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## LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT.

### BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

#### STATED SESSION.

THURSDAY, June 21, 1877, }  
2 o'clock P. M. }

The Board met in their chamber, No. 16 City Hall.

#### PRESENT:

Hon. Henry D. Purroy, President;

#### ALDERMEN

William L. Cole,  
Rufus B. Cowing,  
John De Vries,  
Ferdinand Ehrhart,  
John W. Guntzer,  
George Hall,

William Joyce,  
Patrick Keenan,  
Samuel A. Lewis,  
John J. Morris,  
Joseph C. Pinckney,  
Bryan Reilly,

William Salmon,  
William Sauer,  
Thomas Sheils,  
Stephen N. Simonson,  
James J. Slevin,  
Michael Tuomey.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

#### PETITIONS.

By Alderman Morris—

Memorial of the National Board of Fire Underwriters, protesting against any modification of the existing ordinance relating to fireworks, as follows:

THE NATIONAL BOARD OF FIRE UNDERWRITERS,  
STATISTICAL BUREAU,  
NEW YORK, June 21, 1877. }

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

GENTLEMEN—Our attention has been called to a proposed amendment to section 7 of chapter 13 of the Ordinances of 1866, "of the firing of fire-arms, cannons, and fireworks," where it is proposed to insert after the word "combustion" the words "except on the third and fourth days of July in each and every year."

We beg leave respectfully to remonstrate against the passage of this amendment, as it would defeat the very purpose for which the ordinance was originally passed.

When we had the honor to appear before the Law Committee of your Honorable Body, to whom this subject was referred, we stated fully the necessities of such an ordinance for the protection of life and property in this city; but in view of the fact that the ordinance referred to, although for many years on the statute books, had failed to be enforced, we agreed with the representatives of the "Pyrotechnic Association of the United States," who were also represented at such hearing, that we would not seek the enforcement of the ordinance the present year, so as to save them from mercantile loss upon the manufactured stock already on hand. They distinctly stated to us, in the presence of Aldermen Lewis and Howland, that they had no objections to any law that should apply after July of the present year.

We therefore beg to suggest the elimination of the proposed amendment in G. O. No. 184, referred to above, and instead thereof an amendment to section 3 of said ordinance to the following effect:

This ordinance shall take effect from and after July 6, 1877.

We trust that your Honorable Body will see the reasonableness of this request and amend the ordinance accordingly.

On behalf of the National Board of Fire Underwriters,

HENRY A. OAKLEY, Chairman Statistical Bureau.

CHAS. A. JENNEY, Secretary.

Which was laid over in connection with G. O. 184, and ordered to be printed in full in the CITY RECORD.

By the President—

Petition of the College of St. Francis Xavier for permission to erect a porch over the entrances to the new church on Sixteenth street, between Fifth and Sixth avenues, as follows:

To the Hon. the Common Council of the City of New York:

Your petitioners, the College of St. Francis Xavier in the City of New York, respectfully represent:

That they are a corporation within the City of New York, and own certain premises therein, to wit, on the southerly side of West Sixteenth street, between the Fifth and the Sixth avenues, in said city.

That in certain portions of the premises so owned by them, they are about erecting a new church, which will have on West Sixteenth street of said premises a front of about eighty (80) feet; that about fifty feet of said front consist, according to the architectural plans of said church, of a porch thirty-five feet or thereabout high, covered or roofed so as to protect the steps or stoop leading to the entrance of said church; that said porch is not intended to project, and will not project beyond the ordinary stoop line of buildings on said street, but that you petitioners understand that it is necessary they should have from your Honorable Body permission to erect and cover or roof over said porch, in order that they may lawfully so cover the same.

Wherefore your petitioners pray that your Honorable Body may grant them, in such manner as may by law be provided, and may to you seem meet, license and permission to erect and roof over, and keep roofed over, a porch in front of their said church, not exceeding fifty-five feet in width and forty feet in height.

And your petitioners will ever pray.

Dated New York, June 18, 1877.

H. HUDON, President.

Whereupon the President offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That permission be and is hereby given to the College of St. Francis Xavier to place and keep a porch over the entrances to the church about to be erected on Sixteenth street, between Fifth and Sixth avenues, as requested in the accompanying petition; the work to be done at the expense of the said college, and under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

#### MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Alderman Guntzer moved to take up and recommit the report of the Committee on Railroads, with an "Ordinance to protect health, comfort, and property of persons traveling by public vehicles in the City of New York," being General Order No. 188.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative, on a division called by Alderman Reilly, viz.:

Affirmative—Aldermen Cole, De Vries, Ehrhart, Guntzer, Joyce, Keenan, Lewis, Morris, Pinckney, Salmon, Sheils, Slevin, and Tuomey—13.

Negative—The President, Aldermen Cowing, Hall, Reilly, Sauer, and Simonson—6.

By Alderman Morris—

AN ORDINANCE to protect the health, comfort, and property of persons traveling by the public vehicles in the City of New York.

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

Section 1. Henceforth it shall not be lawful to allow within cars and omnibuses, upon any of the streets railroads or omnibus lines of this city, except upon the front platform or top of the same, any bundle, basket of soiled linen, or other soiled clothing or soiled bed-clothes, paints and oils, or other greasy materials.

Sec. 2. The driver or conductor, or both, of any of said cars and omnibuses found violating any of the provisions of this ordinance, shall be liable to arrest for so doing, and be taken before the nearest police magistrate, who, on having proof, and being satisfied that an offense has been committed against this ordinance, he shall impose a fine of not less than (1) one dollar, nor more than ten dollars, against each offender, or one day's imprisonment in the City Prison for each dollar of fine so imposed, or both at his discretion. The Commissioners of Police are hereby directed to cause all persons to be arrested found violating the provisions of this ordinance.

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.

Which was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

By Alderman Simonson—

Resolved, That gas-mains be laid, lamp-posts erected, and street-lamps lighted in One Hundred and Thirty-third street, between Seventh and Eighth avenues, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Works.

By Alderman Slevin—

Resolved, That William Watson be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York.

Which was referred to the Committee on Law Department.

By Alderman Cowing—

Resolved, That the low and sunken lots on the north side of Eighty-third street, fifty feet east of Madison avenue, be filled in and fenced, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen:

GENTLEMEN—The undersigned, property-owners and residents of the vicinity of Eighty-third street and Madison avenue, respectfully petition your Honorable Body to have the sunken lots situated on the north side of Eighty-third street, fifty feet east of Madison avenue, filled in and fenced, the said lots being a nuisance to the adjoining property.

Thos. N. Marchant, 43 E. 83d st.

James Miller, 43 E. 83d st.

M. A. Reed, 5 E. 83d st.

Chas. C. Reed, 5 E. 83d st.

H. P. Allen, 1119 Madison avenue.

G. Moore, 54 E. 83d st.

F. R. Walker, 26 E. 83d st.

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Works.

By Alderman Reilly—

Resolved, That the Commissioners of the Department of Public Parks be and they are respectfully requested to allow children under the age of twelve years to use all portions of the grounds of the Battery and City Hall Parks for recreation.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

By the President—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Joseph Nimphius to erect a pump and watering-trough in front of his premises on the west side of Third avenue, near One Hundred and Forty-ninth street.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

By Alderman Morris—

Resolved, That Edward G. Black be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York.

Which was referred to the Committee on Law Department.

By Alderman Sauer—

Resolved, That the word "north" be and is hereby stricken from the eleventh subdivision of section 1 of article 5 of an ordinance amending an ordinance in relation to public or hackney coaches in the City of New York, passed December 20, 1876, so that said subdivision, when so amended, shall read as follows: "Stand No. 11, south and west sides of Madison square."

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

By Alderman Cowing—

Resolved, That the vacant lots on the northwest corner of Lexington avenue and One Hundred and Thirtieth street (being 75 feet front on One Hundred and Thirtieth street by half the block front on Lexington avenue) be fenced in, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Works.

By Alderman Tuomey—

Resolved, That gas-mains be laid, lamp-posts erected, and street-lamps lighted in One Hundred and Forty-fifth street, between Seventh avenue and the Boulevard, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Works.

By Alderman Joyce—

Resolved, That Croton water-mains be laid in Tenth avenue, from Eighty-second to Eighty-third street, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, as provided in section 2, chapter 477, Laws of 1875.

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Works.

(G. O. 189.)

By Alderman Keenan—

Resolved, That the resolution which became adopted June 14, 1877, providing for the removal of the lamp-post on the east side of Broadway, opposite the Astor House, a distance ten feet south of its present location, be and the same is hereby annulled, rescinded, and repealed; and be it further

Resolved, That the said lamp-post be removed from its present location, where it is a dangerous obstruction to the street, to such other place in the immediate vicinity as the Commissioner of Public Works may determine to be the least objectionable; the removal to be done under the direction of the said Commissioner of Public Works.

Which was laid over.

#### REPORTS.

(G. O. 190.)

The Committee on Law Department, to whom was referred at different times resolutions in favor of appointing sundry persons as Commissioners of Deeds, respectfully submit the following

#### REPORT:

Resolved, That the following-named persons be and they are hereby appointed Commissioners of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place, respectively, of the persons whose names appear opposite, whose terms of office have expired:

Tunstall, Richard B.	.....	in place of Tunstall, Richard B.
Goldschmidt, Edward	.....	" Burrough, John G.
Wales, Edward H.	.....	" Black, Edward G.
Page, C. W.	.....	" Conover, Edwin D.
Dusenbury, William F.	.....	" Dolan, Hugh F.
Fagan, John H.	.....	" Laws, Wm. Wesley.
Birmingham, Twiss	.....	" Oettinger, Edward.

SAMUEL A. LEWIS, } Committee on  
GEO. HALL, } Law Department.

Which was laid over.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS RESUMED.

(G. O. 191.)

Alderman Sheils moved to discharge the Committee on Public Works from the further consideration of the following:

Resolved, That the Commissioner of Public Works be and he is hereby authorized and directed to place a Boulevard lamp and lamp-post in the square bounded by Market, Monroe, and Hamilton streets.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

Alderman Sheils then moved that the resolution be laid over.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

REPORTS RESUMED.

(G. O. 192.)

The Committee on Public Works, to whom was referred the annexed resolution in favor of laying Croton mains in One Hundred and Forty-sixth street, Twenty-third Ward, west of Third avenue, respectfully

REPORT:

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

Resolved, That the Commissioner of Public Works be and he is hereby authorized and directed to lay Croton water-mains in One Hundred and Forty-sixth street, Twenty-third Ward, west of Third avenue, as provided in section 2, chapter 477, Laws of 1875.

WM. SALMON,  
WILLIAM JOYCE,  
S. N. SIMONSON,  
J. C. PINCKNEY, } Committee on Public Works.

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 193.)

The Committee on Public Works, to whom was referred the annexed petition and resolution in favor of Croton mains in Third avenue, from One Hundred and Fifty-eighth street to the Fordham Depot of the Harlem Railroad, respectfully

REPORT:

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

Resolved, That the Commissioner of Public Works be and he is hereby authorized and directed, as provided in section 2 of chapter 477, Laws of 1875, and subsequent acts, to cause the Croton water-main in Third avenue to be extended from its present terminus at One Hundred and Fifty-eighth street to the Fordham Depot of the Harlem Railroad.

THOMAS SHEILS,  
WILLIAM JOYCE,  
WM. SALMON,  
S. N. SIMONSON,  
J. C. PINCKNEY, } Committee on Public Works.

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 194.)

The Committee on Public Works, to whom was referred the annexed resolution and ordinance in favor of lighting One Hundred and Second street, from Second avenue to Harlem river, with gas, respectfully

REPORT:

That, having examined the subject, they find that said resolution should read One Hundred and Fourth street instead of One Hundred and Second street, and, as amended, recommend the same for adoption.

Resolved, That gas-mains be laid, lamp-posts erected, and street-lamps lighted in One Hundred and Fourth street, from the Second avenue to the Harlem river, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

THOMAS SHEILS,  
WILLIAM JOYCE,  
S. N. SIMONSON,  
J. C. PINCKNEY, } Committee on Public Works.

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 195.)

The Committee on Law Department, to whom was referred the annexed petition of Benjamin Marks to repeal resolutions granting permission to John Gilmartin and John Hogan to erect stands on the sidewalk in front of Nos. 168 and 182 Chatham street, respectfully

REPORT:

That the resolutions state the owner of the property Nos. 168 and 182 Chatham street consented to the erection of the stands. The owner, Mr. Marks, not only did not give his consent, but is greatly opposed to the obstruction, and asks that they be repealed. Apart from the general rule that obstructions of any character to the free use of the sidewalks are not permissible, when no objection is made, it is imperative upon the city authorities to prevent them when the owner of the property directly affected remonstrates against permitting obstructions to the sidewalk in front of his property, as is the case in this instance.

Accordingly, your Committee believe the permission heretofore granted should be withdrawn, and respectfully offer for your adoption the following resolution:

Resolved, That the resolution permitting John Gilmartin to keep a stand in front of No. 168 Chatham street, which became adopted March 23, 1877, and the resolution permitting John Hogan to keep a stand in front of No. 182 Chatham street, which became adopted May 12, 1877, be and they are hereby severally and respectively annulled, rescinded, and repealed.

SAMUEL A. LEWIS,  
HENRY E. HOWLAND, } Committee on Law Department.

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 196.)

The Committee on Law Department, to whom was referred the annexed ordinance to prevent the manufacture or use of fireworks in the City of New York, together with a remonstrance from dealers in pyrotechnics against the passage of the ordinance, and also other papers relating to the subject, respectfully

REPORT:

That the question is not a new one, nor is any action necessary to be taken by your Honorable Body. The laws of the State and ordinances of the city, now in existence, are ample to protect the people and property of this city from injury or damage from the use of fireworks of any and every description (see section 3 of chapter 742, Laws State of New York for 1871, and section 7 of chapter XIII., ordinance of the City of New York, edition of 1866). The enforcement of these laws and ordinances, in fact, all laws and ordinances relating to our city government, has been entrusted by the Legislature of this State to one or more of the Executive Departments of this city, and your Honorable Body is relieved from all responsibility in the premises. Your Committee therefore respectfully ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject, and that the papers be placed on file.

SAMUEL A. LEWIS,  
HENRY E. HOWLAND, } Committee on Law Department.

Which was laid over.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE DEPARTMENTS AND CORPORATION OFFICERS.

The President laid before the Board the following communication from the Health Department:

HEALTH DEPARTMENT, No. 301 MOTT STREET,  
NEW YORK, June 19, 1877.

F. J. TWOMEY, Esq., Clerk of the Common Council:

SIR—At a meeting of the Board of Health, held this day, the following preamble and resolution were adopted:

“Whereas, The Sanitary Superintendent and City Sanitary Inspector has certified, under and pursuant to the provisions of chapter 566 of the Laws of 1871, and of chapter 549 of the Laws of 1875, amendatory thereof, that it is necessary for the protection of the public health that the parts and parcels of land within the corporate limits of the City and County of New York, hereinafter described, need to be drained by other means than by sewers; it is hereby

“Ordered, That the said certificate be filed among the records of the Board of Health of the Health Department of the City of New York, and that duplicates thereof, duly signed by the said Sanitary Superintendent and City Sanitary Inspector, be forwarded to the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of New York, for their designation of the Department to do the work required, under and pursuant to the provisions of section 1 of chapter 549 of the Laws of 1875; and it is further

“Ordered and directed, pursuant to the provisions of the acts hereinbefore recited, that the following-named parts and parcels of land within the corporate limits of the City and County of New

York shall be drained by other means than by sewers, by and under the direction of the Department of said city and county hereafter authorized and empowered to do such work by the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City and County of New York, pursuant to section 1, chapter 549 of the Laws of 1875, said parts and parcels of land being situate as follows, viz.: Those parts and parcels of land bounded on the north by One Hundred and Sixty-fifth street, on the east by Morris avenue, on the south by a line one hundred feet south of and parallel to One Hundred and Forty-fourth street, on the west by Sheridan avenue, from One Hundred and Sixty-fifth street to One Hundred and Fifty-third street, and the Harlem Railroad, from One Hundred and Fifty-third street to One Hundred and Forty-fourth street.”

A true copy.

EMMONS CLARK, Secretary.

SANITARY BUREAU—HEALTH DEPARTMENT,  
NEW YORK, June 12, 1877.

To the Board of Health of the Health Department of the City of New York:

In accordance with the provisions of chapter 566 of the Laws of 1871, entitled “An act to provide for the proper drainage of lands within the corporate limits of the City and County of New York,” and of chapter 549 of the Laws of 1875, amendatory thereof, I hereby certify that it is necessary for the protection of the public health that those parts and parcels of land lying and being within the corporate limits of the City and County of New York, and bounded as follows, viz.: On the north by One Hundred and Sixty-fifth street, on the east by Morris avenue, on the south by a line 100 feet south of and parallel to One Hundred and Forty-fourth street, on the west by Sheridan avenue, from One Hundred and Sixty-fifth street to One Hundred and Fifty-third street, and the Harlem Railroad, from One Hundred and Fifty-third street to One Hundred and Forty-fourth street, need to be drained by other means than by sewers.

It is therefore respectfully recommended that this certificate be filed among the records of the Board of Health of the Health Department of the City of New York, as provided by the acts hereinbefore recited, and that the said Board of Health shall direct the said parts and parcels of land to be drained in the manner and by the Department authorized and empowered by the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of New York to do said work, under and pursuant to the provisions of said chapter 549 of the Laws of 1875.

WALTER DE F. DAY, M. D.,  
Sanitary Superintendent and City Sanitary Inspector.

Which was referred to the Committee on County Affairs.

PETITIONS AGAIN RESUMED.

Application of W. H. Ogeline to lease to the city the Excelsior Building, in West Twenty-third street (Nos. 216 to 226), for armory purposes, at an annual rental of \$15,000.

Also an application from A. B. Darling to lease to the city the premises Nos. 108 and 110 West Twenty-fourth street, for armory purposes, at an annual rental of \$5,500.

Which were both referred to the Committee on County Affairs.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS AGAIN RESUMED.

Alderman Joyce moved that the Board do now adjourn.

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

And was decided in the affirmative.

And the President announced that the Board stood adjourned until Tuesday, June 26, 1877, at 2 o'clock P. M.

FRANCIS J. TWOMEY, Clerk.

DEPARTMENT OF TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS.

DEPARTMENT OF TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS,  
June 15, 1877.

At a meeting of the Board, held June 15, 1877, a copy of writ of certiorari in the matter of the People, ex rel. John F. Haneman and Adolph Frerichs, against the Commissioners of Taxes and Assessments of the City of New York, for a reduction and remission of assessments on personal estate, was received, and it was ordered to be transmitted to the Counsel to the Corporation.

E. Hughes, Clerk, removed June 14.

A. STORER, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

Abstract of proceedings for the week ending June 16, 1877.

MEETING, WEDNESDAY, JUNE 13, 1877.

Permission was granted the Commissioner of Public Works to erect ten large fire-hydrants on the sidewalks adjoining Union square, and eight on the westerly sidewalk of City Hall Park, on the following conditions:

First—That the location of the hydrants shall be approved by the President of the Department.

Second—That the work of placing the hydrants on the sidewalks shall be executed under the supervision of the Department of Parks.

Third—That the Department of Public Works repair all injury which may be done to the sidewalks, etc.

A laborer was detailed to take charge of the extra steam pump used in watering Jerome avenue. Certain extra work at the Museum of Art was ordered.

Permission was granted Mr. George Fuchs to set curb and gutter stones in front of his property on Elton avenue.

Permission was granted Mr. Henry Hafsen to lay a six-inch sewer pipe from his house, at the northwest corner of One Hundred and Fifty-second street and Courtland avenue, to connect with the private sewer pipe in One Hundred and Fifty-second street, 150 feet east of Courtland avenue.

Patrick Campbell, laborer, was restored.

Permission was refused Mr. James C. Carlyle to place a weighing machine in Central Park, but the President was authorized to grant him a permit for some place outside of the park.

Plans and specifications for a sewer in Mott avenue were approved, and the Secretary directed to advertise for proposals for the work.

The purchase of 3 horses was authorized.

The Treasurer was authorized to issue orders from time to time, as occasion may require, for the services of a blacksmith and harness-maker in the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards.

Resignation.

Arthur V. Abbott, Chainman.

Appointments.

Othniel F. Nichols, Assistant Engineer on Brook avenue sewer, \$4 per day.

Philarizo Edick, Inspector on Brook avenue sewer, \$4 per day.

James Chamberlain, Inspector on Brook avenue sewer, \$4 per day.

Forwarded Finance Department.

Cash.....	\$910 38
Bills.....	18,588 08
Pay-rolls.....	1,365 40

Animals received at Central Park Menagerie for the week ending June 16, 1877:

Donations.

1 Horned Owl (*Bubo virginianus*), presented by Mr. F. S. Webster, Troy, N. Y.

1 Small Alligator (*Alligator mississippiensis*), presented by Mr. F. B. Genin, New York City.

Births.

2 Cygnets (*Cygnus olor*).

American Museum of Natural History—Number of Visitors.

Monday, June 11.....	412
Tuesday, “ 12.....	319
Wednesday, “ 13.....	3,211
Thursday, “ 14.....	3,409
Friday, “ 15.....	2,863
Saturday, “ 16.....	4,397

Total..... 14,611

WM. IRWIN, Secretary D. P. P.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT,  
No. 301 MOTT STREET,  
NEW YORK, June 19, 1877.

The Board of Health met this day.  
284 orders for the abatement of nuisances were made.  
The Attorney was directed to commence suits for non-compliance with the orders of the Board in 19 cases, and for 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; weekly report from Riverside Hospital; on applications for permits; on certain street pavements; on condition of Grammar School No. 19; certificate of drainage; on application for license as scavenger.

From the Attorney and Counsel: Weekly report.

From the Deputy Register of Records: Weekly letter on mortality; weekly mortuary statement; weekly abstract of marriages, births and still-births; weekly report on deaths from diphtheria, scarlatina, membranous croup, and malarial and cerebro-spinal fevers.

Communications Received.

From Dr. Henry R. Stiles: Application for appointment.  
From New York Academy of Sciences: Recommending improvements in the public parks of New York.

Communications Received from other Departments.

From Department of Finance, weekly statement of Comptroller.  
From Police Department, reports on violation of the Sanitary Code.  
From Department of Public Charities and Correction, relative to accommodation of site of Reception Hospital recently burned; announcing sale of school-ship "Mercury."  
From Fire Department, respecting storage of powder on west side of Madison avenue, south of Fifty-fourth street.  
From Common Council of the City of New York, resolution relative to nuisance at oil works, Hunter's Point, L. I.

Communications referred to other Departments for the necessary action.

To the Department of Public Works—On condition of street in Avenue B, between East Seventeenth and East Sixteenth streets; sewer basin at northwest corner of Columbia and Delancey streets; sidewalk in Delancey street, between 220 and 222; Pitt street, between Stanton and Rivington streets; Norfolk street, between Hester and Grand streets.  
To the Board of Education—On sidewalk in front of Grammar School No. 19, East Fourteenth street.

Bills Audited.

D. Appleton.....	\$7 00
J. McNamara.....	9 36
M. S. Thompson.....	229 76
American Condensed Milk Company.....	49 76
Page, Kidder & Fletcher.....	150 36

Permits Granted.

To drive 3 cows daily from Denman place, near Union avenue, to Springhurst, east of Southern Boulevard.  
To drive 7 cows daily from Ninety-first street and Madison avenue to Ninety-fourth street, between Lexington and Madison avenues.  
To drive 2 cows daily from Fourth avenue, between Eightieth and Eighty-first streets, to Madison avenue, between Eightieth and Eighty-first street.  
To drive 4 cows daily from One Hundred and Thirty-sixth street, near College avenue, to One Hundred and Thirty-sixth street, east of Willis avenue.  
To drive 4 cows daily from Second avenue, between Ninety-eighth and Ninety-ninth streets, to First avenue, corner Eighty-fifth street.  
To keep 10 chickens at 619 Ninth avenue.  
To erect a four-story apartment house at 10 Miller's court.

Seizures of Unwholesome Meat.

Report on seizure of unwholesome meat at Washington Market was received.

Resolutions.

Whereas, The health laws specially provide that the Board of Health "may afford such medical relief to and among the poor as in its opinion the protection of the public health may require;"

Whereas, A large number of deaths occur in each summer from diarrhoeal diseases, amounting during the past six years to 24,000, of which 21,000 were children under five years of age;

Whereas, during the last summer fifty physicians were appointed to visit the tenement houses, to give advice and medicine to such children and parents of those as had no physician, in order to prevent the deaths from diarrhoeal diseases; and

Whereas, The investigation made by the Chairman of the Sanitary Committee shows that fewer deaths happened during last year from this class of diseases than during any of the previous hot summers, 1868, 1870, and 1872, notwithstanding the high average heat, and the increased population;

Resolved, That the Board of Estimate and Apportionment be requested to transfer to the Board of Health, from the unexpended balance of last year, \$5,000, for carrying on the same work this season.

Resolved, That the annual report of this Board for 1876 be immediately prepared for publication, and that the officers of this Board be directed to forward to the Secretary their reports for that year.

Resolved, That the Department of Public Works be respectfully requested, for sanitary reasons, to give special attention to the street culverts during the summer months, and to keep the culvert basins at all times filled with water.

Whereas, The Sanitary Superintendent and City Sanitary Inspector has certified, under and pursuant to the provisions of chapter 566 of the Laws of 1871, and of chapter 549 of the Laws of 1875, amendatory thereof, that it is necessary for the protection of the public health that the parts and parcels of land within the corporate limits of the City and County of New York, hereinafter described, need to be drained by other means than by sewers; it is hereby

Ordered, That the said certificate be filed among the records of the Board of Health of the Health Department of the City of New York, and that duplicates thereof, duly signed by the said Sanitary Superintendent and City Sanitary Inspector, be forwarded to the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of New York, for their designation of the Department to do the work required under and pursuant to the provisions of section 1 of chapter 549 of the Laws of 1875; and it is further

Ordered and directed, pursuant to the provisions of the acts hereinbefore recited, that the following-named parts and parcels of land within the corporate limits of the City and County of New York shall be drained by other means than by sewers, by and under the direction of the Department of said city and county hereafter authorized and empowered to do such work by the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City and County of New York, pursuant to section 1, chapter 549 of the Laws of 1875, said parts and parcels of land being situate as follows, viz.: Those parts and parcels of land bounded on the north by One Hundred and Sixty-fifth street, on the east by Morris avenue, on the south by a line one hundred feet south of and parallel to One Hundred and Forty-fourth street, on the west by Sheridan avenue, from One Hundred and Sixty-fifth street to One Hundred and Fifty-third street, and the Harlem Railroad, from One Hundred and Fifty-third street to One Hundred and Forty-fourth street.

Resolved, That the Attorney be and is hereby directed to commence suits in the name of this Board against the following-named persons for violation of the Sanitary Code:

Isaac V. Briggs, 235 East One Hundred and Twenty-fourth street.

Turnbull, 23 Park row.

Jno. Woods, stand, 245 Washington Market.

Dr. Henry R. Pratt, West Farms.

Resolved, That upon the report of the Sanitary Superintendent to the effect that Breivogel & Cramer, scavengers, have performed their work in a satisfactory manner, this Board respectfully recommends to his Honor the Mayor a renewal of the license as scavenger to the said Breivogel & Cramer for one year.

Resolved, That the Register of Records be and is hereby authorized and directed to correct the register of deaths in the following cases:

Manuela Peasant to Manuela Pesant, nativity of parents from France to Spain, deceased March 20, 1877; Marie Conception Gonzales to Maria Conception Lopez Gozales, deceased February 15, 1877.

Sanitary Bureau.

The following is a record of the work performed in the Sanitary Bureau for the week ending June 16, 1877:

The total number of inspections made by the Sanitary and Assistant Sanitary Inspectors was 1,838, as follows, viz.: 3 public buildings, 830 tenement-houses, 162 private dwellings, 63 other dwellings, 14 manufactories and workshops, 14 stores and warehouses, 38 stables, 2 markets, 62 slaughter-houses, 4 milk inspections, 1 bone-house, 1 fat-rendering establishment, 1 public sewer, 1

wool house, 21 sunken and vacant lots, 1 pier, 2 roadways, 56 yards, courts, and areas, 57 cellars and basements, 197 waste-pipes and drains, 217 privies and water-closets, 56 streets, gutters, and sidewalks, 5 dangerous stairways, 7 cisterns and cesspools, 3 dangerous chimneys, 3 violations of Code, 15 other nuisances, together with 2 visits of the Inspectors to cases of contagious diseases.

The number of reports thereon received from the Inspectors was 747.

During the past week 178 complaints were received from citizens, and referred to the Sanitary and Assistant Sanitary Inspectors for investigation and report.

Permits were issued to consignees of 93 vessels to discharge cargoes, on vouchers from the Health Officer of the Port.

193 permits were granted scavengers to empty, clean, and disinfect privy-sinks.

The Disinfecting Corps have visited 32 dwellings where contagious diseases were found, and have disinfected and fumigated 31 houses, 31 privy-sinks, together with clothing, bedding, etc.

The Special Disinfecting Corps have disinfected 2,657 privy-sinks, 283 cellars, 428 yards, courts, and areas, 173 garbage-boxes, and 152 1/4 miles of street gutters.

2 cases of small-pox were removed to hospital by the Ambulance Corps.

The following is a comparative statement of cases of contagious disease reported at this Bureau for the two weeks ending June 16, 1877:

Week Ending	Typhus Fever.	Typhoid Fever.	Scarlet Fever.	Cerebro-Spinal Meningitis.	Measles.	Diphtheria.	Small-pox.
June 9.....	0.	3.	75.	3.	62.	29.	4.
June 16....	0.	3.	99.	2.	52.	40.	2.

During the week ending Saturday, June 16, 1877, there were issued from this Bureau 414 burial permits for city deaths, 23 for bodies in transitu, and 44 for the interment of still-born infants. There were recorded 414 deaths, 148 marriages, 500 births, 44 still-births, 23 applications for transit permits, and 48 returns from coroners. There were 23 searches of the registers of births, marriages, and deaths, and 4 transcripts of the birth record, 2 of marriage, and 17 of death were issued from this Bureau.

By order of the Board. EMMONS CLARK, Secretary.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK,  
BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS,  
June 19, 1877.

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

SIR—414 deaths were reported to have occurred in this city during the week ending Saturday, June 16, 1877, which is a decrease of 16 as compared with the preceding week. The number of deaths reported for the corresponding week of 1876 was 459; 1875, 489; 1874, 480; 1873, 455; 1872, 632. The actual mortality for the week ending June 9, was 410, which is 75.8 below the average for the corresponding week of the past five years, and represents an annual death-rate of 19.80 per 1,000 persons living, the population estimated at 1,076,316.

This death-rate is below 32 of the 36 European and Asiatic cities whose returns were received in this Bureau during the past week.

The decrease in the number of deaths during the past compared with the previous week was as follows: Small-pox, 2; measles, 1; scarlatina, 3; membranous croup, 2; malarial fevers, 6; puerperal diseases, 2; inanition, want of breast milk, etc., 5; rheumatism and gout, 1; cancer, 5; disease of the heart, 1; marasmus and scrofula, 2; diseases of the brain and nervous system, 19; cyanosis and atelectasis, 2; premature and preternatural births, 4; diphtheria increased 2; whooping-cough, 1; erysipelas, 5; typhoid fever, 3; cerebro-spinal fever, 2; diarrhoeal diseases, 4; phthisis pulmonalis, 8; bronchitis, 4; pneumonia, 2; cirrhosis and hepatitis, 4; enteritis, gastro-enteritis, and peritonitis, 6; and Bright's disease and nephritis, 4.

The tracts upon "Diarrhoeal Diseases of Infancy," issued by the Board of Health and distributed to the public, will be valuable in educating the people how to treat this formidable enemy of childhood.

During the 6 years ending December 31, 1876, 24,036 persons died from these diseases, of which 21,556, or 89.68 per cent. of the total, were children under 5 years of age. The earlier periods of life were the most destructive; for instance, 16,545—8,617 males and 7,928 females—or 68.83 per cent. of all those who died, and 76.75 per cent. of those under 5 years did not attain their first year:

4,245.....	2,194 males and 2,051 females, were between 1 and 2 years.
524.....	276 " 248 " " 2 " 3 "
146.....	78 " 68 " " 3 " 4 "
96.....	45 " 51 " " 4 " 5 "

The period in the year for the six years that these diseases were most fatal was during the months of July, August, and September. In the month of July 37.42 per cent. of the total mortality from these diseases occurred. The following table will show the deaths by months:

Month	DIARRHOEAL DISEASES.	
	All Ages.	Under 5 Years.
January.....	387	283
February.....	342	256
March.....	419	321
April.....	499	422
May.....	621	541
June.....	1,000	1,773
July.....	8,994	8,433
August.....	5,641	5,100
September.....	3,084	2,752
October.....	1,245	1,021
November.....	529	395
December.....	375	259

By the facts shown in this table, it will be seen that it would be advisable for parents and guardians of children to remove them from the city to the waterside or mountains, where cool air can be had during the months of July and August, in order to avoid the excessive mortality of infants, caused by the high temperature of these months.

Of the total number of deaths reported for the week, 71 were in institutions, 224 in tenement-houses, 107 in houses containing 3 families or less, 5 in hotels and boarding-houses, 6 in rivers, streets, boats, etc., 6 were on the basement floor, 73 on the first, 127 on the second, 73 on the third, 44 on the fourth, 11 on the fifth, 1 on the sixth, and 1 not stated; 410 were stated to be residents of New York City, and 4 non-residents; 73 were stated as single, 112 married, and 35 widowed, and the condition of 194 was not stated, these were children who had not attained a marriageable age; 88 deaths were of children under 1 year, 120 under 2 years, 156 under 5 years, and 23 were of persons 70 years and over.

The disposition of 458 deaths and still-births, or 90.83 per cent. of the total number reported, were in the following 14 cemeteries, which are in the vicinity of this city, viz.: Bayside (Jewish) 9, Calvary (Roman Catholic) 184, City (pauper burial ground, undenominational) 47, Greenwood (undenominational) 29, Lutheran (undenominational) 58, Cypress Hills (undenominational) 22, Evergreen (undenominational) 28, Woodlawn (undenominational) 14, St. Michael's (Protestant Episcopal) 6, Union (Methodist Protestant) 3, Holy Cross (Roman Catholic) 6, Machpelah, L. I. (Jewish) 5, St. Raymond's (Roman Catholic) 3, Washington (undenominational) 2.

The mean temperature for the week ending June 16, was 69.1 degrees Fahr., the mean humidity was 78, saturation being 100, the mean reading of the barometer was 30.003 inches, the number of miles traveled by the wind was 795, and the total amount of rain-fall was 0.34 inch, as reported by D. Draper, Director of the New York Meteorological Observatory, Central Park.

The distribution of the deaths for the week ending June 9, was in the following wards, viz.: First, 8; Second, 1; Third, 4; Fourth, 7; Fifth, 5; Sixth, 7; Seventh, 15; Eighth, 13; Ninth, 11; Tenth, 15; Eleventh, 24; Twelfth, 45; Thirteenth, 15; Fourteenth, 13; Fifteenth, 7; Sixteenth, 14; Seventeenth, 28; Eighteenth, 27; Nineteenth, 69; Twentieth, 21; Twenty-first, 23; Twenty-second, 30; Twenty-third, 5, and Twenty-fourth, 3.

The annual death-rate per 1,000 persons living, of the estimated or enumerated population, according to the most recent weekly returns of Philadelphia was 21.64; St. Louis, 8.08; Chicago 14.60; Baltimore, 19.04; Boston, 16.04; Cincinnati, 10.77; Cleveland, 12.19; Richmond, 21.48; Charleston, 39.30; Lowell, 22.40; Worcester, 14.87; Cambridge, 11.22; Fall River, 10.20; Lawrence, 15.33; Lynn, 13.68; Springfield, 9.54; monthly returns: Paterson, 23.38; Mobile, 24.00; Lansing, 9.05; Toledo, 10.80; Memphis, 20.16. Foreign cities—weekly returns: London, 21.3; Liverpool, 27.4; Birmingham, 23.8; Manchester, 26.9; Glasgow, 26.9; Edinburgh, 18.8; Dundee, 22.4; Dublin, 31; Belfast, 24; Cork, 14; Brussels, 27.3; Antwerp, 19.2; Ghent, 23.0; Buda-Pesth, 45.3; Paris, 28.1; Rome, 20.7; Turin, 25.5; Venice, 21.9; Berlin, 28.9; Munich, 42.0; Breslau, 28.7; Vienna, 27.1; Trieste, 25.8; Copenhagen, 22.3; Stockholm, 39.3; Christiania, 17.1; Amsterdam, 25.2; Rotterdam, 25.9; The Hague, 25.5; Calcutta, 24.4; Bombay, 68.8; Madras, 123.8; Geneva (with suburbs), 29.2; Basel, 25.5; Bern, 30.9; Warsaw, 24.79.

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

BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS.

REPORTED MORTALITY\* for the week ending June 16, 1877, together with the ACTUAL MORTALITY for the week ending June 9, 1877.

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

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Table showing the Reported Mortality for the week ending June 16, and the Actual Number of Deaths each day, from the Principal Causes, with the Ages of Decedents, for the week ending June 9, 1877.

Main table with columns for Meteorology, Causes of Death, Date (June 3-9), Total Actual Mortality, Age by Years (Under 1 to 70+), and Sex (Male, Female, Total both Sexes).

\* Refers to the number of death certificates received.

Table titled 'DEATHS FROM ZYMOTIC DISEASES' showing mortality by ward, area in acres, and population, with detailed remarks for each ward.

\* 6,267 in Asylums and Penal Institutions.

Births\* reported during the week ending June 16, 1877.

TOTAL.	COLOR.		SEX.		NATIVITY OF PARENTS.								NAME OF CHILD.			
	White.	Colored.	Male.	Female.	Not stated.	Foreign.	Native.	Foreign Father only.		Foreign Mother only.		NATIVITY OF FATHER STATED ONLY.		NATIVITY OF MOTHER STATED ONLY.		
								Foreign.	Native.	Foreign.	Native.	Native.	Foreign.	Native.	Foreign.	
500	493	7	249	251	....	303	100	71	22	....	....	3	1	....	364	136

Marriages\* reported during the week ending June 16, 1877.

TOTAL.	COLOR.		NATIVITY.						CONDITION.											
	White.	Colored.	Foreign.	Native.	BORN AT SEA.		NOT STATED.	FIRST MARRIAGE.	SECOND MARRIAGE.	THIRD MARRIAGE.	FOURTH MARRIAGE.	NOT STATED.								
					Male.	Female.						Male.	Female.	Male.	Female.					
148	143	5	74	57	73	89	..	1	1	1	125	127	17	17	3	1	..	..	3	3

\* The returns of births, marriages, and still-births are incomplete.

Nativity of those who were Married, and the Parents of the Births and Still-Births, for the week ending June 16, 1877, and those who Die (actual mortality), week ending June 9, 1877.

NATIVITY OF DECEASED.	COUNTRY.	NATIVITY OF PARENTS OF DECEASED.		BIRTHS.		MARRIAGES.		STILL-BIRTHS.	
		Father.	Mother.	Nativity of Father.	Nativity of Mother.	Nativity of Groom.	Nativity of Bride.	Nativity of Father.	Nativity of Mother.
4	Austria .....	7	7	6	4	2	..	..	..
4	British America .....	2	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
13	England .....	21	17	13	13	3	..	..	..
3	France .....	5	6	8	5	..	..	..	..
39	Germany .....	109	102	200	166	38	27	16	13
74	Ireland .....	140	137	107	104	13	11	..	..
..	Italy .....	6	4	2	1	..	..	..	..
2	Poland .....	4	3	7	5	..	..	..	..
5	Scotland .....	6	5	1	2	..	..	..	..
1	Switzerland .....	1	..	3	2	7	3	..	..
260	United States .....	82	102	130	187	73	89	11	17
2	Unknown or not stated .....	21	21	5	..	..	..	..	..
..	West Indies .....	1	1	3	..	..	..	..	..
3	Other countries .....	5	4	10	12	8	9	1	1

Still-Births reported during the week ending June 16, 1877.

TOTAL.	SEX.		COLOR.	NATIVITY OF			PERIOD OF UTERO-GESTATION.														
	Male.	Female.		FATHER.		MOTHER.	MONTH.														
			Native.	Foreign.	Not stated.		Native.	Foreign.	Not stated.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Unknown or not stated.	
44	26	18	..	41	3	11	30	3	17	24	3	..	..	1	2	1	6	7	10	17	..

Deaths reported during the week ending June 16, 1877.

TOTAL.	PLACE OF DEATH.										RESIDENCE.		CONDITION.									
	Institutions.	Tenement-houses.	Houses containing three families or less.	Hotels and Boarding-houses.	In Rivers, Streets, Boats, etc.	Not stated.	FLOORS.					New York City.	Outside New York City.	Not stated.†	Single.	Married.	Widowed.	Not stated.*				
							Basement.	First.	Second.	Third.	Fourth.								Fifth.	Sixth.	Seventh.	Not stated.
414	71	224	107	5	6	..	6	73	127	73	44	11	1	..	1	410	4	..	73	112	35	194

† Principally children and deaths in institutions.

Very respectfully submitted,

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

FERRY FRANCHISES.

Communication from GEORGE TICKNOR CURTIS, Esq., to Hon. JOHN KELLY, Comptroller, upon the jurisdiction of the city over the ferries of the New Jersey Central Railroad Company, with reference to the charter rights of the city in the Harbor of New York.

NEW YORK, June 12, 1877.

Hon. JOHN KELLY, Comptroller, etc.:

SIR—I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 28th ult., inquiring as to the present state of the suit instituted in the United States Circuit Court to restrain the Central Railroad Company of New Jersey from operating ferries without license from the Corporation of the City of New York, and asking my opinion whether it is expedient at the present time that the Common Council should establish ferry routes from the foot of Liberty and Clarkson streets to the New Jersey shore. In July, 1876, I was instructed by the Corporation Council to commence proceedings against the above-mentioned railroad company, for the purpose of testing their right to operate ferries from this city to the shore of New Jersey, without a formal license from the Corporation of New York and without the payment of any rent or other compensation for the use of ferry franchises. For this purpose a suit in equity was instituted in the United States Circuit Court on the 10th of July, 1876. An answer was filed by the railroad company on the 24th of October, 1876.

Subsequently, all the property, rights and interests of the railroad company were vested in a receiver, by decrees and orders of the Court of Chancery of New Jersey and the Supreme Court of this State. On the 23d of February last, I filed a supplemental bill in the Circuit Court, to make the receiver a party to the suit brought by the Corporation of New York. The receiver has recently filed an answer, adopting the defense set up by the railroad company before his appointment. I had already taken some testimony in support of our bill, and shall probably take more.

You are aware that by the Montgomery Charter (1730), the Common Council of this city were invested with the sole and exclusive authority of establishing, ordering, and directing ferries from any part of the city territory to any of the opposite shores, in such and so many places as they should think fit, with power to let or otherwise dispose of such ferries to any person or persons whatever. This grant of ferry franchises to the City Corporation has always been regarded as a grant of property, for purposes of revenue. There is also another object that is apparent from the provisions of this charter, and from those of the earlier Dougan Charter, which are incorporated in it. The wise framers of these ancient charters evidently foresaw a condition of things, in which it would be expedient that the municipal jurisdiction of the city, for police, and other purposes, should be extended over the surrounding waters. It was foreseen that the waters surrounding the city would become thoroughfares for the transit of persons, vehicles, animals, and goods, by means of numerous ferries, as much as the streets and highways upon the land; and for the purpose of vesting in the Corporation full police powers over these waters, the limits and jurisdiction of the city were made by the Montgomery Charter to extend to low-water mark on the Westchester side of the Harlem river, thence across the East river to low-water mark on the Long Island shore, thence along the low-water line to the south side of Red Hook, thence across the North river to low-water mark on the west side of that river, or as far as the limits of the province of New York extended, thence up the North river on its west side to a point opposite Spuyten Duyvel Creek, thence across the North river to that creek. This ample sweep of the city limits was intended to secure to the city a full police jurisdiction over the surrounding waters; and the ferry franchises of the city, granted to it as property and for the purposes of revenue, are franchises which are to be exercised and enjoyed in places and upon routes where the vessels used in the transportation must be within the police jurisdiction of the city, whenever and as long as they are within the water limits of its jurisdiction. There was great fitness and public expediency in this extension of the water limits of the city, not only on account of the necessity for numerous ferries, but on account of the property and lives that would be at all times water-borne in the general commerce of a city having such an extensive water-front. In my view, therefore, the ancient charters granted to the city the exclusive right to establish, order, and direct ferries, not only because they were to be property and sources of revenue, but because it was deemed necessary that they should be under police regulation, inasmuch as their routes would be public thoroughfares through the water territory of the city. If the ferry franchises had been granted to private individuals, the vessels would still have been subject to the police jurisdiction of the city, while within its limits, but not so effectually as they can be when they are made city property and are subjected to a prescribed route. Besides these features of the ownership of ferries peculiar to those of this city, there is principle of law universally applicable to all ferry franchises. A ferry franchise is a right to run a vessel for the regular and periodical transportation of persons, animals, vehicles, or goods, across certain waters. It may be distinct from the property in the landing place, or the property in the waters. It is so in this city. Hence, when a railroad corporation has acquired a title in fee, or by leasehold, to certain premises on the shore of this city, it has not acquired, as an incident, the right to establish and work a ferry from or to those premises. The ferry franchise, being an incorporeal right or privilege, entirely distinct from the ownership of the landing-place, must be acquired by a distinct grant. In this city a ferry franchise is a license to carry on a particular occupation from and to a particular place, and it is not an incident to the ownership or occupancy of that place. It is also a license to traverse certain waters with a certain description of vessel adapted to the transportation of persons, vehicles, animals and goods.

Judging from the answer that has been filed in this case by the Central Railroad, the defense will be—

1st. That any railroad company which has an established depot in this city, although its terminus on land is in another State, and its railroad track is wholly in another State, can run steamboats for the transportation of its passengers and freight to and from its depot in this city to its terminus in the other State, without infringing on the ferry franchises of the Corporation of New York, especially if its steamboats have a coasting license under the laws of the United States, or are carriers of the United States mails.

2d. That this particular company, the New Jersey Central Railroad, has, for a period of ten years last past, occupied certain premises at the foot of Liberty street, which belong to the City of New York, as a depot for passengers; that during that period their use of boats for the transportation of their passengers, etc., has been continuous, and has, until the commencement of this suit, been acquiesced in, and has been without objection on the part of the Corporation of New York.

3d. That the Common Council of this city has never established any ferry or ferries between the points to which the steamboats of the defendants ply.

4th. Finally it is alleged that this railroad and its steamboats are and long have been connected with railroads extending into the States of New York and Connecticut, and with them form continuous lines for the transportation of passengers, troops, government supplies, mails, freights and property, on their way to and from such States and the States of New Jersey and Pennsylvania, and that its steamboats are used for the purpose of such continuous lines, and not otherwise, and that such use is authorized by section 5258 of the Revised Statutes of the United States.

In regard to the first of these defenses, I have to say that I do not admit the soundness of the proposition. In the first place, I understand it to be settled law in this State that where a railroad company has a depot or station on the bank of a river, over whose waters there is an exclusive right of ferriage vested in a municipal corporation, the use of steamboats for the transportation of their own passengers and freight is the use of a ferry franchise, which must be derived from some source competent to grant it. (Aiken v. the Western Railroad Corporation, 20 New York, 370.) In this case, the railroad corporation, by grant from the Legislature, had power to connect the terminus of its road on the east bank of the Hudson with its depot in the City of Albany on the west bank, subject to the consent of the Corporation of Albany. The Corporation of Albany had, under its Dougan Charter, the sole and exclusive right of "establishing, licensing and regulating all ferries in and throughout the city, or leading to the same, necessary, needful, and convenient for the inhabitants of the said city and the parts adjacent, and for travelers there." The corporation of the city granted to the railroad company the privilege, without any charge, of transporting its own passengers and freight across the river. It was held that as to the passengers and freight to be transported on the railroad this was a limited grant of a ferry franchise, from a competent source; that the holding of such a franchise did not make the boats an extension of the railroad; and that the transportation on the boats, although gratuitous, of persons or freight, not intended to be carried on the railroad, was an infringement of the ferry franchises vested in the city or its grantees. In the present case, I have reason to believe, and have taken some evidence tending to show, that the Central Railroad Company's boats transport passengers between this city and New Jersey who are not passengers in their cars, and that they sell ordinary ferry tickets to such passengers.

In regard to the effect of a coasting license, and also in regard to the federal power of regulating inter-state commerce, much misapprehension exists in respect to the ferry rights of this city over its surrounding waters; which misapprehension would be dissipated, if parties would attend to what has been repeatedly held by the Supreme Court of the United States. It has more than once been held that the power of Congress to regulate commerce between different States does not extend to the establishment and regulation of ferries; that if the employment of a vessel is that of a ferry-boat, the fact that it plies between two States, or holds a coasting license, is immaterial; it must still conform to the local law, and obtain from the local authority a right to exercise a ferry franchise. (Conway v. Taylor's Executors, 1 Black, 603; Fanning v. Gregoire, 9 Howard, 534.) Whether a vessel employed in transporting passengers, etc., to and from this city, is to be regarded as a ferry-boat, depends upon the local law, the chartered rights of the city, and the nature of the employment. Nor does the fact that the owner of the boat holds and executes a contract with the United States for the carriage of mails affect the question, any more than his contracts of transportation with other parties. If he is exercising a ferry franchise, he must obtain a license therefor, whatever he carries.

With regard to the alleged acquiescence of the City of New York in the use of ferry franchises by this company, I have to say that I have investigated the facts, so far as they are of record, and have put them in evidence; that, in my judgment, while they might operate to prevent a sudden discontinuance of the use of the ferry-boats, by a preliminary injunction, they are not sufficient to prevent a final decree in favor of the city, for I do not understand that a trespasser upon a legal right

can work himself a license by such an acquiescence as may be capable of proof in this case. Moreover, it appears from recorded proceedings of one branch of the Common Council—the Board of Aldermen—that the railroad company has had notice, since 1865, that they are deemed to be infringers on the rights of the city, by running their boats without a ferry license.

Concerning the non-establishment by the Common Council of any ferry routes between the points from and to which these boats are employed, it is only necessary to observe that such previous establishment of ferry routes is not necessary to enable the city to enjoin a usurpation of ferry franchises. (The Mayor, etc., v. The New York and Staten Island Ferry Co., 8 Jones and Spencer, 232).

With respect to what is supposed to be authorized by section 5258 of the Revised Statutes of the United States, in the formation of continuous lines of travel and transportation, by the connection of railroads chartered by and existing in different States, I am of opinion, first, that, as a matter of fact, there can be and is no other continuous line, in this case, than such as may be formed by mutual arrangements between this New Jersey Company and other railroad companies in this State or elsewhere, for the mutual regulation and collection of passengers' fares and freights, over certain routes of travel and transportation; and, as a matter of law, that any contract which involves a transportation by this New Jersey Company across water or land territory of the City of New York, by means of any description of vehicle, must be subject to the local rights of the city to require such vehicle to be licensed. Whether this section of the Revised Statutes of the United States is based upon the power of Congress to regulate inter-state commerce, or upon any other federal power, it cannot, in my judgment, be held to imply a power to override or supersede the municipal rights of any locality in which there exists an exclusive authority to exercise or to license the employment of a particular vehicle within the municipal limits. If these boats are not adjudged to be ferry-boats, within the grants of the city charters, or if they are so adjudged, it will make no difference whether they do or do not form intermediate links in any "continuous lines" of communication, within the meaning of the federal statute. Upon the whole matter, therefore, I do not deem it necessary to the success of this suit, that ferry routes should have been, or should now be, established by the Common Council from Liberty and Clarkson streets to the New Jersey shore. Whether, in view of my being able to convince the receiver of the railroad company, or his legal advisers, that it is for the interest of his property to put it into what I regard as proper and safe relations with the City of New York, it may be well to have the ferry routes formally established, is another matter. I should hope that the counsel of the receiver, on investigation, will see that the present position of his interests in this city is one that ought not to continue. I propose to furnish to the receiver all the information that I have, bearing upon the subject. In the meantime I shall press the preparation of the suit for a final hearing, with all the diligence I can use. I have found it, hitherto, very difficult to get the attention of the receiver to this subject, probably on account of the multiplicity of his affairs.

I am, sir, very respectfully, your obedient servant,  
GEO. TICKNOR CURTIS.

APPROVED PAPERS

Resolved, That the vacant lots on the north side of Sixtieth street, between the Tenth and Eleventh avenues, be fenced in, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, May 29, 1877.  
Approved by the Mayor, June 9, 1877.

Resolved, That the vacant lots on the south side of Forty-third street, between Lexington and Third avenues, be fenced in, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, May 29, 1877.  
Approved by the Mayor, June 4, 1877.

DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS.

DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS,  
OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT,  
NO. 2 FOURTH AVENUE,  
NEW YORK, June 18, 1877.

The following comprises the operations of the Department of Buildings for the week ending June 16, 1877.

W. W. ADAMS,  
Superintendent of Buildings.

THOMAS DONALDSON,  
Chief Clerk.

BUREAU OF INSPECTION OF BUILDINGS.  
New Buildings.

Table with 2 columns: Description and Count. Includes 'No. of plans and specifications filed, etc.' (10), 'No. of buildings embraced in same' (23), 'Classified as follows: First-class dwellings' (16), 'Second-class dwellings' (2), 'French flats' (2), 'Tenement houses' (3), 'Hotels and boarding-houses' (3), 'First-class stores' (1), 'Second-class stores' (1), 'Third-class stores' (1), 'Office buildings' (1), 'Manufactories and workshops' (1), 'School-houses' (1), 'Churches' (1), 'Public buildings' (1), 'Stables' (1), 'Frame buildings (in upper districts)' (1).

Total 23

Table with 2 columns: Description and Count. Includes 'Plans passed upon, including those previously filed' (18), 'Approved' (11), 'Amended and approved' (4), 'Disapproved' (2), 'Pending' (1).

Total 18

Altered Buildings.

Table with 2 columns: Description and Count. Includes 'No. of plans and specifications filed' (26), 'No. of buildings embraced in same' (27), 'Classified as follows: First-class dwellings' (7), 'Second-class dwellings' (3), 'French flats' (2), 'Tenement houses' (2), 'Hotels and boarding-houses' (1), 'First-class stores' (2), 'Second-class stores' (2), 'Third-class stores' (2), 'Office buildings' (2), 'Manufactories and workshops' (3), 'School-houses' (2), 'Churches' (2), 'Public buildings' (2), 'Stables' (2), 'Frame buildings' (3).

Total 27

Table with 2 columns: Description and Count. Includes 'Buildings examined and plans relating thereto passed upon, including those previously filed' (35).

Table with 2 columns: Description and Count. Includes 'Approved' (23), 'Amended and approved' (6), 'Disapproved' (2), 'Pending' (4), 'Total' (35).

Special Applications.

Table with 2 columns: Description and Count. Includes 'Number filed and examinations made' (18), 'Approved' (12), 'Disapproved' (2), 'Pending' (4), 'Total' (18).

Respectfully submitted,  
ROBERT MCGINNIS,  
Chief of Bureau.  
JOHN J. TINDALE,  
Clerk.

BUREAU OF FIRE-ESCAPES AND IRON WORK.

Table with 2 columns: Description and Count. Includes 'Operations for the week ending June 16, 1877: Buildings reported for fire-escapes' (25), 'Fire-escapes provided' (32), 'Arch girders tested (approved)' (10), 'Iron beams tested (approved)' (34), 'Iron lintels tested (approved)' (6), 'Notices for fire-escapes served' (95), 'Cases sent to the Attorney for prosecution' (5), 'Buildings provided with trap-doors and railings to hostways' (2), 'Buildings provided with iron shutters' (1).

Respectfully submitted,  
CHAS. K. HYDE,  
Chief of Bureau.  
VICTOR W. VOORHEES,  
Clerk.

BUREAU OF VIOLATIONS AND APPLICATIONS.

Table with 2 columns: Description and Count. Includes 'Operations for the week ending June 16, 1877: Complaints received from outside sources' (11), 'Violations of the law reported' (16), 'Unsafe buildings reported' (14), 'Surveys held on unsafe buildings' (5), 'Violation cases sent to the Attorney for prosecution' (5), 'Unsafe building cases sent to the Attorney for prosecution' (5), 'Violation notices served' (17), 'Unsafe building notices served' (25), 'Buildings surveyed as to general condition' (14).

Table with 2 columns: Description and Count. Includes 'The classification of the unsafe buildings reported is as follows: Unsafe walls' (7), 'generally' (4), 'chimneys' (2), 'fence' (1), 'Total' (14).

Respectfully submitted,  
ANDREW OWENS,  
Chief of Bureau.  
WILLIAM H. CLASS,  
Clerk.

METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATORY

OF THE

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

CENTRAL PARK, NEW YORK,

Latitude 40° 45' 58" N. Longitude 73° 57' 58" W. Height of Instruments above the Ground, 53 feet; above the Sea, 97 feet.

ABSTRACT OF REGISTERS FROM SELF-RECORDING INSTRUMENTS,  
For the Week Ending June 16, 1877.

Barometer.

Table with 10 columns: DATE, 7 A.M., 2 P.M., 9 P.M., MEAN FOR THE DAY, MAXIMUM, MINIMUM. Rows for Sunday through Saturday.

Mean for the week 30.003 inches.  
Maximum " at 11 A.M., June 13 30.188 "  
Minimum " at 7 A.M., " 10 29.697 "  
Range " .491 "

Thermometers.

Table with 13 columns: DATE, 7 A.M., 2 P.M., 9 P.M., MEAN, MAXIMUM, MINIMUM, MAXIMUM. Rows for Sunday through Saturday.

Dry Bulb. Mean for the week 69.1 degrees.  
Wet Bulb. Mean for the week, at 2 P.M., 15th 64.7 degrees.  
Maximum " " at 2 P.M., 15th 83. " " at 2 P.M., 15th 76. "  
Minimum " " at 5 A.M., 12th 57. " " at 5 A.M., 11th 52. "  
Range " " 26. " " 24. "

Wind.

Table with 13 columns: DATE, DIRECTION, VELOCITY IN MILES, FORCE IN POUNDS PER SQUARE FOOT. Rows for Sunday through Saturday.

Distance traveled during the week 795 miles.  
Maximum force " 6 1/2 pounds.

Table with 13 columns: DATE, Hygrometer, Clouds, Rain and Snow. Rows for Sunday through Saturday.

Total amount of water for the week .34 inch.

DANIEL DRAPE, Director.

COMMON COUNCIL.

Names, Residences, and Places of Business of the Members of the Board of Aldermen.

Table with 3 columns: NAMES, RESIDENCE, PLACE OF BUSINESS. Lists names like Henry D. Purroy, Wm. L. Cole, Rufus B. Cowing, etc.

HENRY D. PURROY, President. FRANCIS J. TWOMEY, Clerk.

Standing Committees, 1877.

- ARTS, SCIENCES, AND EDUCATION.—Aldermen Salmon Lamb, and Morris. PUBLIC WORKS.—Aldermen Sheils, Joyce, Salmon Simonson, and Pinckney. FERRIES AND DOCK DEPARTMENT.—Aldermen Joyce, Sheils, and Phillips. FINANCE AND DEPARTMENT OF TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS.—Aldermen Keenan, Cole, Lewis, Morris, and Pinckney. LAW DEPARTMENT.—Aldermen Lewis, Hall, and Howland. PRINTING AND ADVERTISING.—Aldermen Tuomey, Sauer, and De Vries. MARKETS.—Aldermen Hall, Sauer, and Ehrhart. RAILROADS.—Aldermen Guntzer, Reilly, and Cowing. REPAIRS AND SUPPLIES.—Aldermen Slevin, Lewis, and Ehrhart. ROADS, BRIDGES, AND TUNNELS.—Aldermen Lamb, Sheils, and Simonson. SALARIES AND OFFICES.—Aldermen Cole, Hall, and Cowing. STREETS.—Aldermen Reilly, Slevin, and Phillips. STREET PAVEMENTS.—Aldermen Hall, Joyce, and De Vries. LANDS AND PLACES, AND PARK DEPARTMENT.—Aldermen Cole, Lamb, and Howland. FIRE AND BUILDING DEPARTMENTS.—Aldermen Salmon, Lamb, and Cowing. POLICE AND HEALTH DEPARTMENTS.—Aldermen Keenan, Guntzer, and Morris. CHARITIES AND CORRECTION AND EXCISE DEPARTMENTS.—Aldermen Sauer, Slevin, and Ehrhart. COUNTY AFFAIRS.—Aldermen Tuomey, Sauer, Guntzer, Howland, and Simonson.

OFFICIAL DIRECTORY.

STATEMENT OF THE HOURS DURING WHICH all the Public Offices in the City are open for business, and at which each Court regularly opens and adjourns, as well as of the places where such offices are kept and such Courts are held.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

Mayor's Office, No. 6, City Hall, 10 A. M. to 3 P. M. Mayor's Marshal, No. 7, City Hall, 10 A. M. to 3 P. M. Permit Bureau, No. 1, City Hall, 10 A. M. to 3 P. M. License Bureau, No. 1, City Hall, 10 A. M. to 3 P. M.

LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT.

Board of Aldermen and Supervisors, No. 9, City Hall, office hours from 10 A. M. to 4 P. M. Clerk of the Common Council and of Board of Supervisors, No. 8, City Hall, 10 A. M. to 4 P. M.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT.

NEW COUNTY COURT-HOUSE, OFFICE HOURS 9 A. M. TO 4 P. M. Comptroller's Office, second floor, west end. 1. Bureau for the collection of the revenue accruing from rents and interest on bonds and mortgages, and revenue arising from the use or sale of property belonging to or managed by the City, first floor, west end. 2. Bureau for the Collection of Taxes; Brown stone building, City Hall Park. 3. Bureau for the Collection of Arrears of Taxes and Assessments and Water Rents, first floor, west end. 4. Auditing Bureau, second floor, west end. 5. Bureau of Licenses, first floor, west end. 6. Bureau of Markets, first floor, west end. 7. Bureau for the reception of all moneys paid into the Treasury in the City, and for the payment of money on warrants drawn by the Comptroller and countersigned by the Mayor, at the Office of Chamberlain and County Treasurer, second floor, west end. 8. Bureau for the Collection of Assessments, Rotunda, south side.

LAW DEPARTMENT.

Counsel to the Corporation, Staats Zeitung Building third floor, 9 A. M. to 5 P. M. Public Administrator, 115 and 117 Nassau street, 10 A. M. to 4 P. M. Corporation Attorney, 115 and 117 Nassau street, 8 1/2 A. M. to 4 1/2 P. M. Attorney for the Collection of Arrears of Personal Taxes, No. 51 Chambers street, second floor. Attorney to the Department of Buildings, 2 Fourth avenue, 9 A. M. to 5 P. M.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

NO. 300 MULBERRY STREET, ALWAYS OPEN. Commissioners' Office, second floor. Superintendent's Office, first floor. Inspectors' Office, first floor. Chief Clerk's Office, second floor, 8 A. M. to 5 P. M. Property Clerk, first floor (rear) " " " Bureau of Street Cleaning, Avenue C, from Sixteenth to Seventeenth street, 8 A. M. to 5 P. M. Bureau of Elections, second floor (rear), 8 A. M. to 5 P. M.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

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

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION. Commissioners' Office, No. 66 Third avenue, 8 A. M. to 5 P. M.

Out Door Poor Department, No. 66 Third avenue always open, entrance on Eleventh street. Reception Hospital, Ninety-ninth street and Tenth avenue, always open. Bellevue Hospital, foot of Twenty-sixth street, East river, always open.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

NOS. 153, 155 AND 157 MERCER ST., 9 A. M. TO 4 P. M. Commissioners' Office. Chief of Department. Inspectors of Combustibles. Fire Marshal.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

NO. 301 1/2 TOTT STREET. Commissioners' Office, second floor, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. Attorney's Office, third floor, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. Sanitary Superintendent, always open, third floor. Register of Records, third floor, for granting burial permits, on all days of the week, except Sunday, from 7 A. to 6 P. M., and on Sundays, from 8 A. M. to 5 P. M.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

Commissioners' Office, 36 Union Square, 9 A. M. to 5 P. M.

DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS.

Commissioners' Office, 117 and 119 Duane street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

DEPARTMENT OF TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS. Commissioners' Office, Brown-stone building, City Hall Park, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. on Saturday, 9 A. M. to 3 P. M. Surveyor's Bureau, 19 Chatham street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. Board of Assessors.

DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS.

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

BOARD OF EXCISE.

Commissioners' Office, first floor, 299 Mulberry street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

BOARD OF EDUCATION.

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

COMMISSIONERS OF ACCOUNTS.

Commissioners' Office, 27 Chambers street, second floor, front office.

COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY COURT-HOUSE. Office, Room B, third floor, northwest corner County Court-house.

THE CITY RECORD.

Office, No. 2 City Hall, northwest corner basement, 8 A. M. to 6 P. M.

MISCELLANEOUS OFFICES

HOURS 9 A. M. TO 4 P. M. Coroners' Office, 40 East Houston street, second floor. Sheriff's Office, first floor, southwest corner of New County Court-house. County Clerk's Office, first floor, northeast corner of New County Court-house. Surrogate's Office, first floor, southeast corner of New County Court-house. Register's Office, Hall of Records, City Hall Park. District Attorney's Office, second floor, Brown-stone building, City Hall Park, 9 A. M. to 5 P. M.

COMMISSIONER OF JURORS.

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

COURTS.

SUPREME COURT. General Term, Special Term, Chambers, Circuit Part I, Circuit Part II, Circuit Part III, second floor, New County Court-house, 10 1/2 A. M. to 3 P. M.

SUPERIOR COURT.

General Term, Trial Term Part I, Trial Term Part II, third floor, New County Court-house, 11 A. M. Clerk's Office, Third floor, New County Court-house, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

COMMON PLEAS.

General Term, Equity Term, Trial Term Part I, Trial Term Part II. Third floor, New County Court-house, 11 A. M. Clerk's office, third floor, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

MARINE COURT.

General Term, Trial Term Part I, room 15, old City Hall; Trial Term Part II, Trial Term Part III, third floor, 27 Chambers street; Special Term, Chambers, second floor, 27 Chambers street, 10 A. M. to 3 P. M. Clerk's Office, basement, Brown-stone building, City Hall Park, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION, CORNER OF THIRD AVENUE AND ELEVENTH ST., NEW YORK, JUNE 21, 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 Morgue, Bellevue Hospital, from foot of Ninety-ninth street, North river—Unknown man; age about 30 years; 5 feet 7 inches high; brown hair; red moustache. Had on dark corded vest, dark pants, white and blue striped cotton shirt, blue socks, gaiter shoes. Briarwood pipe and six cents found on his person.

By Order, JOSHUA PHILLIPS, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION, CORNER OF THIRD AVENUE AND ELEVENTH ST., NEW YORK, JUNE 18, 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 New York City Asylum for Insane, Ward's Island, June 16, 1877—Frank Heintzman; aged 27 years; 5 feet 7 inches high; blue eyes; brown hair. This patient was transferred from Blackwell's Island December 30, 1871. Nothing known of his friends or relatives.

By Order, JOSHUA PHILLIPS, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION, CORNER OF THIRD AVENUE AND ELEVENTH ST., NEW YORK, JUNE 15, 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 Hart's Island Hospital, June 13, 1877—Mary Castrix; age 35 years; 5 feet 2 inches high (colored). Had on when admitted, brown calico dress, balmaroid skirt, black hat, prunella slippers. Nothing known of her friends or relatives.

By Order, JOSHUA PHILLIPS, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION, CORNER OF THIRD AVENUE AND ELEVENTH ST., NEW YORK, JUNE 20, 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 Morgue, Bellevue Hospital, from corner Thirty-first street and Fourth avenue—Unknown man; age about 45 years; 5 feet 7 inches high; dark hair; whiskers and moustache mixed with gray; brown eyes. Was dressed in brown sack coat, two blue shirts, gray flannel shirt, black pants and vest, gray cotton socks, brogan shoes, wore a tuss.

Unknown man, from Seventy-third street and North river—Body about six months in water; 5 feet 7 inches high. Had on black cloth vest, black pants, top boots, leather belt.

By Order, JOSHUA PHILLIPS, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS.

NOTICE.

DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS, 117 AND 119 DUANE STREET, NEW YORK, JUNE 22, 1877. MORRIS WILKINS, AUCTIONEER, WILL sell at Public Auction, at the Exchange Sales-room, No. 111 Broadway, on THURSDAY, JUNE 28, 1877.

at 12 o'clock M., the following floating property belonging to the Department, to wit: Lot 1. Dredging Machine No. 1, 24 x 60 feet; speeds hoisted by steam; bucket, 3 cubic yards. Lot 2. Dredging Machine No. 2, 26 x 74 feet; speeds hoisted by steam; bucket, 3 cubic yards. Lot 3. Pile Driver No. 1, 20 x 40 feet; ways, 45 feet; hammer, 1,740 lbs. Lot 4. Pile Driver No. 4, 20 x 43 feet; ways, 50 feet; hammer, 1,740 lbs. Lot 5. Pile Driver No. 6, 20 x 43 feet; ways, 50 feet; hammer, 1,740 lbs. Lot 6. Dredging Machine Mud Scoops Nos. 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, and 18, 200 cubic yards capacity. Lot 7. Dredging Machine Mud Scoops Nos. 9, 10, 11, and 12, 200 cubic yards capacity. Lot 8. Steam Tug "Alert," 39 tons, built in Philadelphia in 1858; certificate of inspection can be seen at office of Department.

All the above property is in working order, and will be sold in the condition in which it now is, except that all coal or other supplies now on board will be discharged before delivery. The upset price for each of the above crafts will be fixed by the Department, and will be announced by the auctioneer at the time of the sale. The tug, dredging machines, and pile drivers are moored at foot of Gansevoort street, North river, and will be delivered at that point.

The mud-scoops are moored in the Timber Basin at Weehawken (City of Hoboken), N. J., and will be delivered at that point; but similar scoops can be inspected at foot of Gansevoort street, North river.

TERMS OF SALE.

The terms of sale will be cash, twenty-five per cent. payable at time of sale, and balance on delivery of property, within thirty days thereafter. An order will be given, by the Secretary of the Department, for the delivery of property, in addition, to any bill of sale required.

JACOB A. WESTERVELT, HENRY F. DIMOCK, JACOB VANDERPOEL, Commissioners of Docks.

DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS, 117 AND 119 DUANE STREET, NEW YORK, MAY 28, 1877.

NOTICE.

TO LEASE FOR A TERM OF YEARS, NEW (stone) Pier No. 1, North river (452 feet long, 80 feet wide), and adjacent bulkhead. For terms and further information apply at the office of the Department, where a plan of the premises can be seen and examined.

JACOB A. WESTERVELT, HENRY F. DIMOCK, JACOB VANDERPOEL, Commissioners of Docks.

CORPORATION NOTICES

IMPORTANT TO PROPERTY OWNERS ON BLOOMINGDALE ROAD.

ALL PARTIES PRESENTING CLAIMS FOR damage to property, by reason of closing the Bloomingdale road, are required, in filing such claims, to produce their title deed to said property.

They are also requested to present the statement of their claims at the earliest possible day, as the Board of Assessors are engaged in the consideration of all questions of damage now before them, previous to a final adjustment and settlement of the same.

THOMAS B. ASTEN, JOHN MULLALY, EDWARD NORTH, WILLIAM L. WILEY, Board of Assessors. OFFICE BOARD OF ASSESSORS, NEW YORK, MAY 29, 1877.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT, NO. 301 MOTT STREET, NEW YORK, JUNE 12, 1877.

AT A MEETING OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH of the Health Department of the City of New York, held at its office on the 11th day of June, 1877, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That, under the power conferred by law upon the Health Department, the following additional section to the Sanitary Code, for the security of life and health, be and the same is hereby adopted and declared to form a portion of the Sanitary Code:

Section 187. That every person who omits or refuses to comply with, or who resists any of the provisions of the Sanitary Code, or any of the rules, orders, sanitary regulations, or ordinances established or declared by this Board, under or pursuant to any of the provisions of the seventy-fourth chapter of the Laws of 1866; or of chapter six hundred and eighty-six of the Laws of 1867; or of chapter nine hundred and fifty-six of the Laws of 1867; or of chapter three hundred and thirty-five of the Laws of 1873; or of chapter seven hundred and fifty-seven of the Laws of 1873; or of chapter six hundred and thirty-six of the Laws of 1874; or refuses or neglects to comply with any of the provisions of the said laws, in so far as the same are now in force, and applicable to the City of New York; or omits or refuses, or neglects the execution of any order or special regulation of this Department, will be liable to the arrest, suit, penalty, fine, and punishment in said laws provided and declared; of all of which, notice must be taken.

[L. S.] CHARLES F. CHANDLER, President. EMMONS CLARK, Secretary.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

No. 301 MOTT STREET, NEW YORK, JUNE 5, 1877.

AT A MEETING OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH of the Health Department of the City of New York, held at its office on the fifth day of June, 1877, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That section 155 of the Sanitary Code be and the same is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the following: Provided that the same effect shall be given, under this section, to a burial or transit permit issued by the Board of Health or Health Officer of the City of New York, as to a burial or transit permit issued from this Department when the death of the person named in the permit shall have occurred in said city of New York.

[L. S.] CHARLES F. CHANDLER, President. EMMONS CLARK, Secretary.

GAS COMMISSION.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, ROOM 19, CITY HALL, NEW YORK, JUNE 19, 1877.

PROPOSALS FOR FITTING UP AND LIGHTING PUBLIC LAMPS AT RIVERDALE IN THE TWENTY-FOURTH WARD.

PROPOSALS FOR FURNISHING THE GAS OR other Illuminating Material for, and Lighting Extinguishing, Cleaning, Fitting-up and Maintaining Public Lamps at Riverdale in the Twenty-fourth Ward of the City of New York, formerly in the town of Kingsbridge for the period from July 16, 1877, to December 31, 1877.

Proposals for the above, made in accordance with section 73, chapter 135, Laws of 1873, and Revised Ordinances of 1859, chapter 8, article 2, and enclosed in a sealed envelope endorsed "Proposals for furnishing the Illuminating Material for, and Lighting, Extinguishing, Cleaning, Repairing and Maintaining the Public Lamps," with the name of the party making the same written thereon, will be received at the office of the Commissioner of Public Works, until 12 o'clock M. of Monday, July 2, 1877, at which place and hour they will be publicly opened and read.

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

Each proposal shall be accompanied by the consent, in writing, of two householders or freeholders of the City of New York, with their respective places of business or residence, to the effect that if the contract be awarded to the person or persons making the bid, they will, on its being so awarded, become bound as his or their sureties for its faithful performance; and that if he or they shall omit or refuse to execute the same, they will pay to the Corporation any difference between the sum to which he or they would be entitled on its completion, and that which the Corporation may be obliged to pay to any higher bidder to whom the contract may be awarded at any subsequent letting; the consent above mentioned shall be accompanied by the oath or affirmation, in writing, of each of the persons signing the same, that he is a householder or freeholder in the City of New York, and is worth the amount of security required for the above work, over and above all his debts of every nature, and over and above his liabilities as bail, surety, or otherwise; that he has offered himself as a surety in good faith, and with the intention to execute the bond required by article 2, chapter 8, of the Revised Ordinances of 1859, organizing the Municipal Government of the City of New York, if the contract shall be awarded to the person or persons for whom he consents to become surety. The adequacy and sufficiency of the sureties offered to be determined by the Comptroller.

Bidders are required to state in their proposals what kind of material they propose to furnish. Bidders are also required to state the price for each lamp, including the lighting, extinguishing, cleaning, repairing, reglazing, and painting lamp-posts and lamps, replacing the cocks, tubes, burners, cross-heads, lamp-irons, and lanterns thereto, for the period from July 16, 1877, to December 31, 1877, both days inclusive; stating the price for the above named period of five and one-half months, for each lamp.

Bidders are also required to state a price for which they will fit up and repair lamp-posts. The bidders are required to write out the amount of their bids in their estimates, in addition to inserting the same in figures.

The number of lamps to be contracted for is from 50 to 75. The lamps are to burn on an average of 1,855 hours and fifty minutes each, per term.

The burners are to be of a capacity to burn three cubic feet of gas per hour under a pressure of one inch, and in case the illuminating material shall be other than coal-gas, then the burners to be used for such illuminating material shall give a light (by Photometrical test, equal to the light given by the gas-burners now in use in the public lamps in the City of New York. Should any alteration of, or any attachment be required to any portion of the lamps for which proposals are made, such alterations shall be done, and attachments placed on the lamps without expense to the city.

The amount of security required is \$2,500.00. The award of the contract will be made as soon as practicable after the opening of the bids.

Should the person or persons to whom the contract is so awarded neglect or refuse to accept to contract within forty-eight hours after written notice that the same has been awarded to his bid or proposal, or if he accept but does not execute the contract and give the proper security, it may be re-advertised and relet as above provided.

Bidders are informed that no deviation from the specifications will be allowed, unless a written permission shall have been previously obtained from the Mayor, Comptroller, and Commissioner of Public Works.

The right is reserved to assign and designate to any bidder the number and location of the lamps for which proposals are received, and to increase or diminish the numbers.

The right is reserved to determine and designate, after the proposals are opened, what illuminating material shall be used in the public lamps, or any portion of them, during the period above mentioned; also to decline any or all proposals if deemed for the interests of the Corporation; and no proposal will be accepted from, or contract awarded to, any person who is in arrears to the Corporation, upon debt or contract, or who is a defaulter, as security or otherwise, upon any obligation to the Corporation.

Ten days time will be allowed after the execution of the contract for the erection of the lamps, but no payment will be made for the time so allowed, nor except for the time during which all the requirements mentioned in the specifications shall have been fully performed.

Blank forms of proposals, the specifications and agreements, the proper envelopes in which to inclose the bids, and any further information desired can be obtained at the office of the Commissioner of Public Works.

SMITH ELY, JR., Mayor. JOHN KELLY, Comptroller. ALLAN CAMPBELL, Commissioner of Public Works.

BOARD OF EDUCATION.

SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED BY the Board of Trustees of Common Schools of the several wards, at the Hall of the Board of Education, corner of Grand and Elm streets, for Repairing and Painting School Buildings; for Furnishing new and for Repairing present Furniture; for Furnishing new and for Repairing present Heating Apparatus; to be done and furnished mainly during the months of July and August, 1877, as follows:

By the Trustees of the Ninth Ward, until 9 1/2 o'clock A. M., on Monday, June 25, 1877: For Repairing and Alterations of Primary School Building No. 24.

CHARLES S. WRIGHT, Chairman, Board of School Trustees, Ninth Ward. Secretary. Dated NEW YORK, June 11, 1877.

By the Trustees of the Tenth Ward, until 4 1/2 o'clock P. M., on Monday, June 25, 1877: For Sliding Doors, etc., and for Painting work of Grammar School Buildings Nos. 20 and 42, and Primary School Building No. 1.

ALONZO TRUESDELL, Chairman, Board of School Trustees, Tenth Ward. Secretary. Dated NEW YORK, June 11, 1877.

By the Trustees of the Eleventh Ward, until 9 1/2 o'clock A. M., on Tuesday, June 26, 1877: For Repairing and Painting Grammar School Buildings Nos. 15 and 22; also, at the same time and place, for Furniture for Grammar School Building No. 15.

SAMUEL M. CREGAR, M. D., Chairman, Board of School Trustees, Eleventh Ward. Secretary. Dated NEW YORK, June 12, 1877.

By the Trustees of the Thirteenth Ward, until 4 o'clock P. M., on Tuesday, June 26, 1877: For Repairs to building and erecting an iron stairway for Grammar School Building No. 4.

ANDREW J. CASE, Chairman, Board of School Trustees, Thirteenth Ward. Secretary. Dated NEW YORK, June 12, 1877.

By the Trustees of the Fifteenth Ward, until 9 1/2 o'clock A. M., on Wednesday, June 27, 1877: For Repairs, etc., of Grammar School Buildings Nos. 35 and 47; also for Furniture for Grammar School Building No. 35.

JOSEPH BRITTON, Chairman Board of School Trustees, Fifteenth Ward. Secretary. Dated NEW YORK, June 13, 1877.

By the Trustees of the Sixteenth Ward, until 4 o'clock P. M., on Wednesday, June 27, 1877: For Repairs, etc., to Grammar School Building No. 55; also for Repairing Steam Heating Apparatus.

MATTHEW BIRD, Chairman Board of School Trustees, Sixteenth Ward. Secretary. Dated NEW YORK, June 13, 1877.

By the Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, until 4 o'clock P. M., on Thursday, June 28, 1877: For Painting Grammar School Building No. 25.

R. A. BARRY, M. D., Chairman, Board of School Trustees, Seventeenth Ward. Secretary. Dated NEW YORK, June 14, 1877.

By the Trustees of the Eighteenth Ward, until 9 1/2 o'clock A. M., on Thursday, June 28, 1877: For Repairs, etc., of Grammar School Buildings Nos. 40 and 50, and Primary School Building No. 28; also for Repairing Heating Apparatus for Grammar School Building No. 40.

JOHN F. TROW, Chairman, Board of School Trustees, Eighteenth Ward. Secretary. Dated NEW YORK, June 14, 1877.

By the Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, until 9 1/2 o'clock A. M., on Friday, June 29, 1877: For Painting Grammar School Building No. 59.

F. T. HOPKINS, Chairman, Board of School Trustees, Nineteenth Ward. Secretary. Dated NEW YORK, June 15, 1877.

By the Trustees of the Twentieth Ward, until 4 o'clock P. M., on Friday, June 29, 1877: For Repairing, etc., Grammar School Buildings Nos. 33 and 48, and Primary School Building No. 27.

H. D. RANNEY, M. D., Chairman, Board of School Trustees, Twentieth Ward. Secretary. Dated NEW YORK, June 15, 1877.

By the Trustees of the Seventh Ward, until 9 1/2 o'clock A. M., on Monday, July 2, 1877: For Furniture for Grammar School Building No. 31.

GEO. G. HALLOCK, Chairman, Board of School Trustees, Seventh Ward. Secretary. Dated NEW YORK, June 18, 1877.

By the Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward, until 4 o'clock P. M., on Monday, July 2, 1877: For Painting and an iron stairway for Grammar School Building No. 17; also for Furnishing Grammar School Building No. 28.

JOEL W. MASON, Chairman, Board of School Trustees, Twenty-second Ward. Secretary. Dated NEW YORK, June 18, 1877.

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

Proposals will not be considered unless the following provisions are strictly complied with:

The party submitting a proposal and the parties proposing to become sureties must each write his own name and place of residence on said proposals. Two responsible and approved sureties, residents of this city, are required in all cases. The Trustees reserve the right to reject any or all proposals submitted.

DEPARTMENT PUBLIC WORKS.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, ROOM 19, CITY HALL, NEW YORK, June 16, 1877.

TO CONTRACTORS.

PROPOSALS INCLOSED IN A SEALED ENVELOPE, with the name of the bidder indorsed thereon, will be received at this office until Thursday, June 28, 1877, at 12 o'clock M., at which hour they will be publicly opened by the head of the Department and read.

For furnishing and delivering at Brewster's Station, Harlem Railroad, as the Commissioner of Public Works may from time to time designate,

- 4 THIRTY-INCH STOP-COCKS AND GEARING, 4 TWENTY-INCH STOP-COCKS.

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, Room 21, City Hall.

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 PUBLIC WORKS, COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, ROOM 19, CITY HALL, NEW YORK, June 2, 1877.

PUBLIC NOTICE

TO SHIPPERS, MERCHANTS, BUILDERS AND OTHERS, requiring water for shipping, and on piers, wharves, and bulkheads, and for building purposes.

WHEREAS, THE LICENSE HERETOFORE held by George Canfield, for supplying Croton water for the above purposes, expires on the 4th day of June, 1877, all persons requiring water for shipping, and on piers, wharves, and bulkheads, and for building purposes, will be supplied on and after June 5, 1877, by this Department, upon application to James McCartney, Superintendent for supplying water to shipping and for building purposes, at the office of the Chief Engineer, Room 11 1/2 City Hall, who will give information as to rates and issue the necessary permits.

Parties using water on piers, wharves, and bulkheads, will be required, as soon as practicable, to place water-meters on the pipes supplying them, and pay for the water at meter rates.

ALLAN CAMPBELL, Commissioner of Public Works

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, ROOM 19, CITY HALL, NEW YORK, June 16, 1877.

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For furnishing and delivering at Brewster's Station, Harlem Railroad, and at Pipe Yard, Twenty-fourth street, East river, as the Commissioner of Public Works may from time to time designate, about,

- 414 TONS OF CAST-IRON WATER PIPES, 75 TONS OF SPECIAL CASTINGS.

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, Room 21, City Hall.

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.

JURORS.

NOTICE IN RELATION TO JURORS FOR STATE COURTS.

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER OF JURORS, NEW COUNTY COURT-HOUSE, NEW YORK, June 1, 1877.

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. 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 it 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)

FINANCE DEPARTMENT.

PROPOSALS FOR \$600,000, STOCK OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED AT the Comptroller's Office, until Friday, June 29, 1877, at 2 o'clock P. M., when the same will be publicly opened, for the whole or any part of the sum of \$600,000, Stock of the City of New York, to wit:

- "Consolidated Stock of the City of New York," authorized by chapter 322, Laws of 1871— For "Construction of New York and Brooklyn Bridge," in pursuance of chapter 300, Laws of 1875; interest at five per cent. per annum, payable quarterly, and the principal redeemable at the pleasure of the Comptroller, after November 1, 1900, and payable on May 1, 1926. \$500,000 For "New York County Court-house Stock Number Five," authorized by section 7, chapter 583, Laws of 1871; interest at five per cent. per annum, payable semi-annually, and the principal payable on the first day of November, 1898. 100,000 \$600,000

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 Stock 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.

JOHN KELLY, Comptroller.

CITY OF NEW YORK, DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, June 18, 1877.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, BUREAU FOR THE COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS, ROTUNDA, NEW COURT-HOUSE, NEW YORK, May 5, 1877.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY-HOLDERS.

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

CONFIRMED APRIL 17, 1877. One Hundred and Tenth street, widening to the width of 80 feet to a point 250 feet west of Eighth avenue to the Eighth avenue.

All payments made on the above assessment on or before July 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.

EDWARD GILON, Collector of Assessments.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, BUREAU FOR THE COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS, ROTUNDA, NEW COURT-HOUSE, NEW YORK, June 2, 1877.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY-HOLDERS.

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

CONFIRMED MAY 19, 1877. Widening of the Boulevard, 25 feet on the westerly side thereof, as now opened, between One Hundred and Seventh and One Hundred and Eighth streets, westerly from the westerly line of Eleventh avenue.

All payments made on the above assessment on or before August 2, 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.

EDWARD GILON, Collector of Assessments.

REAL ESTATE RECORDS.

THE ATTENTION OF LAWYERS, REAL Estate Owners, Monetary Institutions engaged in making loans upon real estate, and all who are interested in providing themselves with facilities for reducing the cost of examinations and searches, is invited to these Official Indices of Records, containing all recorded transfers of real estate in the City of New York from 1653 to 1857, prepared under the direction of the Commissioners of Records.

Grants, grantees, suits in equity, insolvents' and Sheriffs' sales, in 61 volumes, full bound, price. \$100 00 The same, in 25 volumes, half bound. 50 00 Complete sets, folded, ready for binding. 15 25 Records of Judgments, 25 volumes, bound. 10 00 Orders should be addressed to Mr. Stephen Angell, Comptroller's Office, New County Court-house.

JOHN KELLY, Comptroller

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, February 6, 1877.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, BUREAU FOR THE COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS, ROTUNDA, NEW COURT-HOUSE, NEW YORK, April 27, 1877.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY-HOLDERS.

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

CONFIRMED APRIL 21, 1877. 56th street paving, from 2d to 3d avenue. 59th " " 1st avenue to Avenue A. 50th " " 10th to 11th avenue. 58th " " " " " " 60th " " " " " "

127th " " 2d to 7th avenue. 127th " " 3d to 6th avenue. Bogart " " West street to 13th avenue. Madison avenue crosswalks, at intersections of 86th, 87th, 88th, and 89th streets.

Lexington avenue crosswalks, at intersection of 78th street 68th street regulating, grading, setting curb, gutter stones and flagging, from 3d avenue to East river. 43d street regulating, grading, setting curb, gutter, and flagging, from 1st avenue to East river.

124th street regulating, grading, setting curb, gutter, and flagging, from 8th avenue to Avenue St. Nicholas. Avenue A regulating, grading, setting curb, gutter, and flagging, from 54th to 57th street.

10th avenue sewer, between 75th and 77th streets. 105th street " " 3d " 4th avenues. 116th " " " 7th " 8th " Basin on the southeast corner of 108th street and 5th avenue.

All payments made on the above assessments on or before June 26, 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.

EDWARD GILON, Collector of Assessments.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, BUREAU FOR THE COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS, ROTUNDA, NEW COURT-HOUSE, NEW YORK, May 9, 1877.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY-HOLDERS.

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

CONFIRMED APRIL 18, 1877. 175th street opening, from Kingsbridge road to 10th avenue.

All payments made on the above assessment on or before July 9, 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.

EDWARD GILON, Collector of Assessments.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, BUREAU FOR THE COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS, ROTUNDA, NEW COURT-HOUSE, NEW YORK, May 28, 1877.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY-HOLDERS.

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

CONFIRMED MAY 22, 1877. 51st street, paving, from 12th avenue to bulkhead line. 80th street, paving, from 3d to 4th avenue. 8th avenue, paving, from Circle at 59th street to 125th street.

21st street, regulating, grading, etc., between 11th and 13th avenues. 35th street, regulating, grading, etc., between 1st avenue and East river. 95th street, regulating, grading, etc., between 1st and 3d avenues.

130th street, regulating, grading, etc., between 7th and 8th avenues. 143d street, regulating, grading, etc., between St. Ann's avenue and Mill Brook.

9th avenue, regulating, grading, etc., between 123d and 126th streets. 63d street, flagging, between 3d and 5th avenues. 120th street, flagging, between 3d and 6th avenues. 125th street, flagging, between 3d and 8th avenues.

Thomas avenue, flagging, east side, between Kingsbridge road and New Fordham School-house. 8th avenue, sewer, between 68th and 81st streets. 124th street, sewer, between 1st avenue and Harlem river, and in Avenue A, between 123d and 124th streets.

Basin on southeast corner Ridge and Houston streets. Basin on southeast corner 2d street and Avenue A. Basin on southeast corner 65th street and 4th avenue.

All payments made on the above assessments on or before July 27, 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.

EDWARD GILON, Collector of Assessments.

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

POLICE DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK, 300 MULBERRY STREET, NEW YORK, June 16, 1877.

PROPOSALS FOR FURNISHING 4,000 REGISTRY BOOKS; 5,000 COPIES ELECTION LAW PAMPHLET; 7 OATH BOOKS FOR INSPECTORS AND POLL CLERKS.

SEALED PROPOSALS FOR THIS WORK WILL be received at the Office of the President of the Board of Police, until 10 1/2 o'clock A. M. on the 29th day of June, 1877, at which time the bids will be publicly opened and read.

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

Proposals must be directed to the President of the Board of Police, and endorsed "Proposals for furnishing Registry Books, etc."

Samples of the proposed work may be seen, and specifications and blank forms of proposals may be obtained on application to the undersigned.

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

POLICE DEPARTMENT, CITY OF NEW YORK, PROPERTY CLERK'S OFFICE, 300 MULBERRY STREET, NEW YORK, June 4, 1877.

OWNERS WANTED BY THE POLICE Clerk, Police Department, 301 Mott street, Room 39, for the following property, now in his custody without claimants:

Revolvers, gold and silver watches, male and female clothing, rope, boats, and several small amounts of money found and taken from prisoners.

C. A. ST. JOHN, Property Clerk.

DEPARTMENT OF THE MUNICIPAL POLICE, CITY OF NEW YORK, PROPERTY CLERK'S OFFICE, 300 MULBERRY STREET, NEW YORK, June 13, 1877.

TWENTY-THIRD AUCTION SALE UNCLAIMED property, will take place at No. 300 Mulberry street, Room 39, Police Headquarters, on Wednesday, June 27, 1877, at 10 o'clock A. M., consisting of:

Miscellaneous articles, boats, furniture, lead, rope, coffee, blankets, wagons, harness, tobacco, male and female clothing, boots, shoes, trunks, bags, gold and silver watches, jewelry, revolvers, etc.; also, at same time and place, on account Police Department, lot of old iron, lead, beds, etc.; also, at same time and place, on account cartage property, furniture, pictures, bags, etc.

C. A. ST. JOHN, Property Clerk.

LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT

THE COMMITTEE ON STREETS WILL MEET every Friday, at 1 o'clock P. M.

BRYAN REILLY, JAMES J. SLEVIN, LEWIS J. PHILLIPS, Committee on Streets.

THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS WILL meet in Room No. 16, City Hall, every Wednesday, at 2 o'clock P. M.

THOMAS SHEILS, WILLIAM JOYCE, WILLIAM SALMON, STEPHEN N. SIMONSON, JOSEPH C. PINCKNEY, Committee on Public Works.

THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE WILL MEET in Room No. 16, City Hall, every Monday, at 3 o'clock P. M.

PATRICK KEENAN, WILLIAM L. COLE, SAMUEL A. LEWIS, JOHN I. MORRIS, JOSEPH C. PINCKNEY, Committee on Finance.

THE COMMITTEE ON LAW DEPARTMENT will meet every Monday, at 2 o'clock P. M., in Room No. 16, City Hall.

SAMUEL A. LEWIS, GEORGE HALL, HENRY E. HOWLAND, Committee on Law Department.

THE CITY RECORD.

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