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EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

OFFICE OF THE CITY CHAMBERLAIN,
NEW YORK COUNTY COURT-HOUSE,
NEW YORK, February 3, 1875.

Hon. WM. H. WICKHAM,
Mayor of the City of New York:

DEAR SIR—When the late Mayor, the Hon. Wm. F. Havemeyer, appointed me City Chamberlain, it was with great reluctance that I consented to accept the office. During the past summer I tendered to him my resignation, which he declined.

Circumstances of a purely private and personal character induce me now to ask that you now accept my resignation as City Chamberlain, hereby tendered, and relieve me from the duties and responsibilities of the office. In doing so, permit me to express my thanks to you, and through you to the officers and employees of the several Departments, for their uniform courtesy and kindness extended to me.

I remain, very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
GEO. W. LANE.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
CITY HALL,
NEW YORK, February 4, 1875.

Hon. GEORGE W. LANE:

DEAR SIR—I have your letter of yesterday, tendering your resignation as City Chamberlain.

It is with regret that I have received this communication from you, and with reluctance, overcome only by deference to your own positive unwillingness to reconsider the step, that I can assent to your withdrawal from the office.

Through many years of friendship for you, and of a regard every day greater for the sterling qualities of your character as a citizen, and in all matters of business, I have learned to appreciate the singular fitness of your original selection for the responsible office you have filled with such satisfaction to the community, and the advantage it would have been to my own administration to have been able to retain you as City Chamberlain during my entire term as Mayor.

With my acknowledgments for the kind expressions of your letter, and thanks for the consideration you have shown me in all our official relations, I am, my dear sir, with the best wishes for your welfare,

Very respectfully,
WM. H. WICKHAM.

LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT.

STATED SESSION.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

THURSDAY, February 4, 1875,
2 o'clock P. M.

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

PRESENT:

Hon. SAMUEL A. LEWIS, President;

ALDERMEN

Oliver P. C. Billings,	William H. McCarthy,
Andrew Blessing,	Robert Power,
William L. Cole,	Henry D. Purroy,
George B. Deane, Jr.,	John Reilly,
Edward Gilon,	John Robinson,
Magnus Gross,	Peter Seery,
John W. Guntzer,	Stephen N. Simonson,
Henry E. Howland,	Joseph P. Strack.
Patrick Lysaght,	

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

FETITIONS.

By Alderman Simonson—
Petition for grading, etc., Sixty-sixth street, between Eighth and Ninth avenues.
Which was referred to the Committee on Streets.

By Alderman Billings—
Petition of the Union Ferry Company of Brook-

lyn for an additional slip at foot of Whitehall street, New York City.

Which was referred to the Committee on Ferries.

By the President—

Petition in relation to gun-racks, etc., belonging the National Guard, stored in the house of Tilden & Co.

Which was referred to the Committee on Finance.

By the same—

An application in the matter of paying award to Michael Phillips for the opening of Kingsbridge road.

Which was ordered on file.

By the President—

An application for an armory for the Seventy-first Regiment, N. G. S. N. Y.

Which was referred to the Committee on Salaries and Offices.

By the President—

Bill of Alexander S. Burns, for flowers used in the reception of King Kalakaua.

Which was referred to the Committee on Finance.

By the President—

Bill of separate troop of cavalry, for expenses incurred in the reception of King Kalakaua.

Which was referred to the Committee on Finance.

By Alderman Lysaght—

A protest against the use of snow-plows in Oliver street, by the Second Avenue Railroad Co.

Which was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

By Alderman McCarthy—

Whereas, Senator Hugh H. Moore has introduced a bill into the Senate of the State, providing for rapid transit in this city, a copy of which is herewith submitted; and as it is very desirable that all means looking to such a desirable end, should be submitted for the consideration of the Committee of this Board to whom that subject is committed; be it therefore

Resolved, That the accompanying bill, introduced into the State Senate, by Senator Hugh H. Moore, of this city, be and it is hereby referred to the Special Committee of this Board, having the subject of rapid transit in charge, to the end that it may receive the careful and earnest consideration of the Committee.

AN ACT in relation to laying out, constructing, and operating a Rapid Transit Road in the City of New York.

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. The Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonality of the City and County of New York, be and they are hereby authorized to appoint three Commissioners—the Mayor to nominate, and the Board of Alderman to confirm the same—to lay out, construct, and operate a rapid transit road at the expense of the City and County of New York, with the consent of the owners one half in value of the property bounded on the street or highway upon which the same shall be constructed and operated; and in case the consent of such property-owners cannot be obtained, the General Term of the Supreme Court in the First Judicial District shall, upon application to be made, appoint three Commissioners, who shall determine, after a hearing of all parties interested, whether such rapid transit road ought to be constructed or operated, and their determination, confirmed by the Court, shall be taken in lieu of the consent of the said property-owners. That said Commissioners shall be appointed respectively for one, two, and three years, and may be removed by the Mayor of the City of New York for cause, and the said Mayor of the City of New York shall appoint in the place of the Commissioners, or either of them so removed, Commissioners for the unexpired term, which said Commissioners shall have the same power; and the said Mayor of the City of New York shall, upon the expiration of the term of each of the said Commissioners, appoint a Commissioner for the same period as the said Commissioner was appointed whose term shall then expire.

Sec. 2. The Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonality of the City and County of New York, be and are hereby authorized to create a public fund or stock, to be denominated "Rapid Transit Stock," for the amount of dollars, which said stock shall bear date day of 1875, and shall bear interest at and after the rate of seven per centum per annum, and be redeemable on the day of

The said Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonality being hereby authorized to pledge the faith of the City and County of New York, and the same is hereby specifically pledged for the redemption of said stock, and the several parts thereof, when the same shall become due and payable under the provisions of this section, by tax upon the estates, real and personal, in the City of New York, subject to taxation.

Sec. 3. The Comptroller of the said City of New York is hereby authorized within thirty days after being required in writing by said Commissioners, when duly appointed as aforesaid so to do, prepare and issue the said stock specified in the preceding section for the full amount of dollars, and offer the same for sale, such offer to be by advertisement in not less than three newspapers published in the

City of New York, of the largest circulation, and continued for not less than twenty nor more than thirty days, at the expiration of which time said stock shall be awarded to the highest bidder therefor, and the proceeds thereof forthwith deposited with the Chamberlain of said City of New York, to the credit of the "Rapid Transit Fund;" the said Comptroller shall determine what shall be the nominal amount or value of said stock per share, and of what number of shares the same shall consist; but he shall not be authorized to issue, sell, or dispose of any of the same at a less rate than its par value.

Sec. 4. The Chamberlain of the City of New York shall receive from said Comptroller as above specified the proceeds of said stock, and shall pay over the same in such sums and to such persons as said Commissioners, or a majority of them, shall by their draft or order direct in writing.

Sec. 5. The Board of Aldermen of the City and County of New York are hereby authorized to raise by tax, in addition to the ordinary taxes, yearly, and every year, a sum sufficient to pay the interest semi-annually upon the stock provided to be created by the second section of this act, and for the payment of the same at the maturity thereof.

Sec. 6. The stock to be created by this act, and money raised thereon, shall be applied solely and only to the erection and completion of the Rapid Transit Road specified in this act, and for the expenses incident thereto, and for no other purpose whatever.

Sec. 7. The Board of Aldermen of said City of New York may fix and determine the salaries to be paid to said Commissioners per annum, and the same shall be paid said Commissioners, by the warrant of the Comptroller of the said City of New York, drawn upon the Chamberlain of said City, in favor of said Commissioners.

Sec. 8. All acts and parts of acts, inconsistent with this act, are hereby repealed.

Sec. 9. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

By Alderman Gilon—

Resolved, That Eighty-second and Eighty-third streets be regulated and graded, curb and gutter stones set, and the sidewalks flagged, full width, where not already done, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was referred to the Committee on Street Pavements.

By Alderman McCarthy—

Resolved, That the Commissioner of Public Works be, and he is hereby directed to erect an improved iron drinking-fountain for man and beast, on the northwest corner of Eighty-third street and Second avenue.

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Works.

By Alderman Blessing—

Resolved, That the Commissioner of Public Works be, and he is hereby requested to report to this Board, at his earliest convenience, the names of all streets, avenues, or public places in this city in which more than double tracks are laid by any one or more railroad companies, with his opinion of the practicability of compelling the removal of all such tracks in excess of two, and providing that two or more companies shall use the same tracks in every such street, avenue, or public place.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

By Alderman Reilly—

Whereas, It has been publicly alleged that Andrew H. Green, Comptroller, has unjustly resisted the payment of legal claims against this City, thereby causing the unnecessary expenditure, out of the public treasury, of large sums of money in costs, disbursements, and interest; and

Whereas, It has been publicly alleged that said Comptroller has, at various times, employed numerous favorite lawyers for the purpose of affecting legislation and of resisting the payment of legal claims, all of whose fees have been paid out of the public treasury; and

Whereas, It has been publicly alleged that said Comptroller has illegally diverted certain sums set apart for special purposes by the Board of Apportionment and the laws of this State to other purposes, not authorized by said Board or laws; and

Whereas, It has been publicly alleged that said Comptroller has, at various times, unjustly and maliciously delayed the payment of the salaries and wages of public officials and servants, thereby temporarily depriving them of their just dues and inflicting upon them great loss and damage; and

Whereas, It has been publicly alleged that the management of the financial affairs of this City by said Andrew H. Green, Comptroller, has been such as to depreciate the credit of this City and retard its growth and prosperity; now, therefore,

Resolved, That the several matters mentioned in the foregoing preamble be and the same are hereby referred to the Committee on Law Department to investigate the same, with power to send for persons and papers, and to report the result of their investigations to this Board, with such recommendations as to them may seem advisable and for the best interests of the City.

Alderman Billings moved to amend, by referring to the "Committee on Finance."

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion.

Which was decided in the negative by the following vote:

Negative—The President, Aldermen Billings, Blessing, Cole, Deane, Gilon, Gross, Guntzer, Howland, Lysaght, McCarthy, Power, Purroy, Reilly, Robinson, Seery, Simonson, and Strack—18.

The President then put the question whether the Board would agree with the resolution.

Which was decided in the affirmative.

By Alderman Guntzer—

Resolved, That his Honor the Mayor be and he is hereby respectfully requested to take such necessary measures as he may consider necessary, to compel the Department charged with the work of clearing the streets, to cause the ice and snow to be immediately removed from the several crosswalks intersecting the streets and avenues in this city.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

By Alderman Seery—

Resolved, That the Commissioners of Docks be requested to report to this Board at the next meeting what work in connection with that Department is done outside of this city; if by contract, the names of the contractors, the work so contracted for, the place or places at which said work is performed, and all other information in connection with said work.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

By Alderman Strack—

Resolved, That Ignatz Sametz be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place and stead of George J. Krauss, resigned.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Billings, Blessing, Cole, Deane, Gilon, Gross, Guntzer, Howland, Lysaght, McCarthy, Power, Purroy, Reilly, Robinson, Seery, Simonson, and Strack—18.

By Alderman Seery—

Resolved, That the resolution recently passed, appointing Andrew J. Dowd a Commissioner of Deeds, be amended so as to read "Andrew Dowd," and as amended the same be adopted.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Billings, Blessing, Cole, Deane, Gilon, Gross, Guntzer, Howland, Lysaght, McCarthy, Power, Purroy, Reilly, Robinson, Seery, Simonson, and Strack—18.

By Alderman Seery—

Whereas, Great inconvenience, delay, and serious loss to business is caused by the obstruction to travel from the heavy snow-falls of each winter; and

Whereas, The present method of removing snow from the streets by carting is not only very expensive, but entirely inadequate to meet the demands of the public; and

Whereas, The process now employed, while it fails to meet the requirements of business, is not only very expensive, tedious, and wholly inefficient, but is altogether too limited in the area of its operations; and

Whereas, It is essential to the business interests of the City that every facility should be afforded to travel, and the transportation of goods between the warehouses, wharves, and railroad depots, by clearing the snow off a greater extent of street surface; therefore

Resolved, With the view of ascertaining the exact cost to the City of the present method of removing the snow by the existing means of carts, and of devising, if possible, a cheaper, more expeditious, and more effective process, that his Honor the Mayor is hereby requested to obtain from the Board of Police, at the earliest day, information on the following points:

1. The amount paid by the City, each year, for the last five years, for the removal of snow.
2. The extent of street surface, linear and superficial, cleared from snow each winter.
3. The streets on which such clearing was done.
4. The number of men and carts employed each winter.
5. The aggregate number of cart loads of snow removed.
6. And such other information as may bear on the subject of this inquiry.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

By Alderman Gross—

Resolved, That the Counsel of Corporation be and is hereby requested and directed to inform this Board whether the various provisions contained in the Charter of 1873, and having reference to the cleaning of streets, are not in conflict with each other, and in particular those sections giving the street cleaning in charge of the Police Department and the Board of Aldermen.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

By Alderman McCarthy—

AN ORDINANCE to amend Chapter 42 of the Revised Ordinances of 1859, entitled "Of Pawnbrokers, Dealers in Second-hand Articles, and Keepers of Junk Shops."

ARTICLE I.

Of Pawnbrokers and Loanbrokers, or Keepers of Loan Offices.

Section 1. The Mayor may from time to time grant licenses, under his hand and seal, to such persons as shall produce to him satisfactory evidence of their good character to exercise or carry on the business of a pawnbroker, or of a loanbroker or keeper of a loan office.

Sec. 2. Every person receiving such license shall pay therefor the sum of fifty dollars for the use of the City.

Every person so licensed shall, at the time of receiving such license, enter, with two sureties, into a joint and several recognizance to the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of New York in the penalty of five hundred dollars, conditioned for the due observance of all such ordinances of the Common Council as may be passed or in force respecting pawnbrokers and loanbrokers, or keepers of loan offices, at any time during the continuance of such license.

Sec. 4. Every pawnbroker and loanbroker, or keeper of a loan office, shall keep a book in which shall be fairly written, at the time of each loan, an accurate account and description of the goods, article, or thing pawned or pledged, the amount of money loaned thereon, the time of pledging the same, the rate of interest to be paid on such loan, and the name and residence of the person pawning or pledging the said goods, article, or thing.

Sec. 5. Every pawnbroker and loanbroker, or keeper of a loan office, shall, at the time of each loan, deliver to the person pawning or pledging any goods, article, or thing, a memorandum or note, signed by him or her, containing the substance of the entry required to be made in his or her book by the last preceding section; and no charge shall be made or received by any pawnbroker or loanbroker, or keeper of a loan office, for any such entry, memorandum, or note.

Sec. 6. The said book shall, at all reasonable times, be open to the inspection of the Mayor, Recorder, Aldermen, and special justices for preserving the peace of the City of New York, or any or either of them, or of any person who shall be duly authorized in writing for that purpose, by any or either of them, and who shall exhibit such written authority to such pawnbroker, loanbroker, or keeper of a loan office.

Sec. 7. Every pawnbroker, loanbroker, or keeper of a loan office, who shall violate or neglect, or refuse to comply with any or either of the provisions of the fourth, fifth, or sixth sections of this chapter, shall, for every such offense, forfeit and pay the sum of twenty-five dollars.

Sec. 8. No pawnbroker, loanbroker, or keeper of a loan office, shall ask, demand, or receive any greater rate of interest than twenty-five per cent. per annum upon any loan not exceeding the sum of twenty-five dollars, or than ten per cent. per annum upon any loan exceeding the sum of twenty-five dollars, under the penalty of one hundred dollars for every such offense.

Sec. 9. No pawnbroker, loanbroker, or keeper of a loan office, shall sell any pawn or pledge until the same shall have remained one year in his or her possession; and all such sales shall be at public auction, and not otherwise, and shall be conducted by such auctioneer as shall be designated and approved of for that purpose by the Mayor of the City of New York.

Sec. 10. Notice of every such sale shall be published for at least six days previous thereto, in one or more of the daily newspapers printed in the City of New York; and such notice shall specify the time and place at which such sale is to take place, the name of the auctioneer by whom the same is to be conducted, and a description of the goods or articles to be sold.

Sec. 11. The surplus money, if any, arising from any such sale, after deducting the amount of the loan, the interest then due on the same, and the expenses of the advertisement and sale shall be paid over by the pawnbroker, loanbroker, or keeper of a loan office, to the person who would be entitled to redeem the pledge in case no such sale had taken place.

Sec. 12. No pawnbroker, loanbroker, or keeper of a loan office, shall make any loan on the separate or divided part or parts of any one article or thing, and which article or thing shall have been offered entire or collectively to him or her by way of pawn or pledge.

Sec. 13. No pawnbroker, loanbroker, or keeper of a loan office, shall, under any pretense whatever, purchase or buy any second-hand furniture, metals, or clothes, or any other article or thing whatever, offered to him or her as a pawn or pledge.

Sec. 14. Every pawnbroker, loanbroker, or keeper of a loan office, who shall violate or neglect, or refuse to comply with any or either of the provisions of the eighth, ninth, tenth, eleventh, twelfth, and thirteenth sections of this chapter, shall, for every such offense, forfeit and pay the sum of one hundred dollars.

Which was referred to the Committee on Law Department.

(G. O. 58½.)

By Alderman Strack—

AN ORDINANCE to regulate the use of snow-ploughs and sweeping-machines by railroad companies and others, in the City of New York.

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

Sec. 1. It shall not be lawful for any or either of the street or horse-car railroad or stage companies, proprietors, or corporations within the limits of the City of New York, or their officers, agents, or servants, to cause or allow any snow-

plough, sweeping-machine, or other similar instrument to pass over the tracks or lines occupied or used by them within the said limits, unless by the express permission in that behalf to be granted to them by the Common Council.

Sec. 2. Any of the said companies, proprietors, or corporations who shall violate the provisions of the above section, shall be punished by a fine not exceeding one hundred dollars for each offense, and the officers, agents, or servants of such companies, proprietors, or corporations who shall violate the said provisions, shall be punished by a fine not exceeding one hundred dollars for each offense.

Sec. 3. No such permit, or renewal thereof, shall be granted, unless upon the express condition and agreement, to be assented to on the part of the company, proprietor, or corporation applying for such permit or renewal, that in case of any fall of snow so deep that the throwing up of the snow by any such snow-plough or machine will render the highway unsafe for travel, or make inconvenient the approach to the curb-stone, then, within twenty-four hours after any such fall of snow, and after the use of such snow-plough or machine, such company, proprietor, or corporation shall and will, at his or at their own expense, remove and carry away the snow thrown up by such plough or machine, and shall and will reduce the snow upon the highway adjacent to their tracks or lines, to such level as will make convenient for all vehicles the approach to the curbstone, and render the whole width of the roadway safe for travel; and that such snow-plough, sweeping-machine, or other instrument be so constructed as not to throw any snow or slush on the walks or buildings, under a penalty of ten dollars for every house or sidewalk in front thereof, upon which such snow or slush shall be thrown.

Sec. 4. No such permit or renewal shall be granted, unless such company, proprietor, or corporation shall expressly covenant, stipulate, and agree that in case of his or their failure, neglect, or omission to remove and carry away the snow to be thrown up by such snow-plough or machine, and to reduce and level snow on the adjacent highway, within the time and manner aforesaid, then the same may be removed, reduced, and leveled, under the direction of the Commissioners of Police, and the expense of such removing, reducing, and leveling shall be paid by such company, proprietor, or corporation to the said Commissioners on demand.

Sec. 5. In case of the neglect or refusal or omission of any company, proprietor, or corporation, to whom such permit or renewal may be granted to remove and carry away the snow thrown up by such plough or machine, and to reduce and level the snow within the time and in the manner aforesaid, then the Commissioners of Police, by the direction of the Common Council, shall forthwith cause the same to be removed, reduced, and leveled at the public expense, and all the expenditures made or incurred therefor shall be chargeable upon the company, proprietor, or corporation so neglecting, refusing, or omitting to perform his or their agreement, and the same recoverable by an action at law to be commenced by the Corporation Attorney on behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of New York.

Sec. 6. The permission to use such plough, sweeper, or similar machine shall be determined by and continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

Sec. 7. All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent or conflicting with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

Sec. 8. This ordinance shall take effect immediately.

Which was laid over.

By Alderman Seery—

Resolved, That Thirty-ninth, Fortieth, and Forty-first streets, from First avenue to East river, be regulated and graded, the curb and gutter stones set, and the sidewalks flagged where not already done, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was referred to the Committee on Streets.

By Alderman Seery—

Resolved, That Thirty-ninth street, from First avenue to the East river, be regulated and graded, the curb and gutter stones be set, and the sidewalks flagged full width, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was referred to the Committee on Streets.

By the same—

Resolved, That Fortieth street, from the First avenue to the East river, be regulated and graded, curb and gutter stones be set, and sidewalks flagged full width, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was referred to the Committee on Streets.

REPORTS.

(G. O. 59.)

The Committee on Railroads, to whom was referred the annexed resolution directing the Commissioner of Public Works to notify any railroad company using the T rails in the streets of this city, to remove the same forthwith, and substitute therefor the grooved rail, respectfully

REPORT:

That no difference of opinion can exist in the minds of all persons using the streets in which the T rails are laid, as to the necessity of replacing them with the grooved rail. The former rails present a grave and unwarranted obstruction to the free uses of the streets in which they are laid, causing much annoyance, loss of property, and occasionally of life, and their continual use has become a positive nuisance, which it is the duty of the City authorities to abate.

The power of the Common Council to compel

such companies using the obnoxious T rails to remove them is ample, and cannot be questioned; consequently a longer continuance of the evil may, and doubtless will be, charged to the authorities, and they will be held responsible for any loss or damage that may result from their continued use. Subdivision 2 of section 17 of chapter 335, Laws of 1873 (the Charter), empowers the Common Council "to regulate the use of the streets, highways, roads, and public places by foot-passengers, animals, vehicles, cars, and locomotives;" and subdivision 26 of the same section of the same law gives the Common Council power, "by resolution, to require the Commissioner of Public Works to do any work or take any action proper for carrying into effect the laws of the Common Council."

Feeling sure that the removal of the T rails from the streets of this City, and the substitution thereof of the grooved rail, will be but an act of justice to our people, particularly those who travel the streets in vehicles, and will be regarded as a work of necessity in order to remove an unwarrantable and unnecessary impediment to the free uses of our public highways, your Committee respectfully offer for your adoption the following resolution in lieu of that referred to them:

Resolved, That the Commissioner of Public Works be and he is hereby directed to notify any and all railroad companies using the T rail in any of the streets, avenues, or public places within the corporate limits of this city, to remove the same forthwith and substitute therefor the grooved rail; and in the event of the neglect or refusal of any such company to comply with the directions contained in such notification, for a period of thirty days after being so notified, then the Commissioner of Public Works is hereby authorized and directed to take up and remove such rails, and to report the cost of such removal to the Counsel to the Corporation, who is hereby directed to sue any and every such company so neglecting or refusing to remove said rails, to recover the expense of such removal by the Commissioner of Public Works; the expense incurred in removing the rails by the Commissioner of Public Works to be paid from the appropriation for "removing obstructions in streets and avenues," and to be placed to the credit of that appropriation when recovered from every such delinquent company.

ANDREW BLESSING,
JOHN W. GUNTZER,
HENRY E. HOWLAND,
Committee on Railroads.

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 60.)

The Committee on Public Works, to whom was referred the annexed resolution in favor of erecting a lamp-post and lighting lamp on the northeast corner of Forty-second street and Third avenue, respectfully

REPORT:

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

Resolved, That a street-lamp be erected and lighted on the northeast corner of Forty-second street and Third avenue, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

JOHN REILLY,
E. J. SHANDLEY,
Committee on Public Works.

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 61.)

The Committee on Public Works to whom was referred the annexed resolution in favor of placing two gas-lamps in front of Saint Bernard's Church, in Fourteenth street, south side, between Eighth and Ninth avenues, respectfully

REPORT:

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

Resolved, That two gas-lamps be placed, and the same lighted, in front of St. Bernard's Church, situated in Fourteenth street, on the south side, between the Eighth and Ninth avenues; the lamps to be of the Bartlett pattern, the same to be done under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, and to continue during the pleasure of the Common Council.

JOHN REILLY,
E. J. SHANDLEY,
Committee on Public Works.

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 62.)

The Committee on Public Works, to whom was referred the annexed petition for a lamp in front of the Lodging-house for Boys, No. 211 West Eighteenth street, under the charge of the Children's Aid Society, respectfully

REPORT:

That, having examined the subject, they believe the proposed improvement to be necessary. They therefore recommend that the accompanying resolution be adopted.

Resolved, That a street-lamp be erected and lighted in front of No. 211 West Eighteenth street, the Lodging-house for Boys, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

JOHN REILLY,
Committee on Public Works.

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 63.)

The Committee on Public Works, to whom was referred the annexed resolution in favor of placing lamp-post and lighting lamps in Abingdon square, respectfully

REPORT:

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

Resolved, That the Commissioner of Public Works be and he is hereby authorized and directed to place a lamp-post and lamps in Abingdon square similar to the one now in the junction of

Broadway and Seventh avenue at Forty-third street.

JOHN REILLY,
E. J. SHANDLEY,
Committee on Public Works.

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 64.)

The Committee on Public Works, to whom was referred the annexed resolution in favor of placing lamp in front of St. Francis' Hospital and lighting the same, respectfully

REPORT:

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

Resolved, That the Commissioner of Public Works be and he is directed to have a lamp-post erected and gas-lamp lighted in front of the entrance to the charitable institution called the St. Francis Hospital, in Fifth street, between Avenues B and C.

JOHN REILLY,
E. J. SHANDLEY,
Committee on Public Works.

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 65.)

The Committee on Public Works, to whom was referred the annexed communication from the Department of Docks, transmitting an ordinance to permit the construction of a timber crib-work or bulkhead, without the necessity of contracting therefor, in the slip between piers numbers 6 and 7, and in the slip between piers numbers 7 and 8, respectfully

REPORT:

That, upon investigation, your Committee have learned that it is the desire of the Dock Department to fill in the slips commonly known as Coenties slip, East river, on the line of South street, the object intended being to straighten South street, and to allow the Department of Police to fill in the inner portion of the slip with ashes and other filling, and to prevent injury or detriment to the navigation of the waters adjoining, by the sliding out of the material used to fill in the slip—the proposed crib-work is a necessity. Your Committee also believe that all unnecessary delay should be avoided, and that the work should be at once undertaken and finished with out the loss of time inseparable from conforming to the provisions of the law relating to the performance of work for the City by contract. There are emergencies that justify the Common Council in exercising the power vested in it by section 91 of the act, chapter 335, Laws of 1873, commonly called the City Charter, and your Committee believe this to be an instance of the kind, particularly so, as the Department of Police will thereby be given a place into which the ashes and other filling material can be deposited, of which the Department is now in great need; and the immediate commencement of the work by the Department of Docks will afford employment to a number of persons now sadly in need of the means to procure the necessities of life for themselves and families. The work, when completed, will be greatly to the advantage of the City, as it will add a large tract of land to its real property, reclaimed from the waters of the East river, without curtailing or at least materially diminishing the commercial facilities of that portion of the water front of the City.

Your Committee, therefore, respectfully recommend the adoption of the ordinance herewith accompanying:

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of New York, in Common Council convened:

That the Department of Docks of the City of New York be and is hereby authorized to construct a timber crib-work or bulkhead, without the necessity of contracting therefor, in the slip between piers numbers six (6) and seven (7), and in the slip between piers numbers seven (7) and eight (8); said slips being commonly known as Coenties slip, East river, on the line of South street; the object of said bulkhead being to straighten South street, and to allow the Police Department to fill in the inner portion of said slip with ashes and other filling, and to prevent such filling from sliding out on the exterior bulkhead line authorized by the organic act of the Legislature of the State of New York creating said Department of Docks.

JOHN REILLY,
E. J. SHANDLEY,
Committee on Public Works.

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 66.)

The Committee on Street Pavements, to whom was referred the annexed resolution and ordinance in favor of paving Ninety-third street, from Second to Fourth avenue, with granite-block pavement, respectfully

REPORT:

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

Resolved, That Ninety-third street, between Second and Fourth avenues, be paved with 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.

PETER SEERY,
WM. H. MCCARTHY,
Committee on Street Pavements.

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 67.)

The Committee on Finance, to whom were referred the accompanying bills for expenses in-

curred in the reception and entertainment of the Lord Mayor of the City of Dublin and suite, respectfully

REPORT :

That it appears the subject has already received the necessary examination, by a joint Committee of the Common Council of last year; that the bills, with the exception of one for printing, amounting to \$17.80 (since presented), have received the approval of such Committee, and were passed by the Board of Aldermen last year, an appropriation having been made by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment for the payment thereof, previous to being so passed; and that all the proceedings were complete and regular; but being toward the close of the past year, failed to be passed by the late Board of Assistant Aldermen. The report of the said Joint Committee, and all the bills and papers, as made up at the time, are herewith accompanying.

It is clear to your Committee that any further delay in providing payment for the bills thus regularly incurred, would be unjustifiable, particularly in view of the fact that the appropriation heretofore made to pay them is more than sufficient for the purpose.

The following resolution is, therefore, respectfully offered for your adoption :

Resolved, That the Comptroller be and he is hereby directed to draw a warrant in favor of L. Delmonico, for the sum of eighteen hundred dollars; H. B. Crossett, for the sum of two hundred and twenty-five dollars; C. S. Grafulla, for one hundred and sixty dollars; M. J. O'Brien, for one hundred and forty-eight dollars; Thomas Canary, for three hundred dollars; N. H. Leadbetter, for seventy-four dollars and twenty-five cents; Martin B. Brown, for seventeen dollars and eighty cents; and Joseph C. Pinckney, by order of the Committee, for the sum of fifty-nine dollars,—to be in full for bills hereto annexed, and to be charged to the appropriation heretofore made for paying the expenses of the reception and entertainment of the Lord Mayor of Dublin and accompanying friends.

MAGNUS GROSS,
WM. L. COLE,
PATRICK LYSAGHT,
Committee on Finance.

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 68.)

The Committee on Streets, to whom were referred the annexed resolution in favor of renumbering Mercer street, respectfully

REPORT :

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

Resolved, That Mercer street, between Grand and Broome streets, and elsewhere, if necessary, be renumbered immediately, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

JOHN W. GUNTZER,
S. N. SIMONSON,
PATRICK LYSAGHT,
Committee on Streets.

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 69.)

The Committee on Streets, to whom were referred the annexed resolution and ordinance in favor of regulating, grading, etc., Seventy-eighth street, between the Boulevard and Ninth avenue, respectfully

REPORT :

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

Resolved, That Seventy-eighth street, between the Boulevard and Ninth avenue, be regulated and graded, curb and gutter stones set, and the sidewalks flagged full width, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

JOHN W. GUNTZER,
S. N. SIMONSON,
PATRICK LYSAGHT,
Committee on Streets.

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 70.)

The Committee on Streets, to whom were referred the annexed resolution and ordinance in favor of regulating, etc., Ninety-first street, between the Third and Fourth avenues, respectfully

REPORT :

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

Resolved, That Ninety-first street, between Third and Fourth avenues, be regulated and graded, the curb and gutter stones set, and the sidewalks flagged, where not already done, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

JOHN W. GUNTZER,
S. N. SIMONSON,
PATRICK LYSAGHT,
Committee on Streets.

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 71.)

The Committee on Streets, to whom was referred the annexed petition to change the grade of Sixty-third street, from Avenue A to the East river, respectfully

REPORT :

That the petition contains the signatures of the owners of property interested sufficient to conform to the requirements of law relating to changing the grade of streets, and having been advertised the number of times and in the manner required by law, and no objections having been presented to the proposed change of grade, your Committee

believe the prayers of the petitioners should be granted, and accordingly recommend for your adoption the following resolution :

Resolved, That the grade of Sixty-third street, from Avenue A to the East river, be changed so as to conform to the red lines and figures on the accompanying diagram; and the Commissioner of Public Works is hereby directed to give effect to the provisions of this resolution.

JOHN W. GUNTZER,
S. N. SIMONSON,
PATRICK LYSAGHT,
Committee on Streets.

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 72.)

The Committee on Streets, to whom were referred the annexed resolution and ordinance in favor of flagging full width sidewalk in Fifty-eighth street, between Eighth and Ninth avenues, respectfully

REPORT :

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

Resolved, That the sidewalk on both sides of Fifty-eighth street, from the Eighth to Ninth avenue, be flagged full width, where not already done, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

JOHN W. GUNTZER,
S. N. SIMONSON,
PATRICK LYSAGHT,
Committee on Streets.

Which was laid over.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM DEPARTMENTS AND CORPORATION OFFICERS.

The President laid before the Board the following communication from the Department of Docks :

DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS,
Nos. 346 AND 348 BROADWAY,
NEW YORK, Jan. 28, 1875.

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

GENTLEMEN—In reply to the resolution adopted by your Board, January 14, asking whether any new work can be commenced by the Department and finished within the next two months, and also whether there is any legislation needed that said work may be commenced immediately.

The works now in progress in this Department are as follows :

First. The section of bulkhead wall at Canal street, for which a caisson has been completed for a length of 193 feet, and partly filled with concrete, while the piles are now being driven for an additional length of 100 feet.

Second. The section wall at King street, piles for the foundation of which have been driven for a length of 150 feet, and the caisson will be put down as soon as the weather will permit. On both of these sections there have been a great deal of interruption from the severity of the weather, but the Department has done the best the circumstances permitted.

Third. At the East Seventeenth Street Yard we are constantly employing a force of stone-cutters in dressing stone for the bulkhead wall, with laborers enough to handle the same for them. We cannot profitably employ any additional number of men upon these works.

Fourth. At the new Pier No. 1, North river, in consequence of the weather, the work cannot be prosecuted to advantage.

Fifth. An arrangement has been made with the Department of Police to receive and discharge filling, gathered from the streets, into the bulkheads inside the new wall. In consequence of the limited space for scows, the Department cannot take all the filling which is offered by the Police Department, and no additional number of men can be employed upon this work.

Sixth. At the time of the organization of the Department the piers and wharves owned by the City were very much out of repair. This work has been steadily progressing during the past four years, and may now be said to be substantially completed; and consequently there has been a necessary and gradual decrease in the number of men so employed.

Your Honorable Body will understand that from the nature of the work done by this Department, its progress is seriously hindered in very cold weather.

Now, with regard to new work contemplated by the Department, and which forms the subject-matter of the resolution of your Honorable Body, this Department would say what appears not to be generally understood by the public, that there are many serious obstacles to hinder the progress of the Department in laying out and carrying on the improvement of the water-front of the City.

A very large amount of bulkhead and pier property is now owned by private parties, and a considerable amount of the bulkhead and pier property owned by the City is now controlled by leases, some of which have yet a considerable time to run; and whenever such leases are valuable to the lessees, either for their own business or for the purpose of sub-letting, this Department cannot get control of them.

The interests of the City are now suffering from the existence of some leases which, in the judgment of this Board, ought not to have been made, as the parties holding them are not representatives of commerce, and are now making large sums of money out of sub-leases, which really ought to inure to the benefit of the City.

The bulkhead and pier property held by private owners cannot be acquired without purchase by the City; and in view of the present financial condition of the City, it might be unwise to increase the debt by the acquisition of private property, unless demanded by an increasing commerce, which (with the exception of some additional accommodation for steamship lines) does not now exist.

This subject is important, and is now under consideration of the Board.

The Department considers it desirable to straighten the line of South street, by closing up what is known as Coenties slip, where there is a detour of 800 feet in the line of the street. This can be done effectually, and in the interests of the City, by allowing the deposit of the ashes and dirt collected in that district by the Street Cleaning Bureau; but in order to allow this to be done, it will be necessary to construct a temporary wooden bulkhead across the present line, to prevent the filling from slushing into the slips.

The Department has on hand all the material necessary to complete the work, and will respectfully petition your Honorable Body to pass an ordinance authorizing us to proceed with the work without the necessity of a public letting.

The Department has authorized the construction of the following works by contract, viz. :

Two (2) large pier sheds, which will cost about \$30,000 each. Four (4) scows, costing about \$4,000 each.

The Department could not, for the want of the necessary appliances, undertake the construction of these sheds and scows, and was compelled to resort to the contract system.

The contracts have been awarded to builders residing in the City, and a considerable number of carpenters, mechanics, and laborers will find employment on these new works.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JACOB A. WESTERVELT,
S. H. WALES,
W. BUDD,
Commissioners of Docks.

Which was ordered file and printed in the minutes.

The President laid before the Board the following communication from the Department of Public Parks :

CITY OF NEW YORK,
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS,
No. 36 UNION SQUARE (EAST),
February 3, 1875.

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

GENTLEMEN—I am directed by the Commissioners of this Department to acknowledge the receipt of the resolution adopted by your Honorable Board on the 21st instant, asking to be furnished within fifteen days with certain information specified in six paragraphs of said resolution, and to forward to you the inclosed reply in answer to the same.

I have the honor to remain, gentlemen,
Yours, respectfully,
HENRY G. STEBBINS,
President D. P. P.

(For "Reply," see page 231.)

Which was ordered on file and printed in the minutes.

The President laid before the Board the following communication from the Chamberlain :

OFFICE OF THE CITY CHAMBERLAIN,
NEW YORK COUNTY COURT-HOUSE,
January 29, 1875.

FRANCIS J. TWOMEY, Esq.,
Clerk Common Council :

DEAR SIR—I hand you herewith the Annual Report of the Chamberlain, showing the state of Equity moneys and securities in his hands on the 1st instant.

Yours, etc.,
H. A. ORRINGTON,
Secretary.

Which was referred to the Committee on Finance.

MESSAGES FROM HIS HONOR THE MAYOR.

The President laid before the Board the following message from his Honor the Mayor :

MAYOR'S OFFICE,
NEW YORK, February 4, 1875.

To the Honorable the Common Council :

GENTLEMEN—I return herewith, and without my approval, an ordinance "that Fifty-third street, from Seventh avenue to Broadway, be paved," etc.

I feel constrained to disapprove this ordinance merely because an ordinance for the same improvement was approved November 17, 1874, and reasonable time has not yet elapsed in which to prosecute the work.

W. H. WICKHAM,
Mayor.

Which was received, laid on the table, ordered to be printed in full in the minutes, and published in the CITY RECORD.

The President laid before the Board the following message from his Honor the Mayor :

MAYOR'S OFFICE,
NEW YORK, February 4, 1875.

To the Honorable the Common Council :

GENTLEMEN—I return herewith, and without my approval, the ordinance "that One Hundred and First street, between the Third avenue and Harlem river, be regulated and graded," etc., etc.

I feel constrained to disapprove the ordinance, for the reasons assigned in my message of this date, disapproving the ordinance in reference to One Hundredth street.

WM. H. WICKHAM,
Mayor.

Which was received, laid on the table, ordered to be printed in full in the minutes, and published in the CITY RECORD.

The President laid before the Board the following message from his Honor the Mayor :

MAYOR'S OFFICE,
NEW YORK, February 4, 1875.

To the Honorable the Common Council :

GENTLEMEN—I return herewith, without my approval an ordinance for "regulating, grading, curbing, guttering, and flagging One Hundredth street, from Third avenue to the Harlem river."

I feel constrained to disapprove the ordinance, for the reason that, as I am informed, the lands along the line of the proposed improvement are sunken lots, at a level of from fifteen to twenty-five feet below the street grade; that there are at present no houses in the neighborhood; and that the present value of the property upon which the assessments would be necessarily imposed for constructing the work is not quite enough to justify the proposed expenditure.

WM. H. WICKHAM,
Mayor.

Which was received, laid on the table, ordered to be printed in full in the minutes, and published in the CITY RECORD.

The President laid before the Board the following message from his Honor the Mayor :

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
CITY HALL,
NEW YORK, January 29, 1875.

To the Honorable the Common Council :

GENTLEMEN—I return herewith, without my approval, the resolution "that the Counsel to the Corporation be and he is hereby authorized and directed to take the necessary legal measures to have Seventy-third street, from Third avenue to the East river, opened according to law."

I feel constrained to disapprove the resolution, upon the grounds of objection to its provisions, stated in detail in the official report of the Commissioner of Public Works with regard to it, made by him to me upon my request for information, and of which a copy is herewith respectfully transmitted to you.

W. H. WICKHAM,
Mayor.

Which was received, laid on the table, ordered to be printed in full in the minutes, and published in the CITY RECORD.

The President laid before the Board the following message from his Honor the Mayor :

MAYOR'S OFFICE,
NEW YORK, February 4, 1875.

To the Honorable the Common Council :

GENTLEMEN—I return herewith, without my approval, the ordinance "that Thirty-fifth street, from First avenue to East river, be regulated, "graded," etc., etc.

I feel constrained to disapprove the ordinance, because, as I am informed, there are already several ordinances heretofore approved on this subject, under one or the other of which the Commissioner of Public Works expresses readiness to have the work done as soon as the season opens.

W. H. WICKHAM,
Mayor.

Which was received, laid on the table, ordered to be printed in full in the minutes, and published in the CITY RECORD.

The President laid before the Board the following message from his Honor the Mayor :

MAYOR'S OFFICE,
NEW YORK, February 4, 1875.

To the Honorable the Common Council :

GENTLEMEN—I return herewith, without my approval, an ordinance, "that Third avenue, between Westchester avenue and the northern boundary of the Twenty-third Ward, be paved with square granite-block."

I feel constrained to disapprove the ordinance merely to afford further opportunity for investigation, as to the effect this measure may have upon the ordinance approved November 17, 1874, providing for Belgian or trap-block pavement in the locality mentioned, and for consideration of the advisability of constructing the work as formerly proposed, or by this ordinance intended.

WM. H. WICKHAM,
Mayor.

Which was received, laid on the table, ordered to be printed in full in the minutes, and published in the CITY RECORD.

The President laid before the Board the following message from his Honor the Mayor :

MAYOR'S OFFICE,
NEW YORK, February 4, 1875.

To the Honorable the Common Council :

GENTLEMEN—I return herewith, and without my approval, the ordinance "that One Hundred and Second street, between the Third avenue and Harlem river, be regulated, graded," etc., etc.

I feel constrained to disapprove the ordinance, because there is, as I am informed, already an ordinance for regulating, grading, etc., this street, from Fifth avenue to the Harlem river, which includes, of course, the distance between Third avenue and the river. The Commissioner of Public Works reports that the work has not been commenced, because the value of the property upon which the necessary assessments would have to be imposed, does not justify such an expenditure as would be required to accomplish it.

W. H. WICKHAM,
Mayor.

Which was received, laid on the table, ordered to be printed in full in the minutes, and published in the CITY RECORD.

The President laid before the Board the following communication from his Honor the Mayor :

MAYOR'S OFFICE,
NEW YORK, February 4, 1875.

To the Honorable the Common Council :

GENTLEMEN—I return herewith and without my approval, the ordinance "that One Hundred and Third street, between the Third avenue and Harlem river, be regulated and graded," etc., etc.

I feel constrained to disapprove the ordinance, because there is already an ordinance, passed January 26, 1874, to regulate, etc., One Hundred and Third street, from First avenue to Fifth avenue, which includes, of course, the distance between First and Third avenues. The one block, between First avenue and the Harlem river is, I am informed, low marsh land, and the property upon which the assessments must be imposed to

raise the moneys with which to regulate, grade, etc., the street through that one block is, as yet, of value insufficient to justify the expenditure.

WM. H. WICKHAM, Mayor.

Which was received, laid on the table, ordered to be printed in full in the minutes, and published in the CITY RECORD.

The President laid before the Board the following communication from his Honor the Mayor:

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, February 4, 1875.

To the Honorable the Common Council:

GENTLEMEN—I return herewith, and without my approval, the ordinance "that Ninety-ninth street, between the Third avenue and Harlem river, be regulated and graded," etc.

I feel constrained to disapprove the ordinance, because, as I am informed, the value of the property to be affected by an assessment for that work will not justify the expenditure necessary to accomplish it, and that that is the reason why the work has not been undertaken under the ordinance heretofore approved.

WM. H. WICKHAM, Mayor.

Which was received, laid on the table, ordered to be printed in full in the minutes, and published in the CITY RECORD.

The President laid before the Board the following communication from his Honor the Mayor:

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, CITY HALL, NEW YORK, February 1, 1875.

To the Honorable the Common Council:

GENTLEMEN—I herewith transmit a communication from the Counsel to the Corporation concerning offices for the Collection of Arrears of Personal Taxes, and requesting authority to lease the rooms now occupied for that purpose in the Emigrant's Industrial Savings-Bank. I recommend the matter to your consideration and prompt action.

W. H. WICKHAM, Mayor.

Which was referred to the Committee on Salaries and Offices.

The President laid before the Board the following message from his Honor the Mayor:

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, CITY HALL, NEW YORK, February 1, 1875.

To the Honorable the Common Council:

GENTLEMEN—I herewith transmit, for your information, the "Annual Report of the Receipts and Expenditures of the Cooper Union, for the advancement of Science and Art," for the year ending December 31, 1874.

WM. H. WICKHAM, Mayor.

Which was referred to the Committee on Salaries and Offices.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

Alderman Strack called up G. O. 58,

being a resolution, as follows: Resolved, That the Comptroller be and he is hereby authorized and directed to lease the second, third, and fourth floors of the building No. 2 Fourth avenue, for the use and occupation of the Department of Buildings (being the premises now occupied by the said Department, with the addition of the fourth story), for a term of five years from the first day of May, 1874, at the rental heretofore paid for the second and third stories of the same building, viz., \$3,500 per annum, to be paid quarterly by the Comptroller, from the proper appropriation.

The President put the question whether the Board agree with said resolution.

Which was decided in the negative by the following vote (three-fourths of all the members elected voting in favor thereof):

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Billings, Blessing, Cole, Gilon, Gross, Guntzer, Lysaght, McCarthy, Power, Purroy, Reilly, Robinson, Seery, and Simonson—15.

Negative—Aldermen Deane, Howland, and Strack—3.

Alderman Strack moved to reconsider the above vote.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion.

Which was decided in the affirmative.

Alderman Strack then moved that the paper be again laid over.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion.

Which was decided in the affirmative.

Alderman Blessing called up G. O. 53,

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

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution and ordinance.

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote (three-fourths of all the members elected voting in favor thereof):

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Billings, Blessing, Cole, Deane, Gilon, Gross, Guntzer, Howland, Lysaght, McCarthy, Power, Purroy, Reilly, Robinson, Seery, Simonson, and Strack—18.

Alderman Blessing called up G. O. 55,

being a resolution, as follows: Resolved, That gas-mains be laid and street-lamps lighted in Fifty-sixth street, between Ninth and Tenth avenues, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote (three-fourths of all the members elected voting in favor thereof):

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Billings, Blessing, Cole, Deane, Gilon, Gross, Guntzer, Howland, Lysaght, McCarthy, Power, Purroy, Reilly, Robinson, Seery, Simonson, and Strack—18.

Alderman Lysaght called up G. O. 26,

being an ordinance, as follows: AN ORDINANCE to regulate the recovery of the arrears of personal taxes of the City of New York.

Whereas, It is lawful for the Receiver of Taxes, if any tax on personal property, with interest thereon, shall remain unpaid on the 15th day of the month of January succeeding the confirmation of such tax, to issue his warrant under his hand and seal to any Marshal of the City, commanding him to levy said tax, with interest thereon at the rate of 12 per cent. per annum from the day of the delivery of the tax-rolls to said Receiver to the time when the same shall be paid, by distress and sale of the goods and chattels of the person against whom the said warrant shall be issued, or of any goods or chattels in his possession wheresoever the same shall be found in the said City; and

Whereas, The annual loss by failure to recover personal taxes in this City amount to several hundred thousand dollars, and it is desirable, with a view to obviate as far as possible this loss, that the recovery of the personal taxes in arrear on the 15th day of January of each year should be duly provided for and regulated; therefore it is ordained and enacted:

1st. That within three days after the passage of this ordinance, and hereafter in each year, prior to the 15th day of January, the Mayor of the City shall select a Marshal, by a certificate in writing, to be filed by him in the Department of Finance, and to the Marshal so selected all warrants shall be issued under the hand and seal of the Receiver of Taxes for the Collection of Arrears of Personal Taxes, which selection it shall be in the power of the Mayor to change, by a like certificate filed in said Finance Department, whenever he may consider it advisable in the public interest to do so.

2d. Upon receiving the warrant of the Receiver, it shall be the duty of the said Marshal forthwith to enforce the same, and to report the result as speedily as possible to the Receiver of Taxes, to whom he shall pay over all taxes and interest recovered, upon the day on which he receives the same.

3d. All warrants returned by the Marshal unsatisfied in whole or in part shall forthwith be reported by the said Receiver of Taxes to the Attorney for the Collection of Arrears of Personal Taxes, and it shall thereupon be the duty of the said Attorney to adopt such proceedings in court as are by law authorized, with a view of recovery, the said taxes in whole or in part unsatisfied as aforesaid.

4th. Where, in such proceedings, the Court is satisfied that the person or persons taxed are unable, for the want of property, to pay any tax, and have dismissed the proceedings absolutely without costs, or conditionally upon the payment of costs, or have dismissed such proceedings on the payment of such part of the tax and costs as the Court consider just, it shall be the duty of the said Attorney, in addition to the reports now made by him as required by law, to report the facts in each case to the Commissioners of Taxes and Assessments; and it shall be the duty of the said Commissioners of Taxes and Assessments to inquire into the matters so reported, and, if satisfied as to the facts, to correct the Assessment Rolls, where such is practicable, prior to the 30th day of April in each year, so as to remove therefrom the names of those parties appearing thereon so reported and found to be unable, from want of property, to pay any tax.

Alderman Lysaght then moved that the ordinance be placed on file.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion.

Which was decided in the affirmative.

Alderman Reilly called up G. O. 52,

being a resolution, as follows: Resolved, That gas-mains be laid and street-lamps lighted in Sixty-eighth street, from Third to Fourth avenue, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote (three-fourths of all the members elected voting in favor thereof):

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Billings, Blessing, Cole, Deane, Gilon, Gross, Guntzer, Howland, Lysaght, McCarthy, Power, Purroy, Reilly, Robinson, Seery, Simonson, and Strack—18.

Alderman Reilly called up G. O. 54,

being a resolution, as follows: Resolved, That a drinking-hydrant, for man and beast, be placed on the Tenth avenue, west side, near One Hundred and Twenty-eighth street, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative by the

following vote (three-fourths of all the members elected voting in favor thereof):

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Billings, Blessing, Cole, Deane, Gilon, Gross, Guntzer, Howland, Lysaght, McCarthy, Power, Purroy, Reilly, Robinson, Seery, Simonson, and Strack—18.

Alderman Seery called up G. O. 46,

being a resolution and ordinance, as follows:

Resolved, That Forty-second street, from Second avenue to the East river, be regulated and graded, the curb and gutter stones set, and the sidewalks flagged, where not already done, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution and ordinance.

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote (three-fourths of all the members elected voting in favor thereof):

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Billings, Blessing, Cole, Deane, Gilon, Gross, Guntzer, Howland, Lysaght, McCarthy, Power, Purroy, Reilly, Robinson, Seery, Simonson, and Strack—18.

Alderman Purroy called up G. O. 47,

being a resolution and ordinance, as follows:

Resolved, That the sidewalk on west side of Marion avenue, between Kingsbridge road and Ridge street, 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.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution and ordinance.

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote (three-fourths of all the members elected voting in favor thereof):

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Billings, Blessing, Cole, Deane, Gilon, Gross, Guntzer, Howland, Lysaght, McCarthy, Power, Purroy, Reilly, Robinson, Seery, Simonson, and Strack—18.

Alderman Purroy called up G. O. 48,

being a resolution and ordinance, as follows:

Resolved, That Lexington avenue, from One Hundred and Second street to Harlem 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.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution and ordinance.

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote (three-fourths of all the members elected voting in favor thereof):

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Billings, Blessing, Cole, Deane, Gilon, Gross, Guntzer, Howland, Lysaght, McCarthy, Power, Purroy, Reilly, Robinson, Seery, Simonson, and Strack—18.

Alderman Gilon called up G. O. 50,

being a resolution and ordinance, as follows:

Resolved, That Seventy-sixth street, from the Eighth avenue to the Riverside Drive, 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.

Alderman Strack moved that the paper be placed on file.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion.

Which was decided in the affirmative.

Alderman Cole called up G. O. 51,

being a resolution and ordinance, as follows:

Resolved, That the vacant lots on the north side of Forty-fifth street, commencing about two hundred west of Ninth avenue, and running westerly about two hundred feet, be fenced in, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution and ordinance.

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote (three-fourths of all the members elected voting in favor thereof):

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Billings, Blessing, Cole, Deane, Gilon, Gross, Guntzer, Howland, Lysaght, McCarthy, Power, Purroy, Reilly, Robinson, Seery, Simonson, and Strack—18.

Alderman Billings called up G. O. 45,

being a resolution and ordinance, as follows:

Resolved, That the sidewalk on the west side of Lexington avenue, from Thirty-third to Thirty-fourth street, 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.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution and ordinance.

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote (three-fourths of all the members elected voting in favor thereof):

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Billings, Blessing, Cole, Deane, Gilon, Gross, Guntzer, Howland, Lysaght, McCarthy, Power, Purroy, Reilly, Robinson, Seery, Simonson, and Strack—18.

Alderman Simonson called up G. O. 56,

being a resolution and ordinance, as follows:

Resolved, That Fifty-fifth street, from Eleventh avenue to Hudson river, 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.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution and ordinance.

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote (three-fourths of all the members elected voting in favor thereof):

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Billings, Blessing, Cole, Deane, Gilon, Gross, Guntzer, Howland, Lysaght, McCarthy, Power, Purroy, Reilly, Robinson, Seery, Simonson, and Strack—18.

Alderman Simonson called up G. O. 49,

being a resolution, as follows:

Resolved, That the Commissioner of Public Works is hereby authorized and directed to renumber Eighty-eighth street, from Fifth avenue to the East river.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote (three-fourths of all the members elected voting in favor thereof):

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Billings, Blessing, Cole, Deane, Gilon, Gross, Guntzer, Howland, Lysaght, McCarthy, Power, Purroy, Reilly, Robinson, Seery, Simonson, and Strack—18.

Alderman Guntzer called up G. O. 44,

being a resolution and ordinance, as follows:

Resolved, That the Commissioners of Police be and are hereby directed to cause the provisions of sections 15 and 16 of article 2 of chapter 23 of the Revised Ordinances of 1866, to be rigidly enforced. The said sections are as follows:

"§ 15. The owner or occupant, or person having charge of each house or other building, or lot or lots of ground in the City of New York, shall, within the first four hours after every fall of snow, or hail, or rain, which shall freeze on the sidewalks and in the gutters, cause the same to be removed entirely from off the sidewalks opposite such house, building, lot, or land, under the penalty of three dollars for every such neglect, to be paid by the said owner, occupant, or person having charge, severally and respectively.

"§ 16. In case the ice or snow shall be so congealed that it cannot be removed without injury to the pavement, the owner, occupant, or person having charge of any building, lot, or land as aforesaid, shall, within the first four hours after every fall thereof, cause the sidewalks opposite his, her, or their premises to be strewn with ashes or sand, under the penalty of one dollar, to be paid by the owner or occupant, or person having charge thereof, severally and respectively."

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

Alderman --- called up G. O. 57,

being a resolution, as follows:

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

Alderman McCarthy moved that the paper be again laid over.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion.

Which was decided in the affirmative.

The President here announced that he had appointed

Aldermen Purroy, Shandley, Cole, Billings and Howland,

as the Special Committee on the communication from his Honor the Mayor, on the subject of rapid transit.

MOTIONS RESUMED.

Alderman Lysaght moved that the Board do now adjourn.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion.

Which was decided in the affirmative.

And the President announced that the Board stood adjourned until Thursday next, the 11th instant, at 2 o'clock P. M.

FRANCIS J. TWOMEY, Clerk.

DEPARTMENT OF TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS.

DEPARTMENT OF TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS, NEW YORK, February 1, 1875.

William H. Jasper, Clerk, assigned to the Bureau of Assessors, in place of Stephen Gilman, Clerk, transferred from Bureau of Assessors to this Department.

ALBERT STORER, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

REPLY TO THE RESOLUTION

OF THE

HONORABLE THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN,

ADOPTED JANUARY 21ST, 1875.

[THE ANSWERS ARE NUMBERED TO CORRESPOND TO THE PARAGRAPHS OF THE RESOLUTION TO WHICH THEY REFER.]

See Proceedings Board of Aldermen, page 229.

FIRST.

"The amount of money apportioned by the Board of Apportionment of this City and Legislature of this State; also the amount of money standing to the account of said Department on the first day of June, 1873, and the amount standing to the account of said Department on the first day of January, 1875.

Statement of Amount of Moneys apportioned by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, the same being raised by Taxation.

BALANCES TO DIFFERENT ACCOUNTS, AS FOLLOWS:

1873.	June 1..	Maintenance and Government of Parks and Places.....	\$239,015 69
		Maintenance and Government of Museum and Observatory and Gallery of Art.....	15,690 01
		Maintenance and Government of Harlem River Bridges.....	13,444 28
		Celebration of Independence Day.....	10,000 00

APPROPRIATIONS, BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND APPORTIONMENT.

1874.		City Hall Park.....	\$10,000 00
		Maintenance and Government of Parks and Places, including the sum of \$30,000 to American Museum of Natural History and Metropolitan Museum of Art.....	500,000 00
		Maintenance and Government of Museum, Observatory, and Gallery of Art.....	15,000 00
		Maintenance and Government of Harlem River Bridges.....	15,000 00
		Independence Day, Celebration of.....	10,000 00
		Sea Wall at Battery, Repairs of.....	7,500 00
		Supplies of Gas to Department of Public Parks, 1872 and 1873.....	58,000 00
		Maintenance and Government of Public Places, etc., Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards.....	50,000 00
			\$665,500 00
June 30..		Reduced by Board of Estimate and Apportionment as follows:	
		Maintenance and Government of Parks and Places.....	\$50,000 00
		City Hall Pavement.....	10,000 00
		Maintenance and Government, etc., Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards.....	10,000 00
			70,000 00
			\$595,500 00

Sept. 18..		Additional Apportionment by Board of Estimate and Apportionment:	
		Maintenance and Government of Harlem River Bridges.....	5,000 00
			\$600,500 00

BALANCES TO DIFFERENT ACCOUNTS, AS FOLLOWS:

1875.	Jan. 1..	Maintenance and Government of Parks and Places.....	\$29,112 15
		Maintenance and Government of Museum, Observatory, and Gallery of Art.....	1,094 51
		Maintenance and Government of Harlem River Bridges.....	2,756 96
		Independence Day, celebration of.....	230 40
		Sea Wall at Battery, repairs of.....	6,977 32
		Supplies of Gas, Department of Public Parks, 1872 and 1873.....	2,227 22
		Maintenance and Government Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, etc.....	352 75
			\$42,751 31

LIABILITIES AGAINST SAID BALANCES MENTIONED ABOVE.

		Maintenance and Government of Parks and Places.....	\$25,770 94
		Maintenance and Government of Museum, Observatory, and Gallery of Art.....	923 84
		Maintenance and Government of Harlem River Bridges.....	2,196 58
		Sea Wall at Battery, repairs of (estimated).....	6,977 32
		Maintenance and Government, etc., Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, etc., (estimated).....	352 75
			\$36,221 43

APPROPRIATIONS—BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND APPORTIONMENT.

		Maintenance and Government, Parks and Places, including \$30,000 for keeping, preserving, etc., Collections American Museum, Natural History, and Metropolitan Museum of Art.....	\$450,000 00
		Harlem River Bridges, Repairs, Improvements, and Maintenance.....	35,000 00
		Music, Central Park.....	6,000 00
		Independence Day, Celebration of.....	8,000 00
		Maintenance and Government of Public Places, etc., Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards.....	50,000 00
		Surveying, Laying out, Monumenting, etc., north end of Island, and Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards.....	35,000 00
			\$584,000 00

STATEMENT OF MONEY APPROPRIATED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE.

1873.	June 1..	Balances, American Museum of Natural History and Metropolitan Museum of Art.....	\$959,893 65
1875.	Jan. 1..	Balances, American Museum of Natural History and Metropolitan Museum of Art.....	590,989 04
		Liabilities on account of above.....	255,727 88

CITY PARKS IMPROVEMENT FUND.

1873.	June 1..	Balance.....	2,274 71
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APPROPRIATIONS.

		Act of Legislature, passed June 13, 1873.....	1,000,000 00
		Act of Legislature, passed June 25, 1874.....	250,000 00
1875.	Jan. 1..	Balance.....	169,306 64
		Liabilities.....	102,764 55

SECOND.

The amount of salary paid to each Commissioner since June 1, 1873, to January 1, 1875 has been:

Hon. Henry G. Stebbins, as President of the Board of Commissioners, from June 1, 1873, to August 29, 1873, at the rate of \$6,500 per annum.

Hon. S. H. Wales, as President of the Board of Commissioners, from August 29, 1873, to May 9, 1874, at the rate of \$6,500 per annum.

Hon. Henry G. Stebbins, as President of the Board of Commissioners, from May 9, 1874, to January 1, 1875, at the rate of \$6,500 per annum.

Hon. David B. Williamson, as Treasurer of the Board of Commissioners, from August 29, 1873, to January 1, 1874, at the rate of \$4,000 per annum, when he voluntarily waived all claims to the same.

The following is a List of the Topographical Engineers, Surveyors, Superintendents, Clerks, and all other than Foremen, Mechanics, and Laborers, with the residences of each, and the salary paid to them, with the exception of Park-keepers (Policemen) and Gate-keepers, a similar list of which will be found in the answer to the Sixth Paragraph:

NAMES.	RESIDENCE.	OFFICE DESIGNATION.	RATES OF PAY.
William Irwin.....	21 Fifth avenue.....	Secretary.....	per ann., \$4,500 00
Isaac Evans.....	1043 Third avenue.....	Assistant Secretary.....	" 3,000 00
David P. Lord.....	22 East 35th street.....	First Clerk.....	" 3,000 00
F. C. A. Hecker.....	Astor Place Hotel.....	Clerk.....	" 1,200 00
William D. Beall.....	40 West 16th street.....	Temporary Clerk.....	per day, 3 00
John Watkins.....	59th street and 1st avenue.....	Janitor.....	" 3 50
William E. Beames.....	20 East 35th street.....	Property Clerk.....	per ann., 2,500 00
*Columbus Ryan.....	151 East 127th street.....	Superintendent.....	" 5,000 00
Robert Demcker.....	124 East 92d street.....	Landscape Architect.....	" 3,500 00
William A. Conklin.....	328 East 65th street.....	In charge of animals.....	" 2,500 00
Charles B. Trimble.....	218 West 15th street.....	Clerk.....	" 2,000 00
John Beckett.....	53 New Chambers street.....	Messenger.....	per day, 2 50
John G. Sebald.....	Lincoln avenue and 135th street.....	Draw-tender.....	per ann., 700 00
Benjamin Bates.....	313 East 117th street.....	".....	" 700 00
Daniel Draper.....	271 Madison avenue.....	Meteorologist.....	" 4,000 00
Thomas B. Ingram.....	949 Third avenue.....	Clerk.....	" 4,000 00
W. Van Valkenburgh.....	108 West 22d street.....	Disbursing Clerk.....	" 4,000 00
Joseph F. Belton.....	146 East 71st street.....	Clerk.....	" 1,800 00
George H. Harrison.....	239 West 22d street.....	".....	" 1,500 00
R. L. Cooke.....	80 Rivington street.....	".....	" 1,200 00
G. A. Cushing.....	423 West 34th street.....	Division Engineer.....	" 3,000 00
S. S. Haight.....	157th st., bet. 10th and 11th aves. Westchester, N. Y.....	First Assistant Division Engineer.....	" 3,000 00
F. Greiffenburgh.....	222 West 24th street.....	Draughtsman.....	" 2,000 00
E. L. Heuser.....	213 East 87th street.....	".....	" 1,800 00
Matthew Cox.....	166th street and 10th avenue.....	Rodman.....	per day, 3 50
F. L. Underhill.....	45 Lafayette place.....	".....	" 3 50
Thomas Fox.....	342 East 11th street.....	".....	" 3 50
S. T. Boggs.....	Fort Washington.....	Chainman.....	" 2 75
B. W. Batlow.....	16 East 9th street.....	Clerk.....	" 3 00
F. W. Brown.....	127 East 114th street.....	Messenger.....	" 2 00
W. H. Grant.....	Yonkers, N. Y.....	Engineer-in-Charge of Bureau of Construction, from May 20, 1874, to January 1, 1875.....	per ann., 5,200 00
E. C. Morrison.....	Fordham, N. Y.....	Engineer-in-Charge of the Maintenance of Roads and Streets in the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards; also of Improvement in Morrisania, authorized by the late Board of Trustees of the Town of Morrisania; also of the Improvement of Third avenue in Morrisania.....	" 3,500 00
Henry Carpenter.....	670 Third avenue.....	Messenger.....	per day, 2 50
John McLaughlin.....	1430 Third avenue.....	".....	" 2 50
Fred. Law Olmsted.....	209 West 46th street.....	Landscape Architect.....	per ann., 6,500 00
Howard A. Martin.....	614 Seventh avenue.....	Clerk.....	" 1,800 00
A. M. Whittemore.....	123 East 35th street.....	Messenger.....	per day, 2 50
Julius Munckwitz.....	359 West 30th street.....	Superintending Architect.....	per ann., 4,500 00
Arthur Krause.....	Coney Island road.....	Draughtsman.....	per day, 3 00
John Bogart.....	233 West 48th street.....	Engineer.....	per ann., 5,200 00
F. A. Calkins.....	351 West 83d street.....	Assistant Engineer.....	" 1,900 00
C. M. Harris.....	19 East 31st street.....	Surveyor, only employed as required.....	per day, 5 00
Otto Siebeth.....	218 East 30th street.....	Draughtsman.....	per ann., 1,500 00
H. Hermanns.....	343 West 23d street.....	Rodman.....	" 1,200 00
D. Campbell.....	207 West 46th street.....	".....	per day, 3 00
E. A. Miller.....	161 East 78th street.....	".....	" 3 00
P. Phillips.....	1091 Third avenue.....	Axeman.....	" 2 75
W. A. Jeffries.....	233 West 48th street.....	".....	" 2 50
John Arnold.....	110th street and 10th avenue.....	".....	" 2 50
William H. Grant.....	Yonkers, N. Y.....	Civil and Topographical Engineer, from June 1, 1873, to May 20, 1874.....	per ann., 5,200 00
George S. Greene.....	113 East 26th street.....	Civil and Topographical Engineer, from May 20, 1874, to January 1, 1875.....	" 5,200 00
Isaac W. Maclay.....	167 East 62d street.....	Principal Assistant Engineer.....	" 4,000 00
J. J. R. Crowes.....	Yonkers, N. Y.....	Division Engineer.....	" 3,000 00
C. R. Schott.....	134 East 31st street.....	".....	" 3,000 00
S. B. Smith.....	88 Fourth avenue.....	First Assistant Division Engineer.....	" 2,000 00
Henry Koster.....	115 East 117th street.....	Captain.....	" 2,000 00
George Z. Hunter.....	348 West 14th street.....	Surgeon.....	" 1,250 00

* Resigned January 31, 1875.

THIRD.

The number of foremen, mechanics, and laborers employed; the salaries paid to foremen; the number of laborers employed under each foreman; the names and residences of such foremen; also the number of horses and carts employed by the Department, and the amounts paid for the use of the same, are as follows:

Under the immediate direction of the Superintendent—

- 1 Sculptor.
- 2 Plumbers.
- 4 Skilled Laborers.
- 1 Janitor.
- 15 Laborers.
- 8 Watchmen.
- 2 Ladies' Maids.

John W. Manning, General Foreman, \$6.00 per day, 932 Eighth avenue.

- 1 Gardener.
- 2 Skilled Laborers.
- 55 Laborers.
- 13 Carts, \$3.60 per day (one cart, at \$4.50 per day).
- 1 Double Team, \$5.44 per day.
- 2 Ladies' Maids.

Thomas Hodges, Foreman, \$4.50 per day, 205 East 83d street.

- 2 Skilled Laborers.
- 51 Laborers.
- 1 Double Team, \$5.44 per day.
- 2 Ladies' Maids.

Thomas W. Geary, Foreman, \$4.50 per day, 343 West 21st street.

- 36 Laborers.

Jonathan B. Andrews, Foreman, \$4.50 per day, 137 East 109th street.

- Francis Hagan, Assistant Foreman, \$3.00 per day, 135 West 24th street.
- 3 Skilled Laborers.
- 45 Laborers.
- 1 Cart, \$3.60 per day.
- 2 Double Teams, \$5.44 per day.
- 1 Ladies' Maid.

Patrick Flanagan, Foreman, \$4.50 per day, 804 Eighth avenue.

- 1 Gardener.
- 1 Skilled Laborer.
- 10 Laborers.
- 2 Ladies' Maids.

Charles A. Johnson, Foreman, \$4.50 per day, 259 West 12th street.
 7 Laborers.
 1 Ladies' Maid.

Thomas Tierney, Foreman, \$4.50 per day, 61st street, between 8th and 9th avenues.
 1 Blaster.
 19 Rockmen.
 3 Laborers.
 1 Blacksmith.
 4 Double Teams.

George W. Snow, Assistant Foreman-in-Charge, \$3.00 per day, 781 Seventh avenue.
 31 Laborers.

Robert McWhinney, General Foreman of Masons and Stone-cutters, \$7.00 per day, 732 Eleventh avenue.
 8 Stone-cutters.
 3 Masons.
 1 Laborer.

E. H. Tredwell, Foreman, \$5.00 per day, 227 East 105th street.
 15 Carpenters.
 3 Skilled Laborers.

William Carr, Painter-in-Charge, \$4.50 per day, 211 West 58th street.
 8 Painters.
 2 Skilled Laborers.
 1 Laborer.

J. H. Van Riper, Mechanical Engineer-in-Charge, \$6.00 per day, 132 East 117th street.
 1 Skilled Blacksmith.
 2 Blacksmiths.
 2 Blacksmith's Helpers.
 3 Skilled Laborers.
 2 Laborers.

John Wolf, Foreman, \$4.50 per day, 109th street and 10th avenue.
 2 Division Gardeners.
 4 Gardeners.
 1 Skilled Laborer.
 22 Laborers.

Isaac Jerome, General Foreman, \$5.00 per day, Fordham.
 5 Laborers.
 1 Double Team, \$5.00 per day.

The number of horses and carts owned by the Department, the amount paid for the same, and their cost of keeping, including stables, etc., are as follows:

34 Horses.
 70 Carts.
 14 Trucks.

The horses were nearly all bought during the years 1870 and 1871, and cost on an average \$212 each.

The carts cost from \$60 to \$85 each, and the trucks from \$125 to \$175 each.

The cost of keeping the horses from June 1, 1873, to January 1, 1875, was \$8,912.43.

All the horses (with one exception) are kept in stables belonging to the City, and consequently there is no expense for stabling.

The cost of the stabling of this one horse is \$30 per month, which is included in the above sum of \$8,912.43.

FOURTH.

CONTRACTS ENTERED INTO.

CONTRACTORS.	WORK OR SUPPLIES CONTRACTED FOR.	AMOUNT.	NOW DUE.
Deeves & Parry.....	Mason and granite work of the Inscope Arch.....	\$22,790 00	nil.
Theo. F. Tone.....	Coal.....	1,451 25	"
Bigelow Blue-stone Company.....	Dressed base-course stone for enclosing-wall, Central Park.....	13,041 11	"
W. H. Crommelin.....	Dressed ashlar for enclosing-wall, Central Park.....	5,046 00	"
Geo. Fischer & Bro.....	Bronze-work fountain in City Hall Park.....	3,000 00	"
Henry Sherwin.....	Coal.....	2,454 88	"
Rider & Fairchild.....	Gravel.....	10,230 48	"
Bigelow Blue-stone Company.....	Dressed base-course stone for enclosing-wall, Central Park.....	2,940 00	"
W. L. Miller & Co.....	Ornamental lamps for Union square.....	4,000 00	"
J. J. Schilling.....	Laying concrete flagging on Five Points' Park.....	2,055 14	\$2,055 14
Hermann A. Gunther.....	Laying concrete flagging on Plaza, Fifth avenue, Fifty-eighth and Fifty-ninth streets.....	3,682 73	nil.
T. W. Rollins.....	Granite-work of building for Museum of Natural History.....	123,305 00	39,305 00
D. C. Weeks & Son.....	Mason-work of building for Museum of Natural History.....	127,894 00	39,229 00
T. W. Rollins.....	Iron-work of building for Museum of Natural History.....	168,734 00	87,884 00
Watson Manufacturing Co.....	Iron-work for building for Museum of Art.....	133,901 60	113,141 60
John Hogan.....	Granite-work for building for Museum of Art.....	52,433 00	52,433 00
Moran & Armstrong.....	Mason-work for building for Museum of Art.....	94,843 00	69,843 00
Kohler & Perkins.....	Gravel.....	11,875 00	2,375 00
Wilson & Hughes' Stone Co.....	Constructing enclosing-wall on Eighth avenue.....	114,298 52	5,532 70
John D. Voorhis.....	Laying concrete flagging on sidewalk at Circle.....	1,000 00	500 00
John Hogan.....	Laying stone work of Outset Arch.....	7,000 00	7,000 00
T. W. Rollins.....	Carpenters, painters, and iron work of Gapstow Bridge.....	2,750 00	2,750 00
Moran & Armstrong.....	Carpenters, painters, and iron work of Outset Arch.....	16,450 00	16,450 00
T. W. Rollins.....	Mason and stone-cutters' work of Gapstow Bridge.....	5,987 00	5,987 00
Thomas Parry.....	Slatting building for the Museum of Natural History.....	4,992 00	4,992 00
A. J. Howell.....	Granite, stone, and mason work of fountain for Madison sq.....	5,750 00	5,750 00
	Repairing sea-wall at the Battery (estimated).....	3,920 48	3,920 48

Statement of the amount of Money received from all sources and Receipt given; and an account of all Articles sold and all such enumerated; the amount of Money received from all Rentals and Parties to whom Rented, from June 1, 1873, to January 1, 1875:

Pound.....	\$275 40
Broken Vehicles.....	5 00
Grass.....	4,308 50
Sundry Receipts.....	4,216 96
Sheep.....	1,580 38
Licenses.....	7,414 58
Rents.....	10,530 25
Ryan.....	13,488 86
Interest.....	30 17
Labor.....	6 30
	\$41,856 40

The moneys received on these accounts are paid to the City Chamberlain weekly.

ENUMERATION OF ARTICLES SOLD.

Drakes,	Locust Posts,	Old Shovels,
Grass,	Iron Chain,	Old Spades,
Sheep,	Cast Iron,	Stove and Pipe,
Old Fence,	Old Flag Stone,	Overcoats,
Old Curb,	Ice,	Coats,
Sheep Skins,	Base Ball Check,	Blouses,
Wool,	Old Iron,	Pantaloons,
Old Tools,	Railing,	Bull's Hide,
Scoops,	Old Lumber,	Calf's Hide,
Light Wagons,	Old Scythes,	Horse's Hide,
Scrapers,	Old Sledges,	Cow's Hide.
Mare and Colt,	Old Rope,	

TENANTS.

Jesse G. Keator, T. C. Davis, B. W. Foster,
 Jos. Tyce, J. W. Hale, J. D. Tracey,
 Geo. Tyce, R. M. Shaw, Phillip Dunn,
 John Tyce, N. A. Lespinasse, Thomas Burke,
 C. W. Kearney, W. L. Wiley, John Simpson,
 W. P. Dixon, C. Struver, Geo. H. Peary,
 Dennis Lane, M. C. Dunphy, Patrick Martin,
 E. Delaney, C. Leonard, Mrs. C. McDonald.
 F. Branty, A. Hughes,

COLUMBUS RYAN.

Mr. C. Ryan occupied a part of Mount St. Vincent, the Casino, and other places in Central Park, designated by the Commissioners for the sale of refreshments, under an agreement made November 1, 1872, for which he pays a compensation of six per cent. on his gross receipts.
 Total amount paid from June 1, 1873, to January 1, 1875, \$13,488.86.

LICENSES.

Isidor Isaacs, John Lucas, Jos. Scott,
 C. H. Shultz, Isaac Hall, Platt & Clapp,
 August Brann, Thos. S. Dick, G. G. Rockwood.

No employee of this Department has been interested in any contract or lease for which the City had to pay the cost, so far as the Commissioners are aware.

Mr. Ryan, referred to above, resigned his office of Superintendent on January 31, 1875.

FIFTH.

No money which has been appropriated by the Legislature to this Department for construction purposes, within the dates specified, has been converted to any other purpose.

SIXTH.

The Number of Park-keepers (Policemen) and Gate-keepers employed by the Department, their Names, and Residences, and the Salaries paid are as follows:

RANK.	NAME.	ADDRESS.	RATE OF PAY.
			Per day.
Sergeant.....	Thomas A. Henry.....	456 West 51st street.....	\$3 75
".....	Joseph Lenz.....	78th street and 2d avenue.....	3 75
".....	John Pye.....	88th street and 4th avenue.....	3 75
".....	Fritz H. Van Dohlen.....	1489 Second avenue.....	3 75
Park-keeper.....	Thomas Beatty.....	130 East 84th street.....	3 00
".....	John E. Becker.....	447 West 50th street.....	3 00
".....	William Burk.....	924 Third avenue.....	3 00
".....	William H. Brown.....	432 West 32d street.....	3 00
".....	Edward Burns.....	82d street and 1st avenue.....	3 00
".....	Patrick Burns.....	353 West 53d street.....	3 00
".....	Rudolph Butler.....	924 Third avenue.....	3 00
".....	Bartly Clancy.....	251 West 31st street.....	3 00
".....	Philip Corcoran.....	1171 Second street.....	3 00
".....	John Culty.....	3 Washington street.....	3 00
".....	Charles J. Drew.....	859 Ninth avenue.....	3 00
".....	Julius A. Donaldson.....	276 West 19th street.....	3 00
".....	Hugh Downey.....	284 Broome street.....	3 00
".....	J. W. Dusenbury.....	302 East 62d street.....	3 00
".....	John W. England.....	342 East 74th street.....	3 00
".....	Thomas Frawley.....	1406 Third avenue.....	3 00
".....	Louis Flock.....	27 Vestry street.....	3 00
".....	James Farley.....	145th street, North New York.....	3 00
".....	William Flanagan.....	206 West 13th street.....	3 00
".....	William F. Gall.....	133 East 84th street.....	3 00
".....	Matthew Horan.....	1603 Second avenue.....	3 00
".....	William Kelley.....	245 East 36th street.....	3 00
".....	William F. Leonard.....	110 West 46th street.....	3 00
".....	Henry F. Liebnow.....	112 East 81st street.....	3 00
".....	Philip Loeffel.....	92d street and 10th avenue.....	3 00
".....	B. Lynch.....	146th street, North New York.....	3 00
".....	James Mackey.....	83d street and 1st avenue.....	3 00
".....	James McCarthy.....	19 Rector street.....	3 00
".....	James A. McCormick.....	57th street and Broadway.....	3 00
".....	James A. McGinnis.....	145 Elizabeth street.....	3 00
".....	M. McGinness.....	405 West 37th street.....	3 00
".....	J. McGonigal.....	9 North Moore street.....	3 00
".....	M. C. Meaney.....	146th street, North New York.....	3 00
".....	William Monahan.....	74th street and Avenue A.....	3 00
".....	L. Moorecroft.....	1137 Second avenue.....	3 00
".....	R. W. Morgan.....	1135 Second avenue.....	3 00
".....	William J. Morgan.....	343 East 22d street.....	3 00
".....	Thomas Mulligan.....	98th street and 9th avenue.....	3 00
".....	S. T. Munson.....	150 West 24th street.....	3 00
".....	Robert D. Murphy.....	381 First avenue.....	3 00
".....	Edward Murray.....	452 West 27th street.....	3 00
".....	Nicholas O'Hearn.....	86th street and 4th avenue.....	3 00
".....	Martin Philbin.....	937 Third avenue.....	3 00
".....	Frank Reynolds.....	433 East 16th street.....	3 00
".....	John Russell.....	419 West 54th street.....	3 00
".....	George P. Schaaf.....	94th street and River Drive.....	3 00
".....	John Steiner.....	322 West 40th street.....	3 00
".....	Patrick Sheridan.....	75th street and 1st avenue.....	3 00
".....	James Villes.....	1149 Second avenue.....	3 00
".....	Frederick Vanni.....	1485 Second avenue.....	3 00
".....	Thomas Wade.....	53 Park street.....	3 00
".....	George Walker.....	40 Grand street.....	3 00
".....	Robert E. Walker.....	447 West 50th street.....	3 00
".....	Jacob Weinnig.....	1087 Second avenue.....	3 00
Gate-keeper.....	Casper Antes.....	241 West 32d street.....	2 50
".....	James Cross.....	1483 Second avenue.....	2 50
".....	M. E. Cunningham.....	1405 Third avenue.....	2 50
".....	Lawrence Delaney.....	1060 Third avenue.....	2 50
".....	John Fagan.....	518 West 27th street.....	2 50
".....	James B. Ferris.....	123d street, between 3d and 4th avenues.....	2 50
".....	James Higgins.....	350 East 53d st.....	2 50
".....	Edward Kelly.....	247 East 120th street.....	2 50
".....	Adolph Klein.....	134 East Houston street.....	2 50
".....	James P. Larkins.....	1095 Third avenue.....	2 50
".....	William B. Love.....	418 West 56th street.....	2 50
".....	Peter McCusker.....	113th street, bet. 3d and 4th avenues.....	2 50
".....	Francis McLaughlin.....	148 Ludlow street.....	2 50
".....	Patrick Nevins.....	416 East 23d street.....	2 50
".....	John L. Rooney.....	165 East 83d street.....	2 50
".....	Henry Ronn.....	250 West 27th street.....	2 50
".....	Ignatz Scheir.....	41 Avenue B.....	2 50
".....	Henry Seymour.....	86 Amity street.....	2 50
".....	John Smith.....	445 East 23d street.....	2 50
".....	James Stirling.....	105 East 103d street.....	2 50
".....	Thomas Ullings.....	250 West 26th street.....	2 50
".....	Andrew Watson.....	316 East 11th street.....	2 50
".....	William White.....	313 East 84th street.....	2 50

All the above were appointed on September 17, 1873; appointments to take effect October 1, 1873.

The cost of equipping the Park Police, from June 1, 1873, to January 1, 1875, was \$6,826.91, exclusive of the pay of five tailors employed for the care and repair of uniforms, viz.:

John Bozetti, per day.....	\$2 50
Patrick Clabby, per day.....	2 50
Parker McCuen, ".....	2 50
Baer Praeger, ".....	2 50
Wm. Whelin, ".....	2 50

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 2 o'clock, P.M. FRANCIS J. TWOMEY, Clerk

OFFICE CLERK OF COMMON COUNCIL, No. 8 CITY HALL, NEW YORK, January 9, 1875. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO THE COMPTROLLER, the Commissioner of Public Works, the Corporation Counsel, and the President of each Department of the City Government, pursuant to the provisions of section 5 of chapter 735, Laws of 1873, that the Board of Aldermen have designated Thursday of each week, at 2 o'clock P. M., as the time for holding the regular meetings of the Board. The Board meets in Room No. 17, City Hall. FRANCIS J. TWOMEY, Clerk.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN, NEW YORK, February 4, 1875. THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE WILL MEET at Room No. 9, City Hall, on Tuesday, February 9, 1875, for the consideration of the bills for funeral of late Mayor Havemeyer, and other subjects referred for its consideration. MAGNUS GROSS, PATRICK LYSAGHT, W. L. COLE, J. J. MORRIS, S. B. H. VANCE, Committee on Finance. F. J. TWOMEY, Clerk.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN, NEW YORK, February 4, 1875. THE COMMITTEE ON FERRIES WILL MEET every Monday, at No. 9, City Hall, at 2 o'clock, for the consideration of all subjects referred to the consideration of the Committee. ROBERT POWER, JOHN REILLY, HENRY E. HOWLAND, Committee on Ferries. F. J. TWOMEY, Clerk.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN, NEW YORK, January 30, 1875. THE COMMITTEE ON STREETS OF THE Board of Aldermen will meet every Monday, at 2 o'clock, P. M., at No. 9, City Hall, for the transaction of such business as may be referred to the Committee. J. W. GUNTZER, PATRICK LYSAGHT, S. N. SIMONSON, Committee on Streets. FRANCIS J. TWOMEY, Clerk.

OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE COMMON COUNCIL, No. 8 CITY HALL, NEW YORK, January 15, 1875. NOTICE - THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS of the Board of Aldermen will meet every Monday, at 3 P. M., in Room No. 9, City Hall, for the consideration of such subjects as may have been referred for its action. JOHN REILLY, EDWARD J. SHANDLEY, JOHN J. MORRIS, Committee on Public Works. FRANCIS J. TWOMEY, Clerk.

OFFICE CLERK OF THE COMMON COUNCIL, No. 8 CITY HALL, NEW YORK, January 20, 1875. NOTICE - THE COMMITTEE ON STREET PAVEMENTS of the Board of Aldermen will meet hereafter every Wednesday, at 2 o'clock P. M., in Room No. 9, City Hall, for the consideration of such subjects as may have been referred to the Committee. PETER SEERY, WM. H. MCCARTHY, CHESTER H. SOUTHWORTH, Committee on Street Pavements. FRANCIS J. TWOMEY, Clerk.

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

CENTRAL DEPARTMENT OF THE MUNICIPAL POLICE, No. 300 MULBERRY STREET, PROPERTY CLERK'S OFFICE, ROOM 39, NEW YORK, January 25, 1875.

OWNERS WANTED BY THE PROPERTY CLERK, 300 Mulberry street, Room 39, for the following property, now in his custody without claimants: Two boats, three robes, box soap, box starch, lot silver-plated ware, two bags and contents, eleven revolvers, lot furniture, two pieces cloth, lot rope, seal muff, silver watch, male and female clothing, and money found in street. C. A. ST. JOHN, Property Clerk.

BOARD OF EDUCATION.

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, CORNER OF GRAND AND ELM STREETS, NEW YORK, January 19, 1875.

PROPOSALS FOR PROVISIONS REQUIRED for the pupils and others of the Nautical School under the charge of the Board of Education. Sealed proposals will be received by the undersigned, at this office, until the 9th day of February next, at 4 o'clock P.M., for supplying the said Nautical School with Beef, Pork, Flour, Potatoes, Bread, etc., to be delivered on board the ship "St. Mary's," now lying at the pier foot of East Twenty-third street, or at such other place, in the port of New York, as may be hereafter occupied by said ship, in such quantities, and at such times, as may be required and designated. Two approved sureties, for the faithful performance of the contract, will be required from each contractor, and the Committee reserve the right to reject any and all proposals offered, if deemed for the public interests. The articles will be inspected by an officer of the school. For details apply to the Superintendent of the School, on board the ship "St. Mary's," foot of East Twenty-third street, between the hours of 10 and 12 A.M. DAVID WETMORE, A. J. MATHEWSON, WM. DOWD, JOSEPH SELIGMAN, J. D. VERMILYE, Committee on Nautical School. LAW D. KIERNAN, Clerk.

THE CITY RECORD.

COPIES OF THE CITY RECORD CAN BE OBTAINED at No. 2 City Hall (northwest corner) basement. Price three cents each.

DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS.

DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS, 346 and 348 BROADWAY, NEW YORK, January 27, 1875.

TO CONTRACTORS.

PROPOSALS FOR MAKING REPAIRS TO STEAM DREDGE No. 2.

SEALED PROPOSALS FOR THIS WORK, Indorsed as above, and addressed to Jacob A. Westervelt, President of the Department of Docks, will be received at this office until 12 o'clock M. of Thursday, 11th February, 1875, at which time the bids will be publicly opened and read.

The award of the contract will be made as soon as practicable after the opening of the bids. Any bidder for this contract must be well prepared for the business, and shall give security for the faithful performance of his contract, in the manner prescribed and required by ordinance.

The time allowed for the completion of the repairs is 40 forty days from the date of the signing of the contract. The dredge is to be taken from her present moorings, and, after the completion of the repairs, returned to such point on the North river water, front of the city as may be designated by the President, at the cost and expense of the contractor for doing this work.

NOTE.-In case the repairs to the dredge are not made in New York City, an Inspector will be appointed by the Board of Docks, at the cost and expense of the person or persons doing the work under the contract.

Bidders will state in the proposals the price for the work to be done, by which the bids will be tested. The price is to cover all expenses necessary for the complete fulfillment of the contract.

Should the lowest bidder or bidders neglect or refuse to accept this contract within forty-eight (48) hours after written notice that the same has been awarded to his or their bid, he or they shall be considered as having abandoned it, and as in default to the Corporation; and the contract will be readvertised and relet, and so on until it is accepted and executed.

Bidders are required to state in their proposals their names and places of residence; also that the bid is made without any connection with any other person making any estimate for the same work, and that it is in all respects fair, and without collusion or fraud; and also that no member of the Common Council, Head of a Department, Chief of a Bureau, Deputy thereof, or Clerk therein, or other officer of the Corporation is directly or indirectly interested therein, or in the supplies or work to which it relates, or in any portion of the profits thereof; which proposals must be verified by the oath, in writing, of the party making the estimate, that the several matters stated therein are in all respects true. Where more than one person is interested, it is requisite that the verification be made and subscribed by all the parties interested.

Each proposal shall be 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 to the person or persons making the bid, they will, on its being so awarded, become bound as sureties for its faithful performance; and that if said person or persons shall omit or refuse to execute the contract, they will pay to the Corporation any difference between the sum to which said person or persons would be entitled on its completion, and that which the Corporation may be obliged to pay to any higher bidder to whom the contract may be awarded at any subsequent letting. The consent above mentioned shall be accompanied by the oath or affirmation, in writing, of each of the persons signing the same, taken before a Judge of any Court of Record in this county, that each is a householder or freeholder in the City of New York, and is worth the amount of the security required for the contract, over and above all his debts of every nature, and over and above his liabilities as bail, surety, or otherwise; and that he has offered himself as a surety in good faith; the adequacy and sufficiency of the sureties offered to be approved by the Comptroller of the City of New York after the award is made, and prior to the signing of the contract.

Bidders are informed that no deviation from the specifications will be allowed, unless under the written instructions of the Board of Docks.

No proposal will be accepted from, or contract awarded to, any person who is in arrears to the Corporation, upon debt or contract, or who is a defaulter, as surety or otherwise, upon any obligation to the Corporation.

The form of the agreement, including specifications, and showing the manner of payment for the work, can be obtained upon application at the office of the Department.

JACOB A. WESTERVELT, SALEM H. WALES, WILLIAM BUDD, Commissioners of the Department of Docks.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, BUREAU FOR THE COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS, ROTUNDA, COURT-HOUSE, NEW YORK, December 30, 1874.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY-HOLDERS.

PROPERTY-HOLDERS ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the following assessment list was received this day in this Bureau for collection:

CONFIRMED DECEMBER 10, 1874.

Macadamizing the Sixth avenue, from One Hundred and Tenth street to the Harlem river; also setting curb-stone, and flagging four feet in width through the sidewalks of the same.

All payments made on the above assessment on or before the first day of March, 1875, will be exempt (according to law) from interest. After that date interest will be charged at the rate of seven (7) per cent. from the date of confirmation.

The Collector's office is open daily from 9 A. M. to 2 P. M. for the collection of money, and until 4 P. M. for general information.

SPENCER KIRBY, Collector of Assessments.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY-HOLDERS.

PROPERTY-HOLDERS ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that I have received the following Assessment Rolls of unpaid assessments for the erection of lamp-posts in the Twenty-fourth Ward, late Town of West Farms, and that I will be at my office, corner of Mott street and Railroad avenue, on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays of each week, between the hours of 9 A. M. and 4 P. M., until the 27th day of February, 1875, for the purpose of receiving payment of the several amounts due thereon in:

- Sub-Lamp District - In General Lamp District No. 3. Inwood. " " In General Lamp District No. 4. Kingsbridge road. " " In General Lamp District No. 3. Waverly street. " " In General Lamp District No. 2. Centre street. " " In General Lamp District No. 4. McComb's Dam road.

January 26, 1875.

CHARLES CLARK, Collector of Assessments.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, BUREAU FOR THE COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS, ROTUNDA, NEW COURT-HOUSE, NEW YORK, February 1, 1875.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY-HOLDERS

PROPERTY-HOLDERS ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the following assessment list was received this day in this Bureau for collection:

CONFIRMED DECEMBER 2, 1874.

Opening Tenth avenue, from a point 10,353 feet northerly from the southerly side of One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street to Eleventh avenue.

All payments made on the above assessment on or before the 2d day of April, 1875, will be exempt (according to law) from interest. After that date interest will be charged at the rate of seven (7) per cent. from the date of confirmation.

The Collector's office is open daily from 9 A. M. to 2 P. M. for the collection of money, and until 4 P. M., for general information.

SPENCER KIRBY, Collector of Assessments.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, BUREAU FOR THE COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS, ROTUNDA, COURT-HOUSE, NEW YORK, December 18, 1874.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY-HOLDERS.

PROPERTY-HOLDERS ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the following assessment lists were received this day in this Bureau for collection:

CONFIRMED DECEMBER 10, 1874.

Paving Forty-eighth street, from Tenth to Eleventh avenue.

Flagging sidewalks on the south side of Thirty-fourth street, between Lexington and Fourth avenues.

Flagging east side of Lexington avenue, between Thirty-sixth and Thirty-seventh streets.

Flagging north side of Thirty-sixth street, between Lexington and Third avenues.

Flagging Fifty-eighth street, between Fifth and Sixth avenues.

Curb, gutter, and flagging East Eleventh street, between Dry Dock street and East river.

Curb, gutter, and flagging Thirteenth avenue, east side, between Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth streets (half block).

Curb, gutter, and flagging Madison avenue, east side, from Sixty-third to Sixty-fourth street.

Flagging sidewalks in Fifty-sixth street, between Ninth and Tenth avenues.

Regulating, grading, setting curb and gutter stones, and flagging Fifty-sixth street, from Third avenue to East river.

Regulating, grading, setting curb and gutter stones, and flagging Sixty-fourth street, between Ninth and Tenth avenues.

Regulating, grading, setting curb and gutter stones, and flagging Ninety-second street, between Eighth avenue and Boulevard.

Sewers in Lewis street, between Sixth and Eighth streets.

Sewer in Madison street, between Gouverneur and Scamuel streets.

Sewer in Tompkins street, between Broome and Delancey streets.

Sewer in Cannon street, between Broome and Delancey streets.

Sewer in Twelfth street, between Fourth avenue and Broadway.

Basin on the northeast corner of Tenth street and Broadway.

All payments made on the above assessments on or before the 15th day of February, 1875, will be exempt (according to law) from interest. After that date interest will be charged at the rate of seven (7) per cent. from the date of confirmation.

The Collector's office is open daily from 9 A. M. to 2 P. M., for the collection of money, and until 4 P. M. for general information.

SPENCER KIRBY, Collector of Assessments.

CORPORATION NOTICES.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE FOLLOWING Assessment Lists have been received by the Board of Assessors from the Commissioner of Public Works, for:

No. 1. Belgian pavement in Eleventh avenue, from Fifty-second to Fifty-ninth street.

No. 2. Flagging sidewalks on south side of Thirty-fourth street, between First avenue and East river.

No. 3. Regulating, grading, curb, gutter, and flagging Edgar street, from Church to Greenwich street.

No. 4. Regulating, grading, curb, gutter, and flagging Sixty-seventh street, from Fourth to Fifth avenue.

No. 5. Sewer in Greenwich street, between Clarkson and Leroy streets.

No. 6. Sewer on west side of Hudson street, between Spring and Vandam streets.

No. 7. Sewer on west side of Hudson street, between Charlton and King streets.

No. 8. Receiving-basin on the west side of Tenth avenue, between Twenty-fifth and Twenty-sixth streets.

No. 9. Receiving-basin on the northwest corner of Stuyvesant street and Second avenue.

No. 10. Receiving-basin on the southwest corner of One Hundred and Seventeenth street and Sixth avenue.

No. 11. Receiving-basin on the southwest corner of One Hundred and Eleventh street and Avenue St. Nicholas.

No. 12. Receiving-basin on the southwest corner of One Hundred and Twelfth street and Avenue St. Nicholas.

No. 13. Receiving-basin in Cherry street, between New Chambers and Roosevelt streets.

No. 14. Paving Thirty-sixth street, from Tenth to Eleventh avenue, with Belgian pavement.

No. 15. Regulating, grading, paving with granite blocks, laying crosswalks, setting curb and gutter stones, and flagging and repaving, relaying crosswalks, resetting curb and gutter stones, and reflagging Worth street, from Broadway

to Chatham street, and the streets intersecting Worth street, not exceeding one block on either side of Worth street, between Centre and Chatham streets, in accordance with chapter 270 of the Laws of 1874.

No. 16. Sewer in Sheriff street, between Grand and Broome streets.

No. 17. Flagging sidewalks on north side of Forty-third street, from First to Second avenue.

The limits to be assessed are embraced as follows, viz.: No. 1. Both sides of Eleventh avenue, from Fifty-second to Fifty-ninth street, to the extent of half the block, at the intersecting avenues.

No. 2. South side of Thirty-fourth street, from First avenue to the East river.

No. 3. Both sides of Edgar street, from Church to Greenwich street, to the extent of half the block at the intersecting streets.

No. 4. Both sides of Sixty-seventh street, from Fourth to Fifth avenue, to the extent of half the block at the intersecting streets.

No. 5. Both sides of Greenwich street, from Clarkson to Leroy street.

No. 6. West side of Hudson street, from Spring to Vandam street.

No. 7. West side of Hudson street, from Charlton to King street.

No. 8. West side of Tenth avenue, between Twenty-fifth and Twenty-sixth streets.

No. 9. All the property in the block bounded by Tenth and Eleventh streets, from Second to Third avenue.

No. 10. South side of One Hundred and Seventeenth street, from Sixth to Seventh avenue, and east side of Seventh avenue, from One Hundred and Sixteenth to One Hundred and Seventeenth street.

No. 11. South side of One Hundred and Eleventh street, from Avenue St. Nicholas to Seventh avenue, and east side of Seventh avenue, from One Hundred and Tenth to One Hundred and Eleventh street.

No. 12. South side of One Hundred and Twelfth street, from Avenue St. Nicholas to Seventh avenue, and east side of Seventh avenue, from One Hundred and Eleventh to One Hundred and Twelfth street.

No. 13. Both sides of Cherry street, from Roosevelt to James street.

No. 14. Both sides of Thirty-sixth street, from Tenth to Eleventh avenue, to the extent of half the block at the intersecting streets.

No. 15. Both sides of Worth street, from Chatham street to Broadway; both sides of Baxter street, from Chatham to Bayard street; and both sides of Mulberry street, from Chatham to Bayard street.

No. 16. Both sides of Sheriff street, between Grand and Broome streets.

No. 17. North side of Forty-third street, from First to Second avenue.

THOMAS B. ASTEN, Chairman.

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS, No. 19 CHATHAM STREET, NEW YORK, Jan. 18, 1875.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE FOLLOWING Assessment Lists have been received by the Board of Assessors from the Commissioner of Public Works:

No. 1. Building underground drain, between One Hundred and Tenth and One Hundred and Twenty-fourth streets, and between Fifth and Eighth avenues.

No. 2. Sewer in Attorney street, between Grand and Broome streets.

No. 3. Sewer in One Hundred and Thirtieth street, between Third and Fourth avenues.

No. 4. Sewer in Avenue B, between Eighty-sixth and Eighty-seventh streets, with branches in Eighty-seventh street.

No. 5. Sewers in Thirteenth avenue, between Gansevoort and Bloomfield streets, with branches in Bloomfield and Bogert streets.

No. 6. Belgian pavement in Third street, from Goerck street to the pier foot of Third street.

No. 7. Belgian pavement in Fifty-sixth street, between First avenue and the East river.

No. 8. Belgian pavement in Eighty-eighth street, between Third and Fourth avenues.

No. 9. Sewer in Spring street, between Broadway and Crosby street.

No. 10. Basin on northeast corner of Thirty-third street and First avenue.

No. 11. Basin on southeast corner of Thirty-third street and First avenue.

No. 12. Basin on northwest corner of One Hundred and Sixteenth street and St. Nicholas avenue.

No. 13. Flagging south side of One Hundred and Twenty-first street, between First avenue and Avenue A.

The limits to be assessed are embraced as follows, viz.: No. 1. All the property from One Hundred and Tenth to One Hundred and Twenty-third street, from Fifth to Eighth avenue.

No. 2. Both sides of Attorney street, from Grand to Broome street.

No. 3. Both sides of One Hundred and Thirtieth street, from Third to Fourth avenue, to the extent of half the block at the intersecting streets, and north side of One Hundred and Twenty-ninth street, from Lexington to Fourth avenue.

No. 4. Both sides of Avenue B, from Eighty-sixth to Eighty-seventh street, and both sides of Eighty-seventh street, from Avenue B to Avenue A, and east side of Avenue A, between Eighty-sixth and Eighty-seventh streets.

No. 5. West side of Thirteenth avenue, from Gansevoort to Bloomfield street, and on both sides of Bloomfield and Bogert streets from Tenth avenue and West street to Thirteenth avenue.

No. 6. Both sides of Third street, from Goerck street to the East river, to the extent of half the block at the intersecting streets.

No. 7. Both sides of Fifty-sixth street, between First avenue and East river, to the extent of half the block at the intersecting streets.

No. 8. Both sides of Eighty-eighth street, between Third and Fourth avenues, to the extent of half the block at the intersecting streets.

No. 9. Both sides of Spring street, between Broadway and Crosby street.

No. 10. North side of Thirty-third street, from First avenue to East river, to the extent of half the block at the intersecting streets.

No. 11. All the property in block bounded by Thirty-second and Thirty-third streets, from First avenue to East river.

No. 12. All the property on the northerly side of One Hundred and Sixteenth street, from Seventh to Eighth avenue, and the westerly side of St. Nicholas avenue, from One Hundred and Sixteenth to One Hundred and Seventeenth street.

No. 13. All the property south side of One Hundred and Twenty-first street, between Avenue A and First avenue.

THOMAS B. ASTEN, Chairman.

OFFICE BOARD OF ASSESSORS, 19 Chatham Street, NEW YORK, Jan. 5, 1875.

CORPORATION NOTICE.

SALE OF LANDS FOR UNPAID ASSESSMENTS.

TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN BY THE UNDERSIGNED, COLLECTOR OF ASSESSMENTS, appointed by the Comptroller of the City of New York, pursuant to provisions of chapter 613 of the Laws of 1873, that payment is required of the several amounts of assessments, interest, and charges upon the lots, premises, and parcels of land, as hereinafter set forth, within sixty days from the date of this notice, to wit: On or before the twenty-sixth day of February, at the office of said Collector, corner of Mott street and Railroad avenue, Tremont, Twenty-sixth Ward, New York City, and if default is made in the payment of the said amounts the property which is the subject of such assessments, as hereinafter described, will be sold at public auction, at the hotel of Lewis H. Combes, on Railroad avenue, near Fifth street, Morrisania, present Twenty-third Ward, New York City, on the Twenty-seventh day of February, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, for the lowest term of years which any person or persons shall offer to take the same, in consideration of advancing the assessments, commissions, interest, charges of notice and advertisement

and all other costs and charges of said sale accrued thereon. Office hours, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays. Dated December 24, 1874.

CHARLES CLARK, Collector of Assessment

Assessment for the Expense of Opening, Widening, and Straightening Third Avenue, in the Town of Morrisania.

(INTEREST FROM APRIL 1, 1874.)

SOUTH MELROSE.

Table with columns: STREET, NO. OF VILLAGE MAP, SIZE OF LOT, NO. OF ASSESSMENT MAP, SIDE OF STREET, NAME, AMOUNT.

NORTH NEW YORK.

Table with columns: STREET, NO. OF VILLAGE MAP, SIZE OF LOT, NO. OF ASSESSMENT MAP, SIDE OF STREET, NAME, AMOUNT.

MELROSE.

Table with columns: STREET, NO. OF VILLAGE MAP, SIZE OF LOT, NO. OF ASSESSMENT MAP, SIDE OF STREET, NAME, AMOUNT.

NORTH MELROSE.

Table with columns: STREET, NO. OF VILLAGE MAP, SIZE OF LOT, NO. OF ASSESSMENT MAP, SIDE OF STREET, NAME, AMOUNT.

EAST MELROSE.

Table with columns: STREET, NO. OF VILLAGE MAP, SIZE OF LOT, NO. OF ASSESSMENT MAP, SIDE OF STREET, NAME, AMOUNT.

BENSONIA.

Table with columns: STREET, NO. OF VILLAGE MAP, SIZE OF LOT, NO. OF ASSESSMENT MAP, SIDE OF STREET, NAME, AMOUNT.

GROVE HILL.

Table with columns: STREET, NO. OF VILLAGE MAP, SIZE OF LOT, NO. OF ASSESSMENT MAP, SIDE OF STREET, NAME, AMOUNT.

MORRISANIA.

Table with columns: STREET, NO. OF VILLAGE MAP, SIZE OF LOT, NO. OF ASSESSMENT MAP, SIDE OF STREET, NAME, AMOUNT.

Assessment for Laying out and opening Broadway and Franklin Avenue, Twenty-fourth Ward, in the Town of West Farms.

(CONFIRMED SEPTEMBER 7, 1870.)

Table with columns: STREET, LAND MAP NO., PLOT NO., NAME OF OWNERS, AMOUNT OF ASSESSMENT.

RYER FARM.

Table with columns: STREET, LAND MAP NO., PLOT NO., NAME OF OWNERS, AMOUNT OF ASSESSMENT.

EAST TREMONT.

Table with columns: STREET, LAND MAP NO., PLOT NO., NAME OF OWNERS, AMOUNT OF ASSESSMENT.

EAST TREMONT—(Continued).

Table with columns: STREET, LAND MAP NO., PLOT NO., NAME OF OWNERS, AMOUNT OF ASSESSMENT.

SOUTH BELMONT.

Table with columns: STREET, LAND MAP NO., PLOT NO., NAME OF OWNERS, AMOUNT OF ASSESSMENT.

BELMONT.

Table with columns: STREET, LAND MAP NO., PLOT NO., NAME OF OWNERS, AMOUNT OF ASSESSMENT.

Assessment for Laying Out and Opening Central Avenue.

(CONFIRMED JULY 6, 1868.)

Table with columns: NAME, COMMISSIONERS' MAP, TOWN MAP, ASSESSMENT.

Assessment for Laying Out and Opening Central Avenue—(Continued).

Table with 4 columns: NAME, COMMISSIONERS' MAP, TOWN MAP, ASSESSMENT. Lists various property owners and their respective assessments for Central Avenue.

Assessment for Straightening Central Avenue.

CONFIRMED MAY 16, 1870.

Table with 4 columns: NAME, COMMISSIONERS' MAP, TOWN MAP, ASSESSMENT. Lists property owners and assessments for straightening Central Avenue.

Assessment for Straightening Central Avenue—(Continued).

Table with 4 columns: NAME, COMMISSIONERS' MAP, TOWN MAP, ASSESSMENT. Continuation of the assessment list for straightening Central Avenue.

Assessment for Grading Willis Avenue, between One Hundred and Thirty eighth and One Hundred and Forty seventh streets.

(CONFIRMED SEPTEMBER 17, 1872.)

Table with 6 columns: NAME OF STREET, SIDE, NO. OF LOT, SIZE, NAME OF OWNER, AMOUNT OF ASSESSMENT. Details assessments for grading Willis Avenue.

Dated December 24 1874.

CHARLES CLARK, Collector of Assessments.