldermen:

SIR—I herewith transmit to the Board of Aldermen a duplicate of the estimates of this Department for the year 1874, as required by Section 112, Chapter 335, Laws of 1873.

I remain
Yours respectfully,
S. H. WALES,
President Dept. Public Parks.

DEPARTMENT PUBLIC PARKS,
36 UNION SQUARE,
NEW YORK, Sept. 27, 1873.

To the Board of Estimate and Apportionment:

In compliance with section 112 of chapter 335 of the Laws of 1873, the Department of Public Parks herewith furnishes a departmental estimate of expenditures, with the objects thereof in detail, required for the year 1874, including a statement of each of the salaries of their officers, clerks, employes, and subordinates.

These estimates are based chiefly on the experience of the year 1872, and the first seven months of the current year.

The Board has considered the fact that in the year 1872 it was found that in order to meet the public requirements it would be necessary to overrun the apportionment of that year, and in order that the anticipated deficiency might be kept as small as practicable, the parks in the latter part of the year were ill kept. The same

state of affairs recurs at the present time, it being again necessary for the Department to place such a limit upon expenditures in certain directions, as will result in permanent injury to the property under its charge.

The items in the present estimate which make the whole larger than the actual expenditures of 1872 and 1873 are chiefly the following:

ICE.—The estimates for ice is larger in view of the liability of the occurrence of unusual difficulties in keeping the ice clean for skating, owing to frequent and heavy snowfalls and other contingencies.

The expenditure in the winter of 1872-'73 was \$27,723.

MASONRY.—The estimate for masonry is larger in view of the fact that all the structures of masonry, more especially the arches which sustain heavy weights, require extraordinary and immediate repairs.

PARK KEEPERS.—The amount estimated for park keepers is larger than the recent expenditure would indicate to be needed, because the present force is considered to have been too small to prevent such misuse of the Parks as must damage them permanently. An addition is proposed of twenty-five men.

CONTINGENCIES.—The allowance for contingencies is equal to 5 per cent of the amount of proposed expenditure, and takes the place of the amounts heretofore received for rents, licenses, &c., which have been transferred from the control of the Department to the general fund of the City Treasury.

LIGHTING PARKS.—The Department has not heretofore paid for lighting the City Parks, which will in 1874 be a charge upon it of the amount estimated.

SEA WALL AT THE BATTERY.—This wall was laid previously to 1871. The filling back of it has been undermined, and the walks are dangerous. It is essential that repairs be made before the injuries become more extensive.

CITY HALL PAVEMENT.—The bituminous concrete pavement at the City Hall is in a very bad condition, and extensive repairs have for a long time been called for; it will need to be entirely relaid.

By order of the Board.

S. H. WALES,
President.

ESTIMATE of expenditures required for the Department of Public Parks for the year 1874:

For necessary care and repairs of the Central Park. (See appendix for details)	\$297,500
For music in Central Park	6,000
For park keepers in Central Park	110,000
For special inspection and repairs of masonry in the Central Park	10,000
For contingencies, Central Park	21,000
For necessary care and repairs of the small Parks and Places	55,000
For lighting small Parks and Places	33,000
For music in small Parks and Places	7,000
For park keepers in small Parks and Places	22,500
The sea wall at the Battery	10,000
For City Hall pavement	30,000
For bridges over Harlem River	15,000
For Observatory Museum and Gallery of Art, chapter 595, laws of 1869	30,000
For the American Museum of Natural History and Metropolitan Museum of Art, chapter 736, laws of 1873	30,000

Total estimates.....\$677,000
For the celebration of Independence Day by special appropriation in previous years..... 10,000

By order of the Board,

S. H. WALES, President.

APPENDIX showing details of the amount required for the necessary care and repairs of the Central Park:

For Roads	\$50,000
Walks	30,000
Plantations and garden work	50,000
Turf and borders	25,000
Water system and watering	3,000
Ice on lakes	30,000
Transverse roads	1,000
Tools, implements and repairs	5,000
Buildings, seats and signs	30,000
Lighting Park	2,500
Stables	6,000
Zoological collection	25,000
Proportion salaries and expenses of administration	20,000
Other purposes not classified	20,000
Total for Central Park	\$297,500

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

LIST OF OFFICERS, CLERKS, EMPLOYES AND SUBORDINATES, WITH THEIR SALARIES, SEPTEMBER 1, 1873.

	PER JAN.	PER ANNUM.
Salem H. Wales.....	President	\$6,500 00
David B. Williamson.....	Treasurer	4,500 00
William Irwin.....	Secretary	3,000 00
Isaac Evans.....	Ass't Secretary	2,500 00
D. Porter Lord.....	Chief clerk	2,200 00
Samuel T. Houghton.....	Bookkeeper	1,500 00
Albert C. Pratt.....	Ass't bookkeeper	1,200 00
Fred. C. A. Hecker.....	Messenger	782 50
Horace A. Whitney.....	Messenger	626 00
Alfred M. Whitmore.....	Messenger	2 00
Fred. Law Olmsted.....	Landscape arch't.	6,500 00
Howard A. Martin.....	Clerk	1,800 00
William B. Dyer.....	Ass't clerk	1,095 50
Jacob Wrey Mould.....	Associate arch't.	5,200 00
Axel Holmgren.....	Draughtsman	1,200 00
Arthur Krause.....	Draughtsman	3 00
Edward Kemp.....	Draughtsman	2 50
Julius Munckwitz.....	Supt'g architect	4,500 00
George S. Greene.....	Consulting eng'r.	5,000 00
John Bogart.....	Engineer	5,200 00
F. L. Underhill.....	Ass't engineer	1,800 00
Charles M. Harris.....	Ass't engineer	1,800 00
Gotlieb Bechtle.....	Surveyor	1,800 00
Otto Sibeth.....	Draughtsman	1,500 00
Halstead Hermans.....	Rodman	1,200 00
Max S. Thomson.....	Rodman	1,200 00
Frank A. Calkins.....	Surveyor	6 00
C. S. Millard.....	Chainman	2 75
Ed. Van Valkenburgh.....	Chainman	2 75
M. J. Kelly.....	Chainman	2 75
P. J. Mahoney.....	Chainman	2 75
Wm. A. Jeffers.....	Axeman	2 50
Joseph K. Choate.....	Axeman	2 50
Patrick Phillips.....	Axeman	2 50
Matt G. Robinson.....	Axeman	2 50
Daniel Campbell.....	Axeman	2 50
Frank Odell.....	Axeman	2 50
Edward A. Miller.....	Axeman	2 50

John Gleason.....	Axeman.....	2 50	782 50
Cortland E. Palmer.....	Tapeman.....	1 50	469 50
Warren L. Salmon.....	Tapeman.....	1 00	313 00
Wm. H. Grant.....	Civil and top. Eng.		5,200 00
Fred Griffenberg.....	Draughtsman.....		1,800 00
Emil S. Heuser.....	Draughtsman.....		1,500 00
William W. Pratt.....	Clerk.....	2 50	782 50
Fred W. Brown.....	Messenger.....	2 00	626 00
R. S. Cooke.....	Div. engineer.....		2,800 00
C. R. Schott.....	Ass't engineer.....	5 00	1,565 00
Isaac C. Halsted.....	Chainman.....	2 75	860 75
Thomas Fox.....	Chainman.....	2 75	860 75
Matthew Cox.....	Chainman.....	2 75	860 75
Samuel T. Bogg.....	Chainman.....	2 75	860 75
J. J. R. Croes.....	Div. engineer.....		3,500 00
S. S. Haight.....	Ass't engineer.....		2,800 00
George A. Cushing.....	Div. engineer.....		3,000 00
S. B. Smith.....	Levellor.....	5 00	1,565 00
Columbus Ryan.....	Superintendent.....		5,000 00
Charles B. Trimble.....	Clerk.....		2,000 00
William A. Conklin.....	Clerk.....		2,500 00
Robert Demcker.....	Head gardener.....		2,250 00
Emil T. Lagrave.....	Head gardener.....		2,000 00
Wm. H. Florence.....	(Bridge tender)		1,250 00
	(Central bidge.)		
John G. Sebald.....	(Bridge tender)		700 00
	(Harlem bidge.)		
Benjamin Bates.....	(Bridge tender)		700 00
	(Harlem bidge.)		
Daniel Draper.....	Meteorologist.....		3,000 00
Thomas B. Ingram.....	Clerk.....	3 00	1,095 00
Wm. Van Valkenburgh.....	Disbursing clerk.....		3,500 00
Joseph F. Belton.....	Clerk.....		1,800 00
Wm. H. Hoyt.....	Clerk.....		1,800 00
George H. Harrison.....	Clerk.....		1,200 00
Henry Carpenter.....	Messenger.....		626 00
John McLaughlin.....	Messenger.....	4 50	469 50
Morris E. Sterne.....	Messenger.....	3 00	939 00
G. L. Hunter, M. D.....	Police surgeon.....		1,250 00
W. C. Roberts, M. D.....	Police surgeon.....		2,000 00
Henry Koster.....	Captain of police.....		1,700 00
*Robert P. Schofield.....	Lieut. of police.....		1,250 00
4 sergeants.....		3 75	5,475 00
47 patrolmen.....		3 00	51,485 00
24 gate keepers.....		2 50	21,600 00
5 tailors.....		2 50	3,912 50

*This office (Lieutenant, has been abolished from and after 1st October, 1873.

S. H. WALES,
President.

Which was referred to the Committee on Finance and ordered to be printed in the minutes.

The following estimate for 1874 was received from the Department of Taxes and Assessments.

DEPARTMENT OF THE COMMISSIONERS
OF TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS,
City Hall Park, Chambers street,
NEW YORK, Sept. 29th, 1873.

In compliance with section 112, chapter 335, Laws of 1873, the Board of Commissioners herewith transmit their departmental estimate of the expenditure required for the administration and conduct of the Department of Taxes and Assessments of the City and County of New York, for the year 1874.

JOHN WHEELER,
GEO. H. ANDREWS,
S. D. MOULTON,

Commissioner of Taxes and Assessments.

To the Hon. Board of Aldermen:

DEPARTMENTAL ESTIMATE FOR 1874.	
1 Commissioner, President of the Board.....	\$6,500
2 Commissioners, at \$5,000 each.....	10,000
1 Secretary.....	2,500
1 Surveyor.....	3,000
1 Deputy Surveyor.....	1,800
2 Deputy Commissioners at \$3,000 each.....	6,000
15 " " at \$2,400 each.....	36,000
22 Clerks at \$1,700 each, 3 Clerks at \$1,800 each,	
3 Clerks at \$2,000 each.....	48,800
1 Superintendent.....	1,600
2 Messengers at \$1,200 each.....	2,400
Additional Salary for Clerks.....	400
	\$119,000
Stationery Blank Books, etc.....	5,000
Contingencies.....	1,000
	\$125,000

ESTIMATE FOR BOARD OF ASSESSORS.	
4 Assessors at \$3,000 each.....	\$12,000
1 Secretary.....	2,500
3 Clerks at \$1,800 each.....	5,400
Additional Salary for Clerks.....	2,500
	22,400
Contingencies.....	600
	\$23,000

Which was referred to the Committee on Finance and ordered to be printed in the minutes.

The following communication was received from the Comptroller:

CITY OF NEW YORK, DEPARTMENT OF)
FINANCE, COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,)
Sept. 27, 1873.

To Board of Aldermen:

Weekly statement, showing the appropriations made under the authority contained in chapter 753, 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	\$8,000 00	\$8,000 00
City Contingencies.	5,000 00	763 00
Contingencies, Legislative Dep't.	1,000 00	393 20
Printing for the Common Council	8,000 00	7,001 72
Salaries Legislative Department.....	183,597 17	116,577 03

AND. H. GREEN,
Comptroller.

Which was ordered on file.

REPORTS RESUMED.
G. O. 171.

The Committee on Railroads, to whom was referred the accompanying resolutions, directing the New York and Harlem Railroad Company to remove the side or third track, in the Fourth avenue, between Thirty-third and Twenty-sixth streets, and the switches and turn-outs connected therewith, and with the main tracks between Twenty-sixth and Twenty-seventh streets, across the sidewalk at Fourth avenue, and also to have said sidewalk flagged and the curb and gutter stones set, etc., respectfully

REPORT:

That, upon an investigation of the subject so referred, your Committee have learned that the side or third track laid down by said company, from Thirty-third to Twenty-sixth street, on the west side of the carriageway of the Fourth avenue, is now entirely useless, and has been so since the occupation of the Central Depot at Forty-second street, by the New Haven and Harlem Railroad Companies, and the abandonment of the depots of the above named companies located on Fourth avenue, between Twenty-sixth and Twenty-seventh streets.

When the abandoned depots were used, and the large passenger and freight cars of both companies occasionally blocked the two main tracks for some distance north of Twenty-seventh street, the side or third track may have been a necessity, arising from the exigencies of travel in the small or city cars of the Harlem Railroad Company, and if it did not excuse, would be, and most probably was, accepted, both by the city authorities and the people, as a justification for the inconvenience or annoyance occasioned to other vehicle travel on the Fourth avenue, between the points above indicated. This must have been the case, as your committee have not succeeded, after a diligent search, in finding any other right or authority for laying the track in question. The Harlem Railroad Company appear to have been the judges of the necessity for this additional track, and it appears to have been laid down to suit its convenience or supposed necessities, in total disregard of the rights of our citizens to the free and unobstructed uses of their streets and avenues. It is clear, in the minds of your committee, that authority to lay this third track was never given by the Common Council; and as no other power had the right to permit it, the track is most assuredly an unauthorized and unwarranted interference with the public use of the avenue, and an illegal infringement of the power of the city authorities. Consequently, it should be removed immediately, together with all connecting switches and turn-outs, and the carriageway of the avenue restored to the condition in which it existed previous to being disturbed when the said track was laid.

The condition of the sidewalk of the Fourth avenue between Twenty-sixth and Twenty-seventh streets, is such, also, as to require the immediate attention of the city authorities. It has never been flagged, nor have the curb and gutter stones been set, except in front of the two old depots, one at the corner of Twenty-sixth and one at the corner of Twenty-seventh street, leaving a space between the centre of the block of about 150 feet, that is paved with large blocks of stone, the gutter being covered with an iron grating, now partly worn out, and in one place removed, both the gutter and the sidewalk being crossed in several places by the rails of the unused switches and turn-outs, in such a manner as to present a very uneven surface for pedestrians, and the grating over the gutter being partly displaced or removed, renders the use of the street positively dangerous for vehicle travel. Your committee have been unable to discover any permission so to use the street and sidewalk in this manner except the general permit contained in the original grant, to lay down the necessary switches and turn-outs, for the transaction of the business of the Harlem Railroad Company; but, as before stated, these depots having been abandoned since the occupation of the Grand Central Depot, it cannot now be claimed that they are necessary for the transaction of the business of the company.

The switches and turnouts should at once be removed entirely, the curb and gutter stones should be set, the sidewalk should be flagged full width, and the carriageway of the avenue should be repaved, or at least that portion of it from which the rails are to be removed, in order to restore the street to a proper condition for use by the public. This is clearly the duty of the New York and Harlem Railroad Company, who for many years have had the almost exclusive use of the street and sidewalk, without paying an equivalent therefor, and who, now that its uses for railroad purposes is no longer required by that company, have abandoned it and left it in such a condition as to be a serious inconvenience to the public, positively dangerous to vehicle travel, and detrimental to the owners of property and occupants of stores and dwellings in the vicinity.

Your Committee are decidedly of the opinion that it is incumbent upon the city authorities, in the interest of the people of this city, to exercise the full power and authority vested in the corporation by recent State legislation, in guarding, preserving and maintaining their corporate rights and franchises, which, of late years, have, with seeming impunity, been usurped and turned to the uses and for the advantage of private individuals and corporations, and to such an extent that scarcely a vested corporate right has escaped their rapacity, and that, too, without any equivalent whatever being returned to our people. This is peculiarly the case in respect to the uses of our streets and highways, and have been effected as the natural result of the disabilities imposed upon the corporate authorities by special legislation at Albany which deprived them, or seemingly so, at least, of the power to prevent these unwarranted encroachments upon the rights of our people.

At the last session of the Legislature of this State, however, the power to regulate the uses of the streets, and many other corporate powers of the City Government were restored, as will be seen by reference to Section 17 of Chapter 335 of the Laws of 1873, sub-divisions 2 and 4 of which relate particularly to the use of the streets and sidewalks in this city.

It is high time the corporate authorities asserted the power thus vested in them, as well to promote the welfare of all our citizens as to maintain, unquestioned and unimpaired, for all

time to come, their jurisdiction over the streets and avenues in this city.

Your committee, therefore, respectfully recommend for your adoption the resolutions which were so referred to them, and which are herewith accompanying.

Resolved, That the New York and Harlem Railroad Company be, and is hereby directed to remove the side-track on the Fourth avenue, between Thirty-third and Twenty-sixth street, together with the switches connected therewith, and to restore the carriageway of said Fourth avenue, so as to conform to the other paved portions thereof; also to remove the switches and turn-outs that connected the tracks in the Fourth avenue, with the depots of the New York and Harlem and New York and New Haven Railroad Companies, on the west side of said Fourth avenue, between Twenty-sixth and Twenty-seventh street, and to set the curb and gutter stones and flag the sidewalks, so as to conform to other portions of said Fourth avenue; and be it further

Resolved, That the Commissioner of Public Works be, and he is hereby directed immediately to serve a copy of these resolutions upon the President, Superintendent or Engineer of the said New York and Harlem Railroad Company, at the same time notifying such officer that the provisions of said resolutions must be complied with, within a period of thirty days from the date of such notification; and in the event of neglect or refusal on the part of said company so to comply with such directions, the Commissioner of Public Works is hereby further directed to remove such track, switches and turn-outs, and restore the carriageway of Fourth avenue and the sidewalk thereof, between Twenty-sixth and Twenty-seventh streets, and to sue for and recover from the said railroad company the cost thereof; and in addition, such neglect or refusal shall subject the said railroad company to a fine of one hundred dollars per day for every day such obstructions to the free use of said Fourth avenue or any part thereof shall continue after the expiration of the 30 days mentioned in such notification, to be sued for and recovered in the manner now provided by law for the recovery of penalties for violation of the ordinances of the Common Council, upon the complaint of the said Commissioner of Public Works, or any owner or occupant of property on the Fourth avenue, between Twenty-sixth and Thirty-fourth streets, or any citizen inconvenienced or injured by the neglect or refusal of the said New York and Harlem Railroad Company to comply with the provisions of these resolutions.

O. P. C. BILLINGS,
OSWALD OTTENDORFER,
Committee on Railroads.

Which was laid over.

G. O. 170.

The Committee on Finance of the Board of Aldermen, to whom was referred the annexed resolution, in favor of permitting the New York and New Haven Railroad Company to relay a railroad track in Franklin street, between Centre and Elm streets, on condition that said Company pay for the privilege, granted the sum of one thousand dollars per annum; and also, provided said Company shall stipulate to restore the street to its present condition in the event of said rails being taken up by order of the Common Council, or otherwise, respectfully

REPORT:

That, after having carefully considered the subject, they are of the opinion that it will be advantageous to the city, if such a contract can be made, and they recommend that if the aforesaid Company desire to enter into any such agreement, that the Comptroller be authorized to make a contract as provided for in the accompanying resolution, and that the Company be permitted to lay the track as desired.

Resolved, That permission be and is hereby given to the New York and New Haven Railroad Company to relay a railroad track in Franklin street, on the northerly side, between Centre and Elm streets, commencing at Centre street and running westerly to easterly side of entrance to the City Prison, near Elm street, sufficiently long to hold three or four cars, provided said railroad company shall pay for the privilege hereby granted the sum of one thousand dollars per annum, in regular quarterly payments; the said quarterly payments to be made regularly to the Comptroller, who shall deposit the same to the credit of the Sinking Fund for the Redemption of the Debt of the City; provided, also, that the said railroad company shall enter into a stipulation with the said Comptroller or the Commissioner of Public Works to restore the said street to its present condition, in the event of the said rails being taken up, either by order of the Common Council, or voluntarily by the said company; the permission hereby given to continue only while such quarterly payments shall be regularly made, or until the further order of the Common Council.

JOHN J. MORRIS,
OSWALD OTTENDORFER,
PETER KEHR,
Committee on Finance.

Which was laid over.

G. O. 156.

The Committee on Public Works of the Board of Aldermen to whom was referred the annexed resolution for laying gas-mains, etc., in Forty-fifth street between First and Second avenues,

REPORT:

That, having examined the subject, they believe the proposed improvement to be necessary. They therefore recommend the adoption of said resolution.

Resolved, That gas-mains be laid, and street-lamps lighted, in Forty-fifth street, between First and Second avenues, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

GEORGE KOCH,
JOHN J. MORRIS,
Committee on Public Works.

Which was laid over.

The Committee on Public Works of the Board of Aldermen, to whom was referred the annexed resolution from the Board of Assistant Aldermen, in favor of permitting Peter Rathjen to erect a watering trough in front of No. 28 Varick street, at his own expense, respectfully

REPORT:

That, having examined the subject, they believe the proposed permission should be given. They therefore recommend that the action of the Board of Assistant Aldermen, in adopting said resolution, be concurred in.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Peter Rathjen, to erect a watering trough in front of Number 28 Varick street, at his own expense and under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, and such permission to remain only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

GEO. KOCH,
JOHN J. MORRIS,
Committee on Public Works.

Which was adopted.

Alderman Kehr called up

G. O. 137.

being a resolution as follows:

Resolved, That Twenty-fourth street, from the Eleventh avenue to the North 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—The President, Aldermen Billings, Cooper, Falconer, Flanagan, Kehr, Koch, Ly-saght, McCafferty, Monheimer, Morris, Otten-dorfer and Reilly—13.

G. O. 150.

The Committee on Public Works of the Board of Aldermen, to whom was referred the annexed resolution and ordinance for fencing in the vacant lots on the west side of the Boulevard, between Sixtieth and Sixty-first street, and on the north side of Sixtieth street 125 feet west of the Boulevard, and on the south side of Sixty-first street, 100 feet west of the Boulevard, respectfully

REPORT:

That, having examined the subject, they believe the proposed improvement to be necessary. They therefore recommend the adoption of said resolution and ordinance.

Resolved, That the vacant lots on the west side of the Boulevard, between Sixtieth and Sixty-first street, and on the north side of Sixtieth street, 125 feet west of the Boulevard, and on the south side of Sixty-first street, 100 feet west of the Boulevard, be fenced in, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

GEO. KOCH,
JOHN J. MORRIS,
Committee on Public Works.

Which was laid over.

Alderman Cooper called up

G. O. 21.

being a resolution as follows:

Resolved, That the sidewalk on south side of Forty-ninth street, between the 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 adopted by the following vote:
Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Billings, Cooper, Falconer, Flanagan, Kehr, Koch, Ly-saght, McCafferty, Monheimer, Morris, Otten-dorfer and Reilly—13.

Alderman Koch called up

G. O. 45.

being a resolution as follows:

Resolved, That lamp-posts be erected and street lamps lighted on Eighty-fifth street, between Avenue A and First avenue, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

Which was adopted by the following vote:
Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Billings, Cooper, Falconer, Flanagan, Kehr, Koch, Ly-saght, McCafferty, Monheimer, Morris, Otten-dorfer and Reilly—13.

Alderman Koch called up

G. O. 131.

being a resolution as follows:

Resolved, That East Sixtieth street, between First 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 adopted by the following vote:
Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Billings, Cooper, Falconer, Flanagan, Kehr, Koch, Ly-saght, Monheimer, McCafferty, Morris, Otten-dorfer and Reilly—13.

Alderman Kehr called up

G. O. 39.

being a resolution as follows:

Resolved, That Eighty-second street, from Madison to First 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—The President, Aldermen Billings,

Second District, 4th, 6th, and 14th Wards, 514 Pearl street.	9 a. m., 4 p. m.
Third District, 8th, 9th, and 15th Wards, 12 Greenwich avenue.	9 a. m., 4 p. m.
Fourth District, 10th, and 17th Wards, 163 East Houston street.	9 a. m., 4 p. m.
Fifth District, 7th, 11th, and 13th Wards, 154 Clinton street.	9 a. m., 4 p. m.
Sixth District, 19th and 22d Wards, 57th street, between Third and Lexington avenues.	9 a. m., 4 p. m.
Eighth District, 16th and 20th Wards, S. W. cor. 22d st. and 7th ave.	9:30 a. m., 4 p. m.
Ninth District, 12th Ward, 2374 Fourth avenue.	9 a. m., 4 p. m.

MARINE COURT (Brown stone building.)
 General Term, 32 Chamber Room 17, 10 a. m., 3 p. m.
 Special " " " Room 15, " "
 Chambers, " " " Room 18, " "
 Clerk's Office, " " Room 19, 9 a. m., 4 p. m.

First District, 14th, 24th, 25th, 26th, 27th, and portion of Sanitary Precinct.	Tombs, cor. Franklin and Centre streets.	7 a. m., 3 p. m.
Second District, 8th, 9th, 15th, 16th, 20th, 25th, 33d, 28th, and 29th Precincts.	Greenwich ave., corner of 10th street.	9 a. m., 6 p. m.
Third District, 7th, 10th, 11th, 13th, 17th, 18th, and portion of Sanitary Precinct.	69 Essex street.	8 a. m., 4 p. m.
Fourth District, 19th, 21st, 23d, 27d, and 19th sub station.	57th street, between 3d and Lexington ave.	8 a. m., 5 p. m.
Fifth District, 12th Ward, 2374 Fourth avenue (Harlem.)		8 a. m., 4 p. m.

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,
 PH. BISSINGER,
 D. B. WILLIAMSON,
 SAMUEL HALL,
 Commissioners.

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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 will be necessary for them to submit properly drawn and figured elevations of the walls to be so supported.
 W. W. ADAMS
 Superintendent.
 New York, August 27th, 1873.

STREET OPENINGS.

SUPREME COURT.—IN THE MATTER OF THE application of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty 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 30th day of November, 1873, and that we, the said Commissioners, will hear parties so objecting within the ten week-days next after the said 30th 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 all 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,
 GRAZ NATHAN,
 MICHAEL C. MURPHY,
 Commissioners.

SUPREME COURT.—IN THE MATTER OF THE application of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty 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 all 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 northerly and westerly along the southerly 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 WALEN,
 Commissioners.

SUPREME COURT.—IN THE MATTER OF THE application of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty 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 all 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, equi-distant 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 equi-distant 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,
 GRAZ NATHAN,
 HENRY McDONNELL,
 Commissioners.

CORPORATION NOTICE.

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO THE owner or owners, occupant or occupants of all houses and lots, improved or unimproved lands, affected thereby, that the following assessments have been completed and are lodged in the office of the Board of Assessors for examination by all persons interested, viz.:
 1.—For flagging sidewalk, northerly side of 13th street, from No. 415 to Avenue A, full width.
 2.—For paving 60th street, from 1st avenue to 3d avenue.
 3.—For flagging sidewalk of southeast corner of Broadway and 33d street, about 100 feet on Broadway, and 100 feet on 33d street.
 4.—For paving 37th street, from 7th avenue to North River, with Belgian pavement.
 5.—For regulating, grading, setting curb and gutter stone, and flagging 60th street, between 10th avenue and Hudson river.

The limits embraced by such assessment, include all the several houses and lots of ground, vacant lots, pieces and parcels of land, situated on

- 1.—North side of 13th street, between Avenue A and 1st avenue, to the extent of 400 feet toward 1st avenue.
- 2.—Both sides of 60th street, from 1st to 3d avenues, to the extent of half the block on the intersecting streets.
- 3.—The property known as Ward Nos. 533, 536, 537, 538, 539.
- 4.—Both sides of 37th street, from 7th avenue to the North river, except half the block between 11th avenue and North river, to the extent of half the block on the intersecting streets.
- 5.—Both sides of 60th street, from the 10th avenue to Hudson river, to the extent of one-half the block on the intersecting streets.

All persons whose interests are affected by the above-named assessments and who are opposed to the same, or either of them, are requested to present their objections in writing, to Thomas B. Asten, Chairman of the Board of Assessors, at their office, No. 19 Chatham street, within thirty days from the date of this notice.

THOMAS B. ASTEN,
 JOHN MCHARG,
 MUNSON H. TREADWELL,
 VALENTINE S. WOODRUFF,
 Board of Assessors.

OFFICE, BOARD OF ASSESSORS,
 NEW YORK, Sept. 30, 1873.

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 Soulong Tea.
- 1,000 " Ordinary Oolong Tea.
- 200 " Farina.
- 500 " Corn Starch.
- 700 " 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.

BOARD OF EDUCATION.

SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED BY the Board of School Trustees of the Twelfth ward, at the office of the Clerk of the Board of Education, corner of Grand and Elm streets, until Wednesday, the 15th day of October, 1873, and until 9 1/2 o'clock A. M. on said day, for fitting up and furnishing for school purposes the premises on the north west corner of 105th street and Third avenue.

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

Two approved responsible sureties will be required from the successful bidder; proposals will not be received unless sureties are named.
 The Trustees reserve the right to reject any or all of the proposals offered.

DAVID H. KNAPP,
 JOSEPH P. FALLON,
 LAWSON N. FULLER,
 ANDREW SMITH,
 GRANVILLE P. HAWS,
 Board of School Trustees, Twelfth Ward.
 New York, Sept. 30th, 1873.

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,
 FRED'K C. WAGNER,
 Board of School Trustees, 17th Ward.
 Dated New York, September 24, 1873.

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.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE,
 BUREAU OF COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS, ROOM No. 14, CITY HALL, NEW YORK, September 9, 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.

NOTICE TO TAX-PAYERS.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE,
 BUREAU OF THE RECEIVER OF TAXES,
 September 30, 1873.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE books for taxes on BANK STOCK will be opened for payment at this office on Thursday next, October 2. The books for REAL ESTATE will be opened for payment on Monday next, October 6.
 Payment can be made between the hours of 8 A. M. and 2 P. M. A deduction at the rate of seven per cent per annum, calculated from the date of payment to the 1st day of December, will be made on all taxes paid previous to the first of November.
 MARTIN T. McMAHON,
 Receiver of Taxes.

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.

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:

Grantors,.....	28	volumes.
Grantees,.....	24	"
Notices of Suits in Equity, ..	8	"
Insolvents, &c.,.....	1	"
Total,.....	61	" \$100 00
Judgments,.....	25	" 12 50
Sets unbound,.....	61	" 15 25

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.

DEPARTMENT PUBLIC WORKS.

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

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.