

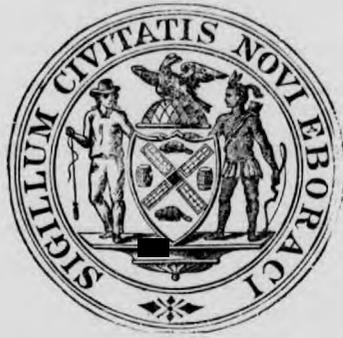
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DEPARTMENT OF TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS.

Report for the quarter ending December 31, 1876.

NEW YORK, January 2, 1877.

To the Hon. SMITH ELY, Jr., Mayor, etc. :

SIR—Pursuant to the requirements of section 27 of the City Charter, this report of the "Operations and Action" of the Department is made.

The assessments upon the real and personal estates in this city are substantially completed, and the Books of Annual Record will be opened for public inspection on the second Monday (8th) of January, as required by law.

ASSESSMENT OF BANK SHARES.

The stockholders of banks were assessed for the year 1876 upon a basis which the Commissioners deemed to be in compliance with the requirements of the law, as interpreted by the Supreme Court. One of the national banks has carried a case, presenting all the questions involved in that method of assessment, into the courts, and in the General Term of the Supreme Court (Judges Davis, Brady, and Daniels) the action of the Commission was confirmed. The question, as usually stated, was whether the Board had the right to assess the surplus earnings of a bank. The Commissioners did not assess specifically such surplus, but they did make the actual surplus a measure for determining the value of the stock. In regard to this the court held :

"The reserve which is part of the capital of the bank, and the surplus as well, were properly included in the estimate of value.

"Both contribute to the value of the shares, and are necessarily, therefore, constituent elements of such value. The interest of the shareholder entitles him to participate in the net profits earned by the bank in the employment of its capital during the existence of its charter in proportion to the number of his shares, and upon its dissolution or termination, to his proportion of the property that may remain of the corporation after the payment of its debts. This is a distinct, independent interest or property held by the shareholder like any other property that may belong to him, and we add of course, subject to taxation."

The Court of Appeals has affirmed the decision of the Supreme Court.

The assessment upon shareholders of banks during the past three years have been as follows :

1874.....	574,897,570 00
1875.....	73,390,989 00
1876.....	85,145,116 00

This is exclusive of the real estate belonging to banks, which is assessed in common with other real estate, and in 1876 amounted to \$10,395,256, being \$116,149 less than in 1875. The net increase of the assessments upon banks and their shareholders in 1876, over those of 1875, was therefore, \$11,754,127.

EFFECT OF THE NEW ASSESSMENT.

The Commissioners having discharged their duty in such a manner as to meet the approval of the highest courts in the state, and the immediate result being an addition to the tax-roll of \$11,754,127, it would seem that the action and its results should be an occasion of felicitation to the general tax payers. But there is another side to the picture. So soon as it is ascertained beyond question that the method of assessment is legal, the property assessed begins to move away from the imposition of the tax, and in another year the assessment upon the shareholders of banks will probably be less than in 1875. This result will be reached by the distribution, in some cases, of the surplus, reducing it to the minimum required by law, and in others by a reduction of capital.

The depression in business and the resulting decline in prices of most commodities, requires a smaller amount of capital for the same volume of trade, and is a factor not to be ignored ; but its presence does not diminish the force of the statements made herein.

INFLUENCE UPON OTHER INTERESTS.

The addition of nearly \$12,000,000 of assessable property to the tax-rolls was for the moment a boon to the owners of real estate, for to some extent it diminished their burden of taxation. But when the capital assessed is withdrawn the advantage is lost, and still the general tax-payer seems to have been a gainer, at least to the extent of the temporary benefit he derived from the enlarged basis of taxation. This would be true if the capital were withdrawn from taxation only, but unfortunately it is withdrawn from actual use, in the forms in which civilization and commercial habit and usage have made it most available.

New York is a commercial city. All its prosperity, all its greatness, all its renown are due to capital. Manhattan Island to-day would be worth but little more than it was in 1626, when Peter Minuit paid twenty-four dollars to the Indian proprietors for it, if capital in its varied forms had not been applied to it. The continuance of its prosperity and greatness depends, and always must depend, upon the freest use of capital within its gates. Personal property, in certain forms, will bear a moderate degree of taxation, but when severely taxed it escapes—it can't be held for taxation. Just as some material objects may be held by a gentle pressure, but as soon as the pressure becomes severe, they elude the grasp, and the hand is left empty.

The reduction of the capital of banks besides diminishing the commercial and financial power of the city, and lowering its standing in comparison with other financial centres of the world, operates directly to the injury of real estate in this manner. With a reduced capital expenses must be reduced. These expenses consist largely of salaries ; some of which must be diminished, and others discontinued. The servants of the banks whose incomes are thus curtailed or discontinued, must in turn reduce their expenses. First, they will seek a reduced rent, and then curtail their various other expenses. Real estate suffers a direct loss, and its power to pay taxes is reduced, when the bank clerk obtains a lower rent, and all the tradesmen with whom he deals feel the curtailment of his expenditures with them, and in consequence their power to pay rent and taxes is also diminished. This statement of facts would seem to be conclusive, and need no argument to illustrate it.

The general result then may be thus stated :

Real estate has gained a temporary advantage in obtaining for a year or two an enlargement of the basis of taxation.

Real estate will lose that temporary advantage, and in addition the advantage, general and widely diffused, of available corporate capital, and the specific advantage of their outlay by persons employed to handle and utilize that capital, whose ability to spend must be reduced in proportion as the sum of the capital of which they are the custodians and administrators is diminished.

THE RESPONSIBILITY.

But, it may be asked, are not the Commissioners of Taxes responsible for bringing about this condition of things? The law, and not its administrators, is responsible. Very curiously, the interpretation of the law which compelled the action of the Commissioners grew out of a controversy between two banks in another city, as to the relative proportions of their assessments. On page 15 of their report, made in 1875, the State Assessors directed attention to such assessments, and quoted the decision of the Supreme Court, in part, as follows :

"And to secure a strict performance of this duty, the assessors are also required by a subsequent enactment, for a willful violation of which they incur the penalties of perjury, to make oath that the

assessment roll contains a true statement of * * * the taxable personal estate of each and every person * * * at the full and true value thereof according to their best judgment and belief, and that all the assessments are unauthorized and erroneous where the actual value is above par."

The State Assessors add :

"The above decision is plain and to the point, that not only the nominal capital of banks should be assessed at par, but the surplus should be included in the valuation of the shares by the assessor."

Since that day the Commissioners of Taxes have held all the taxable personal property at its full and true value when they could discover the same, and have used their best judgment and belief as to the true value of real estate.

THE REMEDY.

The Commissioners have heretofore presented the inefficient and injurious character of the laws taxing personal property in this State, and they do not propose now to enter largely into a discussion of that question. Each year the conviction becomes more general that a radical change in the tax laws of the State is essential to the welfare of the Commonwealth.

The Board fully concur in recommending the following outline of a plan prepared by one of their number several months ago for public consideration, and give it their official approval :

"1. That all corporations created by or doing business in the State shall be assessed by the State Assessors, upon sworn returns to be sent to them in Albany, and the taxes paid directly to the State Treasurer.

"2. That the taxes shall be fixed upon the value of the stock, a percentage upon gross receipts, or in proportion to dividends, including scrip and stock dividends, at such rates as will attract capital and yet yield a large revenue ; and that the scale of taxation be so adjusted as not to call for any deduction for investments in real estate.

"3. That discrimination shall be made in the rate of taxation upon corporations formed under the general Manufacturing law, so as to foster such interests so far as may be practicable and equitable.

"4. That if it shall be found necessary to secure ample revenue to the State, a license tax, moderate in amount, may be imposed upon certain classes of business to be paid to the State.

"5. That it shall be left to each county to determine, by its local Legislature, whether it will tax, for its local purposes, other descriptions of personal property.

"6. That real estate be relieved entirely from taxation for State purposes.

"7. That the real estate of corporations shall continue to be taxed where situated, as under present laws."

It is susceptible of demonstration that the direct and indirect results of the adoption of a plan similar to this would not ultimately add anything to the burden of taxation upon the owners of real estate. On the contrary, the Commissioners believe that no act of legislation could so effectively and permanently benefit the City of New York, and with that the City, the State ; and that Mr. David A. Wells had a just appreciation of all the conditions when he said that the adoption of a system similar in its general features would "do more to promote the prosperity of the State than anything that has happened since the construction and opening of the Erie Canal."

Such a reform in the system of taxation would make New York the most desirable abode for people of fortune upon this continent ; would stud the now vacant boulevards and drives with costly and elegant mansions ; would attract thousands of artisans whose services would be needed in the construction of such mansions ; would foster the establishment of manufactories and warehouses upon the river fronts ; would tend to make our banks and financial institutions strong and safe ; and more than any thing else that legislation can do, revive the depressed interests of real estate, not with a speculative and ephemeral glow, but with a healthy and permanent recovery based upon a sure foundation of increased population and resources. Now, men accumulate wealth here, and go elsewhere, beyond the reach of our present tax laws, to enjoy that wealth. Then, men who have accumulated wealth elsewhere would seek this city as a residence offering advantages superior to any other city. Here would centre those who would prize the opportunities for social intercourse, for resort to amusements, for access to public libraries, and for the cultivation and development of aesthetic tastes. With common and indissoluble interests the State would share the prosperity of the city ; and so should be achieved that great future which New York under wise legislation and administration undoubtedly has before it.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN WHEELER, }
JOHN N. HAYWARD, } Commissioners
GEORGE H. ANDREWS, } of
Taxes and Assessments.

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

The Board of Police met on the 26th day of December, 1876.

Present—Messrs. Smith, Wheeler, Erhardt, and Nichols, Commissioners.

Leaves of Absence Granted.

Patrolman Alexander Levy, Eighteenth Precinct, one day without pay.

Matthew McCoy, First Precinct, one-half day without pay.

Paroles Approved.

United Brothers Lodge, F. & A. M., December 24. Funeral.

Kohler Lodge, D. O. H., December 24. Funeral.

Mike Murphy Light Guard, December 25. Target Excursion.

Resolved, That Patrolman Martin Dymond, Twenty-fifth Precinct, be promoted to the rank of Roundsman, and detailed to duty at the crossing Twelfth street and Broadway.

Resolved, That Patrolman Herbert R. Sage, Sixth Precinct, be granted permission to employ counsel in the trial of charges against him ; and that the said trial, set down for the 27th instant, be postponed one week.

Death Reported.

Patrolman Patrick Donovan, Twenty-first Precinct, at 4:12 A. M., 25th instant.

Resignation Accepted.

Patrolman Robert L. Smith, Fifth Precinct.

On reading communication from Messrs. Jarrett & Palmer, inviting the members of the Police force to visit Booth's Theatre, on the evening of Thursday, 28th instant, in recognition of voluntary service rendered by them in the disposal of tickets for the recent performances given for the benefit of the fund raised to aid the dependents of those who lost their lives by the Brooklyn Theatre fire ; it was

Resolved, That the invitation be accepted, and the matter referred to the Superintendent to arrange the details with Messrs. Jarrett & Palmer.

Communication from James W. Russell, asking the horseshoeing for the Mounted Squad, was referred to the Committee on Repairs and Supplies.

Communication from Captain Petty, First Precinct, recommending Patrolman John Keirns as Precinct Detective, was referred to the Committee on Rules and Discipline.

A communication from Henry Roberts, Guardian of Frances Ann Walker, requesting transfer to him of \$1,067.12 now on deposit in the Manhattan Savings Bank, was referred to the Treasurer, with power.

Reports of Inspectors relative to the observance and enforcement of the Excise Law in their respective districts, on Sunday, 24th inst., were ordered on file.

Communication from Elizabeth Cronin, complaining against the appointment of Mary Reynolds as Purveyor for the House of Detention, was ordered on file.

Communication from J. W. Hartt, and other citizens of the Thirty-second Precinct, commending the action of the Police and Fire Departments at the fire corner One Hundred and Fifty-eighth street and Tenth avenue, on the 7th inst., was ordered on file.

Resolved, That the following rules be and are hereby adopted, and that the Superintendent be directed to promulgate the same by General Order to the force :

Rule 621. Members of the Police Force who are tendered and entitled to receive witnesses' fees, on being subpoenaed to attend Court in any case, shall accept such fees and transmit the same to the Board of Police, through the Inspector and Superintendent, and the Board of Police will order the amount thereof to be added to the Police Life Insurance Fund.

Rule 639. Roundsmen in command of sections on reserve in the Station House during the night tours of duty, shall twice during each of such tours inspect the dormitories where the sections sleep, and report to the Captain any and all irregular, negligent, disorderly, and uncleanly habits, prac-

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION, CORNER OF THIRD AVENUE AND ELEVENTH ST., NEW YORK, December 29, 1876.

PROPOSALS FOR DRY GOODS, GROCERIES, ETC.

PROPOSALS, SEALED AND INDORSED AS above, will be received by the Commissioners of Public Charities and Correction, at their office, until 9 o'clock A.M., of Saturday, the 13th day of January, 1877, at which time they will be publicly opened and read by the head of said Department, for furnishing and delivering, at the foot of East Twenty-sixth street, free of all expense to the Department:

DRY GOODS.

- 1,000 pair Dark Blankets. 500 pair White Blankets. 10,000 yds. U. G. Cassimere. 60,000 yds. Brown Muslin. 3,000 yds. Bleached Muslin. 3,000 yds. Bleached Shroud Muslin. 10,000 yds. Ticking. 5,000 yds. Awning Stripes. 5,000 yds. Stripes. 5,000 yds. Brown Denims. 5,000 yds. Blue Denims. 5,000 yds. Cottonades. 5,000 yds. Canton Flannel. 5,000 yds. Linen Drills. 30,000 yds. Brown Bandage Muslin. 3,000 yds. Russia Cr.-sh. 1,000 lbs. Knitting Cotton. 500 gross Metal Suspender Buttons. 500 gross A-22 White Bone Buttons. 100 gross Coat Buttons.

GROCERIES.

- 75,000 lbs. Hard Soap. 15,000 lbs. Oolong Tea. 6,000 lbs. "A" Coffee Sugar. 5,000 lbs. Granulated Sugar. 5,000 lbs. Crushed Sugar. 30,000 lbs. Rio Coffee. 20,000 lbs. Rice. 2,500 lbs. Whole Pepper. 1,200 lbs. Macaroni. 5,000 lbs. Pearl Barley. 3,000 lbs. Wheaten Grits. 500 lbs. Hecker's Farina. 2,000 lbs. Chicory. 1,000 lbs. Laundry Starch. 600 lbs. Corn Starch. 1,000 lbs. Prepared Cocoa. 100 bbls. Hominy "A" No. 1. 100 bbls. Soda Crackers. Bbls. to be returned. 100 bbls. Oatmeal. Bbls. to be returned. 500 bush. Beans. 500 bush. Rye. 2,000 gals. Molasses. Hhds. to be returned. 10,000 lbs. Tobacco. 300 sacks Salt, equal to Worthington's. 400 quintals Codfish, George's Bank, best quality, to be delivered in quantities as required. 500 bales Long Bright Rye Straw, to be delivered in quantities as required. 50 doz. Canned Corn. 50 doz. Canned Peas. 50 doz. Canned Tomatoes. 25 doz. Canned Peaches. 25 doz. Canned Plums. 200 bbls. Fine Flour. Empty barrels to be returned and deducted from the price of flour.

The quality of the goods furnished must conform in every respect to the samples of the above to 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 to accept an offer for the whole bid or for any single article included in the proposal, 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.

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

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION, CORNER OF THIRD AVENUE AND ELEVENTH ST., NEW YORK, December 29, 1876.

PROPOSALS FOR 13,500 TONS WHITE ASH COAL.

PROPOSALS, SEALED AND INDORSED AS above, will be received by the Commissioners of Public Charities and Correction, at their office, until 9 o'clock A.M., of Saturday, the 13th day of January, 1877, at which time they will be publicly opened and read by the head of said Department, for furnishing and delivering 13,500 tons of white ash coal, of the best quality, to be well screened and in good order, and each ton to consist of (2,240) twenty-two hundred and forty pounds. None other will be accepted. All of said coal to be delivered as required, in about the following sizes and quantities, free of all expense, at the following places:

- At Blackwell's Island—5,000 tons grate size. At Ward's Island—3,000 tons grate size. At Randall's Island—500 tons egg size. At Hart's Island—500 tons egg size. At Bellevue Hospital—2,000 tons grate size. At Steamboat dock, foot of East Twenty-sixth street, for use of steamboats (in cargoes of about 200 tons per month)—2,200 tons grate size. At Tombs—125 tons egg size. At Essex street, Third District Prison—50 tons egg size. At Fifty-seventh street, Fourth District Prison—25 tons egg size. At One Hundred and Twenty-sixth street, Fifth District Prison—25 tons egg size. At Fordham, Sixth District Prison—25 tons egg size. At No. 66 Third avenue—50 tons egg size.

Proposals to state the particular description of coal to be delivered as known in the market, from what mine produced, and all particulars, to enable the Board to arrive at a proper decision.

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 to accept an offer for the whole bid or for any single article included in the proposal, 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.

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

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION, CORNER OF THIRD AVENUE AND ELEVENTH ST., NEW YORK, December 29, 1876.

PROPOSALS FOR 3,000 BARRELS OF FLOUR.

PROPOSALS, SEALED AND INDORSED AS above, will be received by the Commissioners of Public Charities and Correction, at their office, until 9 o'clock A.M., of Saturday, January 13, 1877, at which time they will be publicly opened and read by the head of said Department, for furnishing and delivering, at the Bake-house, Blackwell's Island, free of all expense to the Department, 3,000 barrels of good extra spring wheat flour, to be equal in quality to sample to be seen at this office (empty barrels to be returned and deducted in proposals from the price of flour), to be delivered in quantities as required, free of all expense to the Department.

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

No proposal will be considered unless accompanied by the consent, in writing, of two householders or freeholders of the City of New York, with their respective places of business or residence, to the effect, that if the contract be awarded under that proposal, they will, on its being so awarded, become bound as sureties in the estimated amount of 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 to accept an offer for the whole bid or for any single article included in the proposal, 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.

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

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION, CORNER OF THIRD AVENUE AND ELEVENTH ST., NEW YORK, January 2, 1877.

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 Nursery Hospital, Randall's Island, December 25, 1876—Thomas Moan; age 12 years; admitted December 20, 1875. Nothing known of his friends or relatives.

By Order,

JOSHUA PHILLIPS, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT PUBLIC WORKS.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, ROOM 19, CITY HALL, NEW YORK, December 28, 1876.

PROPOSALS FOR COAL.

PROPOSALS, INCLOSED IN A SEALED ENVELOPE, indorsed as above, with the name of the bidder, will be received at this office, until Thursday, January 11, 1877, at 12 o'clock M., at which hour they will be publicly opened and read, for furnishing, delivering, and stowing away at the following public buildings, offices, and courts of the City of New York, Coal of the quality and quantities hereinafter mentioned:

- 600 gross tons of Lehigh Broken Coal, for New Court House. 30 gross tons of Lehigh Stove Coal, for New Court House. 50 gross tons of Lehigh Nut Size Coal, for City Hall. 65 gross tons of Lehigh Range Size Coal, for City Hall. 30 gross tons of English Cannel Coal, for City Hall. 90 gross tons of Lehigh Furnace Size Coal, for Brown Stone Building. 30 gross tons of Lehigh Stove Size Coal, for Brown Stone Building. 20 gross tons of Lehigh Nut Size Coal, for Brown Stone Building. 65 gross tons of Lehigh Furnace Size Coal, for Fifty-seventh Street Court House. 20 gross tons of Lehigh Stove Size Coal, for Fifty-seventh Street Court House. 150 gross tons of Lehigh Stove Size. 50 gross tons of Lehigh Egg Size. 50 gross tons of Lehigh Furnace Size. 20 gross tons of Lehigh Nut Size Anthracite Coal, and 25 gross tons of English Cannel Coal.

To be supplied to the following public offices as shall be required and directed: The office of the Public Administrator, Corporation Attorney, Board of Assessors, Marine Court, No. 27 Chambers street, Court of Special Sessions at the Tombs, office of the Department of Buildings, and also all the various Civil and Police Courts south of Fifty-ninth street.

The Anthracite Coal must be of the best quality Lehigh, clean and in good order, 2240 pounds to the ton, free from dust, slate, and other foreign substances, and to be delivered in such quantities, and stowed away in such places as herein provided for, and at such times during the year 1877, as may be directed by the Superintendent of Repairs and Supplies.

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 interests of the city.

ALLAN CAMPBELL, Commissioner of Public Works.

ARMORY COMMISSION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO CLAIMANTS for compensation under the provisions of chapter 429, Laws of 1876, entitled "An act to provide for payment for the use and occupation of armories and drill-rooms in the City of New York," that the Commission constituted by said act, and consisting of the Mayor of the City of New York, the Comptroller of the City of New York, and one Commissioner of the Department of Taxes and Assessments, previously designated by the Comptroller under the provisions of the act, the same being George H. Andrews, Esq., met at the Comptroller's Office on Thursday, June 8, 1876, at 3 o'clock P.M., and organized by the election of the Mayor as Chairman.

According to the terms of the act, "claimants may be heard before the Commission upon ten days' notice to the Department of Finance."

ELIOT McCORMICK, Secretary pro tem.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT.

PROPOSALS FOR \$233,483 BONDS OF THE MAYOR, ALDERMEN, AND COMMONALTY OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED AT the Comptroller's Office, until Tuesday, January 9, 1877, at 2 o'clock P.M., when the same will be publicly opened, for the whole or any part of the sum of \$233,483 Bonds of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of New York, as authorized by chapter 429, Laws of 1876, entitled "An act to provide for payment for the use and occupation of Armories and Drill-rooms in the City of New York," passed May 26, 1876.

Said Bonds will bear interest at the rate of five per cent. per annum, payable on the first day of May and November in each year, and the principal will be redeemable three years from the date thereof.

The proposals will state the amount of Bonds desired, and the price per one hundred dollars thereof; and the persons whose proposals are accepted will thereupon be required to deposit with the Chamberlain the sums awarded to them respectively, together with any premiums thereon.

On presenting to the Comptroller the receipts of the Chamberlain for such deposit, the parties will be entitled to receive certificates for equal amounts of the par value of the sums awarded to them, bearing interest from the dates of payment.

Each proposal should be sealed and indorsed "Proposals for Bonds of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of New York," and inclosed in a second envelope addressed to the Comptroller.

The right is reserved on the part of the Comptroller to reject any or all of the bids, if in his judgment the interests of the Corporation require it.

CITY OF NEW YORK, DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, December 27, 1876.

JOHN KELLY, Comptroller.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, BUREAU FOR THE COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS, ROTUNDA, NEW COURT-HOUSE, NEW YORK, December 23, 1876.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY-HOLDERS.

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

CONFIRMED DECEMBER 1, 1876.

Underground drains, between One Hundred and Seventy-third and One Hundred and Eighty-third streets, and between Kingsbridge road and Harlem river.

Thirteenth avenue, regulating, grading, etc., between Twenty-fourth and Twenty-fifth streets.

Thirty-sixth street, regulating, grading, etc., between Eleventh and Twelfth avenues.

Fiftieth street, curb, gutter, and flagging, between Tenth and Eleventh avenues.

Eighty-fourth street, curb, gutter, and flagging, between Eighth and Tenth avenues.

Third avenue, flagging, west side, between Eighty-third and Eighty-sixth streets.

Ninth avenue, flagging, east side, between Fifty-ninth and Sixty-third streets.

Twenty-eighth street, flagging, north side, between First avenue and East river.

Thirty-seventh street, flagging, south side, Lexington avenue, 200 feet easterly.

Fifty-seventh street, flagging, between Lexington and Madison avenues.

Sixty-second street, flagging, between Ninth avenue and Boulevard.

Thirty-third street, paving, between First avenue and East river.

Fifty-fifth street, paving, between Fourth and Madison avenues.

Fifty-sixth street, paving, between Fifth and Madison avenues.

Fifty-seventh street, paving, from Eleventh avenue to Hudson river.

Sixty-first street, paving, from Eighth to Tenth avenue.

Sixty-second street, paving, from First avenue to Avenue A.

One Hundred and Twentieth street, paving, between First and Second avenues.

One Hundred and Thirtieth street, paving, between Fourth and Sixth avenues.

Second avenue, paving, between One Hundred and Twenty-fifth and One Hundred and Twenty-eighth streets.

Fifth avenue, paving, between One Hundred and Thirtieth street and Harlem river.

Thirtieth street, basin, southwest corner of Third avenue.

Sixtieth street, sewer, between First avenue and Avenue A.

Fourth avenue, sewer, east side, between Eighty-fourth and Eighty-fifth streets.

Fourth avenue, sewer, east side, between Eighty-eighth and Eighty-ninth streets.

Fourth avenue, sewer, west side, between Ninety-first and Ninety-second streets.

Madison avenue, sewer, between One Hundred and Thirtieth and One Hundred and Thirty-first streets.

Fencing vacant lots, front of 476 Pearl street.

Fencing vacant lots, south side Twenty-fourth street, between First avenue and Avenue A.

Fencing vacant lots on block, Forty-fifth and Forty-sixth streets, Madison and Fifth avenues.

Fencing vacant lots, both sides Fifty-seventh and Fifty-eighth streets, between Madison and Lexington avenues.

Fencing vacant lots, south side Sixty-sixth street, between Lexington and Fourth avenues.

Fencing vacant lots, north side Sixty-seventh street, between Fifth and Madison avenues, etc.

Fencing vacant lots, west side Tenth avenue, between Sixty-eighth and Sixty-ninth streets, etc.

Fencing vacant lots on block, Fifth and Madison avenues, Seventy-fourth and Seventy-fifth streets.

Fencing vacant lots, Seventy-eighth street, between Madison and Fourth avenues.

Fencing vacant lots, south side Seventy-ninth street, between Lexington and Fourth avenues.

Fencing vacant lots on block, Fifth and Madison avenues, Eighty-fourth and Eighty-fifth streets.

Fencing vacant lots, south side Eighty-fifth street, between Lexington and Fourth avenues.

All payments made on the above assessments on or before February 21, 1877, 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.

NICHOLAS F. BUTENSCHON, Collector of Assessments.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, BUREAU FOR THE COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS, ROTUNDA, NEW COURT-HOUSE, NEW YORK, November 16, 1876.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY-HOLDERS.

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

CONFIRMED NOVEMBER 14, 1876.

Regulating, grading, setting curb, gutter-stones, and flagging One Hundred and Fourth street, from Fifth avenue to Harlem river.

All payments made on the above assessment on or before January 16, 1877, 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.

NICHOLAS F. BUTENSCHON, Collector of Assessments.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, BUREAU FOR THE COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS, ROTUNDA, NEW COURT-HOUSE, NEW YORK, November 4, 1876.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY-HOLDERS.

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

CONFIRMED OCTOBER 21, 1876.

Outlet sewer in One Hundred and Sixth street, between Harlem river and Fifth avenue, with branches in First, Second, Third, and Fourth avenues, and in One Hundred and Third street.

All payments made on the above assessment on or before January 5, 1877, 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.

NICHOLAS F. BUTENSCHON, Collector of Assessments.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, BUREAU FOR THE COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS, ROTUNDA, NEW COURT-HOUSE, NEW YORK, November 10, 1876.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY-HOLDERS.

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

CONFIRMED OCTOBER 21, 1876.

Regulating and grading Fifth avenue, from Eighty-sixth street to Mount Morris square.

All payments made on the above assessment on or before January 10, 1877, 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.

NICHOLAS F. BUTENSCHON, Collector of Assessments.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

HEADQUARTERS FIRE DEPARTMENT, CITY OF NEW YORK, 155 AND 157 MERCER STREET, NEW YORK, December 23, 1876.

SEALED PROPOSALS FOR PAINTING ONE thousand telegraph poles, including cross-arms, will be received at these Headquarters, until 10 o'clock A.M. on Wednesday, the tenth day of January, 1877, at which time they will be publicly opened and read. Specifications for doing the work, and the form of contract, can be seen on application at these Headquarters, where further information and blank proposals may also be obtained.

Two responsible sureties will be required upon each proposal, who must each justify in one half the amount thereof.

Proposals must be addressed to the Board of Commissioners, be endorsed "Proposals for painting telegraph poles," and with the name of parties making the same.

The Commissioners reserve the right to reject any or all proposals received, if deemed to be for the interest of the city.

JOSEPH L. PERLEY, ROSWELL D. HATCH, VINCENT C. KING, Commissioners.

JURORS.

NOTICE

IN RELATION TO JURORS FOR STATE COURTS.

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER OF JURORS, NEW COURT-HOUSE, NEW YORK, June 1, 1876.

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.

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.

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.

THOMAS DUNLAP, Commissioner, County Court-house (Chambers street entrance).

tics, and proceedings on the part of any member of the force; and under the direction of the Captain shall make charges in relation thereto.

On recommendation of the Committee on Repairs and Supplies, it was Resolved, That the following bills be and are hereby ordered to be paid by the Treasurer—all

Table listing various bills and their amounts, including items like coal, printing, repairs, and cartages, totaling \$1,226 50.

Judgments—Fines Imposed.

- Patrolman Thomas Cunningham, First Precinct, one day's pay.
Anthony J. Golden, First Precinct, five days' pay.
Thomas F. Thompson, Fifth Precinct, ten days' pay.
John J. Farley, Fifth Precinct, five days' pay.
Thomas F. Ryan, Seventh Precinct, one day's pay.
William Warren, Fifteenth Precinct, five days' pay.
John Butterly, Seventeenth Precinct, one and one-half days' pay.
Michael Flynn, Seventeenth Precinct, one and one-half days' pay.
Bartholemew Mullane, Seventeenth Precinct, one and one-half days' pay.
Charles May, Eighteenth Precinct, two days' pay.
John M. Matthews, Nineteenth Precinct, five days' pay.
William Reed, Twenty-third Precinct, one day's pay.
Nelson Blangey, Twenty-third Precinct, five days' pay.
James Gaffney, Twenty-ninth Precinct, three days' pay.
James Duff, Twenty-ninth Precinct, one day's pay.
William Glass, Twenty-ninth Precinct, one day's pay.
Thomas Kearney, Twenty-ninth Precinct, one-half day's pay.
Michael W. Wiley, Twenty-ninth Precinct, one-half day's pay.
John J. Joyce, Thirty-second Precinct, three days' pay.

Reprimands.

- Patrolman Henry Butts, Fourth Precinct, by Inspector.
Daniel Brooks, Twenty-seventh Precinct, by Inspector.
William H. Cooke, Twenty-seventh Precinct, by Superintendent.
John Hooks, Twenty-ninth Precinct, by Inspector.

Complaints Dismissed.

- Patrolman Otto Kelz, Seventeenth Precinct.
William Robinson, Twenty-ninth Precinct.
John J. Joyce, Thirty-second Precinct.

Street Cleaning.

Communication from Captain Davis, Twelfth Precinct, relative to street cleaning and removal of ashes, was referred to the Committee on Street Cleaning.

An application of James Blackhurst, for permission to dump sand on scows foot West Twenty-first street, was referred to the Committee on Street Cleaning.

Communication from E. S. Mellen, asking payment for piling, etc., at Laight Street Dump, was referred to the Committee on Street Cleaning.

On recommendation of the Committee on Street Cleaning, it was Resolved, That the following bills be and are hereby ordered to be paid by the Treasurer—all

Table listing bills for street cleaning, including items like use of scow, mason work, boats, carpenter work, drugs, coal, and various repairs, totaling \$8,745 33.

Bureau of Elections.

Resolved, That the resignation of George E. Baller, Inspector of Election, Fifteenth Election District, Eighth Assembly District, be accepted; and that Max Brock be appointed in his stead. Adjourned.

S. C. HAWLEY, Chief Clerk.

The Board of Police met on the 27th day of December, 1876. Present—Commissioners Smith, Wheeler, and Erhardt.

Resolved, That the following resignations of Poll Clerks be and are hereby accepted: Henry Konig, Jr., Seventeenth Election District, Eighth Assembly District. Jos. A. Brietenbach, Nineteenth Election District, Tenth Assembly District. W. Ziberlin, Ninth Election District, Eighth Assembly District.

Resolved, That the following-named persons be and are hereby appointed Poll Clerks, to fill vacancies in the districts designated:

- William Graham, Seventeenth Election District, Eighth Assembly District.
Wm. Simendinger, Nineteenth Election District, Tenth Assembly District.
Charles Hahn, Ninth Election District, Eighth Assembly District.

Adjourned.

S. C. HAWLEY, Chief Clerk.

The Board of Police met on the 29th day of December, 1876. Present—Commissioners Smith, Wheeler, Erhardt, and Nichols.

The following nominations to special duty, by the Captains of the respective Precincts, were referred to the Committee on Rules and Discipline:

- Fourth Precinct, Patrolman Peter Riley, at Hunter's Point Ferry, foot James street.
Twentieth Precinct, Thomas Reilly, as Precinct Detective.

Fourth Precinct, Thos. Cavanagh, at Roosevelt Street Ferry. Tenth Precinct, James Van Ranst, special duty in Precinct. Edward Pierce, " " " " " "

An application of Acting Captain Williams, Thirty-fifth Precinct, for an increase of force, was referred to the Committee on Rules and Discipline.

Petition of William Burke for appointment as Doorman, was ordered on file.

An application of Patrolman John Watson, Twenty-ninth Precinct, for promotion, was referred to the Superintendent to cite for examination.

Leaves of Absence Granted.

- Patrolman George Bentley, First Precinct, one day without pay.
Bernard Meyers, Fourth Precinct, one-half day without pay.

The Chairman of the Committee on Rules and Discipline reported the following leaves of absence granted under Rule 564—approved:

- December 23, Patrolman Daniel O'Keefe, Eighteenth Precinct, two days.
Thomas McGowan, Fifteenth " "
Edward E. Burbank, Tenth Precinct, one and a-half day.
Edward Bird, Fifth Precinct, two and a half days.

Parades Approved.

Young Nealis Guard, January 1. Target excursion.

Resolved, That the following organizations be granted permission to hold masked balls, subject to the conditions of Rule 841:

- German Liederkrantz Society, at Academy of Music, February 8, 1877.
L'Amitie, at Irving Hall, January 12, 1877.
Calipso Club, at Tammany Hall, January 18, 1877.

On reading an opinion of the Counsel to the Board, it was

Resolved, That the Property Clerk be directed to return the chairs named in the petition of Charles Lovell, and none other of the property claimed by him.

On reading an opinion of the Counsel to the Board, relative to a watch taken from William Sexton, and claimed by John Veith and John Barrie, it was

Resolved, That the Property Clerk be directed to retain said watch until the ownership thereof is proven.

Resolved, That the Property Clerk be directed to return to R. E. Graves property taken from him, and named in his petition, dated October 6, 1876.

A communication from this Department to the Department of Police and Excise of Brooklyn, relative to telegraphic connection therewith was returned by that Department with an indorsement, which was referred to the Chief Clerk to answer.

An opinion of the Counsel to the Corporation, relating to the appointment of Examining Engineers, was referred to the Committee on Repairs and Supplies.

Resolved, That, on his application, Patrolman John R. Johnson, Sixteenth Precinct, is hereby granted permission to withdraw his resignation, dated December 25, 1876.

Resolved, That Mr. Robert H. Strahan be permitted to act as counsel for Surgeon D. F. Felter in the trial of charges against him.

Resolved, That the Central Department Pay-roll, amounting to \$12,660.87, be and is hereby ordered to be paid by the Treasurer—all voting aye.

The Chief Clerk submitted the form of a lease from Helen R. Perkins, Henry A. Wyckoff, and Sarah J. Wyckoff, of the first floor, etc., of premises No. 112 West Fourteenth street, for sixteen months, from January 1, 1877, with option for two years additional, at the monthly rent of \$75, payable on the first day of each month, to be occupied as offices by the Inspector of the Second Inspection District, which was approved.

Whereupon, it was

Resolved, That the lease be executed for and on behalf of the party of the second part by Wm. F. Smith, President of the Board of Police.

On recommendation of the Committee on Repairs and Supplies, it was

Resolved, That the following bills be and are hereby ordered to be paid by the Treasurer—all voting aye:

Table listing bills for repairs and supplies, including items like cleaning carpets, brooms, stationery, ink, alterations, ventilator, repairs, mucilage, feed, cartages, meals, shades, totaling \$824 07.

On recommendation of the Committee on Rules and Discipline, it was

Resolved, That the following-named members of the Police Force be and they are hereby transferred to the Precincts hereinafter named, respectively, to take effect January 1, 1877:

- Sergeant John R. Groo, from Sixteenth Precinct to Twenty-sixth Precinct.
Michael Fanning, from Twenty-sixth Precinct to Sixteenth Precinct.
Patrolman Patrick F. Calhoun, from Twenty-sixth Precinct to Fifth Precinct.
James Reagan, from Ninth Precinct to Twenty-sixth Precinct.
Robert Connor, from Twenty-sixth Precinct to First Precinct.
William Cotter, from First Precinct to Twenty-sixth Precinct.
Patrick Connor, from Twenty-sixth Precinct to Twenty-seventh Precinct.
Michael Johnson, from Twenty-seventh Precinct to Twenty-sixth Precinct.
Thomas Kenneally, from Twenty-sixth Precinct to Seventh Precinct.
Alonzo Powell, from Seventh Precinct to Twenty-sixth Precinct.
Michael McGrade, from Twenty-sixth Precinct to Fifteenth Precinct.
Phillip H. Smith, from Fifteenth Precinct to Twenty-sixth Precinct.
Patrick Shay, from Twenty-sixth Precinct to Eighth Precinct.
Michael Kelly, from Twenty-sixth Precinct to Eighth Precinct.
Benjamin Noyes, from Twenty-ninth Precinct to Twenty-sixth Precinct.
Edward Sullivan, from Eighth Precinct to Twenty-sixth Precinct.
Edward McPhillips, from Fourteenth Precinct to Mounted Squad.
Peter Sheridan, from Eighteenth Precinct to Thirty-fifth Precinct.
Doorman John G. White, from Fourth Precinct to Second Inspection District.

The Committee on Rules and Discipline submitted a report of the operations of the Steamboat Squad, from June 7 to December 28, 1876, which was ordered on file.

Judgments—Dismissal.

Patrolman David Barry, Nineteenth Precinct.

Fines Imposed.

- Patrolman James H. Sheridan, Eighth Precinct, 1 day's pay.
Wm. F. McGrann, Eighteenth Precinct, three days' pay.
John Healey, Eighteenth Precinct, one day's pay.
Michael Dowling, Thirty-first Precinct, one day's pay.
John Madison, Thirty-first Precinct, five days' pay.
John T. Palmer, Thirty-third Precinct, half day's pay.

Reprimand.

Doorman John Gillen, Thirty-third Precinct, by Inspector.

Complaints Dismissed.

Patrolman James Conner, Thirty-first Precinct.
Doorman Leonard Walling, Thirty-third Precinct.

Street Cleaning.

Communication from Jonathan Marshall (transmitted by the Health Department), respecting the non-collection of ashes and garbage from Fifth street, between Second and Third avenues, was referred to the Committee on Street Cleaning.

Resolved, That the following pay rolls of the Bureau of Street Cleaning be and are hereby ordered to be paid by the Treasurer—all aye:

Table listing pay rolls for Deputy Inspector and Clerks, Foremen, Inspectors, and Tug "U. S. Grant," totaling \$4,673 77.

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On recommendation of the Committee on Street Cleaning, it was Resolved, That the following bills be and are hereby ordered to be paid by the Treasurer— all voting aye :

Martin B. Brown, printing.....	\$38 85	Thos. Moxham, board of horse.....	6 00
Edward L. Carey, coal.....	90 00	Henry Richmond, brooms.....	465 00
" " " ".....	90 00	Tug E. Henderson, towing scow.....	20 00
" " " ".....	75 00	Valentine & Co., varnish.....	9 00
Jos. Dorris' Sons, oil.....	17 25	Wm. H. Wallace & Co., iron.....	11 79
A. Duryee, lumber.....	241 65	Watrous & Willson, lumber.....	138 96
J. A. Frazer & Co., feed.....	183 30	" " " ".....	135 00
" " " ".....	182 75	" " " ".....	122 40
" " " ".....	172 85	" " " ".....	71 57
Robert Ferdon, use of scows.....	150 00	" " " ".....	66 00
Klein & Fleet, paint, etc.....	117 55	J. Zeigler & Co., desk repairs.....	1 50
" " turpentine.....	6 75		
D. W. McLean & Co., locks.....	3 50		

\$2,422 16

Adjourned.

S. C. HAWLEY, Chief Clerk.

The Board of Police met on the 30th day of December, 1876. Present—Commissioners Smith, Erhardt, and Nichols. Resolved, That Patrolman Patrick Connor, Twenty-seventh Precinct, be and he is hereby transferred to the Eastern Steamboat Squad, to take effect January 1, 1877.

Leave of Absence Granted.

Patrolman John McNamara, Fourteenth Precinct, one-half day without pay. Communication from the Department of Public Works, asking that the Police force be instructed to prevent the deposit of paving stones for paving streets, without an order from that Department, was referred to the Superintendent to issue the necessary orders.

Communication from the Department of Public Works, asking that Mounted Police be stationed at St. Nicholas avenue and One Hundred and Forty-first street, to prevent accidents, was referred to the Superintendent for compliance with the request.

Communication from Chris. Flecke, requesting the Board to permit the force of Seventeenth Precinct to co-operate with a committee of citizens in "holding a benefit for the poor, January 6, 1877," and in distributing the proceeds thereof, was ordered on file.

Resolved, That Patrolman Timothy Golden, Special Service Squad, be granted leave of absence to go to England to bring home a fugitive from justice, such leave to continue for thirty days, or until he shall sooner return with the prisoner.

Street Cleaning.

Communication from the Department of Docks, relative to the dumping of snow and ice, and asking that orders be issued relating thereto, was referred to the Superintendent for compliance with the request.

Bureau of Elections.

Resolved, That Charles Davenport be appointed Inspector of Election in and for the Fifteenth Election District, Eighth Assembly District, in place of Max Brock—failed to qualify. Adjourned.

S. C. HAWLEY, Chief Clerk.

The Board of Police met on the 2d day of January, 1877. Present—Commissioners Smith, Wheeler, Erhardt, and Nichols.

Leave of Absence Granted.

Patrolman Charles May, Eighteenth Precinct, five days without pay. Resolved, That the following pay-rolls of the Police Department be ordered paid by the Treasurer—all voting aye :

PRECINCTS.	AMOUNT.	PRECINCTS.	AMOUNT.	PRECINCTS.	AMOUNT.
First.....	\$9,431 94	Eighteenth.....	\$8,894 14	Thirty-fourth.....	\$4,263 91
Fourth.....	8,967 99	Nineteenth.....	11,374 27	Thirty-fifth.....	3,216 77
Fifth.....	8,799 00	Twentieth.....	7,919 10	Nineteenth Sub.....	2,179 23
Sixth.....	7,117 17	Twenty-first.....	6,206 83	Mounted.....	682 27
Seventh.....	7,093 28	Twenty-second.....	7,514 24	Sanitary.....	1,302 19
Eighth.....	7,083 58	Twenty-third.....	6,776 21	Detective.....	3,078 10
Ninth.....	9,498 00	Twenty-fourth.....	2,979 40	Special Service.....	9,185 27
Tenth.....	7,396 00	Twenty-fifth.....	5,349 44	Steamboat.....	285 79
Eleventh.....	6,565 29	Twenty-sixth.....	5,917 49	House of Detention.....	1,440 98
Twelfth.....	6,177 32	Twenty-seventh.....	9,852 44	Detailed.....	3,117 76
Thirteenth.....	6,287 68	Twenty-eighth.....	11,025 45	First Inspection District.....	2,127 87
Fourteenth.....	8,057 35	Twenty-ninth.....	3,238 13	Second ".....	2,446 44
Fifteenth.....	8,771 28	Thirtieth.....	5,209 79	Third ".....	571 58
Sixteenth.....	7,354 04	Thirty-first.....	8,209 26	Fourth ".....	
Seventeenth.....	6,736 86	Thirty-second.....	3,977 30		
		Thirty-third.....			
				Total.....	\$257,653 45

Resolved, That Roundsman Martin Dymond, Twenty-fifth Precinct, be and is hereby remanded to post duty—on his own application.

On recommendation of the Committee on Rules and Discipline, it was Resolved, That the following-named members of the Police force be and they are hereby transferred to the Precincts hereinafter named, respectively :

- Patrolman William O. Titus, Special Service Squad to Eighth Precinct.
- " Silas W. Rogers, Special Service Squad to Twenty-ninth Precinct.
- " Mitchell Dean, Twenty-first Precinct to Twenty-sixth Precinct.

On reading a report of the Board of Surgeons, it was Resolved, That Patrolman James Flynn, Fourteenth Precinct, be and is hereby granted ninety days' sick leave of absence.

Resignations Accepted.

- Patrolman Marshall S. Hayner, Fifteenth Precinct.
- " John J. Cavanagh, Twenty-ninth Precinct.

Communication from Sanders Wilson, Albany, New York, offering to furnish legislative documents for the present session for the sum of \$35, was referred to the Committee on Repairs and Supplies.

An application of Patrolman Thomas Murphy, Twenty-ninth Precinct, for permission to receive a reward of \$5 from James H. Elliott, was referred to the Committee on Rules and Discipline.

Resolved, That Captain Allaire, Sergeant Mead, and Patrolmen Moran and McPhillips, Fourteenth Precinct, be granted permission to receive a reward of \$166.67, subject to deduction under the rule, from Cooney & Smith, Hartford, Connecticut, for the arrest of a burglar.

Resolved, That Patrolmen James Moran and John Wade, Fourteenth Precinct, be granted permission to receive a reward of \$50, subject to deduction under the rule, from Z. R. Brockway.

Reports of Inspectors relative to the observance and enforcement of the Excise Law in their respective districts on Sunday, December 31, were ordered on file.

Judgments—Fines Imposed.

- Patrolman John Fay, Fifth Precinct, one-half day's pay.
- " William H. Finnell, Fifth Precinct, three days' pay.
- " Patrick Fay, Eighth Precinct, one-half day's pay.
- " Charles Meyer, Eighth Precinct, one-half day's pay.
- " Andrew H. Rowley, Eighth Precinct, one-half day's pay.
- " B. M. Thompson, Eighth Precinct, one-half day's pay.
- " Frank Wilson, Fourteenth Precinct, five days' pay.
- " Ignatz Baumgarten, Seventeenth Precinct, five days' pay.
- " Patrick H. Gillespie, Eighteenth Precinct, ten days' pay.
- " Joseph Leamy, Eighteenth Precinct, two days' pay.
- " John Healy, Eighteenth Precinct, three days' pay.
- " Robert J. Cromie, Twenty-third Precinct, one day's pay.
- " James L. Colohan, Twenty-seventh Precinct, one day's pay.
- " Frederick D. Pell, Thirty-first Precinct, ten days' pay.
- " Edward McPhillips, Mounted Squad, five days' pay.

Reprimands.

- Patrolman Thomas Skuse, Eighth Precinct, by Inspector.
- " Philip C. Bleil, Ninth Precinct, by Inspector.
- " John Etterich, Tenth Precinct, by Inspector.
- " Jacob Schwarz, Thirteenth Precinct, by Inspector.

Complaints Dismissed.

Patrolman Daniel Lewis.....	Precinct. 4	Patrolman Charles Bernstein.....	Precinct. 10
" John Watson.....	8	" Timothy Fallon.....	19
" Bernard J. Devlin.....	10		

Bureau of Elections.

Resolved, That the following named Poll Clerks be and are hereby removed, for absence from duty :

- J. Weiss, Third Election District, Tenth Assembly District.
- John H. McLoughlin, Fifteenth Election District, Eighth Assembly District.
- Henry E. McDonnell, Twentieth Election District, Eighth Assembly District.
- George B. Carey, Tenth Election District, Fourteenth Assembly District.
- James E. McGuire, Twenty-second Election District, Tenth Assembly District.
- Patrick J. Bane, Eleventh Election District, Fourteenth Assembly District.

Resolved, That the following-named persons be appointed Poll Clerks, to fill vacancies in the districts designated :

- Benjamin Schwartz, Third Election District, Tenth Assembly District.
- John C. Muller, Fifteenth Election District, Eighth Assembly District.
- Augustus Nowak, Twentieth Election District, Eighth Assembly District.
- Wm. J. Grandy, Tenth Election District, Fourteenth Assembly District.
- Thomas J. Corbin, Twenty-second Election District, Tenth Assembly District.
- Theo. B. Randall, Eleventh Election District, Fourteenth Assembly District.

S. C. HAWLEY, Chief Clerk.

The Board of Police met on the 3d day of January, 1877. Present—Commissioners Smith, Wheeler, Erhardt, and Nichols. Resolved, That Doorman James A. Van Dyke, Steamboat Squad, be and he is hereby transferred to the Western Steamboat Squad.

S. C. HAWLEY, Chief Clerk.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION.

DAILY MEETINGS, DECEMBER 26 TO 30, 1876.

Communications received.

- From Penitentiary—List of prisoners received during week ending December 23, 1876 : Males, 33 ; Females, 7. On file.
- List of 34 prisoners to be discharged from December 31, 1876, to January 6, 1877. Transmitted to Prison Association.
- From Lunatic Asylum, Blackwell's Island—History of 5 patients received during week ending December 23, 1876. Referred to Examining Clerk.
- From New York City Asylum for Insane, Ward's Island—History of 4 patients received during week ending December 23, 1876. Referred to Examining Clerk.

Proposals for Meat.

NEW YORK, December 26, 1876.

Hon. THOMAS S. BRENNAN :

SIR—I respectfully report the following as the result of the bids received for Meats for use in 1877, which were opened on the 23d inst. The calculation is based upon one month's consumption of the dietary table in use prior to May, 1875 :

Chucks.....	50,720, at 4 7/8,	\$2,472 60	at 5,	\$2,536 00
Clods.....	152,150, at 4 3/4,	7,227 13	at 5,	7,607 00
Ex. diet.....	3,000, at 12,	360 00	at 9,	270 00
Mutton.....	22,000, at 4 3/4,	1,045 00	at 4 1/2,	990 00
Roast beef.....	1,150, at 11,	126 50	at 9,	103 50
Steaks.....	1,250, at 12,	150 00	at 9,	112 50
Mutton.....	1,100, at 10 1/2,	115 50	at 9,	99 00
Pork.....	1,150, at 7 1/2,	86 25	at 8,	92 00
Corned beef.....	720, at 7,	50 40	at 8,	57 60
Veal.....	1,150, at 6,	69 00	at 9,	103 50
		\$11,702 38		\$11,971 60

Respectfully submitted,

R. M. HEDDEN, Bookkeeper.

By the Board—

It appearing from the Bookkeeper's report, that Kearney & Arnold are the lowest bidders, the contract for supplying the Department with Meat, for the year 1877, be and is hereby awarded to them.

Resolved, That proposals be invited, by public advertisement in the CITY RECORD, for groceries, flour, soap, preserves, dry goods, buttons, etc. Adopted.

Proposals for fresh fish, opened in presence of Commissioners Brennan, Bailey, Cox, and the Comptroller.

By the Board—

Resolved, That the proposal of Eugene G. Blackford to furnish and deliver fresh fish from January 1, to December 31, 1877, at 48-100 cents per pound, be accepted and the contract awarded to him, provided the adequacy and sufficiency of his sureties are approved of by the Comptroller of the City of New York. Adopted.

Resolved, That proposals be invited by public advertisement in the CITY RECORD for 13,500 tons white ash coal, to be distributed as follows :

- 5,000 tons grate, Blackwell's Island.
- 3,000 " " Ward's Island.
- 500 " egg, Hart's Island.
- 2,000 " grate, Bellevue Hospital.
- 250 " egg, City Prison.
- 500 " " Randall's Island.
- 2,200 " grate, Steamboats.
- 50 " egg, Central Office.

13,500

Adopted.

Proposals for lumber, nails, etc., opened in presence of Commissioners Brennan, Bailey, and the Comptroller.

By the Board—

Resolved, That the proposals of J. W. Duryee, to furnish and deliver lumber as per specification for \$4,395.02.

- C. B. Keogh & Co., window sashes for \$326.
- Quackenbush, Townsend & Co., 100 squares Penn Slate, at \$5.70 per square ; 100 squares Martin's Slating Felt, at \$1.87 per square ; 500 feet No. 24 Galvanized Iron, at \$6.46 per 100 pounds ; 600 feet No. 22 Galvanized Iron, at \$6.65 per 100 pounds ; 5 kegs cu. nails, eight-penny, at \$3.30 per keg ; 10 kegs cut nails, ten-penny, at \$2.95 per keg.
- Guy C. Hotchkiss, Field & Co., 40 boxes roofing tin, at \$6.74 per box ; 4 kegs galvanized slating nails, at \$6.49 per keg ; 5 kegs six-penny cut nails, at \$3.36 per keg ; 3 kegs twelve-penny cut nails, at \$2.99 per keg ; 50 kegs sixty-penny cut nails, at \$2.99 per keg.

—be accepted, and the contracts awarded to them provided the adequacy and sufficiency of their sureties are approved of by the Comptroller of the City of New York. Adopted.

Proposal for condensed milk, opened in presence of Commissioners Brennan, Bailey, Cox, and the Comptroller.

By the Board—

Resolved, That the proposal of the American Condensed Milk Company, to furnish milk for first three months, at 19 1/2 cents per quart ; next six months, at 15 1/2 cents per quart ; last three

months, at 19½ cents per quart;—be accepted, and the contract awarded to them provided the adequacy and sufficiency of their sureties are approved of by the Comptroller of the City of New York. Adopted.

Analysis by Chemist:

Water.....	56.84
Butter.....	13.42
Casein.....	15.33
Sugar.....	12.21
Salts.....	2.20
Total.....	100.00

Appointments.

- December 27. Emily DeForest, Cook, Charity Hospital.
- 29. Bessie Knapp, Nurse, Infants' Hospital.
- 30. Joseph Kingsley, Attendant, New York City Asylum for Insane.
- 30. John Lowery, Attendant, New York City Asylum for Insane.

Removals.

- December 27. Young Sloan, Cook, Nursery Hospital.
- 27. Hannah Healy, Cook, Charity Hospital.
- 30. John Ahern, Attendant, New York City Asylum for Insane.

JOSHUA PHILLIPS, Secretary.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT, No. 301 MOTT STREET, NEW YORK, January 2, 1877.

The Board met pursuant to adjournment.

281 orders for the abatement of nuisances were made.

Suits for Penalties.

The Attorney was directed to commence suits for penalties for non-compliance with the orders of the Board in 7 cases, and violation of the Sanitary Code in 4 cases.

Reports Received.

From the Sanitary Superintendent: On operations of the Sanitary Bureau; on contagious diseases; on slaughter-houses; on work performed by Disinfecting Corps.
 From Riverside Hospital: Monthly report of Vaccinating Corps; on applications for permits; on application for relief; on suspension of certain orders; on complaint against J. K. C. Walker; on birth of Robert Hall.
 From the Attorney and Counsel: Monthly and weekly reports.
 From the Deputy Register of Records: Weekly letter on mortality; weekly mortuary statement; weekly abstract of marriages, births, and still-births; weekly report of deaths from diphtheria, scarlatina, membranous croup, and malarial and cerebro-spinal fevers; on work performed by clerks in Bureau of Vital Statistics.

Bills Audited.

Swift & White.....	\$3,333 34
L. McDermott.....	231 25

Communications Received.

From N. Marc, in respect to the use of salt on the flooring of street cars to melt the snow, taken thereon upon the feet of passengers.

Permit Granted.

To keep six cows at Second avenue, between Ninety-fourth and Ninety-fifth streets.

The following is a comparative statement of cases of contagious disease reported at this Bureau for the two weeks ending December 30, 1876:

Week Ending	Typhus Fever.	Typhoid Fever.	Scarlet Fever.	Cerebro-Spinal Meningitis.	Measles.	Diphtheria.	Small-pox.
December 23..	0.	7.	55.	2.	4.	41.	0.
" 30..	0.	7.	66.	4.	6.	46.	0.

Bureau of Vital Statistics.

During the week ending December 30, 1876, there were issued from this Bureau 473 burial permits for city deaths, 14 for bodies in transitu, and 47 for the interment of still-born infants. There were recorded 473 deaths, 136 marriages, 412 births, 47 still-births, 14 applications for transit permits, and 54 returns from Coroners. There were 15 searches of the registers of births, marriages, and deaths, and 1 transcript of marriage record, and 14 of death were issued from this Bureau.

By order of the Board,
EMMONS CLARK, Secretary.

LAW DEPARTMENT.

Statement and Return of Moneys received by WILLIAM A. BOYD, Corporation Attorney, for the month of December, 1876, rendered to the Comptroller in pursuance of the provisions of Section 26, Article 1, Chapter V., of the Revised Ordinances of 1866; and of Sections 38 and 96 of Chapter 335 of the Laws of 1873.

DATE.	WHAT FOR.	JUDGMENTS.	PENALTIES.	COSTS.	TOTAL AMOUNT.
Dec. 1	Violation of Corporation Ordinances.....		\$20 00	\$12 50	\$32 50
" 2	"		5 00	5 00	10 00
" 4	"		15 00	15 00	30 00
" 5	"		30 00	52 50	82 50
" 6	"		32 50	40 00	72 50
" 7	"		5 00	5 00	10 00
" 8	"		5 00	17 50	22 50
" 9	"		2 50	7 50	10 00
" 11	"		5 00	10 00	15 00
" 12	"		17 50	30 00	47 50
" 13	"		22 50	30 00	52 50
" 14	"		17 50	27 50	45 00
" 15	"		17 50	17 50	35 00
" 16	"		5 00	7 50	12 50
" 18	"		5 00	15 00	20 00
" 19	"		5 00	2 50	7 50
" 20	"		2 50	17 50	20 00
" 21	"		30 00	50 00	80 00
" 22	"		25 00	42 50	67 50
" 23	"		10 00	10 00	20 00
" 26	"		5 00	32 50	37 50
" 27	"		5 00	55 00	60 00
" 28	"		12 50	12 50	25 00
" 29	"		2 50	2 50	5 00
" 30	"		\$232 00	.....	232 00
Total amount collected.....					\$1,012 00
Amount paid over to the Treasurer of the Fire Department of the City of New York, for penalties recovered, in accordance with chapter 742, section 12, of the Laws of 1871.....					\$50 00
Disbursements.....					436 50
Balance due the City.....					\$525 50

WILLIAM A. BOYD, Corporation Attorney.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK, BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS, January 2, 1877.

W. DE F. DAY, M. D., Sanitary Superintendent and Register:

SIR—There were 473 deaths registered in this city during the week ending December 30, being an increase of 41, as compared with the preceding week, and 83 less than the number reported during the corresponding week of 1875. The actual mortality for the week ending December 23, was 463, which is 40.8 below the average number of deaths for the corresponding week of the past five years, and represents an annual death-rate of 22.52 per 1,000 persons living, the population estimated at \$1,069,068.

The increase of deaths during the past compared with the preceding week was due to the following diseases, viz.: Small-pox 1, scarlatina 4, diphtheria 4, membranous croup 7, diarrhoeal diseases 3, cancer 3, phthisis pulmonalis 16, diseases of the heart 4, hydrocephalus and tubercular meningitis 4, Bright's disease 5; while the deaths from measles decreased 1, whooping-cough 1, typhoid fever 6, puerperal diseases 2, bronchitis 4, pneumonia 1, marasmus and scrofula 4, and nervous diseases 1. Of these deaths, 75 were in institutions, 125 in houses containing 3 families and less, 263 in houses containing 4 families and more, and 6 in hotels and boarding-houses; 8 were on the basement floor, 100 on the first, 122 on the second, 99 on the third, 33 on the fourth, 9 on the fifth, 6 on the sixth, and 17 on the top.

During the year 1876, 23,744 births, 7,099 marriages, 2,290 still-births, and 29,211 deaths were reported to have occurred in this city; of this mortality 15,239, or 52.17 per cent., were in tenement houses (houses containing 4 families and more), 82,07, or 28.10 per cent., in houses containing 3 families and less (including shanties), 247, or 0.85 per cent., in hotels and boarding-houses, 4,768, or 16.33 per cent. in institutions, 270, or 0.93 per cent. not stated, and 480, or 1.64 per cent., in streets, rivers, yards, etc. The floors upon which these deaths in tenement houses, houses containing 3 families and less, and hotels and boarding-houses occurred are as follows, viz.: basement 244, first 6,173, second 8,398, third 4,630, fourth 1,502, fifth 282, sixth 42, seventh 3, on the floor designated as the top, 1,267, and the number of houses that had no floors stated was 1,360. The certificates of death which do not contain the number of families and floors stated thereon were received in the early part of the year, when the present system was not so complete as it is now.

The highest monthly number of deaths reported was in July, 4,172, March and August following next in numerical order, with 2,763 and 2,732 respectively; the highest weekly number of deaths was during the week ending July 15, when 1,298 deaths were reported, which is within 506 of the total mortality for the month of November (1,804), which had the lowest monthly number of deaths reported during the year; the lowest weekly mortality was during the weeks ending November 11 and 25, which had 413 deaths each, or 885 less than the mortality reported during the week ending July 15. The highest monthly number of deaths reported in tenement houses was during the month of July (2,410), and the lowest was during the month of November (886).

The number of deaths reported during the year 1876, from diphtheria, was 1,764, scarlatina 889, membranous croup 524, malarial fevers 243, and cerebro-spinal fever 125. 1,230 of these deaths were in houses containing 3 families and less (including shanties), 2,169 in tenement-houses, 70 in hotels and boarding-houses, 69 in institutions, and 7 on canal-boats. Of these deaths 43 were on the basement floor, 189 on the top, 846 on the first, 1,208 on the second, 709 on the third, 281 on the fourth, and 69 on the fifth. The average age of those who died from scarlatina was 4 years, 2 months, 14 days; diphtheria, 4 years, 2 months, 11 days; membranous croup, 2 years, 7 months, 7 days; malarial fevers, 25 years, 3 days, and cerebro-spinal fevers, 10 years, 1 month, 7 days. The wards that furnished the highest number of these deaths were the Nineteenth, 409; Twenty-second, 374; Seventeenth, 309; Twentieth, 268, and Twelfth, 232; the wards that furnished the lowest number were the Second, 2; Third, 12; First, 41; Fifth, 51, and the Fifteenth, 59, as the accompanying table will show.

The burial of 25,631, or 81.05 per cent. of the deaths and still-births reported during the year, was in the following six cemeteries, viz.: Calvary, 11,941; Lutheran, 4,387; City (pauper burying-ground), 3,816; Greenwood, 2,541; Evergreen, 1,672; Cypress Hills, 1,274.

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HEALTH DEPARTMENT OF CITY OF NEW YORK, BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS, January 2, 1877.

W. DE F. DAY, M. D., Sanitary Superintendent and Register:

SIR—I have the honor to submit the following table, relating to the reported mortality, etc., of this city during the year 1876.

Very respectfully your obedient servant,

JOHN T. NAGLE, M. D., Deputy Register of Records.

Number of Deaths in Tenement Houses, Institutions, Floors, etc., reported to the Bureau of Vital Statistics during the year ending December 31, 1876.

MONTH.	Number of Deaths Reported.	Number of Deaths in Institutions.	Number of Deaths in Houses containing 3 Families and less.	Number of Deaths in Houses containing 4 Families and over.	Hotels and Boarding Houses.	Houses in which the number of families were not stated.	FLOORS.										Deaths in streets, rivers, boats, etc.
							Basement.	First.	Second.	Third.	Fourth.	Fifth.	Sixth.	Seventh.	Top.	Not Stated.	
January	2,413	396	681	1,171	38	107	7	457	542	353	84	14	..	..	105	455	..
February	2,498	381	701	1,306	27	64	2	467	636	351	101	15	3	..	84	342	..
March	2,763	486	770	1,384	19	66	20	495	708	353	128	15	9	..	94	449	..
April	2,384	408	708	1,200	13	33	20	471	748	350	120	29	3	1	107	114	..
May	2,230	309	603	1,152	22	..	21	446	691	366	126	11	12	2	101	..	..
June	2,089	387	518	1,117	12	..	18	450	601	355	90	26	1	..	106	..	..
July	4,172	555	1,118	2,410	23	..	37	944	1,296	761	239	49	2	..	195	..	..
August	2,732	436	727	1,499	14	..	34	668	806	434	160	27	2	..	109	..	..
September	2,118	357	607	1,103	18	..	24	488	617	347	123	31	1	..	97	..	..
October	1,964	324	613	958	20	..	21	449	591	314	96	15	1	..	105	..	..
November	1,804	296	570	886	20	..	16	387	579	296	100	22	1	..	75	..	..
December	2,044	343	591	1,053	21	..	24	451	583	350	135	28	7	..	89	..	..
Total	29,211	4,768	8,207	15,239	247	270	244	6,173	8,398	4,630	1,502	282	42	3	1,267	1,360	542

Deaths reported from Scarlatina, Diphtheria, Membranous Croup, Malarial Fevers, and Cerebro-spinal Meningitis, during the Year ending December 31, 1876.

DISEASE.	In Houses containing Three Families and Under.	In Houses containing Over Three Families.	Canal Boats.	Hotels and Boarding-houses.	Institutions.	Basement.	Top Floor.	First Floor.	Second Floor.	Third Floor.	Fourth Floor.	Fifth Floor.	Not Stated.	AVERAGE AGE.			WARDS.																Total.								
														Years.	Months.	Days.	First.	Second.	Third.	Fourth.	Fifth.	Sixth.	Seventh.	Eighth.	Ninth.	Tenth.	Eleventh.	Twelfth.	Thirteenth.	Fourteenth.	Fifteenth.	Sixteenth.		Seventeenth.	Eighteenth.	Nineteenth.	Twentieth.	Twenty-first.	Twenty-second.	Twenty-third.	Twenty-fourth.
Diphtheria	649	1,035	5	59	16	17	99	462	622	350	120	30	..	4	2	11	19	1	7	35	28	33	40	53	93	76	83	106	41	42	36	81	132	77	191	140	84	223	99	44	1,764
Membranous Croup	166	343	1	2	12	9	28	128	162	124	51	9	..	2	7	7	10	..	1	9	5	16	26	22	17	29	53	42	23	10	9	15	57	16	56	29	14	51	14	..	524
Malarial Fevers	125	94	..	5	19	2	8	43	91	60	16	4	..	25	..	13	2	..	1	1	3	4	9	2	7	7	9	40	6	1	8	7	8	8	36	17	14	25	15	13	243
Cerebro-spinal Meningitis	33	82	..	1	9	1	11	24	35	34	8	3	..	10	1	7	5	2	8	6	..	2	4	7	9	4	4	2	5	8	7	23	10	6	8	5	..	125	
Total	1,239	2,169	7	70	69	43	189	846	1,208	790	281	69	41	2	12	70	51	85	134	98	158	167	214	232	107	75	59	161	309	168	409	268	147	374	143	61	3,545

Interments of Still-born Infants and of Persons reported to have died in New York City, during the year ending December 31, 1876.

CEMETERIES.	DENOMINATION.	JANUARY.	FEBRUARY.	MARCH.	APRIL.	MAY.	JUNE.	JULY.	AUGUST.	SEPTEMBER.	OCTOBER.	NOVEMBER.	DECEMBER.	TOTAL FOR YEAR.
Bayside	Jewish	37	63	49	51	53	37	71	59	29	47	38	41	575
Calvary	Roman Catholic	978	999	1,120	927	869	849	1,662	1,142	806	817	757	925	11,941
City	Undenominational	287	306	306	319	341	310	496	372	287	243	224	265	3,816
Cypress Hills	Undenominational	102	133	107	108	118	100	167	89	91	92	76	91	1,274
Evergreen	Undenominational	143	131	177	142	108	137	245	154	116	111	95	113	1,672
Greenwood	Undenominational	214	248	248	232	206	171	324	215	168	180	170	165	2,547
Holy Cross	Roman Catholic	19	27	32	26	17	14	28	23	22	22	16	22	268
Lutheran	Undenominational	361	345	363	351	315	337	720	417	343	305	269	261	4,387
Machpelah, Long Island	Jewish	15	17	25	20	20	14	45	27	21	16	13	13	246
Machpelah, New Jersey	Undenominational	7	4	8	7	10	5	1	1	3	5	3	2	56
Methodist Episcopal	Methodist Episcopal	13	4	12	11	15	12	37	19	11	12	6	9	161
Marble	Undenominational	6	6	2	5	4	1	3	4	3	2	3	7	46
New York Bay	Undenominational	24	21	19	20	17	13	31	14	13	14	14	25	225
Newark	..	5	3	2	5	3	2	6	3	2	..	1	3	35
St. Peter's, New Jersey	Roman Catholic	5	4	2	3	2	2	9	2	2	3	4	3	41
St. Raymond's	Roman Catholic	12	19	17	13	16	11	26	21	24	17	20	23	219
St. Michael's, Long Island	Protestant Episcopal	30	40	42	28	37	26	48	42	28	24	23	24	392
Salem Fields	Jewish	7	4	12	7	6	3	4	8	3	2	2	6	64
Trinity	Undenominational	9	18	19	14	13	9	16	8	7	13	12	10	148
Union	Methodist Protestant	21	19	28	21	25	26	57	31	20	13	19	20	300
Union Fields	Jewish	6	2	8	4	5	4	8	8	9	5	2	11	72
Woodlawn	Undenominational	92	63	80	62	57	27	104	58	54	54	57	50	758
Washington	Undenominational	34	22	23	14	19	21	26	25	17	13	14	18	246
West Farms	..	17	6	9	9	3	10	21	10	10	7	5	9	116
Weehawken	Undenominational	6	2	2	5	4	3	14	4	4	5	3	8	60
Ward's Island	Undenominational	15	16	21	16	12	18	18	18	10	12	7	14	177
Yonkers	..	7	6	5	7	3	4	8	6	2	2	5	8	63
Other cemeteries in New York City and vicinity	..	48	53	51	46	51	32	87	52	68	52	39	51	630
Other cemeteries outside of New York City and vicinity	..	111	107	126	105	70	76	80	68	29	65	67	68	972
Total Interments	..	2,631	2,688	2,975	2,578	2,419	2,274	4,362	2,900	2,292	2,153	1,964	2,265	31,501

* All Cemeteries.

Deaths, etc., Reported to the Bureau of Vital Statistics, during the year 1876.

1876.	Number of Burial Permits for City Deaths.	No. of Burial Permits for Coroners' Certificates.	No. of Permits for Burial in Transit.	No. of Permits for Removal from City Cemeteries.	No. of Permits for Burial - Still Births.	No. of Cases Referred to Coroners.	No. of Marriages.	No. of Births.	No. of Transcripts of Record of Deaths.	No. of Transcripts of Record of Marriages.	No. of Transcripts of Record of Births.	Searches made for Marriages, Births, and Deaths.	Indefinite Certificates Returned for Correction or Information.
January	2,413	250	87	17	218	1	610	1,998	98	18	18	100	75
February	2,498	203	104	..	190	..	654	2,077	76	13	8	103	57
March	2,763	232	127	5	212	6	541	2,109	122	18	21	156	59
April	2,384	231	114	22	194	3	566	1,708	87	8	13	106	54
May	2,230	243	106	34	185	1	623	1,807	91	13	12	111	62
June	2,089	265	93	6	185	..	652	1,867	69	9	9	81	52
* July	4,172	351	142	..	190	..	521	1,986	70	11	9	90	69
August	2,732	263	149	8	168	..	471	2,188	85	24	16	123	45
September	2,118	217	96	..	174	1	580	1,927	70	13	12	98	62
October	1,964	264	112	3	180	..	735	2,041	83	16	16	116	47
* November	1,804	206	85	29	160	..	594	1,994	62	13	15	92	42
December	2,044	236	81	13	221	1	550	1,990	62	9	5	76	48
Total	29,211	2,961	1,196	137	2,290	13	7,099	23,744	975	165	154	1,252	672

* During the week ending July 15 the highest weekly number of deaths of the year were recorded (1,298); and during the weeks ending November 11 and 25, the lowest weekly number of deaths of the year were recorded, (413 each).

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN T. NAGLE, M.D., Deputy Register of Records.

APPROVED PAPERS.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Peter B. Knapp to place and keep a pedestal or post, not more than 18 inches square, surmounted by a druggist's sign, in front of No. 362 Hudson street; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, December 14, 1876. Received from his Honor the Mayor, December 28, 1876, without his approval or objections thereto; therefore, as provided in section 11, chapter 335, Laws of 1873, the same became adopted.

Resolved, That the leasing of premises for an armory and drill-room for the use and occupation for military purposes of the First Troop Cavalry, Karl Klein commanding, N. G. S. N. Y., in the City and County of New York, be and the same is hereby authorized, and that the Clerk of this Board be and he is hereby authorized and directed to execute a lease in the name of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of New York, and to affix the seal of said Corporation thereto, of the premises situated at Nos. 7, 9, and 11 West Thirteenth street, being the same premises now occupied by Major-General Shaler and staff for an armory, for the use and occupation of the First Troop Cavalry, Karl Klein, commander, for the term of five years from the first day of January, 1877, at the yearly rental of six thousand dollars, payable quarterly; that the said lease shall provide that no alterations of or additions to the said premises shall be made by the said Corporation or the said troop without the previous written consent of the owners. Also, that the superstructure shall be kept in good repair during the term of said lease, by and at the expense of the owners of said property, and that there be inserted in said lease the usual fire clause. And that the Comptroller be and he is hereby directed to pay said rent quarterly.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, December 21, 1876. Approved by the Mayor, December 29, 1876.

Resolved, That the following-named persons be and they are hereby respectively appointed Commissioners of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York:

Table listing names of Commissioners of Deeds: William C. Emmett, George W. Carpenter, Samson Lachman, J. Edward De Laney, John J. Lynch, Moor Falls, Thomas J. Gaytee, James Kearney, Jacob A. Weil, John P. Kane, William H. Tone, William J. Lacey, Charles J. Taylor, James Steers, Joseph J. Kelly, George W. Nash, John F. Cullen, John Lovelock, Chris. M. Buckman, John G. Boyd.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, December 21, 1876. Approved by the Mayor, December 29, 1876.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to L. V. Conover & Co. to place a platform scale on the sidewalk in front of their premises Nos. 336, 338, 340 East Twenty-ninth street, the work to 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.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, December 21, 1876. Received from his Honor the Mayor, December 28, 1876, without his approval or objections thereto; therefore, as provided in section 11, chapter 335, Laws of 1873, the same became adopted.

Resolved, That Tenth avenue, from Ninety-fifth to One Hundred and Tenth street, be regulated and graded, the curb and gutter stones set, and sidewalks 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.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, December 7, 1876. Received from his Honor the Mayor, December 18, 1876, with his objections thereto. In Board of Aldermen, December 28, 1876, taken up and considered, as provided in section 13 chapter 335, Laws of 1873, and adopted, notwithstanding the objections of his Honor the Mayor, three-fourths of all the members elected voting in favor thereof.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to M. J. Gallagher to retain a stand at the southwest corner of Vesey and Greenwich streets, said stand not to exceed in dimensions eight by five feet, permission for the said privilege having been obtained from the lessee of the said premises; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, December 11, 1876. Received from his Honor the Mayor, December 18, 1876, with his objections thereto. In Board of Aldermen, December 28, 1876, taken up and considered, as provided in section 13, chapter 335, Laws of 1873, and adopted, notwithstanding the objections of his Honor the Mayor, three-fourths of all the members elected voting in favor thereof.

AN ORDINANCE to amend an ordinance entitled "An ordinance to amend section 9 of chapter XIII. of the Revised Ordinances of 1866, entitled 'Of firing of firearms, cannons, and fireworks,' passed May 17, 1876."

The Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of New York do ordain as follows: Section 1. Section 1 of the above-entitled ordinance is hereby amended by omitting therefrom the words "Sulzer's East River Park," and by adding thereto, at the end thereof, the following: "Brien's Undercliff Park, Highbridge," so that said section 9 of chapter XIII. of the Revised Ordinances of 1866, when so amended, shall read as follows:

"Sec. 9. No person shall fire or discharge any gun, pistol, fowling-piece, or other firearm in the City of New York, under the penalty of ten dollars for each offense. The provisions of this section shall not apply to Jones' Wood Coliseum, Washington Park, Hamilton Park, Bender's Schutzen Park, Bellevue Garden, Harlem River Park, Lion Park, Christ's Park, Kuntz Elm Park, National Park, Karl Park, Jerome Park, Fleetwood Park, Hudson River Park, and Brien's Undercliff Park, Highbridge."

Sec. 2. All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent or conflicting with the provision of this ordinance are hereby repealed. Sec. 3. This ordinance shall take effect immediately.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, December 21, 1876. Approved by the Mayor, December 28, 1876.

Resolved, That the three southernmost rooms, on the east side of the hall, on the third floor of the brown-stone building, 32 Chambers street, City Hall Park, be and the same are hereby set apart, provided, designated, and assigned as and for chambers for the joint use and occupancy of the Recorder, the City Judge, and the Judge of the Court of General Sessions; and that the Commissioner of Public Works be and he is hereby authorized and directed to give notice and make provision accordingly.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, December 26, 1876. Approved by the Mayor, December 28, 1876.

Resolved, That the leasing of premises for an armory and drill-room for the use and occupation for military purposes of Companies A, K, and G, of the Twenty-seventh Regiment, N. G. S. N. Y., in the City and County of New York, be and the same is hereby authorized, and the Clerk of this Board be and he is hereby authorized and directed to execute a lease in the name of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of New York, and to affix the seal of said Corporation thereto, of the hall and rooms on the second floor of the building known as Morrisania Hall, situated on Railroad avenue, between One Hundred and Sixty-sixth and One Hundred and Sixty-seventh streets, for the term of two (2) years from the first day of January, 1877, at the yearly rental of seven hundred and fifty dollars, payable quarterly, to be used and occupied by Companies A, G, and K of the Twenty-seventh Regiment, N. G. S. N. Y., for an armory; that the said lease shall provide that no alterations of or additions to the said premises shall be made by the said Corporation or the said companies without the previous written consent of the owners; also, that the superstructure shall be kept in good repair during the term of said lease by and at the expense of the owners of said property, and that there be inserted in said lease the usual fire clause; and that the Comptroller be and he is hereby directed to pay the said rent quarterly.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, December 26, 1876. Approved by the Mayor, December 29, 1876.

AN ORDINANCE to amend section 5 of Article II., and section 1 of Article V. of "An ordinance to amend chapter XL. of the Revised Ordinances of 1866, relative to Hackney Coaches and Cabs," adopted March 16, 1876.

The Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of New York do ordain as follows: Section 1. Section 5 of Article II. of the above-entitled ordinance is hereby amended and shall read as follows:

Section 5. Any driver who may be licensed under section 1 of this article may drive and use any coach or cab belonging to his employer; and no owner of any hackney coach or cab shall allow any person to drive such coach or cab who is not licensed as aforesaid, under penalty of five dollars.

Sec. 2. Section 1 of Article V. of the above-entitled ordinance is hereby amended by inserting in the 10th and 11th subdivisions thereof, before the word "south" the word "north," so that the subdivisions, when so amended, shall read as follows:

- "Stand No. 10—North, south, and west side of Union square."
"Stand No. 11—North, south, and west side of Madison square."
Also, by adding to said section 1, subdivisions 20 and 21, as follows:
"Stand No. 20—Broadway, opposite St. Paul's Church, from 5 P. M. until sunrise."
"Stand No. 21—On all street corners, from 10 P. M. until sunrise."

Sec. 3. All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent or conflicting with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

Sec. 4. This ordinance shall take effect immediately.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, December 7, 1876. Approved by the Mayor, December 20, 1876.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Dearborn G. Piper to erect a flag-staff in front of his premises, No. 272 Bleecker street, the said flagstaff to be not more than seventy-five feet high, not to exceed eighteen inches in diameter, the work to be done at his own expense, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, December 28, 1876. Approved by the Mayor, December 29, 1876.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Thomas McGuire to place a sign in front of premises No. 64 Bowery, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, December 28, 1876. Approved by the Mayor, December 29, 1876.

Resolved, That the resolution approved March 15, 1870, authorizing the Justices of the several Police and Civil Courts to appoint janitors, be and is hereby annulled, rescinded, and repealed.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, December 21, 1876. Approved by the Mayor, December 28, 1876.

Resolved, That the Legislature of the State, at its next session, be requested to enact such laws as will enable the corporate authorities of the City of New York to provide for the manufacture of gas and the laying of gas-mains in the streets, avenues, and public places of this city, in the same manner as Croton-mains are now laid; and be it further

Resolved, That the Counsel to the Corporation prepare a draft of an act relating to the above subject, and transmit the same to the presiding officers of the State Legislature at its session commencing January, 1877.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, December 26, 1876. Received from his Honor the Mayor, December 28, 1876, without his approval or objections thereto; therefore, as provided in section 11, chapter 335, Laws of 1873, the same became adopted.

Resolved, That the Board of City Record be and is hereby requested to cause five hundred copies of the CITY RECORD, containing the official canvass of the election held November 7, 1876, to be printed for the use of the members of this Board, to be delivered to the Clerk and distributed under his direction.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, December 26, 1876. Received from his Honor the Mayor, December 28, 1876, without his approval or objections thereto; therefore, as provided in section 11, chapter 335, Laws of 1873, the same became adopted.

Resolved, That Simon Goodfriend be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place of John Baltimore, who has failed to qualify.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, December 26, 1876. Approved by the Mayor, December 28, 1876.

Resolved, That the resolutions of the Board of Supervisors adopted December 16, 1857, March 23, 1858, March 7, 1859, July 14, 1856, December 28, 1866, December 16, 1862, and December 31, 1863, granting authority to the Recorder and City Judge to appoint Clerks and Messengers and to fix compensation for their services, and to incur expense for cleaning offices, be and the same are hereby repealed, rescinded, and annulled from and after the 31st day of December, 1876.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, December 28, 1876. Approved by the Mayor, December 29, 1876.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby granted to Jane E. Emmons to erect a pie and coffee stand of iron and glass within the stopp lines on the westerly side of Church street, between Cortland and Liberty streets, the same to stand during the pleasure of the Common Council.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, December 26, 1876. Received from his Honor the Mayor, December 28, 1876, without his approval or objections thereto; therefore, as provided in section 11, chapter 335, Laws of 1873, the same became adopted.

Resolved, That the Commissioner of Public Works be and he is hereby requested to report to the Board, at his earliest convenience:

- First - The number and location of street-lamps ordered to be lighted in the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, from the date of their annexation to the present time.
Second - The name of the company or companies that supplies that portion of the city with gas.
Third - The amount paid for lighting each lamp, and the authority or agreement under which said company or companies furnishes gas for the public; and
Fourth - The number of lamps ordered to be lighted in said wards (if any) not yet erected.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, December 21, 1876. Received from his Honor the Mayor, December 28, 1876, without his approval or objections thereto; therefore, as provided in section 11, chapter 335, Laws of 1873, the same became adopted.

Resolved, That permission be and is hereby given to all incorporated Gas-light Companies to lay gas-mains and pipes in the streets, avenues, and public places in this city for the purpose of supplying gas to the city and its inhabitants, upon such conditions as may be first prescribed and approved of by his Honor the Mayor, the Comptroller, and the Commissioner of Public Works, who are now by law authorized to make provision for lighting the streets of the city.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, December 21, 1876. Approved by the Mayor, December 23, 1876.

Resolved, That the sidewalk in Fifty-eighth street, from the southeast corner of Ninth avenue to house No. 344, be paved with stone flagging pavement, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, December 7, 1876. Approved by the Mayor, December 20, 1876.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION, CORNER OF THIRD AVENUE AND ELEVENTH ST., NEW YORK, December 29, 1876.

PROPOSALS FOR DRY GOODS, GROCERIES, ETC.

PROPOSALS, SEALED AND INDORSED AS above, will be received by the Commissioners of Public Charities and Correction, at their office, until 9 o'clock A. M., of Saturday, the 13th day of January, 1877, at which time they will be publicly opened and read by the head of said Department, for furnishing and delivering, at the foot of East Twenty-sixth street, free of all expense to the Department:

- 1,000 pair Dark Blankets. 500 pair White Blankets. 10,000 yds. U. G. Cassimere. 30,000 yds. Brown Muslin. 3,000 yds. Bleached Muslin. 3,000 yds. Bleached Shroud Muslin. 10,000 yds. Ticking. 5,000 yds. Awning Stripes. 5,000 yds. Stripes. 5,000 yds. Brown Denims. 5,000 yds. Blue Denims. 5,000 yds. Cottonades. 5,000 yds. Canton Flannel. 5,000 yds. Linen Drills. 20,000 yds. Brown Bandage Muslin. 3,000 yds. Russia Crash. 1,000 lbs. Knitting Cotton. 500 gross Metal Suspender Buttons. 500 gross A-22 White Bone Buttons. 100 gross Coat Buttons.

- GROCERIES. 75,000 lbs. Hard Soap. 15,000 lbs. Oolong Tea. 5,000 lbs. "A" Coffee Sugar. 5,000 lbs. Granulated Sugar. 5,000 lbs. Crushed Sugar. 20,000 lbs. Rio Coffee. 20,000 lbs. Rice. 2,500 lbs. Whole Pepper. 1,200 lbs. Macaroni. 5,000 lbs. Pearl Barley. 3,000 lbs. Wheaten Grains. 500 lbs. Hecker's Farina. 2,000 lbs. Chicory. 1,000 lbs. Laundry Starch. 600 lbs. Corn Starch. 1,000 lbs. Prepared Cocoa. 100 bbls. Hemloy "A" No. 1. 100 bbls. Soda Crackers. Bbls. to be returned. 100 bbls. Oatmeal. Bbls. to be returned. 500 bush. Beans. 500 bush. Rye. 2,000 gals. Molasses. Hhds. to be returned. 10,000 lbs. Tobacco. 300 sacks Salt, equal to Worthington's. 400 quintals Codfish, George's Bank, best quality, to be delivered in quantities as required. 500 bales Long Bright Rye Straw, to be delivered in quantities as required. 30 doz. Canned Corn. 50 doz. Canned Peas. 50 doz. Canned Tomatoes. 25 doz. Canned Peaches. 25 doz. Canned Plums. 200 bbls. Fine Flour. Empty barrels to be returned and deducted from the price of flour.

The quality of the goods furnished must conform in every respect to the samples of the above to 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 to accept an offer for the whole bid or for any single article included in the proposal, 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.

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

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION, CORNER OF THIRD AVENUE AND ELEVENTH ST., NEW YORK, December 29, 1876.

PROPOSALS FOR 13,500 TONS WHITE ASH COAL.

PROPOSALS, SEALED AND INDORSED AS above, will be received by the Commissioners of Public Charities and Correction, at their office, until 9 o'clock A. M., of Saturday, the 13th day of January, 1877, at which time they will be publicly opened and read by the head of said Department, for furnishing and delivering 13,500 tons of white ash coal, of the best quality, to be well screened and in good order, and each ton to consist of (2,240) twenty-two hundred and forty pounds. None other will be accepted. All of said coal to be delivered as required, in about the following sizes and quantities, free of all expense, at the following places:

- At Blackwell's Island— 5,000 tons grate size. At Ward's Island— 5,000 tons grate size. At Randall's Island— 500 tons egg size. At Hart's Island— 500 tons egg size. At Bellevue Hospital— 2,000 tons grate size. At Steamboat dock, foot of East Twenty-sixth street, for use of steamboats in cargoes of about 200 tons per month— 2,200 tons grate size. At Tombs— 125 tons egg size. At Essex street, Third District Prison— 50 tons egg size. At Fifty-seventh street, Fourth District Prison— 25 tons egg size. At One Hundred and Twenty-sixth street, Fifth District Prison— 25 tons egg size. At Fordham, Sixth District Prison— 25 tons egg size. At No. 66 Third avenue— 50 tons egg size.

Proposals to state the particular description of coal to be delivered, as known in the market, from what mine produced, and all particulars, to enable the Board to arrive at a proper decision. 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 to accept an offer for the whole bid or for any single article included in the proposal, 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.

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

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION, CORNER OF THIRD AVENUE AND ELEVENTH ST., NEW YORK, December 29, 1876.

PROPOSALS FOR 3,000 BARRELS OF FLOUR.

PROPOSALS, SEALED AND INDORSED AS above, will be received by the Commissioners of Public Charities and Correction, at their office, until 9 o'clock A. M., of Saturday, January 13, 1877, at which time they will be publicly opened and read by the head of said Department, for furnishing and delivering, at the Bake-house, Blackwell's Island, free of all expense to the Department, 3,000 barrels of good extra spring wheat flour, to be equal in quality to sample to be seen at this office (empty barrels to be returned and deducted in proportion from the price of flour), to be delivered in quantities as required, free of all expense to the Department.

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

No proposal will be considered unless accompanied by the consent, in writing, of two householders or freeholders of the City of New York, with their respective places of business or residence, to the effect, that if the contract be awarded under that proposal, they will, on its being so awarded, become bound as sureties in the estimated amount of 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 to accept an offer for the whole bid or for any single article included in the proposal, 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.

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

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION, CORNER OF THIRD AVENUE AND ELEVENTH ST., NEW YORK, January 2, 1877.

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 Nursery Hospital, Randall's Island, December 25, 1876—Thomas Moran; age 12 years; admitted December 26, 1876. Nothing known of his friends or relatives.

By Order, JOSHUA PHILLIPS, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT PUBLIC WORKS.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, ROOM 17, CITY HALL, NEW YORK, December 28, 1876.

PROPOSALS FOR COAL.

PROPOSALS, INCLOSED IN A SEALED ENVELOPE, indorsed as above, with the name of the bidder, will be received at this office, until Thursday, January 11, 1877, at 12 o'clock M., at which hour they will be publicly opened and read, for furnishing, delivering, and stowing away at the following public buildings, offices, and courts of the City of New York, coal of the quality and quantities hereinafter mentioned:

- 100 gross tons of Lehigh Broken Coal, for New Court House. 30 gross tons of Lehigh Stove Coal, for New Court House. 50 gross tons of Lehigh Nut Size Coal, for City Hall. 65 gross tons of Lehigh Range Size Coal, for City Hall. 30 gross tons of English Cannel Coal, for City Hall. 90 gross tons of Lehigh Furnace Size Coal, for Brown Stone Building. 30 gross tons of Lehigh Stove Size Coal, for Brown Stone Building. 20 gross tons of Lehigh Nut Size Coal, for Brown Stone Building. 65 gross tons of Lehigh Furnace Size Coal, for Fifty-seventh Street Court House. 20 gross tons of Lehigh Stove Size Coal, for Fifty-seventh Street Court House. 150 gross tons of Lehigh Stove Size. 60 gross tons of Lehigh Egg Size. 50 gross tons of Lehigh Furnace Size. 20 gross tons of Lehigh Nut Size Anthracite Coal, and 5 gross tons of English Cannel Coal.

To be supplied to the following public offices as shall be required and directed: The office of the Public Administrator, Corporation Attorney, Board of Assessors, Marine Court, No. 27 Chambers street, Court of Special Sessions at the Tombs, office of the Department of Buildings, and also all the various Civil and Police Courts south of Fifty-ninth street. The Anthracite Coal must be of the best quality Lehigh, clean and in good order, 2240 pounds to the ton, free from dust, slate, and other foreign substances, and to be delivered in such quantities, and stowed away in such places as herein provided for, and at such times during the year 1877, as may be directed by the Superintendent of Repairs and Supplies.

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 interests of the city. ALLAN CAMPBELL, Commissioner of Public Works.

DEPARTMENT OF TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS.

DEPARTMENT OF TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS, No. 32 CHAMBERS STREET, NEW YORK, January 6, 1877.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOOKS of Annual Record of the Assessment upon the Real and Personal Estate of the City and County of New York for the year 1877, will be open for inspection and revision, on and after Monday, January 8, 1877, and will remain open until the 30th day of April, 1877, inclusive, for the correction of errors and the equalization of the assessments of the aforesaid real and personal estate.

All persons believing themselves aggrieved must make application to the Commissioners during the period above mentioned, in order to obtain the relief provided by law.

By order of the Board, ALBERT STORER, Secretary.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT.

PROPOSALS FOR \$233,483 BONDS OF THE MAYOR, ALDERMEN, AND COMMONALTY OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED AT the Comptroller's Office, until Tuesday, January 9, 1877, at 2 o'clock P. M., when the same will be publicly opened, for the whole or any part of the sum of \$233,483 Bonds of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of New York, as authorized by chapter 429, Laws of 1876, entitled "An act to provide for payment for the use and occupation of Armories and Drill-rooms in the City of New York," passed May 26, 1876.

Said Bonds will bear interest at the rate of five per cent. per annum, payable on the first day of May and November in each year, and the principal will be redeemable three years from the date thereof.

The proposals will state the amount of Bonds desired, and the price per one hundred dollars thereof; and the persons whose proposals are accepted will thereupon be required to deposit with the Chamberlain the sums awarded to them respectively, together with any premiums thereon.

On presenting to the Comptroller the receipts of the Chamberlain for such deposit, the parties will be entitled to receive certificates for equal amounts of the par value of the sums awarded to them, bearing interest from the dates of payment.

Each proposal should be sealed and indorsed "Proposals for Bonds of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of New York," and inclosed in a second envelope addressed to the Comptroller.

The right is reserved on the part of the Comptroller to reject any or all of the bids, if in his judgment the interests of the Corporation require it.

CITY OF NEW YORK, DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, December 27, 1876.

JOHN KELLY, Comptroller.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, BUREAU FOR THE COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS, ROTUNDA, NEW COURT-HOUSE, NEW YORK, December 22, 1876.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY-HOLDERS.

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

CONFIRMED DECEMBER 1, 1876.

Underground drains, between One Hundred and Seventy-third and One Hundred and Eighty-third streets, and between Kingsbridge road and Harlem river.

Thirtieth avenue, regulating, grading, etc., between Twenty-fourth and Twenty-fifth streets.

Thirtieth street, regulating, grading, etc., between Eleventh and Twelfth avenues.

Fiftieth street, curb, gutter, and flagging, between Tenth and Eleventh avenues.

Eighty-fourth street, curb, gutter, and flagging, between Eighth and Tenth avenues.

Third avenue, flagging, west side, between Eighty-third and Eighty-sixth streets.

Ninth avenue, flagging, east side, between Fifty-ninth and Sixty-third streets.

Twenty-eighth street, flagging, north side, between First avenue and East river.

Thirty-seventh street, flagging, south side, Lexington avenue, 200 feet easterly.

Fifty-seventh street, flagging, between Lexington and Madison avenues.

Sixty-second street, flagging, between Ninth avenue and Boulevard.

Thirty-third street, paving, between First avenue and East river.

Fifty-fifth street, paving, between Fourth and Madison avenues.

Fifty-sixth street, paving, between Fifth and Madison avenues.

Fifty-seventh street, paving, from Eleventh avenue to Hudson river.

Sixty-first street, paving, from Eighth to Tenth avenue.

Sixty-second street, paving, from First avenue to Avenue A.

One Hundred and Twentieth street, paving, between First and Second avenues.

One Hundred and Thirtieth street, paving, between Fourth and Sixth avenues.

Second avenue, paving, between One Hundred and Twenty-fifth and One Hundred and Twenty-eighth streets.

Fifth avenue, paving, between One Hundred and Thirtieth street and Harlem river.

Thirtieth street, basin, southwest corner of Third avenue.

Sixtieth street, sewer, between First avenue and Avenue A.

Fourth avenue, sewer, east side, between Eighty-fourth and Eighty-fifth streets.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, BUREAU FOR THE COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS, ROTUNDA, NEW COURT-HOUSE, NEW YORK, November 16, 1876.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY-HOLDERS.

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

CONFIRMED NOVEMBER 14, 1876.

Regulating, grading, setting curb, gutter-stones, and flagging One Hundred and Fourth street, from Fifth avenue to Harlem river.

All payments made on the above assessment on or before January 16, 1877, 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.

NICHOLAS F. BUTENSCHON, Collector of Assessments.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, BUREAU FOR THE COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS, ROTUNDA, NEW COURT-HOUSE, NEW YORK, November 10, 1876.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY-HOLDERS.

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

CONFIRMED OCTOBER 21, 1876.

Regulating and grading Fifth avenue, from Eighty-sixth street to Mount Morris square.

All payments made on the above assessment on or before January 10, 1877, 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.

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FIRE DEPARTMENT.

HEADQUARTERS FIRE DEPARTMENT, CITY OF NEW YORK, 155 AND 157 MERCER STREET, NEW YORK, December 23, 1876.

SEALED PROPOSALS FOR PAINTING ONE thousand telegraph poles, including cross-arms, will be received at these Headquarters, until 10 o'clock A. M., on Wednesday, the tenth day of January, 1877, at which time they will be publicly opened and read. Specifications for doing the work, and the form of contract, can be seen on application at these Headquarters, where further information and blank proposals may also be obtained. Two responsible sureties will be required upon each proposal, who must each justify in one half the amount thereof.

Proposals must be addressed to the Board of Commissioners, be indorsed "Proposals for painting telegraph poles," and with the name of parties making the same. The Commissioners reserve the right to reject any or all proposals received, if deemed to be for the interest of the city.

JOSEPH L. PERLEY, ROSEWELL D. HATCH, VINCENT C. KING, Commissioners.

JURORS.

NOTICE IN RELATION TO JURORS FOR STATE COURTS.

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER OF JURORS, NEW COURT-HOUSE, NEW YORK, JUNE 1, 1876.

APPLICATIONS FOR EXEMPTIONS WILL BE heard here, from 9 to 4 daily, from all persons who are 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 exemption; if liable, he must also answer in person, giving full and correct name, residence, etc., etc. No attention paid to letters.

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.

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.

THOMAS DUNLAP, Commissioner, County Court-house (Chambers street entrance)

SUPREME COURT.

In the matter of the application of the Department of Public Works, for and in behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to the opening of One Hundred and Seventy-fifth street, from the easterly line of Kingsbridge road to the westerly line of Tenth avenue, in the City of New York.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BILL of the costs, charges, and expenses incurred by reason of the proceedings in the above-entitled matter will be presented for taxation to one of the Justices of the Supreme Court, in the New Court-house, at the City Hall, in the City of New York, on the sixteenth day of January, 1877, at 10 1/2 o'clock in the forenoon.

E. Z. LAURENCE, F. H. CHURCHILL, GEO. H. SWORDS, Commissioners. Dated New York, December 27, 1876.