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## BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.

THURSDAY, July 22, 1875, 1:30 o'clock P. M.

### PRESENT:

Hon. SAMUEL A. LEWIS, President:

### ALDERMEN

Oliver P. C. Billings,  
Andrew Blessing,  
Edward Gilon,  
Magnus Gross,  
John W. Guntzer,  
Henry E. Howland,

Patrick Lysaght,  
William H. McCarthy,  
John J. Morris,  
Robert Power,  
Henry D. Purroy,  
John Reilly,

Peter Seery,  
Edward J. Shandley,  
Stephen N. Simonson,  
Chester H. Southworth,  
Joseph P. Strack,  
Samuel B. H. Vance.

The minutes of July 5 were read and approved.

### REPORTS.

The Committee on Finance presented the following:

The Committee on Finance, to whom was referred the assessments on the real and personal property in the City of New York for the year 1875, as made by the Commissioners of Taxes and Assessments, and also the appropriations of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, for the purposes of the city government during the same year, as adopted December 24, 1874, in offering the customary ordinance to enable the Board of Supervisors, under the provisions of the law, to raise, levy and collect the necessary amount required for the city government, the payment of interest and principal falling due on the city debt, and the quota of the State tax for the current year, beg leave to accompany their report with a brief statement in explanation of the causes acting on their decision and forcing on them the recommendation of a higher rate of taxation, namely, \$2.97 on every \$100 of the assessed real and personal estate, instead of \$2.80, what it was in 1874.

The assessed value of real estate was:

In 1874	.....	\$881,547,995
In 1875	.....	883,643,545

The assessed value of personal estate was:

In 1874	.....	\$272,481,181
In 1875	.....	217,300,154

In other words, the assessments on real estate are \$2,095,550 higher, and the assessments on personal estate \$55,181,027 lower in 1875 than in the preceding year; making the total valuation for 1875 \$1,100,943,699 against \$1,154,029,176 in 1874. The falling off in valuation to the amount given was caused by the purging the rolls of all assessments which were found by the Commissioners of Taxes and Assessments uncollected, and to all appearances uncollectable.

Thus, by a recurrence to said rolls, it will be found that in 1872 the uncollected tax was \$1,487,706.49, representing \$51,282,523; in 1873, \$1,099,634.14, representing \$43,985,360; and in 1874, \$1,041,560, representing \$37,198,557 of the total assessed value. For this assessed value representing the uncollected city taxes the city during the last ten years, from 1865 to 1874 inclusive, has had to pay to the State in tax \$1,900,000. This unreasonable burden, caused by the retention on the rolls of unproductive values, the Tax Commissioners have very properly wiped out to an extent warranted by past experience.

An additional amount of personal property heretofore assessed has likewise been stricken from the roll in consequence of judicial decisions. From the late report of the Tax Commissioners the specified cases and exact figures can be learned.

Owing to this large amount of uncollected taxes, an annual deficiency has been caused for which provision in the next following tax levy had to be made, adding in that proportion to the regular annual appropriations. For the last five years this deficiency has been a million or more per annum, all of which had to be added to the next coming estimate of expenditure, save the deducted amount of unexpended balances from the preceding year.

The amount recommended by your Committee to be added to the appropriations made by the late Board of Estimate and Apportionment, in order to cover forthcoming deficiencies in the collection of \$32,171,472.23, is \$526,555.63, making the total amount to be levied and collected for the purposes of the city government during the current year, \$32,698,027.86, which is less by \$438,588.53 than the law authorizes you to raise by levying on the real and personal property. Your Committee, on close examination, have found the limits of the tax rate, within which it seemed judicious to move, to be from \$2.96 to \$2.98, and they decided to recommend to you the middle between the two extremes, namely, \$2.97, as aforesaid.

If, owing to a considerable falling off in the amount of uncollected tax, and to presumable unexpended balances of appropriations, it should be ascertained at the close of the fiscal year, that the foregoing \$32,698,027.86 have been amply sufficient to meet all ordinary requirements of the city government, and that the customary deficiency has been wiped out, a guiding rule for the future is gained, the conscientious application of which must be followed by a constant lessening of the burdens of the taxpayer.

The Committee recommend the adoption of this, their report, together with the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE to provide the necessary means for the support of the government of the City of New York, and for the payment of the quota of the State taxes, for the year 1875.

The Board of Aldermen, as Supervisors of the City and County of New York, do ordain as follows:

Section I.—There shall be and hereby is imposed upon the estates, real and personal, subject to taxation according to law, of and within the City and County of New York, to be raised, collected, and paid according to law, for the purpose of paying the quota of the State tax imposed upon the City and County of the State of New York, and for the support of the city government, for the year eighteen hundred and seventy-five (1875), the sum of thirty-two millions one hundred and seventy-one thousand four hundred and seventy-two dollars and twenty-three cents (\$32,171,472.23), said sum being the aggregate amount of the Final Estimate made by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment of the City and County of New York for the year 1875, on the 24th day of December, 1874, by authority of section 112 of chapter 335 of the Laws of 1873, certified by the Comptroller of the City of New York to the Board of Aldermen, as the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of New York, in pursuance of the provisions of the same section of the same act, and also by chapter 492 of the Laws of 1875, as the amount to be raised and collected in the year 1875, by tax upon the estates, real and personal, subject to taxation within the City and County of New York.

### FINAL ESTIMATE FOR THE YEAR 1875.

Made pursuant to section 112 of chapter 335, Laws of 1873, December 24, 1874, by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment of the City of New York.

### CERTIFICATE OF THE COMPTROLLER OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

I, Andrew H. Green, Comptroller of the City of New York, in pursuance of the provisions of section 112 of chapter 335 of the Laws of 1873, do hereby certify to the Supervisors of the County of

New York that the aggregate amount estimated by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment required to pay the expenses of conducting the public business of the City of New York in each Department and branch thereof, and the Board of Education for the year eighteen hundred and seventy-five, in which is included such sum as is necessary for the payment of the interest on the bonds of the said city, which become due and payable within said year, and also such sum as is necessary to pay the principal of any bonds and stocks which become due and payable from taxes during the said year, is thirty-three millions nine hundred and fifty-six thousand four hundred and seventy-two dollars and twenty-three cents (\$33,956,472.23), and that a copy of the Final Estimate as adopted by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment of the City of New York is hereto annexed.

Respectfully,

AND. H. GREEN,

Comptroller.

CITY OF NEW YORK, DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE,  
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, June 17, 1875.

(Copy of Final Estimate for 1875.)

Whereas, The Board of Estimate and Apportionment have considered the objections to, and rectifications of, the Provisional Estimate made by said Board on the 31st day of October, 1874, of the amounts required to pay the expenses of conducting the public business of the City of New York in each Department and branch thereof, and the Board of Education, for the next ensuing financial year, viz., the year 1875, in which is included such sum as is necessary for the payment of the interest on the bonds of the said city which become due and payable within the said year; and also such sum as is necessary to pay the principal of any bonds and stocks which become due and payable from taxes during the said year, which objections to, and rectifications of, said Provisional Estimate made by the Board of Aldermen, were transmitted by the Clerk of said Board, November 20, 1874, and presented to said Board of Estimate and Apportionment on the 21st day of November, 1874; therefore

Resolved, That after such considerations of said objections to, and rectifications of, said Provisional Estimate, the Board of Estimate and Apportionment does hereby make this a

### FINAL ESTIMATE

of the amount required to pay the expenses of conducting the public business of the City of New York in each Department and branch thereof, and the Board of Education, for the next ensuing financial year, viz., the year 1875, in which is included such sum as is necessary for the payment of the interest on the bonds of the said city, which become due and payable within said year, and also such sum as is necessary to pay the principal of any bonds and stocks which become due and payable from taxes during the said year, as follows:

#### THE COMMON COUNCIL.

City Contingencies	.....	\$5,000 00
Contingencies—Clerk of the Common Council	.....	500 00
Salaries—Common Council:		
President of the Board of Aldermen	.....	\$5,000 00
Twenty-one Aldermen, at \$4,000 each	.....	84,000 00
Clerks and officers, Board of Aldermen	.....	20,000 00
		109,000 00
		\$114,500 00

#### THE MAYORALTY.

Contingencies—Mayor's office	.....	\$10,000 00
Salaries—Mayor's office:		
Salary of the Mayor	.....	\$12,000 00
Salaries of Clerks and subordinates	.....	20,000 00
		32,000 00
Salaries—Bureau of Permits	.....	15,000 00
Contingencies—Bureau of Permits	.....	2,000 00
		59,000 00

#### THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE.

Expenses of conducting the Department:		
Cleaning markets	.....	\$20,000 00
Contingencies—Comptroller's office	.....	5,000 00
Salaries—Department of Finance	.....	225,000 00
Salaries—Chamberlain's office	.....	30,000 00
		280,000 00

Expenses of conducting the City Government:

#### FOR THE STATE.

State Taxes:		
For General Purposes, 1½ mills, Chapter 417, Laws of 1874	.....	\$1,657,735 03
For General Purposes, Deficiency, 69-160ths mill, Chapter 417, Laws of 1874	.....	476,598 82
For Bounty Debt, 2 mills, Chapter 417, Laws of 1874	.....	2,210,313 38
For New Capitol, ½ mill, Chapter 417, Laws of 1874	.....	552,578 35
For Asylums and Reformatories, 6-16ths mill, Chapter 417, Laws of 1874	.....	414,433 76
For Canal Floating Debt, 1-10th mill, Chapter 271, Laws of 1859, and Chapter 417, Laws of 1874	.....	110,515 67
For new work on Canals, and extra Repairs, ¾ mill, Chapter 399, Laws of 1874	.....	967,012 10
For payment of awards by Canal Appraisers and Canal Board, and certain Certificates of Indebtedness	.....	241,753 03
Common Schools for the State:		\$6,630,940 14
For Common Schools, 1¼ mills, Chapter 417, Laws of 1874	.....	1,381,445 86
		8,012,386 00

#### INTEREST ON, AND INSTALLMENTS OF PRINCIPAL OF, THE DEBT OF THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

Interest on the City Debt	.....	\$9,300,000 00
Floating Debt Fund Stock of 1878:		
Annual Installment	.....	130,763 33
New Court-house Stock:		
Annual Installment	.....	100,000 00
Stock for Docks and Slips:		
Redemption of	.....	50,000 00
Volunteer Soldiers' Family Aid Fund Bonds No. 11:		
Redemption of	.....	500,000 00
Soldiers' Substitute Bounty Redemption Bonds:		
Redemption of	.....	\$500,000 00
Redemption of the Debt of the annexed Territory of Westchester County	.....	74,000 00
Redemption of Bonds for Improving North End of Island and Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, under Chapter 604, Laws of 1874	.....	100,000 00
		\$10,754,763 33

#### MISCELLANEOUS PURPOSES.

Judgments	.....	\$100,000 00
Commissioners of the Sinking Fund:		
Expenses of	.....	2,000 00
New City Prison Commission:		
Expenses of	.....	6,000 00
Rents:		
For the payment of rent of property leased to the Corporation for public offices and other public purposes, except armories and drill-rooms	.....	75,000 00
Real Estate, Expenses of:		
For the payment of assessments on real estate belonging to the Corporation, for public improvements; also, taxes on property in Brooklyn and elsewhere out of the City of New York, except as otherwise provided for	.....	50,000 00
Salaries—Bureau of Attorney for the Collection of Arrears of Personal Taxes:		
Salary of Attorney	.....	\$7,500 00
Salaries of Clerks	.....	3,500 00
		11,000 00
Support of Prisoners in the County Jail	.....	15,000 00
Fourth Avenue Improvement:		
As provided by Chapter 702, Laws of 1872, and Chapter 308, Laws of 1874	.....	1,598,767 50
		1,857,767 50

#### THE LAW DEPARTMENT.

Contingencies—Law Department	.....	\$100,000 00
Contingencies—Corporation Attorney's Office	.....	1,000 00
Contingencies—Public Administrator's Office	.....	1,000 00
Salaries—Law Department:		
[Office of the Counsel to the Corporation.]		
Salary of the Counsel to the Corporation	.....	\$15,000 00
Salaries of Assistants, Clerks, and Messengers	.....	52,850 00
		\$67,850 00

[Bureau of Corporation Attorney.]		
Salary of the Corporation Attorney.....	\$7,500 00	
Salaries of Clerks and Assistants.....	7,500 00	15,000 00
[Bureau of Public Administrator.]		
Salary of Public Administrator.....	\$5,000 00	
Salaries of Clerks and Assistants.....	3,000 00	8,000 00
		90,850 00
		192,850 00

THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS.

Aqueduct—Repairs and Maintenance.....	\$120,000 00	
Boulevards, Roads, and Avenues, Maintenance of.....	70,000 00	
Contingencies—Department of Public Works.....	2,500 00	
Flagging Sidewalks and Fencing Vacant Lots in front of City Property.....	1,000 00	
Free Floating Baths.....	10,000 00	
Lamps and Gas.....	650,000 00	
Lamps and Gas, Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards.....	100,000 00	
Public Buildings—Construction and Repairs—Including those formerly designated as "County Buildings".....	50,000 00	
Public Drinking-hydrants.....	5,000 00	
Removing Obstructions in Streets and Avenues.....	2,500 00	
Repairing and renewal of Pipes, Stop-cocks, etc.....	80,000 00	
Repairing and keeping in order Wooden and Concrete Pavements.....	50,000 00	
Roads and Avenues and Sprinkling.....	20,000 00	
Salaries—Department of Public Works.....	150,000 00	
Sewers—Repairing and Cleaning.....	75,000 00	
Street Improvements—For Street Signs, etc.....	2,500 00	
Streets, Repaving and Repairs to Stone Pavements.....	100,000 00	
Supplies for and Cleaning Public Offices—including those formerly designated as "County Buildings".....	92,500 00	
Wells and Pumps, Repairing and Cleaning.....	1,000 00	
		1,582,000 00

THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

Maintenance and Government of Parks and Places:		
Including the sum of \$30,000 for the keeping, preservation, and exhibitions of the collections in the American Museum of Natural History and the Metropolitan Museum of Art, including the entire salaries of the President, Clerks, Officers, and Employees, other than Foremen and Laborers; also, including the maintenance of the Meteorological Observatory.....		
	\$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, Streets, Roads, Avenues, and Bridges, Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards.....	50,000 00	
Surveying, Laying Out, Monumenting, etc., north end of the island, and Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards.....	35,000 00	
		584,000 00

THE DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS.

Contingencies—Department of Buildings.....	\$2,000 00	
Salaries—Department of Buildings.....	93,000 00	95,000 00

THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION.

Public Charities and Correction:		
For salaries, including the services of the Emigrant Examining Clerk.....	\$307,000 00	
For supplies, including \$90,000.00 for Out-door Poor.....	841,000 00	
For Repairs to Buildings and Apparatus.....	35,000 00	
		1,183,000 00

THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

Health Fund:		
For salaries.....	\$140,000 00	
For law expenses, including Marshals' fees.....	5,000 00	
For disinfection.....	10,000 00	
For contingent expenses.....	10,000 00	
	\$165,000 00	
For removal of Night-soil, Offal, and Dead Animals.....	40,000 00	
Small-Pox Hospital:		
For salaries.....	\$8,536 00	
For supplies.....	8,464 00	
		17,000 00
		222,000 00

THE POLICE DEPARTMENT.

Police Fund:		
For salaries of Commissioners of Police.....	\$26,000 00	
For salary of Superintendent of Police.....	6,000 00	
For salaries of 4 Inspectors of Police.....	14,000 00	
For salaries of 20 Sergeants, at \$1,500 each.....	30,000 00	
For salaries of 35 Captains, at \$2,000 each.....	70,000 00	
For salaries of 140 Sergeants, at \$1,600 each.....	224,000 00	
For salaries of 2,261 Patrolmen, at \$1,200 each.....	2,713,200 00	
For salaries of 78 Doormen, at \$900 each.....	70,200 00	
For salaries of clerks, deputies, stenographers, superintendent of telegraph, telegraph operators, cleaners, steamboat, and all other employees.....	50,000 00	
	\$3,203,400 00	
Police Station-houses—Rents.....	10,925 00	
Police Station-houses—Alterations, Fitting up, Repairs, etc.....	20,000 00	
Police Station-houses, Nineteenth Precinct—For Purchase of Site and Construction of Station-house.....	70,000 00	
Supplies for Police.....	80,000 00	
Construction of Stables for Thirty-third Precinct.....	3,000 00	
Cleaning Streets under Police Department:		
For salaries of clerks, inspectors, foremen, steamboat superintendents and employees, wages of sweepers, laborers, watchmen, trimmers, cart drivers, and hostlers; expenses for hired carts, supplies, new scows, harness, horses, and carts, rent of stables, and all expenses for this purpose.....	800,000 00	
		4,187,325 00

THE FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Fire Department Fund:		
For salaries, viz.:		
Headquarter's Pay-roll.....	\$50,000 00	
Telegraph Force Pay-roll.....	30,000 00	
Repair Shop Pay-roll.....	45,000 00	
Bureau of Combustibles Pay-roll.....	40,000 00	
Bureau of Fire Marshal Pay-roll.....	10,000 00	
Bureau of Chief of Department Pay-roll.....	30,000 00	
Pay of foremen, assistant foremen, engineers, firemen, laddermen, and hosemen, of Engine and Hook and Ladder Companies, and of the Fire Steamboat.....	880,100 00	
	\$1,086,000 00	
For new apparatus, horses, rents, and all supplies and expenses of the Department not otherwise provided for, including maintenance of Fire Steamboat.....	200,000 00	
For buildings.....	30,000 00	
		1,316,000 00

THE DEPARTMENT OF TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS.

Contingencies—Department of Taxes and Assessments.....			\$1,000 00
Salaries—Department of Taxes and Assessments:			
Salaries of Commissioners.....	\$16,500 00		
Salaries of Deputies, Clerks, and employees.....	92,900 00		
		109,400 00	
Salaries—Board of Assessors:			
Salaries of the Assessors and their clerks.....	19,400 00		
		129,800 00	

THE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

Public Instruction:		
For salaries of teachers, janitors, superintendents, clerks, and employees.....	\$2,686,500 00	
For supplies, rents, ordinary repairs of buildings, furniture, and heating apparatus; purchasing, leasing, and procuring sites, and erecting buildings; furnishing, fitting up, altering, enlarging, and repairing buildings and premises under the charge of the Board of Education, and for repairing the furniture and heating apparatus; for the support of schools which shall have been organized since the last annual apportionment of school moneys; and such further sum or sums as may be necessary for any of the purposes authorized by law, including the expense of compulsory education, as provided by Chapter 421, Laws of 1874; and for the support of the Nautical School, established by Chapter 288, Laws of 1873; and all expenses of the Board of Education not included under any other head of account.....	793,500 00	
For school moneys apportioned to the corporate schools.....	103,000 00	
		3,583,000 00

THE COLLEGE OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

College of the City of New York:		
For salaries of professors and officers, scientific apparatus, books, and supplies, support and maintenance, and all other expenses.....	\$140,000 00	
For repairs to buildings.....	10,000 00	
		\$150,000 00

ADVERTISING, PRINTING, STATIONERY, AND BLANK BOOKS.

Publication of the CITY RECORD.....	\$22,500 00	
CITY RECORD—Salaries and Contingencies.....	9,000 00	
Advertising.....	5,000 00	

Printing, Stationery, and Blank Books:		
For all printing, stationery, and blank books required by the Common Council, the Departments and Offices of the City Government, except printing the CITY RECORD.....		
	137,500 00	174,000 00

THE JUDICIARY.

Salaries—City Courts:		
(Police Courts.)		
Salaries of eleven Police Justices, at \$8,000 each per annum.....	\$88,000 00	
Salaries of clerks, attendants, stenographers, interpreters, and janitors, the Record Clerk, and Secretary of the Board of Police Justices.....	83,880 40	\$171,880 40
(District Courts.)		
Salaries of ten District Court Justices, at \$8,000 each per annum.....	\$80,000 00	
Salaries of clerks, stenographers, interpreters, attendants, and janitors.....	119,200 00	199,200 00
		371,080 40
Salaries—Judiciary:		
(The Supreme Court.)		
Five Justices, at \$11,500 each.....	\$57,500 00	
Clerks, criers, stenographers, and librarian.....	34,500 00	
Twenty-four attendants, at \$1,200 each.....	28,800 00	
Compensation of judges from other districts.....	5,000 00	125,800 00
(The Superior Court.)		
Six Justices, at \$15,000 each.....	\$90,000 00	
Clerks, crier, stenographers, and librarian.....	53,000 00	
Twenty attendants, at \$1,200 each.....	24,000 00	167,000 00
(The Court of Common Pleas.)		
Six Justices, at \$15,000 each.....	\$90,000 00	
Clerks, crier, and stenographer.....	54,700 00	
Twenty attendants, at \$1,200 each.....	24,000 00	168,700 00
(The Marine Court.)		
Six Justices, at \$10,000 each.....	\$60,000 00	
Stenographers and interpreter.....	11,500 00	
Clerk, deputy clerk, and twelve assistant clerks.....	37,500 00	
Eighteen attendants, at \$1,200 each.....	21,600 00	130,600 00
(The Court of General Sessions, and Oyer and Terminer.)		
Clerk.....	\$7,000 00	
Deputy clerk.....	5,000 00	
Assistant clerk.....	3,000 00	
Stenographer.....	2,500 00	
Interpreter.....	3,500 00	
Thirty-six attendants, \$1,200 each.....	43,200 00	64,200 00
(The Court of Special Sessions.)		
Clerk.....	\$6,000 00	
Deputy clerk.....	5,000 00	
Stenographer.....	2,500 00	
Interpreter.....	2,000 00	
Three subpoena servers, at \$2,000 each.....	6,000 00	
Messenger.....	1,500 00	23,000 00
(The County Clerk's Office.)		
County clerk, deputies, assistants, clerks, and messenger.....		40,725 00
(The Surrogate's Office.)		
The Surrogate.....	\$15,000 00	
Chief clerk, clerks, assistants, stenographers, attendants, and messenger.....	45,000 00	60,000 00
(The District Attorney's Office.)		
The District Attorney.....	\$15,000 00	
Assistants, clerks, stenographer, and messenger.....	58,800 00	73,800 00
(The Recorder's Office.)		
The Recorder.....	\$15,000 00	
Clerk.....	3,000 00	
Messenger service.....	500 00	
Allowance for cleaning office.....	300 00	18,820 00
(The City Judge's Office.)		
The City Judge.....	\$15,000 00	
Clerk and messenger.....	2,200 00	17,200 00
(The Commissioner of Jurors.)		
Salary of the Commissioner.....	7,500 00	897,345 00

MISCELLANEOUS PURPOSES.

Coroners' Fees:		
For fees of Coroners, as authorized by Chapter 565, Laws of 1868; and for expenses of Attending Physicians, including salary of Clerk to Board of Coroners, as provided by Chapter 462, Laws of 1871.....		
	\$80,000 00	
Contingencies—District Attorney's office.....	7,750 00	
Disbursements and Fees of County Officers and Witnesses.....	12,000 00	
Election Expenses.....	160,000 00	
Jurors' Fees.....	30,000 00	
National Rifle Association.....	5,000 00	
Salaries—Commissioners of Accounts:		
For salaries of two Commissioners of Accounts, at \$3,000 each.....	\$6,000 00	
Clerk hire.....	10,000 00	16,000 00
Sheriff's fees.....	40,000 00	
Indebtedness of late Town of Kingsbridge, arising under Chapter 534 of the Laws of 1871, as authorized by Chapter 551, Laws of 1874, including interest.....	14,000 00	
For procuring and presenting of evidence in all matters, suits, or proceedings in relation to frauds committed, prior to January, 1870, on the City or County.....	20,000 00	384,750 00

ASYLUMS, REFORMATORIES, AND CHARITABLE INSTITUTIONS.

Asylum for Idiots:		
(Chap. 739, Laws of 1867).....		\$220 00
American Female Guardian Society and Home for the Friendless:		
(Chap. 754, Laws of 1872).....		25,000 00
Children's Aid Society:		
(Chap. 70, Laws of 1865) \$10,000		
(Chap. 163, Laws of 1867) 30,000		
(Chap. 180, Laws of 1871) 30,000		70,000 00
Foundling Asylum under charge of the Sisters of Charity:		
(Chap. 635, Laws of 1872) }		
(Chap. 644, Laws of 1874) }		\$188,355 00
Hebrew Benevolent Society:		
(Chap. 230, Laws of 1874).....		30,000 00
Hudson River State Hospital:		
(Chap. —, Laws of 1874).....		500 00
Institution for Deaf and Dumb:		
(Chap. 325, Laws of 1863) }		
(Chap. 386, Laws of 1864) }		
(Chap. 725, Laws of 1867) }		14,000 00
Institution for Improved Instruction of Deaf Mutes:		
(Chap. 725, Laws of 1867) }		
(Chap. 180, Laws of 1870) }		11,980 00
Institution for the Blind:		
(Chap. 166, Laws of 1870).....		
Le Cousteulx St. Mary's Institution for the Improved Instruction of Deaf Mutes in the City of Buffalo:		
(Chap. 548, Laws of 1871).....		
Magdalen Female Benevolent Society:		
(Chap. 409, Laws of 1867).....		
New York Juvenile Asylum:		
(Chap. 245, Laws of 1866).....		75,000 00
New York Infant Asylum:		
(Chap. 263, Laws of 1872).....		25,000 00
New York State Lunatic Asylum:		
(Chap. 135, Laws of 1842).....		3,500 00
New York Catholic Protectors:		
(Chap. 647, Laws of 1866) }		
(Chap. 428, Laws of 1867) }		210,000 00
New York Society for the Relief of the Ruptured and Crippled:		
(Chap. 835, Laws of 1872).....		26,250 00
Nursery and Ghild's Hospital:		
(Chap. 650, Laws of 1866) }		
(Chap. 366, Laws of 1860) }		
(Chap. 643, Laws of 1874) }		90,000 00

Protestant Episcopal House of Mercy : (Chap. 409, Laws of 1867).....	10,000 00
Roman Catholic House of the Good Shepherd : (Chap. 409, Laws of 1867).....	15,000 00
State Lunatic Asylum for Insane Criminals at Auburn : (Chap. 895, Laws of 1869).....	1,100 00
The Shepherd's Fold : (Chap. 269, Laws of 1871).....	5,000 00
The Children's Fold of the City of New York : (Chap. 506, Laws of 1874).....	5,000 00
Union Home and School for Education of Children of Volunteer Soldiers : (Chap. 309, Laws of 1870) (Chap. 583, Laws of 1871) (Chap. 143, Laws of 1873).....	20,000 00
Total.....	825,905 00
Deduct amount of estimated revenues of the General Fund not otherwise specifically appropriated by law, including surplus revenue of the Sinking Fund for payment of interest on City debt.....	3,000,000 00
Total.....	\$33,956,472 23

(Thirty-three million nine hundred and fifty-six thousand four hundred and seventy-two dollars and twenty-three cents.  
Dated New York, December 24, 1874.

SAM'L B. H. VANCE,  
Mayor ;  
ANDREW H. GREEN,  
Comptroller ;  
RICHARD FLANAGAN,  
President Board of Aldermen ;  
JOHN WHEELER,  
President Department of Taxes and Assessments.

CERTIFICATE OF THE COMPTROLLER OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK, PURSUANT TO THE ACT, CHAPTER 492, LAWS OF 1875.

I, Andrew H. Green, Comptroller of the City of New York, in pursuance of the provisions of section 1, chapter 492, of the Laws of 1875, do hereby certify to the Board of Aldermen of said city, acting as the Board of Supervisors, that four millions of dollars (\$4,000,000) is "the amount of estimated revenues of the General Fund, including estimated receipts from interest on assessments in eighteen hundred and seventy-five, applicable to the reduction of taxation for the year eighteen hundred and seventy-five;" and further, in pursuance of the provisions of said act, I do also hereby certify that "after deducting said amount of the revenues of the General Fund" from the amount of the appropriations made by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment of the City of New York for the year 1875, instead of the amount of estimated revenues of the General Fund heretofore deducted by the said Board of Estimate and Apportionment in the final estimate for the said year, and the amount required to be deducted by the second section of said act, to wit, the sum of seven hundred and eighty-five thousand dollars (\$785,000), the aggregate amount of said final estimate is thirty-two million one hundred and seventy-one thousand four hundred and seventy-two dollars and twenty-three cents (\$32,171,472.23).

AND. H. GREEN,  
Comptroller of the City of New York.

CITY OF NEW YORK, DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE,  
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, June 17, 1875.

Section II.—In addition to the sums imposed upon the estates, real and personal, subject to taxation according to law, of and within the City and County of New York, in and by the first section of this ordinance, there shall also be and hereby is imposed upon the estates, real and personal, subject to taxation according to law, of and within the City and County of New York, and to be raised, collected, and paid according to law, for the purpose of providing for deficiencies in the actual product of the amount imposed and levied therefor, the sum of one hundred and ninety-six thousand two hundred and seventy-two dollars and fifty-two cents (\$196,272.52), such amount not exceeding three per cent. of said aggregate amount, in pursuance of the following provision contained in chapter 756 of the Laws of 1873:

"Section 4. It shall be the duty of the Board of Supervisors of the County of New York to include in any and every ordinance or resolution passed by them, imposing and levying taxes for any purpose or purposes authorized by law, within the City and County of New York, such sum in addition to the aggregate amount required for such purpose as they shall deem necessary, not exceeding three per cent. of said aggregate amount, to provide for deficiencies in the actual product of the amount imposed and levied therefor."

Section III.—The assessment rolls of the real and personal estate of the City and County of New York for the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five (1875), are hereby approved and confirmed, and the aggregate valuation fixed at the sum of eleven hundred millions nine hundred and forty-three thousand six hundred and ninety-nine dollars (\$1,100,943,699), in accordance with the returns of the Commissioners of Taxes and Assessments, as follows:

REAL ESTATE.			
Wards.	Wards.		
First.....	\$51,261,400	Fourteenth.....	\$22,391,410
Second.....	28,045,200	Fifteenth.....	51,509,250
Third.....	31,958,300	Sixteenth.....	32,248,750
Fourth.....	12,594,725	Seventeenth.....	31,327,300
Fifth.....	38,244,700	Eighteenth.....	65,104,700
Sixth.....	21,422,150	Nineteenth.....	116,051,965
Seventh.....	16,038,000	Twentieth.....	36,026,650
Eighth.....	34,374,900	Twenty-first.....	72,511,400
Ninth.....	25,806,500	Twenty-second.....	65,475,615
Tenth.....	17,112,030	Twenty-third.....	13,006,450
Eleventh.....	14,855,900	Twenty-fourth.....	9,624,065
Twelfth.....	67,064,385	Total.....	\$883,643,545
Thirteenth.....	9,587,800		
PERSONAL ESTATE.			
Resident.....	\$125,922,840		
Non-resident.....	17,986,325		
Shareholders of Banks.....	73,399,989		
Total.....	\$217,309,154		
RECAPITULATION.			
Real Estate.....	\$883,643,545		
Personal.....	217,309,154		
Total.....	\$1,100,943,699		

MAGNUS GROSS,  
JOHN J. MORRIS,  
SAMUEL B. H. VANCE. }  
Committee on Finance.

Supervisor Purroy moved to amend section 2 of the ordinance by striking therefrom the words and figures "five hundred and twenty-six thousand five hundred and fifty-five dollars and sixty-three cents" (\$526,555.63), and inserting in lieu thereof the words and figures "one hundred and ninety-six thousand two hundred and seventy-two dollars and fifty-two cents" (\$196,272.52).

Supervisor Vance called for a division of the question.  
Whereupon the President first put the question on the motion to strike out.  
And it was decided in the affirmative.

Supervisor Vance moved to fill the blank by inserting the words and figures "four hundred and sixteen thousand four hundred and sixty-one dollars and twenty-six cents" (\$416,461.26).  
Which was decided in the negative by the following vote:

Affirmative—Supervisors Billings, Gross, Howland, Morris, Simonson, Southworth, and Vance—7.  
Negative—The President, Supervisors Blessing, Gilon, Guntzer, Lysaght, McCarthy, Power, Purroy, Reilly, Seery, Shandley, and Strack—12.

Supervisor Billings then moved to fill the blank with the words and figures three hundred and six thousand three hundred and sixty-six dollars and eighty-two cents (\$306,366.82).  
Which was decided in the negative by the following vote:

Affirmative—Supervisors Billings, Gross, Howland, Morris, Simonson, Southworth, and Vance—7.  
Negative—The President, Supervisors Blessing, Gilon, Guntzer, Lysaght, McCarthy, Power, Purroy, Reilly, Seery, Shandley, and Strack—12.

The President then put the question whether the Board would agree with the second portion of the amendment of Supervisor Purroy, viz., to insert one hundred and ninety-six thousand two hundred and seventy-two dollars and fifty-two cents (\$196,272.52) instead of five hundred and twenty-six thousand five hundred and fifty-five dollars and sixty-three cents (\$526,555.63).  
Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—The President, Supervisors Blessing, Gilon, Guntzer, Lysaght, McCarthy, Power, Purroy, Reilly, Seery, Shandley, and Strack—12.

Negative—Supervisors Billings, Gross, Howland, Morris, Simonson, Southworth, and Vance—7.  
The President then put the question whether the Board would agree to accept the report of the Committee and adopt the ordinance as amended.

Which, at 28 minutes past 2 o'clock P. M., was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—The President, Supervisors Blessing, Gilon, Gross, Guntzer, Lysaght, McCarthy, Power, Purroy, Reilly, Seery, Shandley, and Strack—13.  
Negative—Supervisors Billings, Howland, Morris, Simonson, Southworth, and Vance—6.

On motion, the Board then adjourned.

F. J. TWOMEY, Clerk.

LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

STATED SESSION.

THURSDAY, July 22, 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,  
Andrew Blessing,  
Edward Gilon,  
Magnus Gross,  
John W. Guntzer,  
Henry E. Howland,

Patrick Lysaght,  
William H. McCarthy,  
John J. Morris,  
Robert Power,  
Henry D. Purroy,  
John Reilly,

Peter Seery,  
Edward J. Shandley,  
Stephen N. Simonson,  
Chester H. Southworth,  
Joseph P. Strack,  
Samuel B. H. Vance.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

PETITIONS.

By the President—

Protest against flagging One Hundred and Forty-seventh street, from Harlem river to Seventh avenue.  
Which was referred to the Committee on Roads.

By Alderman McCarthy—

Petition of property owners, to regulate, grade, etc., in One Hundred and Twenty-second street, between Fourth and Madison avenues, at their own expense.  
The President put the question whether the Board would agree to grant the prayer of the petitioners.

Which was decided in the affirmative.

By the President—

Demand of the Seventy-first Regiment, N. G. S. N. Y., for an armory and drill-room, for the use of the several companies thereof.  
Which was referred to the Committee on County Affairs.

RESOLUTIONS.

By Alderman Purroy—

Resolved, That a lamp-post and lamps be placed in or near the centre of the triangular public place bounded by Chatham street, Tryon row, and the City Hall Park, similar in all respects to the lamp-post and lamps now in Abingdon square, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Works.

By Alderman McCarthy—

Resolved, That the vacant lots in One Hundred and Twenty-seventh street, between Sixth and Seventh avenues, on the south side, be fenced in 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 Police and Health Departments.

By Alderman Morris—

Resolved, That permission be and is hereby given to the owners of property on both sides of West Twelfth street, from West street to Thirteenth avenue, to regulate, grade, set curb-stones, flag the sidewalks, and repave the carriageway, at their own expense, under the direction and supervision 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.

(G. O. 361.)

By Alderman Lysaght—

Resolved, That the Clerk of this Board be and he is hereby authorized and directed to cause the engrossing of its proceedings to be completed up to January 1, 1873, in order to complete the manuscript records of the city government up to that period, and to perfect the series, which extends back to the "Dutch Period" in the history of this city, in 1653; the compensation for such engrossing not to exceed eight cents per folio, to be paid from the appropriation for "City Contingencies" during the balance of the present year.

Which was laid over.

By Alderman Reilly—

Resignation of James W. McGowan as a Commissioner of Deeds.  
Which was accepted.

By the same—

Resolved, That Robert Prati be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place of James W. McGowan, who has 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, Gilon, Gross, Guntzer, Howland, Lysaght, McCarthy, Morris, Power, Purroy, Reilly, Seery, Shandley, Simonson, Southworth, Strack, and Vance—19.

By Alderman Gilon—

Resignation of J. C. Pinckney as a Commissioner of Deeds.  
Which was accepted.

By the same—

Resolved, That Edward G. Pinckney be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place of Joseph C. Pinckney, 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, Gilon, Gross, Guntzer, Howland, Lysaght, McCarthy, Morris, Power, Purroy, Reilly, Seery, Shandley, Simonson, Southworth, Strack, and Vance—19.

By Alderman Howland—

Resolved, That the name of Charles J. Bushnell, in the resolution heretofore passed appointing Charles J. Bushnell a Commissioner of Deeds of the City and County of New York, be changed so as to read in said resolution Charles I. Bushnell.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

By Alderman McCarthy—

Resolved, That Seventy-third street, from the Third avenue to the East river, be regulated and graded, the curb and gutter stones be set, and the sidewalks flagged a space four feet wide through the centre thereof, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was referred to the Committee on Roads.

By Alderman Morris—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to the owners of property on Bethune street, between West street and Thirteenth avenue, to regulate, grade, set curb and gutter stones, flag the sidewalks, and pave or repave the carriageway thereof; the work to be done at their own expense, 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 Alderman Simonson—

Resolved, That John L. Florence be and he is hereby appointed a City Surveyor.  
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, Gilon, Gross, Guntzer, Howland, Lysaght, McCarthy, Morris, Power, Purroy, Reilly, Seery, Shandley, Simonson, Southworth, Strack, and Vance—19.

By Alderman Blessing—

Resolved, That the Commissioner of Public Works be and he is hereby requested to cause the carriageway of the Sixth avenue, from Forty-second to Fifty-ninth street, to be repaired and put in good order, as it is in its present condition not only almost impassable, but absolutely dangerous to life and property.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution. Which was decided in the affirmative.

By Alderman Simonson—

Resolved, That vacant lots on the southeast corner of Fifty-sixth street and Ninth avenue, extending about one hundred feet on the Ninth avenue, and one hundred feet on Fifty-sixth street, be fenced, 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 Gilon—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Henry Cook to regulate, grade, set curb and gutter stones in front of his premises, in Little Twelfth street, adjoining the corner of Thirteenth avenue, the work to be done at his own expense, 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 Alderman McCarthy—

Resolved, That in lighting Madison avenue, north of One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street, Boulevard lamps be used instead of the ordinary street-lamps, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Works.

By the same—

Resolved, That gas-mains be laid, lamp-posts erected, and street-lamps lighted in One Hundred and Twenty-ninth street, from Tenth avenue to Broadway; also in Tenth avenue from Lawrence street to One Hundred and Thirtieth street, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Works.

By Alderman Billings—

Resolved, That a gas-lamp be placed and lighted on the southwest corner of Third avenue and Thirty-fourth street, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Works.

By Alderman McCarthy—

Resolved, That the sidewalks on both sides of Seventy-ninth street, between Fourth and Fifth avenues, be flagged and reflagged four feet wide through the centre thereof, where not already done, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was referred to the Committee on Streets.

By Alderman Gilon—

Resolved, That two lamp-posts be placed and lamps lighted on the west side of West street, between Bloomfield and Little Twelfth streets, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Works.

By the same—

Resolved, That the lamp-post and lamp now standing in Hudson street, near Perry street, be removed and placed on the southwest corner of Perry and Hudson streets; under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Works.

By the same—

Resolved, That an improved iron drinking-fountain (for man and beast) be placed on the northeast corner of Hudson and West Twelfth streets, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Works.

By the same—

Resolved, That Little Twelfth street, from Tenth to Thirteenth avenue, be regulated and graded, the curb and gutter stones set, and the sidewalks flagged, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was referred to the Committee on Streets.

(G. O. 362.)

By Alderman McCarthy—

Resolved, That Fifty-seventh street, between Second and Third avenues, the sidewalks be flagged and reflagged, curb and gutter stones set and reset, where not already done, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 363.)

By the same—

Resolved, That the curb and gutter stones be set and reset, and the sidewalks flagged and reflagged a space eight feet wide in Fifty-eighth street, between the Seventh and Eleventh avenues, where not already done, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 364.)

By Alderman Blessing—

Resolved, That Fifty-fifth street, between Madison and Fourth avenues, be flagged full width, and vacant lots on both sides of the street be fenced in, where not already done, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was laid over.

By the same—

Resolved, That Fiftieth street, between Tenth and Eleventh avenues, be flagged, curb and gutter stones set, where not already done, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was referred to the Committee on Streets.

(G. O. 365.)

By the same—

Resolved, That Fifty-fifth street, between Madison 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.

Which was laid over.

By the same—

Resolved, That Fiftieth street, between the Tenth and Eleventh 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.

Which was referred to the Committee on Street Pavements.

By Alderman McCarthy—

Resolved, That the Counsel to the Corporation be and he is hereby authorized and directed to take the necessary legal measures to have One Hundred and Sixty-first street, from Kingsbridge road to the Eleventh avenue, opened according to law.

Which was referred to the Committee on Roads.

By Alderman Blessing—

Resolved, That gas-mains be laid, street-lamps erected, and lamps lighted in Fiftieth street, from Tenth to Eleventh avenue, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Works.

REPORTS.

(G. O. 366.)

The Committee on Public Works, to whom were referred the annexed resolution and ordinance in favor of laying gas-mains, etc., in One Hundred and Sixteenth street, from Seventh to Eighth 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 gas-mains be laid, street-lamps erected, and lamps lighted in One Hundred and Sixteenth street, from Seventh to Eighth avenue, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

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

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 367.)

The Committee on Roads, to whom were referred the annexed resolution and ordinance in favor of regulating and grading curb and gutter stones set, and the sidewalks flagged, in One Hundred and Twentieth street, from Third to Seventh 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 One Hundred and Twentieth street, from Third to Seventh avenue, be regulated and graded, curb and gutter stones set, and the sidewalks flagged four feet wide through the centre thereof, where not already done, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

WM. H. MCCARTHY, } Committee on  
GEORGE B. DEANE, JR., } Roads.

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 368.)

The Committee on Roads, to whom were referred the annexed resolution and ordinance in favor of regulating and grading, curb and gutter stones set, in One Hundred and Forty-seventh street, from Harlem river to Seventh 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 One Hundred and Forty-seventh street, from Harlem river to Seventh avenue, be regulated and graded, curb and gutter stones set, where not already done, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

WM. H. MCCARTHY, } Committee on  
GEORGE B. DEANE, JR., } Roads.

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 369.)

The Committee on Streets, to whom were referred the annexed resolution and ordinance in favor of flagging Fifth street, from Lewis street to the East river, 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 sidewalks on both sides of Fifth street, from Lewis street to the East river, be flagged full width, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

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

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 370.)

The Committee on Streets, to whom were referred the annexed resolution and ordinance in favor of flagging sidewalks west side of Cherry street, between Clinton and Montgomery streets, 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 the west of Montgomery, between Monroe and Madison streets, be flagged full width, where not already done, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

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

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 371.)

The Committee on Streets, to whom were referred the annexed resolution and ordinance in favor of flagging sidewalk, east side of Cherry street, between Clinton and Montgomery streets, 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 the east side of Cherry street, in front of Nos. 330 to 346, between Clinton and Montgomery streets, be flagged full width, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

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

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 372.)

The Committee on Streets, to whom were referred the annexed resolution and ordinance in favor of setting curb and gutter stones, and flagging the sidewalks on the south side of Sixty-fifth street, between the Tenth and Eleventh 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 on the south side of Sixty-fifth street, from Tenth to Eleventh avenue, the curb and gutter stones be set, and the sidewalks be flagged a space four feet wide through the centre thereof, where not already done, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

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

Which was laid over.

The Committee on Repairs and Supplies, to whom was referred a resolution to permit the owners of property on Twenty-third street, between the Eleventh and Thirteenth avenues, to set back the curb-stones to the original line, respectfully

REPORT :

That, upon inquiry, your Committee learn that the owners on that street do not desire any such permission, and nearly all represent that the resolution was introduced into the Board of Aldermen without their knowledge or consent. The property on both sides of the street belongs to the "Moore estate," and is leased to A. W. Chapin & Co., Bell Brothers, the Erie Railway Company, and the Twenty-third Street City Railway Company. These parties lease for terms of years, varying from 63 to 84 years, and the leases contain covenants requiring the lessees to pay all taxes and assessments. With the exception of the Twenty-third Street Railroad Company, none of the other interested parties were consulted, and all, with the exception above noted, loudly protested against the passage of the resolution, and regarded the attempt made to pass it as an outrage upon them.

Under these circumstances, your Committee believe it to be their duty to ask that they be discharged from the further consideration of the resolution, and to recommend that the paper be placed on file.

EDWARD GILON, } Committee on Repairs  
JOSEPH P. STRACK, } and Supplies.

Which was adopted.

(G. O. 373.)

The Committee on Public Works, to whom were referred the annexed resolution and ordinance in favor of building basin and culvert on the southeast corner of Ridge and Houston streets, 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 a receiving-basin and culvert be built on the southeast corner of Ridge and Houston streets, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

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

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 374.)

The Committee on Public Works, to whom were referred the annexed resolution and ordinance in favor of building a receiving-basin and culvert on the northwest corner of Hudson and Leroy streets, 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 a receiving-basin and culvert be built on the northwest corner of Hudson and Leroy streets, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

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

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 375.) The Committee on Public Works, to whom was referred the annexed resolution and ordinance in favor of building a receiving basin and culvert, northeast corner of Second street and Avenue A, 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 a receiving basin and culvert be built on the northeast corner of Second street and Avenue A, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

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

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 376.)

The Committee on Public Works, to whom were referred the annexed resolution and ordinance, in favor of placing Boulevard lamps in place of the ordinary street lamps in Fourth 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 in relighting the Fourth avenue with gas, Boulevard lamps be used instead of the ordinary street lamps which were removed during the progress of the improvements on that avenue, the additional right being necessary, as the avenue is one hundred and forty feet wide; the work of relighting to be done under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

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

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 377.)

The Committee on Streets, to whom were referred the annexed resolution and ordinance in favor of fencing vacant lots on the south side of Sixty-fifth street, between Fourth and Madison 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 vacant lots on the south side of Sixty-fifth street, between the Fourth and Madison avenues, be fenced in, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

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

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 378.)

The Committee on Streets, to whom were referred the annexed resolution and ordinance in favor of regulating, grading, set curb and gutter stones, and flag sidewalks in Fifty-fifth street, between First avenue and Avenue A, 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 Fifty-fifth street, from Avenue A to First avenue be regulated, graded, curb and gutter stones set, and sidewalks flagged four feet wide, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

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

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 379.)

The Committee on Streets, to whom were referred the annexed resolution and ordinance in favor of flagging Sixtieth street, south side, between Madison and Fifth 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 south side of Sixtieth street, between Madison and Fifth avenues, be flagged full width, where not already done, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

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

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 380.)

The Committee on Streets, to whom were referred the annexed resolution and ordinance in favor of flagging and reflagging One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street, from Third to the Eighth 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 the sidewalks in One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street, from Third to Eighth avenue, be flagged and reflagged eight feet wide, where not already done, under the directions of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

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

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 381.)

The Committee on Streets, to whom was referred the annexed resolution in favor of laying gas-mains and lighting lamps in One Hundred and Thirtieth street, south side, and east of 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 gas-mains be laid, lamp-posts erected, and street-lamps lighted on the south side of One Hundred and Thirtieth street, from the Third avenue, east, to the landing place of the Harlem steamboats, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

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

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 382.)

The Committee on Public Works, to whom were referred the annexed resolution and ordinance in favor of flagging the sidewalk on the south side of Thirty-seventh street, commencing at Lexington avenue, and extending two hundred feet easterly, be flagged full width, 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 the southerly side of Thirty-seventh street, commencing at Lexington avenue, and extending two hundred feet easterly, be flagged full width, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

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

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 383.)

The Committee on Public Works, to whom were referred the annexed resolution and ordinance in favor of building a basin and culvert on the southeast corner of Hudson and Clarkson streets, 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 a receiving-basin and culvert be built on the southeast corner of Hudson and Clarkson streets, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

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

Which was laid over.

RESOLUTIONS RESUMED.

By unanimous consent, Alderman Morris offered the following: Resolved, That each train of freight cars drawn by a "dummy" or any other engine on any of the tracks of the Hudson River or any other railroad company or companies on the surface of any

street in this city south of Thirty-second street shall be preceded by a man or boy, on horseback, not less than one hundred feet in advance of every such train, who shall blow a trumpet or horn sufficiently loud to be heard one block in advance of such man or boy on horseback, to give an alarm and apprise all persons of the approach of every such train of cars; and his Honor the Mayor is hereby requested to instruct the Commissioners of Police to enforce the provisions of this resolution, and to prevent the passage of any train of cars should any such railroad company refuse or neglect to comply with the provisions of this ordinance.

Alderman Strack moved to refer to the Committee on Railroads.

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

Which was decided in the negative by the following vote:

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Billings, Blessing, Gilon, Gross, Purroy, Reilly, and Strack—8.

Negative—Aldermen Guntzer, Howland, Lysaght, McCarthy, Morris, Power, Seery, Shandley, Simonson, Southworth, and Vance—11.

On motion of Alderman Blessing, the resolution was referred to the Committee on Roads.

REPORTS RESUMED.

(G. O. 384.)

The Committee on Public Works, to whom were referred the annexed resolution and ordinance in favor of building a receiving-basin and culvert northwest corner of Forsyth and Canal streets, 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 a receiving-basin and culvert be built on the northwest corner of Forsyth and Canal streets, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

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

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 385.)

The Committee on Public Works, to whom was referred the annexed resolution in favor of laying gas-mains, erecting lamp-posts, and lighting lamps in Fifty-ninth street, from First avenue to the East river, 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 gas-mains be laid, lamp-posts erected, and street-lamps lighted in Fifty-ninth street, from First avenue to the East river.

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

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 386.)

The Committee on Streets, to whom were referred the annexed resolution and ordinance in favor of flagging, setting curb and gutter stones in One Hundred and Sixteenth street, from Seventh to Eighth 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 One Hundred and Sixteenth street, from Seventh to Eighth avenue, the sidewalks be flagged four feet wide through the centre thereof, curb and gutter stones set, where not already done, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

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

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 387.)

The Committee on County Affairs, to whom were referred the annexed preamble and resolution in relation to the establishment of a parade ground for the uses of the First Division N. G. S. N. Y., respectfully

REPORT :

That the preamble to the resolution concisely and clearly sets forth the facts connected with the proceedings thus far taken to establish the parade ground, as contemplated by the act, chapter 628, Laws of 1871, and are true, except so far as relates to the cost of the parade ground, and the annual maintenance thereof. By the third section of the act, the aggregate amount of "the City Parade Improvement Fund" was limited to a sum of which the annual interest "is twenty-five thousand dollars," or between \$350,000 and \$360,000, not \$1,500,000, as stated in the preamble; and by the sixth section \$25,000 was stipulated as the amount to be annually expended in maintenance and government of the said square or public place, and not \$125,000, as also stated in the preamble to the resolution.

Your Committee, however, are clearly of opinion that the establishment of the parade ground, on the site now proposed, would be dear at any price. The ground selected is low and marshy, requiring a vast outlay in filling in, piling, etc., and is probably one of the most inaccessible locations on this island. No emergency has arisen requiring the establishment of such a parade ground; it has not been sought or asked for by the First Division N. G. S. N. Y., or any of its officers or agents; the city has not asked for it, nor been consulted, or its wishes known in regard to it; and the conclusion has irresistibly forced itself upon the minds of your Committee that the project is the result of a scheme on the part of certain real estate operators or speculators to sell worthless, or nearly worthless, land to the city, at a good price; and, by improving the purchase at the expense of our taxpayers, add largely to the value of the surrounding property held by them. It would be wicked to encourage such a scheme, and by none of our citizens would such a proceeding be condemned more loudly, or reprehended more severely than by the members, both officers and privates, of the First Division N. G. S. N. Y., as none are more directly interested in preventing the consummation of such fraudulent transactions.

Your Committee desire it to be distinctly understood that at the proper time, and in the proper place, they believe it would be advantageous to secure an easily accessible and properly located parade ground for the First Division, but the present is not the time, in view of the depression in value of every description of property, and an almost general stagnation in business, nor is the marsh land on the margin of the Harlem river, near Spuyten Duyvil creek, the place for such an undertaking, and your Committee believe none will admit the fact more readily than the taxpayers of the National Guard.

Entertaining these convictions, your Committee respectfully recommend the adoption of the preamble and resolution herewith accompanying the over estimate of the expense mentioned in the said preamble, being only a matter of minor importance, and should not affect the action necessary to be taken by your Honorable Body in the effort to prevent the consummation of this unwise, unnecessary, and otherwise very questionable proceeding.

Whereas, Proceedings have again been taken to have Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment appointed by the Supreme Court, on Monday, June 28, 1875, in the matter of a Parade Ground in the upper part of this island of about 100 acres of land; and

Whereas, Proceedings previously taken to carry out this project were discontinued by the Department of Public Parks for good and sufficient reasons, and this discontinuance was sustained by a decision of the Court of Appeals against an appeal made by property owners in interest; and

Whereas, The laying out of a Parade Ground in the proposed locality was projected prior to the annexation of a portion of Westchester County to the City of New York, as presenting the most eligible site then available for the purpose; and

Whereas, The present time is one of great financial embarrassment, causing a depression in business bearing heavily upon the resources of all classes of the community, and crippling the means of taxpayers, especially by reduction of rentals and incomes from city property, making it imperative that all unnecessary expenditures by the city and increase of the public debt shall be avoided as far as possible; and

Whereas, The estimated cost of the proposed Parade Ground, for lands taken and laying out the grounds alone, will amount to about one million and a half dollars (\$1,500,000), to be added to the city debt by the issue of bonds, the interest on which, with the expenses of maintenance, will require the sum of at least one hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars (\$125,000) to be raised annually by taxation for this object; and

Whereas, So large an increase of the funded debt and of the taxes, already so oppressive and heavy upon the taxpayers of this city, are not wise and judicious measures at this time of general depression of business; therefore

Resolved, That the Department of Public Parks be respectfully requested to discontinue the proceedings aforesaid, and thereupon the Counsel to the Corporation be respectfully requested to withdraw the pending application for the appointment of Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment for the opening of said proposed Parade Ground, and the Supreme Court be respectfully requested not to appoint Commissioners for such purpose; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be transmitted to the Department of Public Parks, the Corporation Counsel, and to the Supreme Court.

PATRICK LYSAGHT, } Committee  
WM. H. MCCARTHY, } on  
PETER SEERY, } County Affairs.

Which was laid over.

RESOLUTIONS AGAIN RESUMED.

Alderman Lysaght moved that the Committee on Lands and Places be discharged from the further consideration of the following: Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Peiris & Co. to erect a balcony

in front of their premises on the southeast corner of Fortieth street and Sixth avenue, as shown on the annexed diagram, provided the work be done at their own expense, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion. Which was decided in the affirmative. The President then put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution. Which was decided in the affirmative.

REPORTS AGAIN RESUMED. (G. O. 388.)

The Committee on Law Department, to whom was referred the accompanying petition of merchants of this city, asking for a repeal or modification of the ordinances of 1866, relating to obstructing sidewalks by backing carts or trucks across them for the purpose of loading or unloading goods, etc., respectfully

REPORT:

That compliance with the provisions of the ordinances which prohibits carts and trucks, or other vehicles from obstructing any of the sidewalks of this city while loading or unloading, is a grave restriction upon the trade and business of our merchants; it necessitates the use of skids across the walk in the receipt and delivery of all heavy merchandise, which blockades the walk as effectively as if occupied by the vehicle itself, while the use of the street is also unnecessarily obstructed by the cart or truck; the time occupied in loading or unloading is much longer, and your Committee are clearly of the opinion that the obstruction, both to the sidewalks and the streets, are much greater under the present regulation, than if the vehicles were permitted to be loaded and unloaded directly into the stores.

It is clearly the duty of the city authorities to afford or permit every possible facility for the transaction of the business of our merchants. New York is pre-eminently a city of merchants, and it owes its present position as the chief city of this continent chiefly to the development of that branch of industry, and no restriction should be imposed upon it, nor any unnecessary impediment be placed in the way of the transaction of the details of the business, not imperatively demanded by some great emergency. It is true, our streets are for the uses of our people, in common, and none have a pre-emptive right to their exclusive use and occupation, even for the shortest period of time; but something should be conceded to the proprietors of stores and warehouses, particularly in the lower portion of the city where the streets are narrow, the business immense, and the interruptions and annoyances are numerous and provoking in the loading and unloading of their carts and trucks.

It is clear that this concession can be made to the proprietors of stores without serious detriment to the uses of the sidewalks by pedestrians, if each store-owner or lessee will concede to the public the right to pass over the stoop or through the store, and will afford the necessary facilities for so doing by the erection of a suitable platform, with convenient steps at each side. By a mutual arrangement of this kind, a much needed facility for loading and unloading carts, trucks, etc., can be given our merchants and others, while a convenient and suitable opportunity, by the erection of a movable platform with steps at each side, can be given to the public who may have occasion to pass in front of any such store while the sidewalk is occupied by a cart or other vehicle in the receipt or delivery of goods. The experiment is worth trying, and if proved successful, as there is scarcely a doubt will be the case, a great advantage will be gained by the mercantile community without detriment or injury to any other portion of our people.

Section 14 of article 1 of chapter 37 of the Revised Ordinances of 1866, contains the prohibition which it is proposed to remove. An ordinance has recently been passed removing such restriction in the streets where the rails of any railroad company are laid so close to the curb stone as to prevent the loading or unloading of carts, etc., without interfering with the running of the cars; and it is now proposed to amend that section again, so as to make the permission to use the sidewalks applicable to all that part of the city south of Fourteenth street, upon the condition that in each case a platform with steps at each side be provided for the accommodation of pedestrians.

The following resolution is therefore respectfully offered for your adoption:

Resolved, That section 14 of article 1 of chapter 37 of the Revised Ordinances of 1866, as amended by ordinance approved July 14, 1875, be again amended so as to read as follows:

"Section 14. It shall not be lawful for any public cartman or for any person having charge of any public cart, wagon, or other vehicle, to drive or back any such public cart, or any other vehicle, on to the sidewalks of any of the streets of said city, or to stop any such cart or any other vehicle on any of the crosswalks or intersections of streets so as to obstruct or hinder the travel along such crosswalks or intersections of streets, or to place any such cart or other vehicle crosswise of any street or wharf of said city, except to load thereon, or unload therefrom, articles of greater weight each than two hundred pounds; but in no case shall it be lawful for any person to permit such cart or other vehicle to remain so crosswise of any street for a longer period than may be actually necessary for such purpose, and not to exceed five minutes. The provisions of this ordinance relating to backing any such cart or other vehicle on to the sidewalks shall not apply to any portion of said city south of Fourteenth street, provided that the owner or occupant of every store, warehouse, or other building so occupying the sidewalk in front thereof, shall provide a suitable platform, with convenient steps at each side, to be placed in front of every such store, warehouse, or other building, for the accommodation of pedestrians requiring to pass any such store, warehouse, or other building, while the sidewalk is so occupied, and no cart or other vehicle shall remain on the sidewalk in front of any such store, warehouse, or other building, continuously, for a longer period than five minutes."

HENRY D. PURROY, } Committee on E. J. SHANDLEY, } Law Department.

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 389.)

The Committee on County Affairs, to whom were referred the annexed bills of William Dunham, Warden of the County Jail, respectfully

REPORT:

That the same are legal county charges and have been properly incurred, under the provisions of an act of the Legislature passed May 6, 1875. The following is therefore submitted:

Resolved, That the bills of William Dunham, for support and maintenance of prisoners confined in the New York County Jail, on civil process, during the months of January, February, March, April, May, and June, 1875, amounting to seven thousand two hundred and sixty-six dollars and twenty-one cents (\$7,266.21), be audited and allowed, and the Comptroller directed to pay them from the proper appropriation.

PATRICK LYSAGHT, } Committee WM. H. MCCARTHY, } on PETER SEERY, } County Affairs.

Which was laid over.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE DEPARTMENTS AND CORPORATION OFFICERS.

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

CITY OF NEW YORK—DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, July 17, 1875.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen:

Weekly statement, showing the appropriations made under the authority contained in section 112, chapter 335, Laws of 1873, for carrying on the Common Council, from January 1 to December 31, 1875, both days inclusive, and of the payments made up to and including the date hereof for and on account of each appropriation:

Table with 3 columns: Title of Appropriations, Amount of Appropriations, Payments. Rows include City Contingencies, Contingencies, Clerk of the Common Council, Salaries, Common Council.

Which was ordered on file.

The President laid before the Board the following communication from the Commissioner of Public Works:

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, ROOM 19, CITY HALL, NEW YORK, July 21, 1875.

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

GENTLEMEN—I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your resolution of the 15th instant, requesting me to report to you by what authority I have advertised for proposals for building sewers in Eighth avenue, north of Fifty-ninth street, the Common Council having failed to pass an ordinance for that purpose.

In reply I would respectfully submit, that the authority of this Department to undertake the construction of a sewer, without an ordinance of the Common Council, is contained in chapter 381 of the Laws of 1865, which provides as follows:

"Section 1. The Croton Aqueduct Board of the City of New York shall have power to devise and frame a plan of sewerage and drainage of the whole of said city, for the purpose of thoroughly draining and carrying off water and other matter proper to be carried off by sewers.

"Section 4. The construction of the work under said plans shall have precedence over and shall not be interfered with by any work connected with other street improvements in said district.

"Section 5. The said Board, upon the completion of the plan of sewerage of any district, and the filing of copies thereof, as required by section 4 of this act, or as soon thereafter as may be convenient, shall cause printed specifications to be made, in accordance with said plan of the work proposed to be done in said district, and shall thereupon invite proposals in the manner now required by law, and shall contract for the whole or any part of the work in said district."

By the Charters of 1870 and 1873 this Department succeeded to all the powers and duties of the Croton Aqueduct Board.

In an opinion of the Counsel to the Corporation, dated April 17, 1875, a copy of which I herewith inclose, I am advised that the law of 1865, above quoted, has never been repealed, and that, consequently, this Department has the power to proceed with the construction of any sewer without an ordinance of the Common Council.

The provisions of the law of 1865, relative to the making and filing of sewerage plans, had been fully complied with in this case; the regulating and grading of Eighth avenue, from Fifty-ninth to One Hundred and Twenty-second street, is very nearly completed; an ordinance for the paving of the avenue has been adopted and approved, and a surveyor appointed to make the preliminary surveys for that work. To save unnecessary expense, the sewerage ought to precede the paving. I therefore consider this a proper instance for the exercise of the authority conferred upon the Department by the law of 1865, by taking the necessary measures for the construction of the sewer before the avenue is paved.

Very respectfully, FITZ JOHN PORTER, Commissioner of Public Works. LAW DEPARTMENT, OFFICE OF THE COUNSEL TO THE CORPORATION, NEW YORK, April 17, 1875.

Hon. FITZ JOHN PORTER, Commissioner of Public Works:

SIR—Your letter to me of the 16th inst. states that an application has been made to the Board of Health as to the necessity of the building of a sewer in Scammel street, between Monroe and Madison streets; that the work was fully surveyed and approved by that Board, and referred to the Department of Public Works for examination; that the proper officer has examined the desired work and reports the urgent necessity for the same; that no ordinance of the Common Council has been passed authorizing the building of the sewer, but that the custom of the Department has been to proceed to the construction of sewers under the various statutes relating thereto without an ordinance of the Common Council authorizing the same. You request my opinion as to whether the Department of Public Works can lawfully proceed to the construction of a sewer, under such circumstances, without the authority of an ordinance of the Common Council.

Prior to the year 1865 it was necessary that all sewers should be authorized by ordinance of the Common Council (Valentine's Laws, pages 1181 and 1190).

The whole system, however, of constructing sewers was changed by chapter 381 of the Laws of 1865. The Croton Aqueduct Board was authorized by this law to adopt a general plan for the sewerage of the city, and after the adoption of such plan to proceed to construct sewers under it, without the authority of the Common Council; and the eighth section of that act declared that it should not be lawful thereafter to construct any sewer or drain in the City of New York unless such sewer or drain should be in accordance with such general plan.

The Department of Public Works has succeeded to all the powers formerly possessed by the Croton Aqueduct Board, and I presume that any possible doubt which may have arisen as to the right of the Department to lay a sewer without an ordinance of the Common Council has been caused by the provisions in relation to sewers found in the Charters of 1870 and 1873.

By subdivision 20 of section 21 of the Charter of 1870, the Common Council is authorized to pass ordinances in relation to the construction, repair, and use of vaults, cisterns, areas, hydrants, pumps, and sewers; and by subdivision 18 of section 17 of the Charter of 1873, the Common Council is authorized to pass ordinances in relation to the construction, repair, and use of vaults, cisterns, areas, hydrants, pumps, and sewers.

The act of 1875, above referred to, has never been expressly repealed, and repeals by implication are not favored by the law. The provisions of the Charter of 1870 and 1873, above referred to, originated in the Charter of 1870, the clause in the Charter of 1873 being evidently copied from that of 1870.

No similar provision is found in any charter of the city prior to 1870. I am somewhat at a loss to know what was the intention of the person who inserted the clause in the Charter of 1870; indeed I think it quite doubtful whether the person who drafted the law had any particular purpose or object in inserting this clause. It is evident that the purpose of the section was to enumerate the various matters in reference to which it was supposed that by previous laws the Common Council had some power, or in reference to which some duty was imposed upon it; and I presume that the clause in relation to sewers was inserted without any very definite idea as to what its effect would be.

However this may be, I do not think that the act of 1865, so far as it authorized the Croton Aqueduct Board to build sewers without an ordinance, has been repealed either by the Charter of 1870 or that of 1873. It is certain that the Common Council cannot direct the construction of a sewer not laid down upon the plans adopted by the Croton Aqueduct Board; nor do I think an ordinance of the Common Council is necessary to authorize the Department of Public Works to construct a sewer laid down upon the plans as originally adopted, or subsequently modify it as provided in section 4 of said act of 1865.

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

Which was received and ordered to be printed in the minutes and published in the CITY RECORD.

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

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, ROOM 19, CITY HALL, NEW YORK, July 21, 1875.

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

GENTLEMEN—I herewith return to your Honorable Board, for further action thereon, the petition, together with the map, for the change of grade in One Hundred and Twenty-ninth street, from Broadway to the Boulevard, no objections to the proposed change having been received at this office, and also transmit the affidavit of the Supervisor of the City Record, that the law has been complied with regarding the advertising of said petition and proposed change of grade.

Respectfully, FITZ JOHN PORTER, Commissioner of Public Works.

Which was referred to the Committee on Roads.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

Alderman Power called up G. O. 333 1/2, being a resolution and ordinance, as follows: Resolved, That it is hereby ordered that the Commissioners of the Department of Public Parks shall have all the necessary repairs to the Central or McComb's Dam Bridge, over the Harlem river, executed and done in such manner, by day's work or otherwise, as to them shall seem best for the interest of the city, without entering into a contract therefor, as provided by section 91, chapter 335, Laws of 1873.

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 Gilon, Gross, Guntzer, Howland, Lysaght, McCarthy, Power, Purroy, Reilly, Seery, Shandlely, Simonson, Strack, and Vance—17. Negative—Aldermen Morris and Southworth—2.

Alderman Power called up G. O. 333, being a resolution, as follows: Resolved, That in pursuance of chapter 477, section 2, Laws of 1875, the Commissioner of Public Works is hereby authorized and directed to lay such water pipes, mains, and fixtures, as have been ordered or may be ordered by the Common Council to be laid, and such other pipes, mains, and fixtures as he may deem necessary, to extend and enlarge the distribution of Croton water through the City of New York, including the two new wards, and to furnish a sufficient supply thereof to the institutions in charge of the Department of Public Charities and Correction, located on Blackwell's Island, Ward's Island, and Randall's Island, and in laying mains necessary to deliver said water at higher levels and in greater quantities.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution. Which was decided in the negative by the following vote (three-fourths of all the members elected not voting in favor thereof):

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Blessing, Gilon, Gross, Guntzer, Lysaght, McCarthy, Power, Purroy, Reilly, Seery, Shandlely, and Strack—13. Negative—Aldermen Billings, Howland, Morris, Simonson, and Southworth—5.

On motion of Alderman Reilly, the above vote was reconsidered, and the resolution again laid over.

Alderman Gilon called up G. O. 273, being a resolution and ordinance, as follows: Resolved, That the curb and gutter stones be set and sidewalks flagged full width, in Bogart street, from West street to Thirteenth or Exterior avenue, 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, Gilon, Gross, Guntzer, Howland, Lysaght, McCarthy, Morris, Power, Purroy, Reilly, Seery, Shandley, Simonson, Southworth, Strack, and Vance—19.

MESSAGES FROM HIS HONOR THE MAYOR.

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

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT—CITY HALL, }  
NEW YORK, July 22, 1875. }

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen :

GENTLEMEN—By and under the provisions of section 117, chapter 335, Laws of 1873, passed April 30, 1873, the term of office of the then Commissioner of Jurors ceased, terminated and expired on the 1st day of May, 1873.

In and by section 25 of that act, the Mayor was directed to nominate and, by and with the consent of the Board of Aldermen, to appoint a Commissioner of Jurors. And, by further provisions of that section of the act, the person first appointed shall hold office until the first day of May in the year 1879 (unless sooner removed), on which day a new term is to commence.

The same section further required the Mayor to nominate a Commissioner of Jurors within twenty days after the passage of the act. And the late Mayor Havemeyer accordingly, by communication to the Board of Aldermen, dated May 19, 1873, nominated Joseph B. Varnum, Esq., to the vacancy. But, in deference to a suggestion by a separate communication, bearing the same date, addressed by the Mayor to the Board, the nomination was laid over. The nominee has since died, the Board of Aldermen never having consented to his appointment.

I hereby nominate

THOMAS DUNLAP

to be Commissioner of Jurors, to fill the vacancy by said act created.

W. H. WICKHAM, Mayor.

Alderman Seery moved the confirmation of the nomination of Thomas Dunlap as Commissioner of Jurors.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote :

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Blessing, Gilon, Gross, Guntzer, Lysaght, McCarthy, Power, Purroy, Reilly, Seery, Shandley, and Strack—13.

Negative—Aldermen Billings, Howland, Morris, Simonson, Southworth, and Vance—6.

Alderman Purroy moved that the opinion of the Counsel to the Corporation, addressed to the Board of Aldermen June 11, 1873, relating to the appointment of the Commissioner of Jurors by this Board, be read.

Alderman Billings raised the point of order that, the subject having been disposed of, the reading of the opinion of the Counsel was not now in order.

The President ruled the point of order to be not well taken, ruling that it was competent for the Board to order the opinion to be read.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with the motion of Alderman Purroy.

Which was decided in the affirmative.

The opinion having been read, Alderman Purroy moved that it be published in connection with the message of his Honor the Mayor, nominating a Commissioner of Jurors.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative, and is as follows :

LAW DEPARTMENT, }  
OFFICE OF COUNSEL TO THE CORPORATION, }  
NEW YORK, June 11, 1873. }

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

GENTLEMEN—By a resolution of your Honorable Body adopted May 19, 1873, you referred to me, for my opinion, the nomination by his Honor the Mayor, in pursuance of the act entitled "An act to reorganize the local government of the city of New York," passed April 30, 1873, of a gentleman for the office of Commissioner of Jurors, and you at the same time also referred to me a special message of his Honor the Mayor accompanying the nomination referred to, in which he suggests that a constitutional question may be involved in relation to that office.

I have deferred an answer to your communication, first, because a bill was for some time pending in the Legislature which, if passed into a law, would have put an end to the question ; and secondly, for the reason that the matter was of an importance demanding the most mature deliberation.

As your legal adviser, I have arrived at a conclusion upon this subject which, if acted upon by you, will avoid all embarrassments to the public interests. That conclusion is, that if—as I suppose there is no question—the nominee of his Honor the Mayor is regarded by you as a proper person for the office, you should at once confirm the nomination.

The act referred to (known as the new Charter) is express in conferring upon the Mayor and Board of Aldermen the nomination and appointment of numerous officers, including the Commissioner of Jurors. This provision is unquestionably law, unless it can be overthrown by constitutional considerations. The safe rule is, that all acts of the Legislature—unless in plain and flagrant violation of the Constitution—should be regarded as constitutional and valid until the Courts otherwise decide. For your Honorable Body, or for me as your legal adviser, to assume that the provision in question is unconstitutional might embarrass us both with regard to the interests of the city committed to our charge, and which interest might be involved in the determination to which we should arrive. The acts of the present Commissioner, while *de jure*, and also while *de facto* Commissioner of Jurors, will undoubtedly be valid ; and if upon constitutional grounds he should resist the title to the office of the new appointee, it will be easy for the question—if there be one—to receive the judicial determination of the Courts.

I therefore repeat my recommendation, that the nomination be acted upon without committing your Honorable Body, or myself as your counsel, to any opinion upon the constitutional question which some suppose to be involved in the matter.

Advising you as I would advise an individual client under similar circumstances, I am, gentlemen,

With great respect,

Your obedient servant,

E. DELAFIELD SMITH,

Counsel to the Corporation.

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

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT—CITY HALL, }  
NEW YORK, July 22, 1875. }

To the Honorable the Common Council :

GENTLEMEN—I herewith transmit for your information a communication from the Commissioner of Public Works, which presents a case for action by you, under section 17, chapter 335, Laws of 1873. WM. H. WICKHAM, Mayor.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, }  
COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, ROOM 19, CITY HALL, }  
NEW YORK, July 16, 1875. }

Hon. WILLIAM H. WICKHAM,

Mayor of the City of New York :

SIR—In my communication to you of May 5th ult. I stated that, for several years past, this Department had been prevented from the performance of its duties, with regard to the removal of encumbrances, by the refusal of the Comptroller to honor its requisitions against the appropriation for that purpose, drawn in accordance with section 23, article 2, chapter 4 of the Revised Ordinances. The Comptroller claimed that the ordinance, as it then stood, did not permit him to make advances to this Department from the appropriations for "Contingencies" and for the "Removal of Encumbrances" at the same time ; in other words, that, while the Department had funds for contingent expenses, it could not have funds for removing encumbrances.

Accepting this objection of the Comptroller, or his construction of the ordinance, as having been made in good faith, I submitted to you, and you laid before the Common Council, an amendment, which was adopted and approved May 24, removing all technical objections to the payment of the funds required.

Notwithstanding this amendment of the ordinance, and my repeated and earnest requests, the Comptroller has not yet honored my requisition. Complaints of obstructions are accumulating on all sides, many from your office, and are becoming every day more urgent. Most of the cases require immediate action, and could be remedied at very slight expense ; in fact, the city would be reimbursed in every instance by the parties on whom the law is applied. The inability of the Department to enforce the laws in this respect is of such long standing, and so generally known, that its notices to persons who violate them receive no attention.

Herewith I inclose a copy of my last communication to the Comptroller on this subject, dated the 10th instant, reviewing all the previous correspondence between us, and my efforts to obtain the means to carry out the law.

I have exhausted all the powers in this Department to secure from the Comptroller the means authorized and provided by law, and necessary to render efficient the Bureau of Incumbrances in its efforts to execute the laws for the public benefit ; and I now submit the above facts to you, to enable you to see that this Department should not be held responsible for the non-execution of the law requiring the removal of incumbrances in the streets and sidewalks.

Very respectfully,

FITZ JOHN PORTER,

Commissioner of Public Works.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, }  
COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, ROOM 19, CITY HALL, }  
NEW YORK, July 10, 1875. }

Hon. ANDREW H. GREEN, Comptroller :

SIR—Desiring to make my powers and duties under the law and ordinances for the removal of obstructions and encumbrances available for the benefit of the public, I made requisition upon the Finance Department on the 29th of March ult. for the sum of \$100, to defray expenses to be incurred in the exercise of these duties, as provided by section 23, article 2, chapter 4, Revised Ordinances of 1866.

Under date of March 30 you replied, declining to honor my requisition, holding that the ordinance allowed the issue of but one sum of \$100 at a time, which had been paid by you out of the appropriation for Contingencies for this Department.

Thereupon an amendment to the ordinance of 1866 was adopted by the Common Council, and approved May 24, removing all possibility of construing the ordinance as you had done.

A copy of the amended ordinance was transmitted to you on May 27, with the request that the requisition of March 29 be honored, to enable this Department to properly discharge its duties.

Receiving no reply, I again wrote you on June 7, recalling and urging attention to the subject. This also remained without reply from you, and on June 15 I again addressed you, requesting to know what objections you still entertained to the payment of the money. This request was repeated under date of June 18.

On the 22d of June you wrote me, stating your doubts as to the validity of the ordinance (or amendment of ordinance of 1866), passed May 24, but suggesting that in a personal discussion a satisfactory arrangement might be made "to accomplish the purpose" of my requisition.

On my suggestion of same date this discussion was had on the following day, June 23, and the result of it was a further communication from me to you on the same day, renewing my former requests for the payment of the one hundred dollars.

On June 24 you addressed me a note, desiring to know whether my letters on this subject referred to certain incidental expenses which were entirely foreign to this matter. Treating the inquiry as having been made in good faith and sincerity, I immediately replied that my letters referred only to the issue of \$100 for the removal of obstructions.

It occurring to me that the requisition of March 29 might possibly be objected to as being made previous to the adoption of the amendment of May 24, I addressed you on the 2d inst. withdrawing that requisition, and requesting that it be returned ; and on the 7th inst. I transmitted to you another requisition for \$100, based on the amended ordinance.

I have not heard from you on this subject since June 24. The requisition of March 29 has not been returned. The Department is still without funds to remove obstructions. The law remains a dead letter, and is violated daily with impunity.

I now make my last request, that you will inform me whether or not you intend to honor my requisition on the appropriation for the removal of obstructions, and thus furnish the means to enable this Department to perform its proper duties and functions.

Very respectfully,

FITZ JOHN PORTER,

Commissioner of Public Works.

Which was referred to the Committee on Law Department, with instructions to report at the next meeting on the powers and duties of the Common Council in the premises.

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

MAYOR'S OFFICE, }  
NEW YORK, July 22, 1875. }

To the Honorable the Common Council :

GENTLEMEN—I herewith transmit for your information and consideration a communication from the Department of Public Parks.

(G. O. 390.)

WM. H. WICKHAM, Mayor.

CITY OF NEW YORK—DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS, }  
36 UNION SQUARE, (EAST), }  
July 21, 1875. }

To the Hon. WILLIAM H. WICKHAM,

Mayor of the City of New York :

SIR—Some questions having arisen as to the power of this Department to do certain necessary work in connection with the grading of Third avenue, from One Hundred and Forty-seventh street to the Harlem river, as directed by an ordinance approved by your Honor's predecessor on the 21st of December, 1874, the matter was submitted to the Counsel to the Corporation for his advice.

He states in his opinion, a copy of which I inclose, that before commencing this work this Department should obtain from the Common Council an ordinance directing that the streets intersecting this portion of Third avenue should be raised, so as to preserve the approaches to and crossings of the avenue at its new grade ; and also that this Department should be empowered to take up and preserve the pavement, curb, gutter stones, etc., now on this portion of the avenue.

I also inclose a draft of resolution and ordinance which, if adopted by the Board of Aldermen, and approved by your Honor, will enable the work to be proceeded with as heretofore directed. I am directed by the Board governing this Department to request your Honor to lay this matter before the Board of Aldermen at as early a day as possible.

Respectfully,

HENRY G. STEBBINS,

President D. P. P.

LAW DEPARTMENT, }  
OFFICE OF THE COUNSEL TO THE CORPORATION, }  
NEW YORK, July 8, 1875. }

Hon. HENRY G. STEBBINS,

President of the Department of Public Parks :

SIR—Your letter to me of the 11th June ultimo, inclosed a copy of the ordinance of the Common Council, authorizing the Department of Public Parks to pave Third avenue, from Westchester avenue to the northern boundary of the Twenty-third Ward, and you request my opinion whether it would be lawful to divide such portion of the Third avenue into two parts, and let the work out in two separate contracts, and whether there would be any risk in so doing, that the assessment for such work would be rendered invalid.

I think there is no doubt that the work in question can be lawfully divided and let under two separate contracts, and I do not think there would be any risk that by so doing the assessments for the work would be rendered invalid. Practical embarrassments have sometimes arisen where work directed to be done by a single ordinance has been let out to separate contractors. It sometimes happens that one contractor will complete his work promptly, while another will delay or entirely abandon it. In such cases it has been claimed that an assessment to reimburse the city for money so expended could not be laid before the entire work is completed. I am not aware, however, that any question as to the legality of such contracts has ever been raised.

Your letter also inclosed a copy of another ordinance, authorizing the grading of Third avenue, from One Hundred and Forty-seventh street to the Harlem river. You state that in carrying out the directions given in this ordinance a number of questions have arisen, which are set forth in the statement of the Engineer of Construction, transmitted with your letter, and that your Board is desirous of obtaining my opinion upon the question raised by such statement.

It appears from the statement of the Engineer, transmitted with your letter, that doubts have arisen upon the following points :

First—Whether the ordinance in question authorizes the doing of such work upon the intersecting streets as is necessary, in order to preserve the access from such streets to and across the avenue.

Secondly—As to what disposal is to be made of the pavement, curb and gutter stones, bridge or crossing stones, and the flag stones of the sidewalks now laid on said avenue ; and whether the Department under this ordinance has the authority to take up and relay the same when the filling of the street shall be completed.

In my opinion, the ordinance passed by the Common Council is not sufficient to authorize the doing of work upon the intersecting streets. The fact suggested by the Engineer in his statement, that such work has sometimes been done under similar ordinances by the Department of Public Works by requiring the contractor to do the work in the cross streets without extra charge, does not alter my opinion on this point. It is evident that if the contractor does work in the intersecting streets he must be paid for it in some manner. Such a method of doing the work is of doubtful legality and one which I cannot recommend. The ordinance heretofore passed by the Common Council should be amended so as to authorize the doing of so much work upon the intersecting cross streets as may be necessary to preserve and facilitate approach and access from such streets to and across the avenue.

It seems to me that the question raised as to the pavement in the street is one of considerable difficulty. The ordinance of the Common Council contains no provision in reference to taking up, preserving, or relaying such pavement ; but it would be manifestly improper for the Department to bury such pavement under the filling now proposed to be done. The ordinance should undoubtedly be amended so as to provide for the taking up and preservation of the pavement.

It does not seem to me, however, competent for the Common Council to pass an ordinance for the relaying of such pavement, when the street shall be filled up to the new grade, unless such relaying shall be petitioned for by the property owners along the street. Section 115 of the Charter of 1873 declares that no street, avenue, or public place in the City of New York, which has been once paved, and the expense thereof paid for by the owners of adjoining property by assessment, shall hereafter be paved at their expense, nor shall any assessment therefor be imposed, unless the same

shall be petitioned for by a majority of the owners of the property (who shall also be the owners of a majority of the front feet) on the line of the proposed improvement.

My answer to this portion of your letter has been somewhat delayed, because upon its receipt two questions were presented: (1) Whether the property in that portion of Third avenue, which it is proposed to regrade, had ever paid an assessment for a pavement; and (2) Whether, if such assessment had been paid before the passage of the annexation acts, the case would fall within the provisions of section 115 of the Charter of 1873.

With regard to the second point I have been in some doubt, but upon reflection it seems to me quite clear that the case does fall within the provisions of said section 115, and that no assessment for a repavement can be laid upon the property which has heretofore paid an assessment, unless the repavement shall be petitioned for as provided in said section.

It also seems to me that although a pavement is now laid in the street, which can be taken up and will be, partly, if not wholly sufficient for the street when regraded, the relaying of this old pavement will constitute a repavement within the meaning of the Charter, and that the expense of such relaying cannot be imposed upon the property owners unless they petition therefor.

Under these circumstances, if the Department deem it advisable, the ordinance can be amended so as to provide for work upon the intersecting cross streets and for the taking up and preservation of the old pavement; and the work upon such amended ordinance can then be done and a valid assessment laid therefor.

If they do they can petition therefor, and such work of repavement can be done under a separate ordinance, which the Common Council would undoubtedly pass. Either this course should be taken, or nothing whatsoever should be done in reference to this proposed improvement of Third avenue.

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

Resolved, That when Third avenue, from One Hundred and Forty-seventh street to the Harlem river, is being graded, as heretofore directed by ordinance approved by his Honor the Mayor on the 21st day of December, 1874, that the following additional work shall be done under the direction of the Department of Public Parks, and that the accompanying ordinance therefore be adopted, namely:

1. So much work or grading upon the cross streets intersecting Third avenue, between One Hundred and Forty-seventh street and Harlem river, as may be necessary to preserve and facilitate approach and access from such streets to and across said Third avenue.
2. The taking up and preservation of the pavement, curb and gutter stones bridge, or crossing-stones, and the flag-stones of the sidewalks now laid on said Third avenue, between One Hundred and Forty-seventh street and Harlem river.

While the message was being read, Alderman Seery moved that the further reading be suspended, and the paper laid over and printed in the minutes.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

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

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT—CITY HALL,  
NEW YORK, July 22, 1875.

To the Honorable the Common Council:

GENTLEMEN—I herewith transmit for your information a communication from the Commissioner of Public Works, to which I invite your special attention.

W. H. WICKHAM, Mayor.

(G. O. 391.)  
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS,  
COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, ROOM 19, CITY HALL,  
NEW YORK, July 20, 1875.

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

SIR—In reference to the resolution introduced into the Common Council on the 1st July, in relation to the act to provide for a further supply of pure and wholesome water for the City of New York, which act requires the concurrence of the Council and the approval of your Honor, I would state: That this Department is now engaged in completing the work connected with the Storage Reservoir at Boyd's Corners. On November 16, 1874, a contract was made with Dooley and Curran to build a road on the easterly side of this reservoir to take the place of one now overflowed.

The estimated cost of this was \$18,070 00  
Of this work there has been estimated to the contractors and paid on the same 13,419 00

In addition to this road there is required on the dam, iron railing, covering for stop-cock tower, and stairs, also foot bridge to stop-plank tower, fitting up entrance to lower side of dam, and covering over stop-cock vaults, also clearing up below the dam and building of a house for the Keeper.

Estimated cost of this work \$25,000 00

A contract was made on the 17th November, 1874, with Belden & Denison for the construction of a reservoir on the middle branch of the Croton, in the town of South East. This reservoir will hold, when completed, 4,000,000,000 gallons.

The estimated cost of this was \$505,000 00  
There has been paid on the contract with Belden & Denison 31,794 00

It will take two years to complete this work. The land on which the dam is being built has been purchased by the city, and paid for; but the lands to be overflowed, and for roads to take the place of those overflowed, is now being appraised by a Commission appointed by the Court. There are 340 acres to be appraised by these Commissioners. The value of farming lands in this vicinity is from one hundred to two hundred and fifty dollars per acre.

Estimating it at the highest rate it would amount to \$85,000 00

There is an iron mine adjacent to the lands to be overflowed, but the entrance is some forty feet above the flow line of the proposed reservoirs. This company owns lands extending into the proposed basin, but there is no evidence that ore exists on this land.

Estimating for this contingency 50,000 00

\$135,000 00

The city is now using 107,000,000 gallons of water daily; and has one reservoir whose storage capacity is 2,700,000,000 gals.  
Of this there has been used to this 20th July 900,000,000 "

Leaving 1,800,000,000 gals.

In 1873 the city used 100,000,000 gals. daily.  
This year we are using 107,000,000 "

The indications thus far are of a dryer season this year than in 1873, with an increased consumption of 7,000,000 gallons daily.

I deem it important, and contemplated calling on the Courts to appoint Commissioners to assess the damages resulting from taking the water rights to Lake Gilliad, Kirk and Mahopac, and Barret and China Ponds, and also to arrange by negotiation for the extension of the lease, with right to draw water from Lake Gleneida, and for which extension of lease for five years I have an option.

The right to draw water from these lakes I consider very important to the city, and believe that the only proper method to secure these rights permanently, is by a commission, duly appointed by the court, as in the case of the lands to be overflowed by the proposed reservoir in the town of South East.

The aqueduct is to-day delivering about all the water that it can carry with safety.

If the city is to increase in its population and its manufactures, as it has for many years past, additional means must be at once adopted for an additional supply of water to the city. I propose, as soon as authority is given, to put on a corps of engineers to make a careful survey of the ground between the Croton and Harlem rivers, with the view of preparing for another aqueduct, should the examination be found favorable.

The bridge over the Harlem river is of such strength as will allow of additional pipes to carry the supply across the river.

There is another reason why the city should build another aqueduct, and that is, that in case of accident to the present one we should avoid the cutting off of the entire supply to the city. With the yearly increase in consumption, the number of days' supply in the reservoirs in the city is diminishing.

The use of meters may for a short time stop the increased demand by stopping the waste, but the matter of an increased supply of water is of vital importance to the future growth of the city, and the preliminary steps should be at once taken to obtain the knowledge requisite to proper action on this subject.

Very respectfully,  
FITZ JOHN PORTER,  
Commissioner of Public Works.

While the message was being read, Alderman McCarthy moved that the further reading be suspended, and the paper laid over and printed in the minutes.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion.  
Which was decided in the affirmative.

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

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, CITY HALL,  
NEW YORK, July 22, 1875.

To the Honorable the Common Council:

GENTLEMEN—I herewith return, without my approval, the resolution to pave Sixty-fifth street, from First to Third avenue.

It appears that the street there has not been regularly opened.

WM. H. WICKHAM, Mayor.

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

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

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, CITY HALL,  
NEW YORK, July 22, 1875.

To the Honorable the Common Council:

GENTLEMEN—I herewith, in compliance with the request made by your resolution of 15th inst, return to you the ordinance known as General Order 283, without my approval.

WM. H. WICKHAM, Mayor.

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS RESUMED.

Alderman Gilon called up G. O. 293, being a resolution and ordinance, as follows:

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

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, Gilon, Gross, Guntzer, Howland, Lysaght, McCarthy, Morris, Power, Purroy, Reilly, Seery, Shandley, Simonson, Southworth, and Strack—18.

Alderman McCarthy called up G. O. 272, being a resolution and ordinance, as follows:

Resolved, That the curb and gutter stones be set, and the sidewalks be flagged four feet wide through the centre thereof (said sidewalks being hereby declared to be twenty-five feet wide), in Seventy-ninth street, between Ninth and Tenth avenues, 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, Gilon, Gross, Guntzer, Howland, Lysaght, McCarthy, Morris, Power, Purroy, Reilly, Seery, Shandley, Simonson, Southworth, Strack, and Vance—18.

Alderman McCarthy called up S. O. No. 3, being a resolution, as follows:

Resolved, That Eightieth street, from the easterly line of Avenue A to the East river, be regulated and graded, curb and gutter stones set and reset, and the sidewalks flagged and reflagged a space four feet wide, where not already done, and that the labor and work required for such regulating and grading, setting and resetting of curb and gutter stones, and laying and relaying of flagging be done by day's work or otherwise, and that the materials required therefor be procured by the Commissioner of Public Works in such manner as he may deem for the best interests of the city and the property owners—all to be done under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Alderman Howland moved to amend by striking out all relating to the performance of the work and supplying the materials otherwise than by contract.

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

Which was decided in the negative.

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

Which was decided in the negative by the following vote (three-fourths of all the members elected not voting in favor thereof):

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Blessing, Gilon, Gross, Guntzer, Lysaght, McCarthy, Purroy, Reilly, Seery, Shandley, and Strack—12.  
Negative—Aldermen Billings, Howland, Morris, Simonson, and Southworth—5.

On motion of Alderman Seery, the above vote was reconsidered, and the paper again laid over.

Alderman Shandley called up G. O. 336, being a resolution and ordinance, as follows:

Resolved, That the sunken lands between Third and Fifth avenues, from One Hundred and Fifth to One Hundred and Ninth street, be filled in by contract or in such manner as the Commissioner of Public Works shall deem best for the interests of the city, 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 negative by the following vote (three-fourths of all the members elected not voting in favor thereof):

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Blessing, Gilon, Gross, Guntzer, Lysaght, McCarthy, Power, Purroy, Reilly, Seery, Shandley, and Strack—13.  
Negative—Aldermen Billings, Howland, Morris, Simonson, and Southworth—5.

Subsequently, on motion of Alderman Purroy, the above vote was reconsidered, and the paper again laid over.

MOTIONS AGAIN RESUMED.

Alderman Shandley 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 negative by the following vote:

Affirmative—Aldermen Billings, Howland, Morris, Power, Shandley, Southworth, and Strack—7.  
Negative—The President, Aldermen Blessing, Gilon, Gross, Guntzer, Lysaght, McCarthy, Purroy, Reilly, Seery, and Simonson—11.

Alderman Reilly moved, that when the Board adjourns, it do adjourn to meet again on Monday, the 26th instant, at 2 o'clock P. M.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Blessing, Gilon, Gross, Guntzer, Lysaght, McCarthy, Power, Purroy, Reilly, and Seery—11.  
Negative—Aldermen Billings, Howland, Morris, Simonson, Southworth, and Strack—6.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS AGAIN RESUMED.

Alderman Shandley called up G. O. 339 1/2, being a resolution, as follows:

Resolved, That an improved iron drinking fountain (for man and beast) be placed on the north-east corner of One Hundred and Thirty-third street and Third 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, Gilon, Gross, Guntzer, Howland, Lysaght, McCarthy, Morris, Power, Purroy, Reilly, Seery, Shandley, Simonson, Southworth, and Strack—18.

Alderman Southworth called up G. O. 263, being a resolution and ordinance, as follows:

Resolved, That the vacant lots on the east side of Tenth avenue, between Fifty-ninth and Sixtieth streets, and in Fifty-ninth and Sixtieth streets, between Ninth and Tenth avenues, 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, Gilon, Gross, Guntzer, Howland, Lysaght, McCarthy, Morris, Power, Purroy, Reilly, Seery, Shandley, Simonson, Southworth, and Strack—18.

Alderman Guntzer called up G. O. 179, being a resolution and ordinance, as follows:

Resolved, That One Hundred and Twenty-ninth street, from Seventh to Eighth avenue, be regulated and graded, the curb and gutter stones set, and the sidewalks flagged a space four feet wide through the centre thereof, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.





DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, 36 UNION SQUARE, NEW YORK, July 16, 1875.

TO CONTRACTORS. PAVING THIRD AVENUE.

PROPOSALS, IN SEALED ENVELOPES, WILL be received at the office of the above-named Department until Friday, the 30th day of July, 1875, at the hour of 9:30 o'clock A. M., when they will be publicly opened and read, for regulating and paving with Belgian or trap-block pavement, Third Avenue, from Westchester Avenue to the northerly side of One Hundred and Sixty-third Street, in the Twenty-third Ward.

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

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

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

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

Proposals must be addressed to the President of the Department of Public Works, and indorsed "Proposals for paving Third Avenue, from Westchester Avenue to One Hundred and Sixty-third Street."

H. G. STEBBINS, President, WM. R. MARTIN, DAVID B. WILLIAMSON, JOSEPH J. O'DONOHUE, Commissioners D. P. P.

WM. IRWIN, Secretary D. P. P.

DEPARTMENT PUBLIC WORKS.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, ROOM NO. 19, CITY HALL, NEW YORK, July 6, 1875.

WILLIAM WITTEBS, Esq., AUCTIONEER, will sell at public auction, on Monday, July 26, 1875, at eleven o'clock A. M., in the Pipe Yard foot of Twenty-fourth Street, East River, the following old and condemned materials:

- 75 tons old scrap cast iron, 3 tons old scrap wrought iron, A lot of old zinc and galvanized iron scrap, Also the temporary roof now on Tompkins Market, which can be seen on the premises. For further particulars apply at this office.

FITZ JOHN PORTER, Commissioner of Public Works.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, ROOM 19, CITY HALL, NEW YORK, July 14, 1875.

TO CONTRACTORS.

PROPOSALS INCLOSED IN A SEALED ENVELOPE, with the title of the work and the name of the bidder indorsed thereon (also the number of the work as in the advertisement), will be received at this office, until Tuesday, July 27, 1875, at 12 o'clock M., at which hour they will be publicly opened and read, for the following works:

- No. 1. Regulating, grading, setting curb and gutter stones, and flagging in Thirty-sixth Street, from the Eleventh Avenue to the Twelfth Avenue. No. 2. Regulating, grading, setting curb and gutter stones, and flagging in Forty-second Street, from Second Avenue to the East River. No. 3. Regulating, grading, setting curb and gutter stones, and flagging in Forty-fourth Street, between First and Third Avenues. No. 4. Regulating, grading, setting curb and gutter stones, and flagging in Seventy-ninth Street, from the Boulevard to the Hudson River. No. 5. Regulating, grading, setting curb and gutter stones, and flagging in Eighty-first Street, from the Ninth to the Tenth Avenue. No. 6. Regulating, grading, setting curb and gutter stones, and flagging in Ninety-first Street, from Fourth to Fifth Avenue. No. 7. Regulating, grading, setting curb and gutter stones, and flagging in Ninety-ninth Street, from the Eighth to the Eleventh Avenue. No. 8. Regulating, grading, setting curb and gutter stones, and flagging in One Hundred and Twenty-fourth Street, between Eighth Avenue and Avenue St. Nicholas. No. 9. Setting curb and gutter stones and flagging full width in Madison Avenue, from Sixtieth to Seventieth Street. No. 10. Setting curb and gutter stones and flagging sidewalks in Eighty-fourth Street, between Eighth and Tenth Avenues. No. 11. Setting curb and gutter stones and flagging sidewalks in One Hundred and Ninth Street, between Third and Fifth Avenues. No. 12. Flagging sidewalks on east side of Fourth Avenue, from Forty-second to Forty-fourth Street. No. 13. Flagging sidewalks on both sides of Sixty-third Street, from First to Second Avenue. No. 14. Paving Twenty-first Street, from Tenth to Thirtieth or Exterior Avenue, with Belgian or granite-block pavement, and laying crosswalks at the intersecting streets and avenues, where required. No. 15. Paving Sixty-first Street, from Eighth to Tenth Avenue, with Belgian pavement, and laying crosswalks at the intersecting streets and avenues, where required. No. 16. Paving One Hundred and Twenty-second Street, from Second Avenue to Avenue A, with Belgian pavement, and laying crosswalks at the intersecting streets and avenues, where required. No. 17. Paving One Hundred and Twenty-sixth Street, from Second Avenue to the Seventh Avenue, with Belgian or granite-block pavement, and laying crosswalks at the several intersecting streets and avenues, where required.

Blank forms of proposals, the specifications and agreements, the proper envelope in which to inclose the bids, and any further information desired, can be obtained on application to the Contract Clerk, at his office.

The Commissioner of Public Works reserves the right to reject any or all proposals, if, in his judgment, the same may be for the best interest of the city.

FITZ JOHN PORTER, Commissioner of Public Works.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, ROOM NO. 19, CITY HALL, NEW YORK, July 9, 1875.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT ON AND after the first day of August next, five per cent. will be added to all unpaid water rents.

FITZ JOHN PORTER, Commissioner of Public Works.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, ROOM NO. 19, CITY HALL, NEW YORK, July 16, 1875.

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT A petition of the property-owners, with map and plan, for the change of grade in Fifty-second Street, from Eleventh to Twelfth Avenue, is now pending before the Common Council.

All persons interested in the above-mentioned change of grade, and having objections thereto, are requested to present the same in writing to the undersigned, at the office, on or before the 28th instant.

FITZ JOHN PORTER, Commissioner of Public Works.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, ROOM NO. 19, CITY HALL, NEW YORK, July 16, 1875.

THE BUILDINGS, PARTS OF BUILDINGS, Fences, etc., to be removed, now standing within the lines of the Kingsbridge Road, from One Hundred and Fifty-fifth Street to the Harlem River, as lately opened, and now encumbering the said road, will be sold at public auction by Orville G. Bennett, Auctioneer, No. 111 Broadway, under the direction and supervision of the Commissioner of Public Works, on Thursday, the 29th day of July, 1875, at 10 o'clock A. M. In case of stormy weather the sale will be postponed until the first fair day, at same hour. The sale to take place on the ground, and will commence with the premises near One Hundred and Fifty-fifth Street.

For particulars see catalogue, to be obtained at the Department of Public Works, and from the Auctioneer.

FITZ JOHN PORTER, Commissioner of Public Works.

JURORS.

NOTICE

IN RELATION TO JURORS FOR STATE COURTS.

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER OF JURORS, NEW YORK COURT-HOUSE, NEW YORK, June 1, 1875.

APPLICATIONS FOR EXEMPTIONS WILL BE heard here, from 9 to 4 daily, from all persons hitherto liable or recently serving who have become exempt, and all needed information will be given.

Those who have not answered as to their liability, or proved permanent exemption, will receive a "jury enrollment notice," requiring them to appear before me this year. Whether liable or not, such notices must be answered (in person, if possible, and at this office only) under severe penalties. If exempt, the party must bring proof of exemption; if liable, he must also answer in person, giving full and correct name, residence, etc., etc. No attention paid to letters.

When possible and legal, serving jurors will be allowed to select a convenient season—if application be made in time.

Persons "enrolled" as liable must serve when called or pay their fines. No mere excuse will be allowed or interference permitted. The fines, received from those who, for business or other reasons, are unable to serve at the time selected, pay the expenses of this office, and if unpaid will be entered as judgments upon the property of the delinquents.

The Commissioner will receive applications for relief from those jurors who have served continuously and promptly for several years, or have done excessive jury service in the State Courts.

All good citizens will aid the course of justice, and secure reliable and respectable juries, and equalize their duty by serving promptly when summoned, allowing their clerks or subordinates to serve, reporting to me any attempt at bribery or evasion, and suggesting names for enrollment. Persons between sixty and seventy years of age, summer absentees, persons temporarily ill, and United States and District Court jurors are not exempt.

Every man must attend to his own notice. It is a misdemeanor to give any jury paper to another to answer. It is also punishable by fine or imprisonment to give or receive any present or bribe, directly or indirectly, in relation to a jury service, or to withhold any paper or make any false statement, and every case will be fully prosecuted. No fees of any kind exist or are allowed in regard to jury notices, and any one asking, receiving, or giving any such "fee" or "present" will be arrested, and, if possible, punished to the full extent of the law.

DOUGLAS TAYLOR, Commissioner, County Court-house (Chambers Street Entrance)

FINANCE DEPARTMENT.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, BUREAU FOR THE COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS, ROTUNDA, NEW COURT-HOUSE, NEW YORK, July 15, 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 APRIL 17, 1875.

"Opening Eleventh Avenue, northwardly from the northerly line of the Roac or Public Drive, to the southerly line of the street leading from Kingsbridge Road near Inwood Street, to the Harlem River, near Sherman's Creek, in the City of New York."

All payments made on the above assessment on or before September 14, 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, NEW COURT-HOUSE, NEW YORK, June 7, 1875.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY-HOLDERS

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

CONFIRMED JUNE 2, 1875.

Paving Eighty-eighth Street, between Third and Fourth Avenues, with Belgian pavement.

Sewer in Avenue B, between Eighty-sixth and Eighty-seventh Streets, with branch in Eighty-seventh Street.

Sewer in Thirteenth Avenue, between Gansevoort and Bloomfield Streets, with branches in Bloomfield and Bogart Streets.

Regulating, grading, curb, gutter, and flagging One Hundred and Twenty-sixth Street, from Fifth to Eighth Avenue.

Flagging sidewalks on north side of Forty-third Street, from First to Second Avenue.

All payments made on the above assessments on or before August 6, 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, June 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 MAY 21, 1875.

Sewer in Fortieth Street, between First and Second Avenues.

All payments made on the above assessment on or before July 31, 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., or the collection of money, and until 4 P. M. for general information.

SPENCER KIRBY, Collector of Assessments.

NOTICE OF THE SALE OF LANDS AND TENEMENTS FOR UNPAID ASSESSMENTS.

CITY OF NEW YORK, DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, BUREAU OF ARREARS, July 1, 1875.

UNDER THE DIRECTION OF ANDREW H. GREEN, Comptroller of the City of New York, the undersigned hereby gives public notice, pursuant to the provisions of the act entitled "An act for the collection of taxes, assessments, and Croton water rents in the City of New York," and to amend the several acts relative thereto, passed April 8, 1871, that the respective owners of all the lands and tenements on which assessments have been laid and confirmed, and are now due and unpaid, and have remained due and unpaid since the confirmation of said assessments, for regulating, grading, curb, gutter, and paving streets, flagging sidewalks and crosswalks, fencing and filling lots, building sewers, culverts, underground drains, etc., confirmed prior to January, 1872, are required to pay the amount of the assessments so due and remaining unpaid to the Clerk of Arrears, at his office, in the Finance Department, in the New Court-house, in the City of New York, together with the interest thereon, at the rate of twelve per cent. per annum, to the time of payment, with the charges of this notice and advertisement; and if default shall be made in such payments, such lands and tenements will be sold at public auction, at the New Court-house, in the City Hall Park, in the City of New York, on Tuesday, October 5, 1875, at twelve o'clock, noon, for the longest term of years at which any person shall offer to take the same, in consideration of advancing the amount of the assessment so due and unpaid, and the interest thereon, as aforesaid, to the time of the sale, and together with the charges of this notice and advertisement, and all other charges and costs accrued thereon; and that such sale will be continued from time to time, until all the lands and tenements here advertised for sale shall be sold.

And notice is hereby further given, that a detailed statement of the assessments, the ownership of the property on which the assessments are due and unpaid, is published in a pamphlet, and that copies of the pamphlet are deposited in the office of the Clerk of Arrears, in the Finance Department, and will be delivered to any person applying for the same.

A S CADY, Clerk of Arrears.

INTEREST ON CITY STOCKS.

THE INTEREST ON THE BONDS AND STOCKS of the City of New York, due August 1, 1875, will be paid Monday, August 2, by the Chamberlain of the City, at his office in the New Court-house.

The transfer books will be closed from July 12 to August 1, 1875.

AND H. GREEN, Comptroller.

CITY OF NEW YORK, DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, July 8, 1875.

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

POLICE DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK, 300 MULBERRY STREET, NEW YORK, July 17, 1875.

PUBLIC NOTICE.

SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED at the Central Office of the Department of Police, until 10 o'clock A. M., of the 29th day of July, 1875, at which time and place proposals will be publicly opened and read, for making repairs to the Steam Tug "Gen'l U. S. Grant," and to the engine and boiler thereof.

Proposals must be indorsed "Proposals for making repairs to Steam Tug Gen'l U. S. Grant," and shall contain the name and place of residence of the person making the same, the names of all persons interested with him therein, and if no other person be so interested, it shall distinctly state that fact.

That it is made without any connection with any other person or persons making proposal for the same matter, and is in all respects fair, and without collusion or fraud. That no member of the Common Council, head of department, chief of bureau, deputy thereof, or clerk therein, or any other officer of the Corporation of the City of New York, is directly or indirectly interested therein, nor in the profits thereof or any part thereof.

Two responsible sureties, residents of this city, will be required with each proposal, who must justify in the amount of three thousand dollars each.

Proposals will not be considered unless sureties are named and sworn according to law.

Specifications and blank proposals may be obtained by application to the undersigned, at his office, Room 14, in the Central Department.

By order of the Board S. C. HAWLEY, Chief Clerk.

POLICE DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK, No. 300 MULBERRY STREET, NEW YORK, July 14, 1875.

PROPOSALS FOR FURNISHING 4,000 REGISTRY BOOKS, 4,000 COPIES Election Law (pamphlet), and 7 Oath Books for Inspectors and Poll Clerks.

Sealed proposals for this work will be received at the Bureau of Elections until 10 o'clock A. M. on the 27th day of July, 1875, at which time the bids will be publicly opened and read. Samples of the proposed work may be seen, and specifications and blank form of proposals may be obtained on application to the undersigned.

By order of the Board of Police, D. B. HASBROUCK, Chief of Bureau of Elections.

PROPERTY CLERK'S OFFICE, POLICE DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK, 300 MULBERRY STREET, NEW YORK, July 17, 1875.

OWNERS WANTED BY THE PROPERTY Clerk, 300 Mulberry Street, for the following property now in his custody without claimants:

- Boat, lot rope, wire, furniture, eight revolvers, gold watch, gold chain, masonic emblem, male and female clothing, trunk and contents, tobacco, bale sponges, truck, etc., also several small lots money taken from prisoners.

C. A. ST. JOHN, Property Clerk.

POLICE DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK, No. 300 MULBERRY STREET, NEW YORK, July 21, 1875.

PUBLIC NOTICE.

SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED AT the Central Office of the Department of Police, until 10 o'clock A. M. of the 30th day of August, 1875, at which time and place proposals will be publicly opened and read, for supplying all the Gas required for lighting the Station-houses and Prisons occupied by the Police Department, as follows, to wit:

- First Precinct Station-house and Prison, Nos. 52 and 54 New Street; Fourth Precinct Station-house and Prison, No. 9 Oak Street; Fifth Precinct Station-house and Prison, Nos. 19 and 21 Leonard Street; Sixth Precinct Station-house and Prison, No. 9 Franklin Street; Seventh Precinct Station-house and Prison, No. 247 Madison Street; Twenty-seventh Precinct Station-house and Prison corner Liberty and Church Streets;—for the term of one year.

The proposal must state a price for each one thousand cubic feet of gas actually consumed, to be measured by dry meters.

Proposals must be signed by the party making the same, inclosed in an envelope, sealed, endorsed on the outside, "Proposal for Supplying Gas below Canal Street," directed and delivered to the President of the Board of Police within the time stated in the advertisement, and must contain the place of residence or business office of the person or corporation making the same, the names of all other persons or corporations interested therein, and if no other person or corporation be so interested, it shall distinctly state that fact.

That it is made without any connection with any other corporation, person or persons making proposal for the same matter, and is in all respects fair, and without collusion or fraud. That no member of the Common Council, head of department, chief of bureau, deputy thereof, or clerk therein, or any other officer of the Corporation of the City of New York, is directly or indirectly interested therein, nor in the profits thereof, or any part thereof.

Two responsible sureties, residents of this city, will be required with each proposal, who must justify in the amount of six thousand dollars each.

Proposals will not be considered unless sureties are named and sworn before a Judge of a Court of Record, according to law.

Form of Proposals and Specifications may be examined at the office of the undersigned, Room 14, in the Central Department.

By order of the Board, S. C. HAWLEY, Chief Clerk.

POLICE DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK, No. 300 MULBERRY STREET, NEW YORK, July 21, 1875.

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- Eighth Precinct Station-house and Prison, corner of Prince and Wooster Streets; Ninth Precinct Station-house and Prison, No. 94 Charles Street; Tenth Precinct Station-house and Prison, Nos. 87 and 89 Eldridge Street; Eleventh Precinct Station-house and Prison, Union Market; Thirteenth Precinct Station-house and Prison, corner of Attorney and Delancey Streets; Fourteenth Precinct Station-house and Prison, No. 205 Mulberry Street; House of Detention of Witnesses, No. 203 Mulberry Street; Central Office, Nos. 301 Mott and 300 Mulberry Streets. Fifteenth Precinct Station-house and Prison, No. 221 Mercer Street; Sixteenth Precinct Station-house and Prison, No. 230 West Twentieth Street; Seventeenth Precinct Station-house and Prison, corner of First Avenue and Fifth Street; Eighteenth Precinct Station-house and Prison, No. 327 East Twenty-second Street; Twenty-fifth Precinct Station-house and Prison, No. 34 East Twenty-ninth Street; Twenty-ninth Precinct Station-house and Prison, Nos. 137 and 139 West Thirtieth Street;—for the term of one year.

The proposal must state a price for each one thousand cubic feet of gas actually consumed, to be measured by dry meters.

Proposals must be signed by the party making the same, inclosed in an envelope, sealed, indorsed on the outside, "Proposal for Supplying Gas between Canal and Thirty-fourth Streets," directed and delivered to the President of the Board of Police within the time stated in the advertisement, and must contain the place of residence or business office of the person or corporation making the same, the names of all other persons or corporations interested therein; and if no other person or corporation be so interested, it shall distinctly state that fact. That it is made without any connection with any other corporation, person or persons making proposal for the same matter, and is in all respects fair, and without collusion or fraud. That no member of the Common Council, head of department, chief of bureau, deputy thereof, or clerk therein, or any other officer of the Corporation of the City of New York, is directly or indirectly interested therein, nor in the profits thereof, or any part thereof.

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By order of the Board, S. C. HAWLEY, Chief Clerk.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION, CORNER OF THIRD AVENUE AND ELEVENTH ST., NEW YORK, July 17, 1875.

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

At Charity Hospital, Blackwell's Island, July 15, 1875—John O'Neil, transferred from Alms-house; age 55 years; 5 feet 8 inches high.

Ellen Shaw, age 35 years; 5 feet 5 inches high. Nothing known of the friends or relatives of the above persons.

By Order, JOSHUA PHILLIPS, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION, CORNER OF THIRD AVENUE AND ELEVENTH ST., NEW YORK, July 14, 1875.

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

At Charity Hospital, Blackwell's Island, July 13, 1875—Edward Prichard; age 34 years; 5 feet 6 inches high. This patient was transferred from Alms-house, and has no friends or relatives.

At Riverside (Small-pox) Hospital, July 12, 1875—John Barton; transferred from Penitentiary; age 50 years. Nothing known of his friends or relatives.

By Order, JOSHUA PHILLIPS, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION, CORNER OF THIRD AVENUE AND ELEVENTH ST., NEW YORK, July 13, 1875.

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

At New York City Asylum for Insane, Ward's Island, July 10, 1875—Thomas Whittaker; admitted June 7, 1875; age, 48 years; 5 feet 9 inches high; gray hair; brown eyes. Had on when admitted black frock coat, brown ribbed pants and vest, striped muslin shirt, and white felt hat. He gave his friend's address, Mrs. Whittaker, No. 44 West Thirty-ninth street, to whom the usual death notice was sent, but she could not be found. There has been no person to visit him. No effects found on his person.

By order, JOSHUA PHILLIPS, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION, CORNER OF THIRD AVENUE AND ELEVENTH ST., NEW YORK, July 16, 1875.

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

At Charity Hospital, Blackwell's Island, July 14, 1875—Ann Tiernan; transferred from Alms-house; age 55 years; 5 feet 6 inches high. July 15, 1875—Samuel G. Busch; age 89 years; 5 feet 8 inches high.

At New York City Asylum for Insane, Ward's Island, July 14, 1875—John McNulty; admitted June 10, 1875; age 32 years; 5 feet 9 inches high. Had on when admitted, gray sack coat, black striped pants, black vest. No effects found on his person.

Nothing known of the friends or relatives of any of the above persons.

By Order, JOSHUA PHILLIPS, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION, CORNER OF THIRD AVENUE AND ELEVENTH ST., NEW YORK, June 12, 1875.

SCHOOL FOR NURSES.

THE COMMISSIONERS OF PUBLIC CHARITIES and Correction purpose opening a School for Nurses, at Charity Hospital, on the first day of August next. It is their design to offer to worthy young women, between the ages of twenty and thirty-five, the opportunity to acquire proficiency in a pursuit, which is at once honorable, useful, and remunerative, by educating them in the profession of Nursing. Every effort will be made to elevate the occupation, by a course of careful instruction from competent teachers, and by considerate and generous treatment of the pupils. The course of training will occupy two years, and will embrace lectures upon nursing, food, ventilation, midwifery, and all subjects connected with nursing.

The lectures will be given by Physicians connected with the Hospital, and will include a course of twelve lectures upon each subject every six months, and frequent instruction at the bedside. At the expiration of two years the Nurses will be examined by a Committee of Physicians, and those who are competent and qualified will receive a diploma, signed by the Commissioners of Charities and Correction and the Examining Committee.

Applications, stating name in full, age, and names of Clergyman and Family Physician, should be addressed to JOSHUA PHILLIPS, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION, CORNER OF THIRD AVENUE AND ELEVENTH ST., NEW YORK, July 15, 1875.

PROPOSALS FOR DRY GOODS, GROCERIES, AND LEATHER, ETC.

PROPOSALS, SEALED AND INDORSED AS above, will be received by the Commissioners of Public Charities and Correction, until 10 o'clock A. M., of the 28th day of July, 1875, at which time they will be publicly opened, for furnishing and delivering at the foot of East Twenty-sixth street, free of all expense to the Department—

- 25,000 yards brown muslin. 200 pounds linen thread No. 40, "16 ounces to the pound." 12 gross fine combs. 20,000 pounds rice. 20 hhd. molasses. 200 bushels rye. 300 barrels potatoes, good and sound Peerless or Jackson, to weigh 168 lbs. to the barrel net, to be delivered in quantities as may be required. 250 sides light kip, waxed leather. 250 sides hemlock sole leather.

Samples of the above can be seen at this office. The award of the contract will be made as soon as practicable after the opening of the bids.

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

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

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

ISAAC H. BAILEY, THOMAS S. BRENNAN, TOWNSEND COX, Commissioners.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION, No. 66 THIRD AVENUE, NEW YORK, June 3, 1875.

THE COMMISSIONERS WISH TO APPRENTICE the boys and girls under their charge, of all ages under 18, to reputable parties from whom they will be sure of kind treatment and suitable employment.

JOSHUA PHILLIPS, Secretary.

SUPREME COURT.

In the matter of the application of the Department of Public Works, for and on behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to the opening of One Hundred and Twenty-third street, between the westerly line of Eighth avenue and the easterly line of Ninth avenue, and between the westerly line of Tenth avenue and the easterly line of the Boulevard, in the City of New York.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BILL of costs, charges, and expenses incurred by reason of the proceedings in the above entitled matter, will be presented for taxation to one of the Justices of the Supreme Court, at the Chambers thereof, in the New Court-house, at the City Hall, in the City of New York, on the 27th day of July, A. D. 1875, at 10 1/2 o'clock.

FREDRICK SMYTH, JOHN V. GRIDLEY, EDWIN DOBBS, Commissioners.

Dated New York, July 13, 1875.

In the matter of the application of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to the opening of One Hundred and Forty-ninth street, from Eighth avenue to the Harlem river, in the City of New York.

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

First.—That we have completed our estimate and assessment, and that all persons interested in these proceedings, or in any of the lands affected thereby, and who may be opposed to the same, do present their objections in writing, duly verified, to Michael C. Murphy, Esq., our Chairman, at the office of the Commissioners, No. 82 Nassau street (Room No. 24), in the said city, on or before the 12th day of August, 1875, and that we, the said Commissioners, will hear parties so objecting within the ten week-days next after the said 12th day of August, and for that purpose will be in attendance at our said office on each of said ten days, at twelve o'clock P. M.

Second.—That the abstract of the said estimate and assessment, together with our maps, and also all the affidavits, estimates, and other documents which were used by us in making our report, have been deposited in the office of the Department of Public Works, in the City of New York, there to remain until the 25th day of August, 1875.

Third.—That the limits embraced by the assessment aforesaid are as follows, to wit: All those lots, pieces, or parcels of land, situate, lying, and being in the City of New York, and which, taken together, are bounded and contained as follows, that is to say: Beginning at a point on the westerly line or side of Avenue St. Nicholas, equidistant between the northerly line or side of One Hundred and Forty-ninth street, and the southerly line or side of One Hundred and Fiftieth street; and running thence easterly, and parallel with One Hundred and Forty-ninth street, to the established bulkhead line on the Harlem river; thence southerly, along said bulkhead line, to a point where a line drawn at right angles to Sixth avenue, and equidistant between the southerly line or side of One Hundred and Forty-ninth street, and the northerly line of One Hundred and Forty-eighth street, if produced easterly would intersect said bulkhead line; thence westerly, and parallel with One Hundred and Forty-ninth street, to the westerly line or side of Avenue St. Nicholas; and thence northerly, along the westerly line of Avenue St. Nicholas, to the point of place of beginning.

Fourth.—That our report herein will be presented to the Supreme Court of the State of New York, at a Special Term thereof, to be held in the New Court-house, at the City Hall, in the City of New York, on the 13th day of September, 1875, at the opening of the Court on that day, and that then and there a motion will be made that the said report be confirmed.

MICHAEL C. MURPHY, GERSHON COHEN, G. N. HERRMAN, Commissioners.

Dated New York, July 6, 1875.

In the matter of the application of the Department of Public Works, for and on behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to the widening of One Hundred and Tenth street, to the width of eighty feet, from a point two hundred and fifty feet west of Eighth avenue to Eighth avenue, in the City of New York.

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

I.—That we have completed our estimate and assessment in the above-entitled matter, and that all persons whose interests are affected thereby, and who may be opposed to the same, do present their objections in writing, duly verified, to the undersigned Commissioners, at our office, No. 57 Broadway (Room 24), in said City, on or before the 30th day of June, 1875, and that we, the said Commissioners, will hear parties so objecting, within the ten week-days next after the said 30th day of June, 1875, and for that purpose will be in attendance at our said office on each of said ten days, at 2 o'clock P. M.

II.—That the abstract of the said estimate and assessment, together with our maps and also all affidavits, estimates, and other documents which were used by us in making our report, have been deposited in the office of the Department of Public Works, in the City and County of New York, there to remain until the 13th day of July, 1875.

III.—That the limits embraced by the assessment aforesaid are as follows, to wit: All those certain lots, pieces or parcels of land situate in the City of New York, bounded by, included and contained within the following limits, that is to say: Beginning at a point on the easterly line of the new avenue (next westerly from the Boulevard), distant ninety feet and eleven inches north of the northerly line of One Hundred and Tenth street; running thence easterly and parallel with One Hundred and Tenth street to a point distant three hundred and eighty-seven feet and six inches east of the easterly line of Eighth avenue; thence southerly and parallel with Eighth avenue to a point distant ninety feet and eleven inches south of the southerly line of One Hundred and Tenth street as the same is widened; thence westerly and parallel with said southerly line of One Hundred and Tenth street to the easterly line of the New Avenue, "next westerly from the Boulevard;" thence northerly along the easterly line of said New Avenue to the point of place of beginning.

IV.—That our report herein will be presented to the Supreme Court of the State of New York, at a Special Term thereof, to be held in the New Court-house, at the City Hall, in the City of New York, on the 27th day of July, 1875, at the opening of the Court on that day, and that then and there, or as soon thereafter as Counsel can be heard thereon, a motion will be made that the said report be confirmed.

Dated New York, May 24, 1875.

WM. OSBORN CURTIS, ALFRED T. ACKERT, STEPHEN J. BIFLACK, Commissioners.

In the matter of the application of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to the opening of One Hundred and Forty-second street, from Eighth avenue to the Harlem river, in the City of New York.

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

First.—That we have completed our estimate and assessment, and that all persons interested in these proceedings, or in any of the land affected thereby, and who may be opposed to the same, do present their objections in writing, duly verified, to James F. Pierce, Esq., our Chairman, at the office of the Commissioners, No. 82 Nassau street (Room No. 24), in the said city, on or before the 30th day of June, 1875; and that we, the said Commissioners, will hear parties so objecting within the ten week-days next after the said 30th day of June, and for that purpose will be in attendance at our said office on each of said ten days, at one o'clock P. M.

Second.—That the abstract of the said estimate and assessment, together with our maps, and also all the affidavits, estimates, and other documents which were used by us in making our report, have been deposited in the office of the Department of Public Works in the City of New York, there to remain until the 13th day of July, 1875.

Third.—That the limits embraced by the assessment aforesaid are as follows, to wit: All those lots, pieces, or parcels of land, lying and being in the City of New York and which taken together are bounded, described, and contained as follows, that is to say:

Beginning at a point on the easterly line or side of Tenth avenue equidistant between the northerly line or side of One Hundred and Forty-second street and the southerly line or side of One Hundred and Forty-third street; and running thence easterly and parallel with One Hundred and Forty-second street to the established bulkhead line on the Harlem river; thence southerly along said bulkhead line to a point where a line, drawn at right angles to Fifth avenue and equidistant between One Hundred and Forty-second and One Hundred and Forty-first streets, if produced, would intersect said bulkhead line; thence westerly and parallel with One Hundred and Forty-second street to the easterly line or side of Tenth avenue, and thence northerly along the easterly line or side of Tenth avenue two hundred and fifty-nine feet and ten inches to the point of place of beginning.

Fourth.—That our report herein will be presented to the Supreme Court of the State of New York, at a Special Term thereof, to be held in the New Court-house, at the City Hall, in the City of New York, on the 27th day of July, 1875, at the opening of the Court on that day, and that then and there, or as soon thereafter as Counsel can be heard thereon, a motion will be made that the said report be confirmed.

Dated New York, May 24, 1875.

JAMES F. PIERCE, HENRY M. GARVIN, PETER TRAINER, Commissioners.

In the matter of the application of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to the opening of One Hundred and Fiftieth street, from Eighth avenue to the Harlem river, in the City of New York.

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

I.—That we have completed our estimate and assessment, and that all persons interested in these proceedings, or in any of the lands affected thereby, and who may be opposed to the same, do present their objections in writing, duly verified, to Robert Sutherland, Esq., our Chairman, at the office of the Commissioners, No. 82 Nassau street (Room No. 24), in the said city, on or before the 30th day of June, 1875; and that we, the said Commissioners, will hear parties so objecting within the ten week days next after the said 30th day of June, and for that purpose will be in attendance at our said office on each of said ten days, at 2 o'clock P. M.

II.—That the abstract of the said estimate and assessment, together with our maps, and also all the affidavits, estimates, and other documents which were used by us in making our report, have been deposited in the office of the Department of Public Works in the City of New York, there to remain until the 13th day of July, 1875.

III.—That the limits embraced by the assessment aforesaid are as follows, to wit: All those lots, pieces, or parcels of land, lying and being in the City of New York, and which taken together are bounded, described, and contained as follows, that is to say:

Beginning at a point on the new Bulkhead line on the Hudson river, equidistant between the southerly line or side of One Hundred and Fiftieth street, and the northerly line of One Hundred and Forty-ninth street; and running thence easterly and parallel with One Hundred and Fiftieth street, to the westerly line or side of Sixth avenue; thence northerly along the westerly line or side of Sixth avenue, one hundred and sixty-seven feet and two and one-half inches to the Harbor Commissioner's line on the Harlem river; thence northerly along said Harbor Commissioner's line one hundred feet and two and seven-tenths inches to the centre-line of the block between One Hundred and Fiftieth and One Hundred and Fifty-first streets; thence westerly and parallel with One Hundred and Fiftieth street to the new Bulkhead line on the Hudson river; and thence southerly along said Bulkhead line two hundred and fifty-nine feet and ten inches to the point of place of beginning.

IV.—That our report herein will be presented to the Supreme Court of the State of New York, at a Special Term thereof, to be held in the New Court-house, at the City Hall, in the City of New York, on the 27th day of July, 1875, at the opening of the Court on that day, and that then and there, or as soon thereafter as Counsel can be heard thereon, a motion will be made that the said report be confirmed.

Dated New York, May 24, 1875.

ROBERT SUTHERLAND, GRATZ NATHAN, JOHN H. HARNETT, Commissioners.

In the matter of the application of the Department of Public Works, for and on behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to the widening of the Boulevard twenty-five feet on the westerly side thereof, as now opened between One Hundred and Seventh and One Hundred and Eighth streets, westerly from the westerly line of Eleventh avenue, in the City of New York.

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

I.—That we have completed our estimate and assessment in the above-entitled matter, and that all persons whose interests are affected thereby, and who may be opposed to the same, do present their objections in writing, duly verified, to the Commissioners, at our office, No. 57 Broadway (Room 24), in the City of New York, on or before the 30th day of June, 1875, and that we the said Commissioners will hear parties so objecting, within the ten week days next after the said 30th day of June, 1875, and for that purpose will be in attendance at our said office on each of said ten days, at 3 o'clock P. M.

II.—That the abstract of the said estimate and assessment, together with a copy of our maps, and also all affidavits, estimates, and other documents which were used by us in making our report, have been deposited in the office of the Department of Public Works, in the City of New York, there to remain until the 13th day of July 1875.

III.—That the limits embraced by the assessment aforesaid are as follows, that is to say: All those certain lots, pieces, or parcels of land situate, lying, and being in the City of New York, bounded by, included, and contained within the following mentioned limits: Beginning at a point formed by the intersection of the centre line of Ninety-ninth street, with a line drawn one hundred feet east of the easterly line of the Boulevard; running thence northerly along a line distant one hundred feet east of the easterly line of the Boulevard to the centre line of One Hundred and Sixteenth street; thence westerly along said centre line to a point distant one hundred feet west of the westerly line of the Boulevard; thence southerly parallel with the Boulevard to the centre line of One Hundred and Ninth street; thence westerly along the centre line of One Hundred and Ninth street eighty-seven feet and six inches; thence southerly parallel with the Boulevard to the centre line of One Hundred and Eighth street; thence westerly along the centre line of One Hundred and Eighth street to the centre line of the New Avenue, next westerly from the Boulevard; thence southerly along said centre line to the centre line of One Hundred and Seventh street; thence easterly along the centre line of One Hundred and Seventh street to a point distant two hundred feet west of the westerly line of Eleventh avenue; thence southerly parallel to Eleventh avenue to the centre line of One Hundred and Sixth street; thence easterly along the centre line of One Hundred and Sixth street to a point distant one hundred feet west of the westerly line of Eleventh avenue; thence southerly parallel with Eleventh avenue to the centre line of One Hundred and Fourth street; thence easterly along the centre line of One Hundred and Fourth street to a point distant one hundred feet east of the easterly line of the Eleventh avenue; thence northerly on a line distant one hundred feet east of the easterly line of Eleventh avenue to a point in One Hundred and Fifth street, where the last-mentioned line intersects a line distant one hundred feet west of the westerly line of the Boulevard; thence southerly on a line distant one hundred feet west of the westerly line of the Boulevard to the centre line of Ninety-ninth street; thence easterly along the centre line of Ninety-ninth street to the point of place of beginning.

IV.—That our report herein will be presented to the Supreme Court of the State of New York, at a Special Term thereof, to be held in the New Court-house, at the City Hall, in the City of New York, on the 27th day of July, 1875, at the opening of the Court on that day, and that then and there, or as soon thereafter as Counsel can be heard thereon, a motion will be made that said report be confirmed.

Dated New York, May 24, 1875.

CLINTON W. SWEET, HENRY McCABE, GEORGE F. BETTS, Commissioners.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT, No. 301 MOTT STREET, NEW YORK, July 16, 1875.

AT A MEETING OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH of the City of New York, held at its office, on the 16th day of July, 1875, the following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, That section 29 of the Sanitary Code be and is hereby amended to read as follows: Sec. 29. That no meat, fish, birds or fowl, fruit or vegetables, nor any milk, not being then healthy, fresh, sound, wholesome, and safe for human food, nor any meat or fish that died by disease or accident, shall be brought within said city, or offered or held for sale in any public or private market, as such food, anywhere in said city.

Resolved, That section 34 of the Sanitary Code be and is hereby amended to read as follows: Sec. 34. That no decayed or unwholesome fruit or vegetables shall knowingly be brought into said city to be consumed or offered for sale for human food, nor shall any such articles be kept or stored therein.

Resolved, That section 37 of the Sanitary Code be and is hereby amended as follows: Sec. 37. That no meat, fish, fruit, vegetables, or milk, or unwholesome liquid, shall knowingly be bought, sold, held, offered for sale, labeled, or any representation made in respect thereof, under a false name or quality, or as being what the same is not, as respects wholesomeness, soundness, or safety for food or drink.

Resolved, That section 38 of the Sanitary Code be and is hereby amended to read as follows: Sec. 38. That every person, being the owner, lessee, or occupant of any room, stall, or place where any meat, fish, fruit, or vegetables, designed or held for human food, shall be stored or kept, or shall be held or offered for sale, shall put and keep such room, stall, and place, and its appurtenances, in a cleanly and wholesome condition; and every person having charge, or interested, or engaged, whether as principal or agent, in the care, or in respect to the custody or sale of any meat, fish, fruit, birds, fowl, or vegetables, designed for human food, shall put and preserve the same in a cleanly and wholesome condition, and shall not allow the same, or any part thereof, to be poisoned, infected, or rendered unsafe or unwholesome for human food.

Resolved, That section 40 of the Sanitary Code be and is hereby amended to read as follows: Sec. 40. That it shall be the duty of every person knowing of any fish, meat, fowl, birds, fruit, or vegetables being bought, sold, or offered, or held for sale as food for human beings, or being in any market, public or private, in said city, and not being sound, healthy, or wholesome for such food, to forthwith report such facts, and the particulars relating thereto, to this Department, or to one of its officers or inspectors.

Resolved, That section 42 of the Sanitary Code be and is hereby amended to read as follows: Sec. 42. That upon any cattle, meat, birds, fowl, fish, fruit, or vegetables being found by any inspector, or other officer of this Department, in a condition which is, in his opinion, unwholesome and unfit for use as human food, or in a condition of a weight or quality in this code condemned or forbidden, he shall cause the same to be examined by two reputable persons, reasonably competent to judge in respect thereto, whom he may conveniently find; and if both said persons disagree with him in opinion in respect thereto, he shall take no action, and give no order, relative to the same, till he has been instructed by the Sanitary Superintendent; and if one or both of said persons agree with him in respect to said articles, then such inspector or officer may forbid the same being offered or exposed for sale, or being sold, for human food, till the owner or party in charge or other proper person has obtained the consent of the Sanitary Superintendent, or of this Board, to their being so offered, used, or sold. And if both such persons agree with him in opinion, he may order the same to be removed; and thereupon, or if this Board shall have approved the judgment of said inspector, it shall be the duty of the owner and party in charge to speedily remove such article from any market, street, or public place, and not to sell or dispose, or offer to sell or dispose thereof for the purpose of human food. And in default of such removal, and also in case of disobedience to such order, and also in all cases where, in his opinion, such articles, by reason of their being in a decayed or offensive condition, would, if allowed longer to remain, be dangerous to health, the same (as this Board may provide) may be caused to be removed by any inspector, police officer, or officer of this Department, to some suitable place, at the expense of the party who should have removed the same, and the owner and party in interest must take notice thereof.

CHARLES F. CHANDLER, President.

EMMONS CLARK, Secretary.

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