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LAW DEPARTMENT.

OPINIONS OF THE COUNSEL TO THE CORPORATION.

The Department of Public Charities and Correction may lawfully and properly transfer the Small-pox Hospital to the exclusive charge of the Board of Health.

LAW DEPARTMENT—OFFICE OF THE
COUNSEL TO THE CORPORATION,
NEW YORK, October 29, 1874.

Hon. JAMES BOWEN,
President of the Department of
Public Charities and Correction.

SIR—Your letter of the 23d instant submitted for my consideration an opinion of the Attorney of the Board of Health of this city, in respect to the powers and duties of that Board in connection with the Small-pox Hospital. This opinion is to the effect that, under existing laws, the Board of Health should take exclusive charge of that hospital; and you state that, if I concur in this opinion, the transfer of the hospital to the Board of Health will be made on the first of November next.

I have examined the various provisions of law relating to this matter, especially chapter 636 of the laws of 1874, and chapter 74 of the Laws of 1866, and I have no doubt that the Department of Public Charities and Correction can properly and lawfully transfer the Small-pox Hospital to the exclusive charge of the Board of Health.

I return herewith the opinion transmitted to me with your letter.

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

The power of the Board of Health to designate and have in charge places for the treatment of patients afflicted with the small-pox and other contagious diseases is fixed by statute.

But the authority conferred by law upon the Board of Health to provide and pay for the use of proper places to which to remove such persons, does not necessarily carry with it the right to receive from the Department of Public Charities and Correction the unconditional surrender of a building within the jurisdiction of the latter merely because it has been used as a small-pox hospital.

LAW DEPARTMENT—OFFICE OF THE
COUNSEL TO THE CORPORATION,
NEW YORK, October 30, 1874.

Hon. JAMES BOWEN,
President of the Department of Public
Charities and Correction.

SIR—Your letter of this date states that you are in receipt of my communication of the 29th instant, stating that "I have no doubt the Department of Public Charities and Correction can lawfully transfer the small-pox hospital to the exclusive charge of the Board of Health," and you ask if it be mandatory that such transfer should be made.

The act of 1866 provides, among other things, that the Board of Health may cause to be removed to a proper place within the district to be by them designated, any person sick with small-pox, or other contagious disease. (Laws of 1866, chapter 74, section 16, volume 1, page 131.) The act of 1874 provides that "the Board shall have the same powers in respect to persons afflicted with any contagious, pestilential, or infectious disease, as are given by the 16th section of chapter 74 of the Laws of 1866, in respect to persons afflicted with contagious diseases; shall have exclusive charge and control of the hospitals for the treatment of such cases; and shall have power to provide and pay for the use of proper places to which to remove such persons, as well as to designate such places; and said Board may cause proper care and attendance to be given to persons so sick or removed when it shall be made to appear to the said Board that any such person is so poor as to be unable to procure for himself such care and attendance, or that the public health requires special medical care and attendance."

Under these provisions, and under the general powers of the Board of Health conferred by existing statutes, there is no doubt that the Board of Health may exercise exclusive jurisdiction over any hospital, building, or place where cases of small-pox are in course of treatment. So long, therefore, as the "Small-pox Hospital" mentioned in your letter continues to be such, it must be committed to the exclusive charge of the Board of Health; and the power of the Board over the same is given by law, and cannot be interfered with. With this explanation, the proper answer to your last communication is, that the transfer of the small-pox hospital in question to the charge of the Board of Health is mandatory upon the Department of Public Charities and Correction. In other words, the law is mandatory that, as to the care of cases of small-pox, the Board of Health is given full power and jurisdiction. There is nothing, however, in the law, requiring the Department of Public Charities and Correction to transfer any particular building to the Board of Health, even though the same may have been heretofore used for the treatment of any special disease. I do not see anything in the statutes giving the Board of Health any special power to take from the Department of Public Charities and Correction, any more than from any other department, officer, or individual, any building or place of which such department, officer, or individual may be in lawful possession. The Board of Health, as I have already stated, may cause a person sick with small-pox to be removed to a proper place to be by them designated. As I have also already stated, the Board of Health has exclusive charge and control of the hospitals for the treatment of small-pox patients. It has power to provide and pay for the use of proper places to which to remove such persons, as well as to designate such places. I repeat that so long as the hospital in question shall continue to be a small-pox hospital, the law is mandatory that the power of conducting the same is with the Board of Health to the exclusion of all other departments. If, however, the building in question should be changed and renovated, and cease to be a small-pox hospital, then there is nothing in the law changing the jurisdiction of such building from the Department of Public Charities and Correction to the Board of Health. If this building be peculiarly adapted to a small-pox hospital, and it be manifest that its use for this purpose is more to the public advantage than would be its use for any other public requirement, it may be advisable that the transfer in question should be made; but if its location be such as is by law within the jurisdiction of the Department of Public Charities and Correction, the Board of Health can have no peculiar right to it as a building, although the power of the Board of Health over it as a small-pox hospital is clearly conferred by statute. The question you ask therefore depends to what use the building is to be put. If to a small-pox hospital then the power of the Board of Health is fixed and exclusive. If to any other purpose, it remains in the charge of the Department of Public Charities and Correction.

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

Mere certificates of physicians, approved by a judge, afford no sufficient authority for the detention of an alleged lunatic.

To legalize such detention there must be a regular commitment by a judge or justice, founded upon the certificates of two physicians, possessing certain qualifications, which qualifications must also be certified by a judge of a court of record; nor can the alleged lunatic be lawfully detained longer than five days, unless such certificates be approved by a judge or justice of a court of record of the county in which the lunatic resides.

The certificates of physicians are not themselves a commitment, nor do they obviate the necessity thereof. The certificate that the case is one of "dementia" does not satisfy the requirements of the statute in relation to the detention of an alleged lunatic.

The act of 1874 does not expressly repeal the laws in relation to lunatics in force at the time of its passage.

LAW DEPARTMENT—OFFICE OF THE
COUNSEL TO THE CORPORATION,
NEW YORK, Oct. 28, 1874.

Hon. JAMES BOWEN,
President of the Department of
Public Charities and Correction.

SIR—A letter to me of the 18th September ultimo, from the Honorable William Laimbeer, your immediate predecessor in the office of President of the Department of Public Charities and Correction, enclosed a communication from Richard M. Lush, Warden of the Asylum for the

Insane, on Ward's Island, with certain commitments by Police Justices, the Surrogate, and a Justice of the Marine Court, and requested my opinion whether those commitments are in conformity with chapter 446 of the Laws of 1874.

First.—In the case of Duncan Nichol, I think the certificates of Drs. Kitchen and Breeks, approved by a Justice of the Marine Court, afford no authority whatever for the detention of such alleged lunatic. The act of 1874, in my judgment, does not dispense with a commitment, but merely provides that such commitment shall not be made except upon the certificates of two physicians, who are to possess certain qualifications, which qualifications must also be certified by a Judge of a Court of Record. No Judge or Justice can lawfully sign any commitment of a lunatic without the production to him of such certificates that the party committed is a lunatic; nor can the lunatic be lawfully detained longer than five days, unless such certificates are approved by a Judge or Justice of a Court of Record of the county in which the lunatic resides. The certificates of the physicians, however, are not themselves commitments, nor do they take the place of commitments.

Second.—The State Commissioner of Lunacy was authorized, by chapter 446 of the Laws of 1874, to prepare blank forms of certificates to be given by physicians; the forms used by Doctors Kitchen and Breeks are those approved by such Commissioner, and are correct; but the certificate of Dr. Breeks is defective in stating merely that the disease upon which his opinion rested was "dementia." The learned doctor might as well have confined himself to the statement that Nichols was insane. The certificate of Dr. Kitchen, in this respect, is none too full, and that of Dr. Breeks is entirely worthless.

Third.—The general forms of the commitments used in the cases of Packard, Roof, and Ford, are those in use prior to the passage of the Statute of 1874, and, so far as the printed matter is concerned, seem to me to be in the main correct. It is proper, though not essential, to print, at the upper corner of the commitment, a reference to the statutes under which the commitment is made. The act of 1874 does not expressly repeal the laws in relation to lunatics in force at the time of its passage, and I think the reference should be as in the printed form of all the commitments, with the addition of a reference to the law of 1874.

I think the commitment should also recite that the physicians possess the qualifications prescribed by the act of 1874. The statement in the commitment of Packard, that the physicians were "duly qualified under chapter 446 of the Laws of 1874 of the State of New York," is proper and desirable.

The commitment of Packard, however, states that the lunatic is to be confined in a secure place "approved by the State Commissioner in Lunacy." Section 1 of title 9 of chapter 446 of the Laws of 1874, provides, that private asylums must be licensed by the State Commissioner in Lunacy, but the statute expressly declares that this provision shall not apply to any asylum or institution established or conducted by any county. The 6th section of title 1 of that act does provide for the commitment of lunatics to such public or private asylums as may be approved by any standing order or resolution of the Supervisors of the county. If any statement, therefore, is to be made in the commitment as to the asylum having been approved by any one, it should be, as in the printed form, "approved by the standing order or resolution of the Supervisors of the County of New York."

It is to be regretted that the passage of the act of 1874 has caused such confusion and uncertainty as to the proper methods to be pursued in the commitment of lunatics. The practice will doubtless become uniform in a short time. If points arise other than those above considered I shall be happy upon application to advise the Department in relation thereto.

I return herewith the copies certificates and commitments transmitted to me.

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

The printing and binding of indexes to proceedings of the Board of Aldermen must be regarded as "printing and stationery" within the meaning of these terms as used in section 111 of the Charter of 1873, and as also employed in the amendatory act, Laws of 1873, chapter 757, section 19.

The claim for printing and binding such indexes must be treated as a claim for "printing and stationery," although an item of the demand may be for such preparation of the indexes as was required to print and bind them.

Where at the time work or materials are furnished to the City, there exists an appropriation from which payment therefor can be made, it is no defense to an action subsequently brought to recover such payment that the appropriation has been exhausted in the payment of other demands.

If there be no reasonable question, no reasonable doubt, that the interposition of a defense to a claim against the City can have but one result, namely, the ultimate payment of the claim under compulsion of the law, augmented by interest and costs, it is plainly wrong to involve the Corporation in litigation.

LAW DEPARTMENT—OFFICE OF THE
COUNSEL TO THE CORPORATION,
NEW YORK, Oct. 28, 1874.

Hon. ANDREW H. GREEN, Comptroller.

SIR—With your letter of the 21st instant you send me the summons and complaint in the suit of James A. Flack for \$363 80, being for "preparation, printing, and binding indexes to volumes 127 and 128 of the proceedings of the Board of Aldermen during the year 1873." You state that after a thorough investigation of this question you are convinced that supplies of this character can only be furnished by contract; that no legal authority can be given to the Commissioner of Public Works to obtain the same in any other manner; and you ask that I will answer the complaint denying the liability of the City. There is also appended to your letter, by yourself, a note to the effect that there is no appropriation from which the claim can be paid, and that "the preparation of an index is not stationery, nor is it printing."

If there be no reasonable question, no reasonable doubt, that the interposition of a defense to a claim against the City can have but one result, namely, the ultimate payment of the claim under compulsion of the law, augmented by interest and costs, it is plainly wrong to involve the Corporation in litigation. This suit, with all others which I am called upon to defend, has had my careful deliberation. It is clear to my mind that while section 111 of the Charter of 1873 requires work of this character to be done by contract, the amendatory act (Laws of 1873, chapter 757, section 19) obviates the necessity of proceeding by contract where the Mayor, the Counsel to the Corporation, and the Commissioner of Public Works concur by resolution in directing a different course. Stationery and printing for the Boards of the Common Council have been the subject of such a resolution by the three officers mentioned. The question in the first objection stated in your letter has been repeatedly passed upon by me. (See opinion of the Counsel to the Corporation, dated October 24, 1874, CITY RECORD, volume 2d, No. 414, issued October 27, 1874. See also the opinions and authorities therein referred to).

But you object, secondly, that the preparation of an index is not "stationery," nor is it "printing." I am clear, on the contrary, that the "preparation, printing, and binding indexes" must be regarded as "stationery and printing" within the meaning of the laws above cited. If we enter a printing or binding establishment, we shall find that many things must be done by those engaged therein, preliminary to and accompanying the actual printing and binding. If the proceedings of the Common Council should be returned from a printing and binding house without indexes, the conduct of the contractors or persons doing the work would be subject to just animadversion. The mere preparation of the indexes preliminary to setting the type and actually striking off impressions, no more deprives the whole work of the character of "printing and stationery" than do the other preliminary and accompanying labors and arrangements required to do any part of the work desired. Indexes, where they are so simple as those which are ordinarily bound up with the proceedings of the branches of the Common Council, have been habitually left for their preparation to the printers and binders. The elaborate indexes to works of law are usually but not always prepared by the authors; but indexes such as these, by common usage, are a part of the business of the printer and binder.

The suggestion that there is at present no appropriation from which this claim can be paid is one that the Courts have repeatedly overruled. It would be otherwise if there had been no appropriation at the time the work was ordered and done. It is my duty to again send you the summons and complaint, advising you that the claim must necessarily be either paid or be allowed to go to judgment, and be then paid with interest and costs.

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

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

PASSED BY BOTH BRANCHES OF THE COMMON COUNCIL

AND

APPROVED BY THE MAYOR,

DURING THE WEEK ENDING OCTOBER 31, 1874.

Resolved, That Thirty-sixth street, from Eleventh to the Twelfth avenue, 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.

Adopted by the Board of Assistant Aldermen, September 28, 1874.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, October 15, 1874.

Approved by the Mayor, October 24, 1874.

Resolved, That the Commissioner of Public Works be and he is hereby directed to cause the lamp-posts that have been removed by the contractors for grading Third avenue, in the Twenty-third Ward, from Westchester avenue to the northern boundary of said Ward, be replaced by said contractors, and lighted, within thirty days after the passage of this resolution.

Adopted by the Board of Assistant Aldermen, October 5, 1874.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, October 22, 1874.

Approved by the Mayor, October 24, 1874.

Resolved, That the Commissioner of Public Works be and he is hereby authorized and directed to have the curb and gutter stones reset and sidewalks reflagged, where not already done, in Eighty-fourth street, between the Eighth and Tenth avenues, as the same is necessary in consequence of the change of grade of said street, the property having been once assessed for the same.

Adopted by the Board of Assistant Aldermen, October 5, 1874.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, October 15, 1874.

Approved by the Mayor, October 24, 1874.

Resolved, That William R. Palmer be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in place and stead of Michael W. Wiley, who has failed to qualify.

Adopted by the Board of Assistant Aldermen, October 19, 1874.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, October 22, 1874.

Approved by the Mayor, October 24, 1874.

Resolved, That Joseph Fleischel be and he is hereby reappointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York.

Adopted by the Board of Assistant Aldermen, October 19, 1874.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, October 22, 1874.

Approved by the Mayor, October 24, 1874.

Resolved, That James F. Chamberlain be re-appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York.

Adopted by the Board of Assistant Aldermen, October 19, 1874.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, October 22, 1874.

Approved by the Mayor, October 24, 1874.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Anthony Bourke to erect a lamp-post and lamp in front of his premises, situated at No. 245 Monroe street, the post not to exceed the usual dimensions, and the gas to be supplied from his own private meter; the same to be done under the supervision of the Commissioner of Public Works; and such permission hereby given to remain only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

Adopted by the Board of Assistant Aldermen, October 12, 1874.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, October 15, 1874.

Received from his Honor the Mayor, October 24, 1874, without his approval or objections thereto; therefore, under the provisions of an act entitled "An act to reorganize the local government of the City of New York," passed April 30, 1873, the same became adopted.

J. C. PINCKNEY, Clerk C. C.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

Report for the week ending October 31, 1874.

Licenses granted and amounts received for licenses and fines by First Marshal:

Licenses granted..... 2,007

Amount received..... \$3,267 25

Permits issued for street stands, signs, show-cases, etc., and amount received for same:

Permits issued..... 196

Amount received..... \$253 00

W. F. HAVEMEYER, Mayor.

BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND APPORTIONMENT.

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, NEW COURT-HOUSE,

Monday, November 2, 1874, 3 o'clock P.M.

The Board met pursuant to the following call:

OFFICE OF THE MAYORALTY, EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, CITY HALL, NEW YORK, October 31, 1874.

In pursuance of the authority contained in the 112th section of chapter 335, being an act entitled "An Act to reorganize the local government of the City of New York," passed April 30, 1873; and section 1 of chapter 779, being an act entitled "An Act in relation to raising money by taxation, in the County of New York, for county purposes," passed June 14, 1873; and chapter 304, being an act entitled "An Act to consolidate the Government of the City and County of New York, and further to regulate the same," passed April 30, 1874; and chapter 303, being an act entitled "An Act in relation to the Estimates and Apportionment for the support of the Government of the County of New York," passed April 30, 1874; and chapter 308, being an act entitled "An Act in relation to the Estimates and Apportionment for the support of the Government of the City of New York," passed May 1, 1874;—a meeting is hereby called of the Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, and the President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments, constituting a Board of Estimate and Apportionment, to be held at the office of the Comptroller, on Monday, November 2, 1874, at 3 o'clock P.M., for the purposes specified in the requisition of the Comptroller of October 31, 1874.

W. F. HAVEMEYER, Mayor.

CITY OF NEW YORK—DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, October 31, 1874.

HON. WILLIAM F. HAVEMEYER, Mayor:

Sir—Please call a meeting of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment to be held on Monday, November 2, 1874, at 3 o'clock P.M., or such other hour as may suit your convenience, for the purpose of authorizing the issue of the following bonds, viz.: "Assessment Bonds," as authorized by chapter 397, Laws of 1852, and chapter 580, Laws of 1872, to meet the payment of the same class of bonds falling due November 10, 1874, three hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000) Assessment Fund Bonds, as authorized by chapter 579, Laws of 1853, and an ordinance of the Common Council, passed May 7, 1860, to meet the payment of the same class of bonds falling due November 1, 1874, one hundred and seventy-two thousand dollars (\$172,000) Assessment Bonds, as authorized by chapter 397, Laws of 1852, and chapter 580, Laws of 1872, two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000), and for the transaction of such other business as may come before said Board.

Respectfully, ANDREW H. GREEN, Comptroller.

INDORSED:

Admission of a copy of the within, as served upon us this day, October 31, 1874.

W. F. HAVEMEYER, Mayor.

ANDREW H. GREEN, Comptroller.

SAMUEL B. H. VANCE, President of the Board of Aldermen.

JOHN WHEELER, President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments.

Present—All the members, viz.:

William F. Havemeyer, the Mayor of the City of New York; Andrew H. Green, the Comptroller of the City of New York; Samuel B. H. Vance, the President of the Board of Aldermen; and John Wheeler, the President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments.

The minutes of the meeting held October 31, 1874, were read and approved.

The Comptroller offered for adoption the following resolution:

Whereas, Section 3 of chapter 756 of the Laws of 1873, provides for the issue of bonds to meet and pay certain bonds when they become due and payable, as follows, to wit:

"If at any time hereafter the amount in the treasury of the City of New York derived from collections of assessments, shall be insufficient to meet and pay when they become due and payable any bonds issued by the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of New York, for expenditures incurred in public improvements payable in whole or in part from assessments, then it shall be lawful for the Comptroller, and he is hereby authorized to issue like bonds for an amount sufficient to pay, and from the proceeds thereof to pay the bonds so falling due as aforesaid;" therefore,

Resolved, That the Comptroller be and he is hereby authorized to issue, in pursuance of law, from time to time, in such amounts as may be required, and at such rates of interest as he may determine, not exceeding seven per cent. per annum, "Assessment Bonds of the Corporation of the City of New York," as authorized by chapter 397, Laws of 1852, and chapter 580, Laws of 1872, to the amount of three hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000), payable within such period as he shall deem expedient, not exceeding five years, to pay from the proceeds thereof the "Assessment Bonds of the Corporation of the City of New York," falling due November 10, 1874.

The Chairman put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution.

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—The Mayor of the City of New York (Chairman), the Comptroller of the City of New York, the President of the Board of Aldermen, and the President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments—4.

The Comptroller offered for adoption the following resolution:

Whereas, The Fire Department desires to procure two steam pumps to equip the steam fire boat now being built for fire purposes for New York Harbor; and

Whereas, The said steam pumps are a patented article; and

Whereas, Said Department has made application to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment to prescribe the conditions to secure a fair and reasonable opportunity for competition in the purchase of said pumps; therefore, be it

Resolved, That, under the provisions of section 115 of the Charter of 1873, the Board of Estimate

and Apportionment hereby prescribe the following conditions of such purchase, to wit:

The said Department shall advertise, in the manner prescribed by section 91 of the Charter, for two steam pumps for the purpose of equipping the steam fire boat. The said Department shall award the contract for the said steam pumps, the quality, capacity, and method of construction of which shall, in the judgment of the said Department, be best suited to accomplish the purposes for which they are desired, to the person who shall be the lowest bidder therefor.

The Chairman put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution.

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—The Mayor of the City of New York (Chairman), the Comptroller of the City of New York, the President of the Board of Aldermen, and the President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments—4.

The Comptroller offered for adoption the following resolution:

Resolved, That in pursuance of the authority conferred upon the Board of Estimate and Apportionment by provisions of section 112, chapter 335 of the Laws of 1873, the Comptroller be and he is hereby authorized to issue, from time to time, as may be required, and at such rates of interest as he may determine, not exceeding seven per cent. per annum, "Assessment Bonds of the City of New York," as authorized by chapter 397, Laws of 1852, and chapter 580, Laws of 1872, two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000).

The Chairman put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution.

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—The Mayor of the City of New York (Chairman), the Comptroller of the City of New York, the President of the Board of Aldermen, and the President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments—4.

The Comptroller offered for adoption the following resolution:

Resolved, That the sum of one hundred dollars (\$100) is hereby transferred from the appropriation for "advertising" (county) for 1872, the same being in excess of the amount required for the purposes and objects thereof, to the account "Printing, Stationery and Blank Books," for the purpose of providing the Finance Department with blank books.

The Chairman put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution.

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—The Mayor of the City of New York (Chairman), the Comptroller of the City of New York, the President of the Board of Aldermen, and the President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments—4.

The Comptroller presented a communication from the Department of Public Parks, asking for an appropriation of \$200,000 for the construction of a museum of art and a museum of natural history.

Which was laid over.

The President of the Board of Aldermen presented a communication from the Bond Street Homoeopathic Dispensary asking for an appropriation.

Which was laid over.

The Comptroller presented a communication from the "Yorkville Dispensary," asking for an appropriation from the Excise Fund.

Which was laid over.

The Chairman presented a communication from "St. John's Guild," asking for an appropriation from the Excise Fund.

Which was laid over.

The Comptroller presented a communication from the Fire Department, asking for a transfer of twenty-five thousand and seven hundred dollars from the account "Members of Engine and Hook and Ladder Companies" to the following accounts, to wit:

\$3,000 to the account "Headquarters Pay-roll." 12,300 " " "Telegraph Force." 10,000 " " "Repair Shop." 400 " " "Bureau of Fire Marshal."

Also, \$5,000 from the account "Telegraph Supplies and Repairs" to account "Buildings."

\$3,000 from account "Horses" to account "Coal and Wood."

\$20,000 from account "Apparatus" to account "Hose Shop and New Hose."

Which was laid over.

On motion, the Board adjourned.

JOHN WHEELER, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS,

DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS, 346 and 348 BROADWAY.

At meetings of the Board governing this Department, held during the two weeks ending 29th August, 1874, inclusive. All the Commissioners present (except that Commissioner Gardner was absent 18th inst., Commissioner Westervelt, 24th inst., and Commissioner Budd, 27th inst.), the following action was had:

Organization, Appointments, etc.

August 18. Jabob W. Bogert, appointed Captain in charge of tug "Alert," vice John Sloan, transferred to new tug "Manhattan." Salary, \$125 per month.

August 18. John C. Clark, appointed Engineer in charge of tug "Alert," vice James D. Connell, transferred to new tug "Manhattan." Salary, \$100 per month.

Repairs, etc., Ordered.

August 27. Superintendent Turner directed to cut down the outer end of pier at One Hundred and Twenty-ninth street, North river, to adapt same for use as a steamboat landing.

August 27. Superintendent Turner directed to sheath inner end of Pier 46, East river, for a distance of 50 feet by 25 feet.

Dredging Ordered.

August 20. Additional dredging ordered to be done at new Pier 34, North river, as requested by Pacific Mail Steamship Company.

Miscellaneous.

August 17. Offer of Ryan & Cody, contractors, for building ten dredging machine mud scows under contract, dated 20th February, 1874, to receive the sum of \$45,330, in full settlement of said contract. Accepted.

August 20. Owners of steam tug "McDonald," notified that they are held responsible for damages, estimated at \$120, resulting from collision with scow No. 14, belonging to this Department, on 11th inst., off Pier No. 47, North river.

August 22. Offer of Lederle, Wessely & Co., to prepare plans, drawings, specifications, etc., for sheds to be erected on new Piers Nos. 43 and 46, North river, and to supervise the work of construction for two and a half per cent. on the amount of contract for building same. Accepted.

August 22. Commissioners of the Sinking Fund requested to consider the propriety of re-advertising for bids for the franchise for a ferry from the foot of Grand street, East river, to Grand street, Brooklyn, including the leasing of the necessary wharf property, the New York and Brooklyn Ferry Company having notified this Department that it had withdrawn its boats and discontinued the said ferry, consequent upon this Department demanding the payment of the rent due 1st August, 1874.

August 22. Secretary directed to transmit to the Comptroller statements prepared by the Engineer-in-Chief, showing the cost in detail of constructing new Piers Nos. 44, 45, and 46, North river.

August 24. Engineer-in-Chief directed to ascertain what surveys of Harlem river, and Spuyten Duyvil creek, and the shores of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, have heretofore been made by authority of the City or State of New York, or of the United States Government, and upon obtaining the information to report what surveys, if any, are necessary to be made to prepare proper maps; and to render his opinion as to what general plan of piers and bulkheads would be most advantageous for the commercial wants of that section of the city; and to report such other information as may tend to carrying out of the spirit and intent of the concurrent resolution, passed by the Senate of the State of New York, April 30, 1874.

August 27. Dock Superintendent for the District directed to cause the removal of the large quantity of bricks on the end of pier at One Hundred and Twenty-ninth street, North river, the safety of the pier being reported as endangered thereby.

August 27. Comptroller advised that the yellow-pine piles furnished by James Bigler, assignee of Dunham & Co., contractors for furnishing piles, were purchased, for the reason that they could be obtained at the same price as the white pine or spruce piles called for by the contract, and were considered more durable and less liable to rot.

EUGENE T. LYNCH, Secretary.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

HEADQUARTERS FIRE DEPARTMENT CITY OF NEW YORK, WEDNESDAY, October 28, 1874.

The Board of Commissioners and the Comptroller met to receive proposals for furnishing forage.

Present—President Joseph L. Perley in the chair, Commissioners Roswell D. Hatch and Cornelius Van Cott, and Comptroller Andrew H. Green.

The President submitted the affidavit of the Supervisor of the CITY RECORD as to the publication of the advertisement according to law and the blank form of contract as approved by the Counsel to the Corporation. Filed.

Proposals.

were received and disposed of as follows:

No. 1. From Wm. Hollister, Ninety-first street and Avenue A— 80,000 lbs. hay, at 90 cents per cwt. \$720 00 15,000 " straw, at 74 " " 111 00 600 bags oats, at \$1.58 per bag 948 00 400 bags fine feed, at 85 cents per bag 340 00 \$2,119 00

Ordered to be transmitted to the Comptroller for approval of sureties.

No. 2. From Gleason & Snodgrass, No. 303 West street— 80,000 lbs. hay, at \$1.12½ per cwt. \$900 00 15,000 " straw, at 85 cents 127 50 600 bags oats, at \$1.75 1,050 00 400 " fine feed, at 90 cents 360 00 \$2,437 50

Filed.

Adjourned.

WM. B. WHITE, Secretary.

OFFICIAL DIRECTORY.

STATEMENT OF THE HOURS DURING WHICH all the 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.

Mayor's Office, No. 6, City Hall, 10 A. M. to 3 P. M. Mayor's Marshal, No. 5, City Hall, 10 A. M. to 3 P. M. Permit Bureau, No. 1, City Hall, 10 A. M. to 2 P. M. License Bureau, No. 1, City Hall, 10 A. M. to 2 P. M.

LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT

Clerk of the Common Council and of Board of Supervisors, 7 and 8, City Hall, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. Clerk of Board of Assistant Aldermen, 9 1/2 City Hall, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT

NEW COUNTY COURT-HOUSE, OFFICE HOURS 9 A. M. TO 4 P. M. Comptroller's Office, West end. 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. 2. Bureau for the Collection of Taxes; Brown stone building, City Hall Park. 3. Bureau for the Collection of Arrears of Taxes and Assessments and Water Rents; Ground floor, west end. 4. Auditing Bureau; Main floor, west end. 5. Bureau of Licenses; Ground floor, west end. 6. Bureau of Markets; Ground floor, west end. 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, at the Office of Chamberlain and County Treasurer; Main floor, west end. 8. Bureau for the Collection of Assessments; Rotunda.

LAW DEPARTMENT.

Counsel to the Corporation, Staats Zeitung Building, 3d floor; 9 A. M. to 5 P. M. Public Administrator, 115 and 117 Nassau street, 10 A. M. to 4 P. M. Corporation Attorney, 115 and 117 Nassau street, 8 1/2 A. M. to 4 1/2 P. M. Attorney for the Collection of Arrears of Personal Taxes; Brown stone building, City Hall Park, 32 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. Attorney to the Department of Buildings, 20 Nassau street, room 52, 9 A. M. to 5 P. M.

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

NO. 300 MULBERRY STREET, ALWAYS OPEN Central Office. Commissioners' Office Superintendent's Office. Inspectors' Office. Chief Clerk's Office, 8 A. M. to 5 P. M. Property Clerk. Bureau of Street Cleaning, 8 A. M. to 5 P. M. Bureau of Elections.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS.

CITY HALL, 9 A. M. TO 4 P. M. Commissioners' Office, No. 19. Chief Clerk's Office, No. 20. Contract Clerk's Office, No. 21. Engineer in charge of Sewers, No. 21. " Boulevards and Avenues, No. 18 1/2 Bureau of Repairs and Supplies, No. 18. " Lamps and Gas, No. 13. " Incumbrances, No. 13. Street Improvements, No. 11. Chief Engineer Croton Aqueduct, No. 11 1/2 " Water Register, No. 10. " Water Purveyor, No. 4. Streets and Roads, No. 13.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION.

Central Office, No. 66 Third avenue, 8 A. M. to 5 P. M. Out Door Poor Department, No. 66 Third avenue, always open; entrance on Eleventh street. Free Labor Bureau, Nos. 8 and 10 Clinton place, 8 A. M. to 5 P. M. Reception Hospital, City Hall Park, northeast corner always open. Reception Hospital, Ninety-ninth street and Tenth avenue, always open. Bellevue Hospital, foot of Twenty-sixth street, East river, always open.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

NOS. 127 AND 129 MERCER ST., 9 A. M. TO 4 P. M. Commissioners' Office. Chief of Department. Inspectors of Combustibles. Fire Marshal.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

NO. 301 MOIT STREET. Commissioners' Office, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. Sanitary Superintendent, always open. Register of Records, for granting burial permits, on all days of the week, except Sunday, from 7 A. M. to 6 P. M. and on Sundays from 8 A. M. to 5 P. M.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

Commissioner's Office, 36 Union Sq., 9 A. M. to 5 P. M.

DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS.

Commissioner's Office, 346 and 348 Broadway, corner Leonard street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

DEPARTMENT OF TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS.

Commissioners' Office, brown stone building, City Hall Park, 32 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.; on Saturday 9 A. M. to 3 P. M. Surveyor's Bureau, 19 Chatham street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. Board of Assessors.

DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS

Superintendent's Office 2, Fourth avenue, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

BOARD OF EXCISE.

Commissioners' Office, 299 Mulberry st., 9 A. M. to 4

BOARD OF EDUCATION.

CORNER GRAND AND ELM STREETS. Office of the Board, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. Superintendent of Schools, 9 A. M. to 5 P. M.

COMMISSIONERS OF ACCOUNTS.

Office, No. 32 Chambers street (basement).

COMMISSIONERS OF EMIGRATION

CASTLE GARDEN. Commissioners' Office, 9 A. M. to 5 P. M. Superintendent's Office, 9 A. M. to 5 P. M.

THE CITY RECORD.

Office, No. 2, City Hall, northwest corner basement, A. M. to 6 P. M.

MISCELLANEOUS OFFICES.

HOURS 9 A. M. TO 4 P. M. Coroners' Office, 40 East Houston street. Sheriff's Office, first floor, northeast corner of New Court-house.

County Clerk's Office, first floor, southwest corner of New Court-house. Surrogate's Office, first floor southeast corner of New Court-house. Register's Office, Hall of Records, City Hall Park. District Attorney's Office, second floor, Old Court-house 32 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 5 P. M.

COMMISSIONER OF JURORS.

Commissioner's Office, New County Court-house, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

COURTS

SUPREME COURT. General Term, Special Term, Chambers, Circuit Part I, Circuit Part II, second floor, New Court-house, 10 A. M. to 3 P. M.

SUPERIOR COURT.

Part I, Part II, Third floor, New Court-house, 11 A. M. to 4 P. M. Third floor, New Court-house, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

COMMON PLEAS.

Third floor, New Court-house, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

GENERAL SESSIONS.

No. 32 Chambers street, 10 A. M. to 4 P. M. Clerk's Office, 32 Chambers street, room 14, 10 A. M. to 4 P. M.

OVER AND TERMINER.

General Term, Special Term, No. 32 Chambers street, room 11, 10 A. M.

MARINE COURT.

General Term, room 17; Special Term, room 15; Chambers, room 18; 10 A. M. to 3 P. M. Clerk's Office, room 19, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. No. 32 Chambers street

SPECIAL SESSIONS.

At Tombs, corner Franklin and Centre streets, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays, 10 A. M.

JUSTICES' (OR DISTRICT) COURTS.

First District—First, Second, Third, and Fifth Wards, southwest corner of Centre and Chambers streets, 10 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Second District—Fourth, Sixth and Fourteenth Wards, No. 514 Pearl street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Third District—Eighth, Ninth and Fifteenth Wards, No. 12 Greenwich avenue, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Fourth District—Tenth and Seventeenth Wards, No. 163 East Houston street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Fifth District—Seventh, Eleventh and Thirteenth Wards, No. 154 Clinton street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Sixth District—Nos. 389 and 391 Fourth avenue.

Seventh District—Nineteenth and Twenty-second Wards, Fifty-seventh street, between Third and Lexington avenues, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Eighth District—Sixteenth and Twentieth Wards, southwest corner Twenty-second street and Seventh avenue, 9:30 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Ninth District—Twelfth Ward, One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street near Fourth avenue, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Tenth District—Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, northeast corner of Third avenue and Southern Boulevard, Harlem Bridge, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

POLICE COURTS.

First District—Fourteenth, Twenty-fourth, Twenty-fifth, Twenty-sixth, Twenty-seventh, and portion of Sanitary Precinct, Tombs, corner Franklin and Centre streets, 7 A. M. to 3 P. M.

Second District—Eighth, Ninth, Fifteenth, Sixteenth, Twentieth, Twenty-fifth, Thirty-third, Twenty-eighth, and Twenty-ninth Precincts, Greenwich avenue, corner of Tenth street, 9 A. M. to 6 P. M.

Third District—Seventh, Tenth, Eleventh, Thirteenth, Seventeenth, Eighteenth, and portion of Sanitary Precinct, No. 69 Essex street, 8 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Fourth District—Nineteenth, Twenty-first, Twenty-second, Twenty-third and Nineteenth Sub-station, Fifty-seventh street, between Third and Lexington avenues, 8 A. M. to 5 P. M.

Fifth District—Twelfth Ward, One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street near Fourth avenue, 8 A. M. to 4 P. M.

LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT.

OFFICE CLERK OF THE COMMON COUNCIL, No. 8 CITY HALL.

THE STATED SESSIONS OF THE BOARD OF Aldermen will be held in their Chamber, room No. 15, City Hall, on Thursday of each week, at 3 o'clock, P. M.

JOSEPH C. PINCKNEY, Clerk

SUPREME COURT.

In the matter of the application of the Department of Public Works, for and on behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to the opening of 2,644 32-100 feet northerly from the southerly line of One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street at Tenth avenue, and running from the Road or Public Drive east of Tenth avenue to the Boulevard, near the Hudson river; also street, sixty feet wide, and curved, starting at a point on the southerly line or the above-mentioned street, distant 1,844 83-100 feet westerly from the easterly line of Tenth avenue, and running thence southerly and westerly across the Boulevard to a line one hundred feet easterly from and parallel to the Bulkhead line, as established by the Commissioners of the Central Park, under chapter 697 of the Laws of 1867; also that portion of Tenth avenue lying between a line running parallel with the southerly line of One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street and distant 10,293 6-12 feet northerly therefrom, and a line also running parallel with the southerly line of One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street and distant 10,353 6-12 feet therefrom, as established by the Commissioners of the Central Park, in the City of New York.

PURSUANT TO THE STATUTES OF THE State of New York, in such case made and provided, the Department of Public Works, for and on behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of New York, hereby gives notice that the Counsel to the Corporation of said City will apply to the Supreme Court in the First Judicial District of the State of New York, at a Special Term of said Court, to be held at the Chambers thereof, in the New Court-house in the City of New York, on Wednesday, the twenty-fifth day of November, A. D. 1874, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon of that day, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon, for the appointment of Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment in the above-entitled proceedings. The nature and extent of the improvements hereby intended are the opening of street, distant 2,644 32-100 feet northerly from the southerly line of One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street at Tenth avenue, and running from the Road or Public Drive east of Tenth avenue to the Boulevard near the Hudson river; also street, sixty feet wide, and curved, starting at a point on the southerly line of the above-mentioned street, distant 1,844 83-100 feet westerly from the easterly line of Tenth avenue, and running thence southerly and westerly across the Boulevard to a line one hundred feet easterly from and parallel to the Bulkhead line, as established by the Commissioners of the Central Park, under chap. 697 of the Laws of 1867; and also, that portion of Tenth avenue lying between a line running parallel with the southerly line of One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street, and distant 10,293 6-12 feet northerly therefrom; and a line also running parallel with the southerly line of One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street, and distant 10,353 6-12 feet therefrom, as said streets are laid out and established by the Commissioners of the Central Park, under chap. 697 of the Laws of 1865, and chap. 697 of the Laws of 1867.

New York, October 31, 1874. E. DELAFIELD SMITH, Counsel to the Corporation.

In the matter of the application of the Department of Public Parks, for and on behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to the opening of Brook avenue, from tide-water to the Harlem railroad at One Hundred and Sixty-fifth street, in the City of New York.

PURSUANT TO THE STATUTES OF THE STATE of New York, in such case made and provided, the Department of Public Parks, for and on behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of New York, hereby gives notice that the Counsel to the Corporation of said city will apply to the Supreme Court in the First Judicial District of the State of New York, at a Special Term of said Court, to be held at the Chambers thereof, in the New Court-house, in the City of New York, on Monday, the second day of November, A. D. 1874, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon of that day, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon, for the appointment of Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment in the above-entitled proceeding. The nature and extent of the improvement hereby intended, is the opening of Brook avenue, from tide-water to the Harlem railroad at One Hundred and Sixty-fifth street, as laid out on a certain map of the Commissioners appointed by an act of the Legislature of the State of New York, entitled "An act for the laying out, opening, and closing of streets, roads, and avenues, in the Town of Morrisania, in the County of Westchester," passed May 19, 1868, and filed in the office of the Register of Westchester County, on the sixth day of January, A. D. 1871.

Dated New York, October 7, 1874. E. DELAFIELD SMITH, Counsel to the Corporation, No. 2 Tryon Row

DEPARTMENT PUBLIC PARKS.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS, No. 36 UNION SQUARE, NEW YORK, NOV. 4, 1874.

REPAIRS BATTERY SEA WALL.

PROPOSALS, IN SEALED ENVELOPES, FOR Repairing the Battery Sea Wall in the City of New York, or so much thereof as the Department of Public Parks shall direct, will be received at the office of the said Department, as above, until Monday, the 16th day of November, 1874, at the hour of 9:30 o'clock, A. M., when they will be publicly opened.

The work is to be completed in accordance with the specifications contained in the contract, on or before the first day of June, 1875.

Proposals will state the amount per lineal foot in length, for which it is proposed to execute said work.

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

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 indorsed "Proposals for Repairing Sea Wall."

H. G. STEBBINS, President, PHILIP BISSINGER, D. B. WILLIAMSON, THOMAS E. STEWART, Commissioners D. P. P.

WM. IRWIN, Secretary D. P. P.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION, No. 66 THIRD AVENUE, NEW YORK, November 2, 1874.

IN ACCORDANCE WITH AN ORDINANCE of the Common Council "In relation to the burial of strangers and unknown persons who may die in any of the public institutions of the City of New York," the Commissioners of Public Charities and Correction report as follows:

At Second District Prison, October 31, 1874—Rose Murray, born in Ireland; aged 79 years. No home; very poorly clad, and no property. When committed, she was too feeble to be removed by ambulance.

By Order, JOSHUA PHILLIPS, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION, No. 66 THIRD AVENUE, NEW YORK, October 30, 1874.

IN ACCORDANCE WITH AN ORDINANCE of the Common Council "In relation to the burial of strangers and unknown persons who may die in any of the public institutions of the City of New York," the Commissioners of Public Charities and Correction report as follows:

At New York City Asylum for the Insane, Ward's Island, October 29, 1874—John Flaherty, alias Sanderson, admitted January 22, 1872; aged 25 years; 6 feet 1 inch high; grey eyes; dark hair. Had on dark pants, dark shirt, blue blouse. No person has been to visit him, nor could any information be obtained as to relatives or friends.

By order, JOSHUA PHILLIPS, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION, No. 66 Third Avenue, NEW YORK, October 22, 1874.

IN ACCORDANCE WITH AN ORDINANCE of the Common Council "In relation to the burial of strangers and unknown persons who may die in any of the public institutions of the City of New York," the Commissioners of Public Charities and Correction report as follows: At New York City Asylum for Insane, October 21, 1874—Cornelius Early, admitted August 13, 1874; age, 59 years; height, 6 feet, 1 inch; grey hair; blue eyes. Had on blue blouse, brass buttons, army pants, plaid woolen shirt, black slouch hat. There has been no person to visit him, nor could any information be obtained from him in regard to his friends or relatives. No effects found on his person.

By Order, JOSHUA PHILLIPS, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION, CORNER OF THIRD AVENUE AND ELEVENTH ST., NEW YORK, Oct. 28, 1874.

PROPOSALS FOR FLOUR.

PROPOSALS, SEALED AND INDORSED AS above, will be received by the Commissioners of Public Charities and Correction, at their office, until 10 o'clock A. M. of the 11th day of November, 1874, at which time they will be publicly opened, for furnishing and delivering, at the Bake-house, Blackwell's Island, Three Thousand Barrels of Flour, and not below the grades now used by the Department, as per sample at this office. To be delivered in quantities of one hundred to five hundred barrels as may be required, free of expense to the Department.

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

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 in the estimated amount of 50 per cent. 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. The sufficiency of such security to be approved by the Comptroller.

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

Blank forms of proposals and specifications, which are to be strictly complied with, can be obtained on application at the office of the Department.

WM. LAIMBEER, JAMES BOWEN, MYER STERN, Commissioners.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION, Corner of Third Avenue and Eleventh Street, NEW YORK, October 26, 1874.

PROPOSALS FOR POTATOES, COD FISH, TEA, SOAP, EGGS, WHITE LEAD, OIL, GLUE, TURPENTINE, LINEN THREAD, HICKORY SHIRTING, MUSLIN.

PROPOSALS, SEALED AND INDORSED AS above, will be received by the Commissioners of Public Charities and Correction, until 10 o'clock A. M., of the 7th day of November, 1874, at which time they will be publicly opened, for furnishing and delivering, at the foot of East Twenty-sixth street, free of all expense—

- 1,500 barrels Potatoes. 150 quintals Cod Fish. 2,500 pounds Common Tea. 16,000 pounds Hard Soap. 1 ton Best White Lead. 1 barrel Boiled Oil. 1 barrel Raw Oil. 1 barrel Glue. 1 barrel Spirits of Turpentine. 50 pounds Linen Thread. 2 bales Hickory Shirting. 1 case Shroud Muslin. 30,000 Eggs, with privilege of increasing to 50,000.

Samples of the above can be seen at this office.

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

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 in the estimated amount of fifty per cent. 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. The sufficiency of such security to be approved by the Comptroller.

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WILLIAM LAIMBEER, JAMES BOWEN, MYER STERN, Commissioners.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION, CORNER OF THIRD AVENUE AND ELEVENTH ST., NEW YORK, October 26, 1874.

IN ACCORDANCE WITH AN ORDINANCE of the Common Council "In relation to the burial of strangers and unknown persons who may die in any of the public institutions of the City of New York," the Commissioners of Public Charities and Correction report as follows:

At Morgue, from foot Twenty-second street, North river—Unknown man; age about 35 years; 5 feet 7 inches high; sandy hair, and light sandy moustache; beard about one week's growth. Had on blue pilot jacket, heavy black vest, black plaid pants, with stripes down the sides, red and black plaid shirt, white shirt, white coarse flannel drawers, heavy brown woolled stockings, elastic tip gaiters, heavy nails in soles. Had on person 25 cents in currency.

By Order, JOSHUA PHILLIPS, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION, CORNER OF THIRD AVENUE AND ELEVENTH ST., NEW YORK, Oct. 27, 1874.

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ORDINANCE OF the Common Council "In relation to the burial of strangers and unknown persons who may die in any of the public institutions of the City of New York," the Commissioners of Public Charities and Correction report as follows:

At N. Y. City Asylum for the Insane, October 25, 1874—George Bendicamp, admitted October 3, 1873; born in Turkey; age 24 years; height 5 feet 4 inches; black hair, brown eyes. Sent to Asylum from City Prison. Had on white shirt and dark pants. There has been no person to visit him, nor could any information be obtained in regard to his friends or relatives. No effects found on his person.

By Order, JOSHUA PHILLIPS, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT PUBLIC WORKS.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, Commissioners' Office, 19 City Hall.

CONSUMERS OF CROTON WATER ARE hereby notified that the water renis for 1874 are now due, and are payable at the office of the Water Register, Room No. 10, City Hall, from 10 A. M. to 4 P. M. each day. A penalty will be added to all water renis remaining unpaid on the 1st of August.

GEO. M. VAN NORT, Commissioner of Public Works

