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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS,
36 UNION SQUARE,
NEW YORK, May 8, 1879.

Hon. SMITH ELY, Jr., Mayor:

SIR—I have the honor to submit the following report of the transactions of this Department for the three months ending March 31, 1878, in pursuance of the provisions of section 27, chapter 335, Laws of 1873.

ORGANIZATION.

The term of office, as Commissioner of the Department, of William R. Martin, Esq., expired on May 1, 1877, and he was succeeded by Smith Edward Lane, Esq., who was appointed a Commissioner on the 10th of January, 1878.

On the 16th of January, 1878, the following officers of the Department were elected: Commissioner James F. Wenman, President; Commissioner Smith E. Lane, Treasurer. The following standing committees were appointed on the same day, namely: Commissioners Wetmore and Conover, Executive Committee. Commissioners Lane and Conover, Auditing Committee.

CENTRAL PARK.

Mr. Columbus Ryan, licensee for the sale of refreshments in Central Park, was authorized to have the following repairs made, and to deduct the cost of the same from the fees payable under his license, namely:

Painting and papering a number of rooms on the principal floors of the buildings at Mount St. Vincent, and repairing the blinds, etc., at a cost not exceeding \$150.
Cleaning all the ceilings and walls and painting the same, and the woodwork of the Casino, at a cost not to exceed \$225.

Painting the walls and ceilings of the Dairy, at a cost not to exceed \$75.
Painting the refreshment house at the Arsenal building, at a cost not to exceed \$50.
A plank walk was laid from the Menagerie along the path leading to the Deer Paddock.
The work of erecting and completing the Swedish School-house, purchased from the International exposition at Philadelphia in 1876, was proceeded with. The house is situated near the West Drive of Central Park, and a little west of the Belvedere, and is to be used as a refreshment saloon and ladies' waiting room.

Permission was granted to Mr. C. Ryan, licensee for the sale of refreshments in Central Park, to take the ice from the Pool and Loch in the park.

A bill was introduced in the Legislature to authorize the military to occupy such portion of any of the parks as the Board of Aldermen shall direct as a parade ground, and as no park in the city has an open space sufficiently large for the purpose except the Central Park, the object of the bill was apparent. The following preamble and resolutions were adopted:

"Whereas, The use of any portion of the Central Park as a parade ground by the military would be subversive of the purposes for which the park was constructed, and would be most injurious and detrimental to it, and to the enjoyment of it by the people; therefore

"Resolved, That the President be requested to prepare a suitable remonstrance from the Department against the passage of any bill authorizing such a use of the Central Park, or any portion of it."

Application was made to the Department by the American Zoological and Botanical Garden Co., Limited, for its approval of a bill which it was proposed should be presented to the Legislature, setting apart a portion of the Central Park for the use of said Company.

The Department, after considering the subject and hearing the promoters of the undertaking, refused to approve of such an appropriation of any part of the park, mainly on the ground that the Zoological and Botanical Gardens, if established, would not be free to the public.

Mr. C. Ryan, licensee for the sale of refreshments in Central Park, was authorized to place one boiler which the Department had on hand, and also one new boiler to be provided by Mr. Ryan, in the basement of the building at Mount St. Vincent, and to put up all necessary heating pipes, connections and radiators in the different rooms of the building for the purpose of heating it with steam, and to deduct the cost of the work, to the extent of \$500, from the fees payable under his license.

The grounds inside the approaches to the Museum of Natural History building on Manhattan square were completed and seeded.

Application was made to the Department by the "Trustees of the Botanical Garden in the City of New York," for permission to occupy a portion of the northern part of Manhattan square, Central Park, as a Botanical Garden, as provided by chapter 199 of the Laws of 1877.

The Department has the application under advisement.

The statue of Morse was rebronzed, the pedestal recut, and the base raised one foot higher than formerly, which have much improved the appearance of the statue.

The site for the bust of Mazzini, which the Italian residents propose to present to the city, was changed from the junction of the drives west of the Webster statue, to a point on the west drive midway between the Seventh regiment statue and the sheepfold.

A plan of approaches to the new Museum of Art building in Central Park was approved, and the work of constructing the walks and roads proceeded with.

Arrangement were made with Messrs. H. B. Dodworth and G. C. Grafulla to give open air concerts on the Mall each Saturday during the summer, commencing on the 1st of June.

Mr. C. Ryan, licensee for the sale of refreshments in Central Park, was authorized to expend a sum not exceeding \$150 for painting, etc., the buildings at Mount St. Vincent, and to deduct the same from his fees payable under his license.

A plank walk, three feet wide, resting on sleepers, was placed round the Conservatory Pond in Central Park, which pond is allowed to be used by young boys and gentlemen for the purpose of sailing model yachts.

MAINTENANCE OF STREETS, ETC., IN TWENTY-THIRD AND TWENTY-FOURTH WARDS.

Permission was given Mr. Franklin M. Berrian to lay a drain from the northwest corner of Kingsbridge road and Marion avenue, across Maron avenue.

On January 5th all work was suspended, and all the employees except the superintendent and the general foreman were discharged. The Superintendent of Parks was directed to detail a small force of laborers during the suspension of the employees to make all necessary repairs to the roads, etc.

On the 23d of January the Superintendent was removed, and the care of the streets, etc., was placed in the hands of the general foreman until the 27th of March, when Mr. E. E. McLean was appointed Superintendent. Since that time a small force of laborers has been kept steadily at work repairing the roads, etc.

MISCELLANEOUS.

The agreement with the Gold and Stock Telegraph Co. for telegraphic communication between the general office of the Department at 36 Union square and the Central Park was continued from January 1 to May 1, 1878.

The claim of Mr. J. B. Devlin, as assignee of Messrs. McCauley & Devlin, for extra filling delivered on Manhattan square, Central Park, in 1873, was considered and disallowed.

Permission was given, on the 5th January, to a committee of workmen to hold a mass meeting in Tompkins square.

The Gilbert Elevated Railroad Company having commenced to excavate on the sidewalk of the Central Park at Fifty-ninth street and Sixth avenue, for the purpose of erecting a column of their road, the Department, under the advice of the Counsel to the Corporation, prevented their proceeding with work on the north side of Sixth avenue, and caused them to repair the damage which they had done to the sidewalk.

The Board of Aldermen having requested that Welsh street, in the Twenty-fourth Ward, should be extended easterly to Kingsbridge road, the subject was considered, and after careful examination it was found to be disadvantageous to do so, for the reasons that it would create a crossing of the railroad at grade at a point where the street would frequently be obstructed by the trains that stop at Fordham, and by the freight cars on the sidings, and that the crossing would always be dangerous.

The two fixed spans of the Central bridge over Harlem river were repaired.
All stands for the sale of fruit, etc., on the Battery Park were removed, and orders given to allow none for the future.

Gutters were placed along the cages of the carnivorous animals in the menagerie in such a manner that a constant stream of water is kept flowing through them, which is found to greatly improve the sanitary condition of the animals, and to relieve the buildings of some of their unpleasant odors.

The work of regulating and grading Concord avenue, from Home street to Westchester avenue, in the Twenty-third Ward, which was let on contract by the Trustees of the former town of Morrisania prior to the annexation of that town to the city, and which was abandoned by the contractor, was begun again, and is now nearly completed, by Mr. Francis McCabe, who obtained an assignment of the original contract.

On the 23d January, 1878, the by-laws governing the Department were amended and altered. A copy of the by-laws as so amended is annexed hereto.

The south wing of the old Claremont Hotel, on Riverside Park, having become dilapidated and unsafe, it was sold at public auction, one of the conditions of the sale being that the purchaser remove it within ten days.

The agreement or contract for the occupation of the Museum of Natural History, as authorized by chapter 139 of the Laws of 1876, was approved, and the President and Secretary of the Department authorized to execute it on behalf of the Department. A copy of said agreement or contract is annexed hereto.

The work of constructing and improving Riverside avenue has progressed, but not so rapidly as was desirable. Some changes have been made in the engineering force supervising the work, and it is hoped that the work will now be prosecuted with greater energy by the contractors.

Permission was given to the Atlantic and Pacific Telegraph Co. to replace with new poles one old telegraph pole on the sidewalk of the Park, at Broadway and Sixth avenue, and four poles on the west side of Madison square, between Twenty-third and Twenty-fifth streets.

The Counsel to the Corporation was instructed to commence and prosecute proceedings on behalf of the Mayor, Alderman and Commonalty of the City, for the purpose of acquiring title to the road or street commonly known as Bronx River road, in the Twenty-fourth Ward, and extending from Woodlawn station to the north line of the city.

The lease of the office of the Department at No. 36 Union square, which was entered into in 1873, terminates on May 1, 1878. The rent reserved by it is \$5,000 per annum. Arrangements have been made for the occupancy of the same offices by the Department from May 1, 1878, until December 31, 1878, at a rent of \$2,500 per annum.

The pay of the undermentioned employees, and class of employees, was fixed as follows, to take effect March 3, 1878, viz.:

General Foreman, C. B. Trimble.....	\$4 00 per day.
General Foreman, I. Jerome.....	4 00 "
Foreman E. H. Treadwell.....	4 00 "
Foreman John Meehan.....	4 00 "
Mechanical Engineer, J. H. Van Riper.....	4 00 "
All other Foremen.....	3 50 "
Superintending Gardener.....	5 00 "
Division Gardeners.....	2 00 "
Gardeners.....	1 80 "
Engineers of steam engines.....	2 50 "
Masons.....	3 00 "
Stone-cutters.....	3 00 "
Cartmen.....	3 00 "
Harnessmakers.....	2 50 "
Carpenters.....	2 50 "
Painters.....	2 50 "
Plumbers.....	2 50 "
Skilled Blacksmiths.....	3 25 "
Blacksmiths.....	2 75 "
Laborers employed in cottages.....	1 25 "
Ladies' Maids.....	1 25 "
Laborers employed in Arsenal.....	1 25 "
" " Museum.....	1 25 "
" " Mount St. Vincent.....	1 25 "
Laborers employed on Parks and Places.....	1 60 "
Laborers employed in Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards.....	1 50 "
John Watkins, Janitor.....	3 00 "
Thomas Meehan, Janitor.....	2 00 "
John Becket, Messenger.....	1 60 "
Henry Carpenter, Messenger.....	1 60 "
John McLaughlin, ".....	2 00 "
Jas. H. Hart, ".....	2 50 "
Tobias Lyness, Skilled Laborer.....	2 25 "
Peter Carroll, ".....	2 00 "
John Reynolds, ".....	1 60 "

Application was made to the Common Council for an ordinance authorizing the regulating and grading of Third avenue, from Harlem river to One Hundred and Forty-seventh street, in accordance with the grade as now established by law.

The grade of this portion of the avenue was altered by the Commission appointed by chapter 841, Laws of 1868, but the surface of the street has never been made to conform with this grade. The consequence is that all improvements on the avenue are retarded, to the loss of individual owners and also of the city.

Writs of certiorari, issued from the Supreme Court at the instance of Isaac Evans, Henry Koster, George H. Harrison, Joseph Belton, and William E. Beams, formerly employees of the Department, were served on this Department, directing returns to be made of all proceedings connected with the removal of said persons.

The posts and sills supporting the large roof over the platform on East river park having been reported to be in a dangerous condition, the roof was sold at public auction, on condition that the purchaser should remove it within ten days after sale.

Application was made to the Department by the American Acclimatization Society to set apart a portion of one of the parks in the upper portion of the city for the purposes of the Society. No action has yet been taken on said application.

The Treasurer was authorized to purchase all supplies and materials for the Department, which shall be approved by the President.

The engineers appointed to superintend the work of regulating and grading Elton avenue, from Third avenue to Brook avenue, in the Twenty-third ward, having certified that the work was completed, a certificate was issued to the contractors, Messrs. James Hall and Michael O'Neil, as required by section 329, Laws of 1874, for \$4,685.

The President was authorized to dispose of such old material in the Department as could not be made use of.

The appropriation for surveying, laying out, and monumenting the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth wards, and the north end of the island, being nearly exhausted, it became necessary, on the 27th of March, to suspend, without pay, the following employees who were engaged on the work, namely:

J. J. R. Croes, Civil and Topographical Engineer.	Henry W. Vogel, Assistant.
C. R. Schott, Division Engineer.	Randall Hunt, Chainman.
S. S. Haight, Assistant Engineer.	Thomas Fox, Chainman.
Horace Crosby, Surveyor.	Thomas L. Beebe, Axeman.
F. J. O'Sullivan, Draughtsman.	F. W. Brown, Clerk.
H. Cruger, Draughtsman.	George Robinson, Laborer.
George C. Hollerith, Assistant.	Richard Gambling, Laborer.

The work of surveying, laying out, and monumenting the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, etc., was then temporarily placed in charge of Mr. E. B. Van Winkle, Engineer and Surveyor of Street Openings and Improvements, without any additional compensation.

Mr. F. Griffenberg and Mr. J. F. Perez, draughtsmen, were continued, at salaries of \$1,000 per annum each, to complete the maps and plans which were being made.

The following work has been done on construction of work under contract: 419 feet of pipe sewer laid in One Hundred and Thirty-eighth and One Hundred and Forty-fourth streets. 8 manholes built.

BROOK AVENUE SEWER.

- 1,300 piles driven. 75 cubic yards of rubble masonry laid. 3 receiving-basins built.

DRAINS NEAR FORDHAM.

- 300 lineal feet covered drains built. 300 lineal feet open drains built. 6,500 lineal feet blind drains built.

TRANSFERS ASKED.

The Board of Estimate and Apportionment was requested to make the following transfers:

From Maintenance and Government of Parks and Places, etc., 1874, to Maintenance and Government of Parks and Places, etc., 1873, \$284.

From Surveying, laying-out, and monumenting north end of the island, and Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, for 1875, to Surveying, laying-out, and monumenting Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, including north end of this island, for 1877, \$134.73.

From the appropriation for the "keeping, preservation, and exhibition of the collections in the American Museum of Natural History and the Metropolitan Museum of Art," for 1877, to "Maintenance and Government of Parks and Places," for 1877, the whole balance remaining unexpended on the books of the Finance Department.

POLICE.

The pay of employees holding the following positions on the Police force of the Department was fixed as follows, from January 1, 1878:

Table with 2 columns: Position and Salary. Includes Lieutenant (\$1,600), Surgeon (1,000), Sergeants (3.00 per day), Patrolmen (2.40), Gate-keepers (2.00), Tailors (2.00).

The system of Night Watchmen on Central Park was discontinued, and a night patrol of the Police substituted.

Sergeant Lewis Flack was detailed to act as a Detective in citizen's clothes.

Doctor E. F. F. Marsh was employed to make an examination, and report upon the physical condition of the Police force.

SALARIES.

The following salaries of employees, payable from the appropriation for salaries for 1878 were fixed, viz.:

Table with 2 columns: Name and Salary. Includes Wm. Irwin (\$3,500), D. P. Lord (2,200), J. C. Hawley (1,200), Wm. Van Valkenburgh (2,500), J. Munckwitz (4,000), W. A. Conklin (1,500), D. Draper (3,500), T. B. Ingram (1,200), F. A. Calkins (1,900), Otto Sieboth (1,200), Wm. R. Kingsland (1,000), Geo. C. Coffin (1,800).

APPOINTMENTS.

- Jan. 2. F. Griffenberg, draughtsman, from January 1 to January 15, 1878. Pay at rate of \$1,500 per annum.
16. E. L. Parks, Gate-keeper.
16. John Dolan, Gate-keeper.
23. F. Griffenberg, Draughtsman, from January 15, 1878. Pay, \$1,500 per annum.
23. Lewis H. Osborne, Inspector, pay, \$3 per day.
23. S. H. Conklin, Gate-keeper, from January 18, 1878.
23. Edward Darke, Gate-keeper.
23. Fred. Law Olmsted, Consulting Landscape Architect. His services to be paid for at such rate as the Department shall determine from time to time, as they are availed of.
30. John Bozetti, Police Tailor.
30. Sarah Titus, bridge tender of draw-bridge over Bronx river, pay \$150 per annum.
March 6. James Lynch, Inspector on the work of constructing Brook avenue sewer, pay \$4 per day.
6. Tobias Lyness, Steam Engineer, pay \$2.50 per day.
13. Thomas F. Goodwin, Inspector of works on the Parks, pay \$3 per day.
13. Thomas Franklin, Superintending Engineer Riverside avenue improvement, pay \$300 per month.
20. August Hepp, Superintending Gardener, pay \$5 per day.
Riverside Avenue Construction—
20. B. Huffnagel, Transitman, pay \$115 per month.
20. W. B. Pierce, Rodman, pay \$75 per month.
20. Patrick Norton, Chainman, acting as Inspector, pay \$90 per month.
20. James Dempsey, Chainman, pay \$65 per month.
20. G. F. Penfield, Chainman, pay \$65 per month.
23. Cornis O'Grady, Assistant Engineer, per \$166 per month.
23. F. S. Odell, Leveler, pay \$100 per month.
23. George J. Meinell, Chainman, pay \$65 per month.
23. Robert Madden, Jr., Axeman, \$1.60 per day.
23. B. F. Carpenter, skilled Laborer, pay \$2 per day.
27. Eugene E. McLean, Superintendent of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, pay \$2,200 per annum.

PROMOTIONS.

- Jan. 16. Francis Branagan, from Night-watch to Patrolman.
Jan. 16. Michael R. Halpin, " "
16. Thomas Ryan, " "
23. Chas. Bernhard, Gate-keeper to Patrolman.
23. Hugh Reilly, " "
23. John Fagan, " "
23. Adolph Klein, " "
23. John Corcoran, Lieutenant to be Captain of Police. Pay \$1,600 per annum.
Feb. 6. Lewis Flock, Patrolman to be Sergeant.
6. Henry F. Liebenau, " "

RESIGNATIONS.

- Jan. 9. O. F. Nichols, Assistant Engineer.
16. Geo. C. Coffin, Assistant Secretary, to take effect February 1, 1878.
23. Wm. B. Knight, Inspector.
Feb. 25. Arthur Krause, Draughtsman.

REMOVALS.

- Jan. 16. John Bozetti, Police Tailor.
16. Parker McCuen, "
23. Fred Law Olmsted, Landscape Architect.
23. Howard A. Martin, Chief Clerk in Office of Design and Superintendence.
23. Edward P. North, Superintendent Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards.
23. Wm. D. Beall, Clerk.
Feb. 20. Wm. L. Fischer, Foreman of Gardeners, from March 1, 1878.
Mar. 13. M. C. Barr, Inspector.
13. James C. Aldrich, Superintending Engineer, Riverside avenue improvement.
Riverside Avenue Construction—
20. Thomas H. Loomis, Assistant Engineer.
20. Wilson Crosby, Second "
20. H. M. Gilbert, Transitman.
20. D. H. Haines, Leveler.
20. F. J. Angell, Rodman.

- " 20. C. A. Mapes, Chairman.
" 20. Wm. Cushing, Chairman, acting Inspector.
" 20. Wm. Leslie, Axeman.

LICENSES GRANTED.

- Mar. 6. Isaac Hall, to moor a bath-house at the sea wall of the Battery Park during the bathing season. License fee, \$575.
" 20. Mrs. S. S. Colt, to print and distribute, free of charge, 5,000 copies of the music programme each concert day on the Mall in Central Park.

ASSESSMENT LIST TRANSMITTED TO THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS.

- Feb. 20. For a sewer in One Hundred and Forty-third street, from a point 75 feet west of Third avenue to said avenue, and in Third avenue from One Hundred and Forty-third street to One Hundred and Forty-sixth street, in the Twenty-third Ward.
" 20. For a receiving basin and sewer connection at Lincoln avenue and One Hundred and Thirty-fifth street, in the Twenty-third Ward.

PROPOSALS RECEIVED AND CONTRACTS AWARDED.

- Jan. 23. For a bridge and entrance porch to the Museum of Natural History building. Awarded Messrs. Gibb & O'Reilly.
" 23. For the tilers' work for said bridge and entrance porch. Awarded to Messrs. Miller & Coates.

SURVEYING AND LAYING OUT, ETC., TWENTY-THIRD AND TWENTY-FOURTH WARDS.

60,855 lineal feet of street lines were traversed for monumenting. Calculations were made and points defined for 118 monuments, and stakes were set for same. 119 monuments were set on new streets. Maps establishing the lines and location of streets, roads, avenues, public parks, and places certified and filed, as provided by chapter 604, Laws of 1874:
Jan. 17. Map of the districts in the Twenty-fourth Ward known as Kingsbridge, Fordham Heights and Boscobel.

Plan of drainage for sewerage districts approved and filed, as provided by section 4, chapter 381, Laws 1865; section 14, chapter 329, Laws 1874; section 1, chapter 604, Laws 1874:

March 6. District No. 33 A, east of Courtlandt, Alexander and Willis avenues, west of St. Ann's avenues, and south of One Hundred and Fifty-ninth street, in the Twenty-third Ward.

Maps considered, approved and ordered to be prepared in proper form for filing in pursuance of the provisions of chapter 604, Laws of 1874:

- Jan. 16. Local steam transit routes in the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards.
Feb. 6. Changes of grade of Eagle avenue and intersecting streets, from Westchester avenue to One Hundred and Sixty-third street, in the Twenty-third Ward.
" 27. Widening Boston road, from Third avenue, in the Twenty-third Ward, to Locust avenue, in the Twenty-fourth Ward.
Mar. 23. Hunt's Point District, in the Twenty-third Ward, comprising 2,127 acres.

Contracts Executed.

Table with 4 columns: Date, Contractor, Contract For, Estimated Cost, Sureties and Residence. Includes entries for T. W. Lawrence, Metropolitan Gas-light Co., Harlem Gas-light Co., New York Mutual Gas-light Co., George Fischer & Bro., New York Gas-light Co., Miller & Coates, Gibb & O'Reilly.

Bills approved and transmitted to the Finance Department for payment, \$87,494.90. Pay-rolls approved and transmitted to the Finance Department for payment, \$76,760.51. Money received and deposited with the City Chamberlain, \$439.92.

The following are the changes in the collection of animals, birds, etc., in the Menagerie:

DONATIONS.

- Jan. 10. One horned owl, presented by Mr. Edward Mardaga, New York City.
" 12. One mottled owl, presented by Mr. E. R. McCarty, New York City.
" 26. Four flying squirrels, presented by Mr. W. A. Lyon, Rochester, N. Y.
Feb. 5. One Virginia deer, presented by Mrs. Sage, New York City.
" 6. Two ringdoves, presented by Mrs. Webber, New York City.
" 10. One canary bird, presented by Mrs. J. B. Casterlin, New York City.
Mar. 19. One black-eared marmoset, and one Apella monkey, presented by Mr. W. R. Tice, Brooklyn.
" 27. One prairie wolf, presented by Dr. A. Liautard, New York City.

PLACED ON EXHIBITION.

- Jan. 8. One Axis deer.
" 8. One hog deer.
" 8. Two Indian antelopes.
" 10. Seven Guinea baboons.
" 10. One Patas monkey.
Feb. 7. Fifty-four monkeys.
" 7. One Axis deer.
" 7. One Indian antelope.
" 7. One markhoor.
Feb. 12. One wild cat.
" 19. One sea lion.
" 19. Two African porcupines.
Mar. 1. Two badgers.
" 1. Three monkeys.
" 2. Two white-head doves.
" 8. Three wild cats.
" 14. Two Stanley cranes.
" 27. One elk.

RECEIVED IN EXCHANGE.

- Jan. 27. One bald-headed ibis.
Feb. 2. One Griffen vulture.
Feb. 2. One pair Swainsen's parakeets.
" 2. One razor-billed curassow.

BIRTHS.

- Mar. 3. Three lions.
Mar. 29. Two lambs.

DEATHS.

- Jan. 5. One agouti.
" 8. One hawfinch.
" 29. One elk.
Feb. 7. One sheep.
" 8. One sand-hill crane.
Mar. 12. One sheep.

I remain, sir, yours, respectfully, JAMES F. WENMAN, President Dep't Public Parks.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

BY - LAWS.

ARTICLE I.

Meetings.

Section 1. All meetings of the Board of Commissioners of the Department of Public Parks shall be held at their office, unless otherwise ordered by the Board.

Sec. 2. Stated meetings shall be held the first and third Wednesdays of each month. Other meetings may be held by adjournment, on the call of the President, or at the written request of two members. The notices of the meetings called by the President, or by any two members, shall state the matter to be presented at such proposed meeting, and no other matter shall be acted on at such meetings, except by the consent of a majority of the members then present.

Sec. 3. Meetings of the Board shall be held at 10 o'clock A. M., unless the Board otherwise orders.

Sec. 4. Notices of meetings shall be sent to each Commissioner, at his place of address, by the Secretary, at least two days before the day of the meeting for which notice is given.

ARTICLE II.

Officers.

Sec. 1. The officers of the Board shall be as follows:

1st. A President. 2d. A Treasurer.

Each of whom shall hold office until the first day of May next succeeding his election, and until his successor is elected.

President.

The President shall preside at all meetings of the Board, and shall, at the regular meeting next succeeding his election, appoint and announce all the standing committees.

Any Commissioner having a majority of the votes of the members present shall, in the absence of the President, preside.

The presiding officer shall decide all questions of order, subject to an appeal to the Board.

Treasurer.

The Treasurer shall perform such duties as may, from time to time, be indicated by the Board, and may receive such compensation as may be determined by the Board.

In the event of the death, resignation or removal of any of the officers of the Board, a successor may be elected at the regular meeting next succeeding such death, resignation or removal.

Sec. 2. There shall be a Superintendent of Parks, whose duty it shall be to supervise and direct all the ordinary work of maintenance and repairs, including gardening on parks and places, and shall supervise all the actual labor employed in the construction and management of the parks and places, including that required for gardening purposes.

Sec. 3. There shall be a Secretary and a Disbursing Clerk, the latter of whom shall likewise act as Property Clerk, and have charge of, and be responsible for, all tools, implements and material of the Department, and shall, on the first day of January and July, in each year, submit to the Board an inventory of such property, and the condition thereof.

The said Disbursing Clerk shall give such security for the faithful performance of his duties as the Board may require.

There shall be such other employees as may be determined by the Board, all of whom shall perform such services as, from time to time, may be required by the Board.

Sec. 4. The Secretary shall keep the minutes of the meetings of the Board, shall issue the notices of such meetings, and shall perform such duties as shall be required by the Board.

Sec. 5. There shall be a Civil and Topographical Engineer connected with this Department in charge of the works relating to the laying out of streets and avenues, as may be directed by the Board.

There shall be a Bureau of Construction connected with this Department, the Engineer placed at the head of which shall have charge of construction works in the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, and also of the construction and repairs of all works connected with the improvement of the navigation of Harlem river and Spuyten Duyvil creek, and the tunnels and bridges connected with the same.

Sec. 6. There shall be a Captain of Police, whose duty it shall be to direct and supervise the various Park-keepers in the employ of the Department, and to report daily to the Board everything relating to the force under his command, in the form, manner, and under such regulations as may be prescribed by the Board, and furnish a copy of such report to the Board.

Sec. 7. There shall be four Sergeants of Police, whose number may, from time to time, be increased as may be required, and who shall assist the Captain in the discharge of his duties.

All appointments to, and removals from this force, shall be by the order of the Board; and all trials of Park-keepers for violation of the rules and regulations of the Department shall be conducted by the President, or by a Commissioner designated by him for that purpose.

ARTICLE III.

General Provisions.

Section 1. No person in the service of the Board shall be absent from duty without an excuse therefor satisfactory to the President.

Sec. 2. No committee, officer or member of this Department, or person employed by this Board, shall make any purchases, give any order, incur any liability, or exercise any authority over, or in relation to the Parks, officers or employees, unless in pursuance of power delegated by order of the Board, or by the act by which it is organized.

Sec. 3. Any employee of the Department may at any time be suspended from duty, by writing signed by two members of the Board; but such suspension shall not continue beyond the next meeting of the Board, unless otherwise directed.

Sec. 4. All appointments shall be made by the Board.

Sec. 5. Before any engagement is made to place a statue, or allow a statue to be placed, on the parks, it shall be seen in a finished condition, or in the form of a finished model, and a judgment as to its merit, as a work of art, shall have been requested of the respective Presidents of the National Academy of Design, the Metropolitan Museum of Art, and the New York Chapter of the American Institute of Architects.

The determination of a site for any statue shall be reserved until after its acceptance.

On each side of the main walk of the Mall in Central Park, on a line with the statue of Scott, now placed, a series of statues may be ranged, commemorative of men and events of far-reaching and permanent interest. At or near each of the gates of the Central Park, portrait or commemorative statues may also be placed, appropriate to the name of the gate. Portrait or memorial statues shall hereafter be placed nowhere else in the Central Park, except in close connection with the buildings of the American Museum of Natural History, and of the Metropolitan Museum of Art, and at the request of their respective Boards of Trustees.

Statues or sculptured works designed to represent objects of beauty, or dramatic and poetic interest, may be placed at any points in the Central Park where they shall not dominate a landscape, or, when seen in front, divide the view over an expanse, lawn, or glade.

A statue commemorative of any person shall not be placed in the parks, nor accepted with a condition that it shall be placed in the parks, until after a period of at least five years from the death of the person represented.

Statues to be placed on the Mall in Central Park shall be of bronze, and of heroic size. Colossal statues shall not hereafter be placed on the parks.

Plans and elevations for the pedestals of statues to be placed on the parks shall be submitted to and approved by the Department. They shall be of granite, of simple outlines, and free from elaborate decorations. They shall not exceed in height above the surface of the ground one-half the height of the figure to be placed upon them. They shall have no inscription except one in front designating the subject commemorated and its period, and one in the rear recording the date of the presentation of the statue, and designating in the simplest terms from whom it was received. The letters and figures required to be used in the front shall not exceed four inches, and those in the rear two inches in height.

ARTICLE IV.

Standing Committees.

Section 1. There shall be an Executive Committee, an Auditing Committee, each to consist of two members, and such other Standing Committees as may, from time to time, be determined upon.

Sec. 2. The Executive Committee shall act on such subjects, and perform such duties, as shall be especially, from time to time, referred to it by the Board.

Sec. 3. All bills, claims and accounts, before being submitted to the Board for approval, shall be examined and audited by at least one member of the Auditing Committee; and the authority for such purchases or indebtedness shall be certified thereon by the Secretary. All bills shall be passed on separately by the Board.

The President shall be, *ex officio*, a member of the Executive and Auditing Committees.

ARTICLE V.

Rules of Order.

The order of business at meetings of the Board, except otherwise ordered, shall be:

1st. Reading of the Minutes of the previous meeting.

2d. Communications.

3d. Reports of Standing Committees.

4th. Reports of Special Committees and Officers.

5th. Motions and Resolutions.

6th. Miscellaneous Business.

The Ayes and Noes shall be recorded, on all appropriations of money, and on all other questions, at the request of one Commissioner.

All resolutions shall be in writing, with the name of the mover thereon.

All reports shall be in writing, unless otherwise agreed to and signed by a majority of the committee to whom the matter was referred, and shall state the facts upon which the same is based, and their conclusions thereon.

The Board shall be governed by the common parliamentary law, as far as applicable, as laid down in Cushing's Manual.

All resolutions and propositions presented to the Board, for altering in any manner the adopted design or plan of the Central Park improvement, or for any structure upon the Parks, shall be referred to a special committee, who shall report upon the same, before any further action thereon is had by the Board.

No by-law shall be altered, repealed, or adopted, without the report of a committee thereon, nor without the assent of a majority of the whole Board, nor at the same meeting at which it is proposed, unless by the unanimous consent of all the members of the Board.

Adopted by order of the Board, January 23, 1878.

Amended January 30, 1878.

WM. IRWIN, Secretary D. P. P.

DOCUMENT NO. 77.

BOARD OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

JANUARY 30, 1878.

Contract or agreement with the American Museum of Natural History for the occupation by it of the Museum of Natural History Building in Manhattan square, Central Park, New York City.

Ordered printed as a document of the Board.

WM. IRWIN, Secretary D. P. P.

This agreement, made and concluded on the twenty-second day of December, in the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy-seven, between the Department of Public Parks of the City of New York, the party of the first part, and the American Museum of Natural History, party of the second part, witnesseth:

Whereas, By an act of the Legislature of the State of New York, passed April twenty-second, eighteen hundred and seventy-six, entitled "An act in relation to the powers and duties of the Board of Commissioners of the Department of Public Parks, in connection with the American Museum of Natural History and the Metropolitan Museum of Art," the said party of the first part is authorized and directed to enter into a contract with the said party of the second part for the occupation by it of the buildings erected, or to be erected, on that portion of the Central Park, in the City of New York, known as Manhattan square, and for transferring thereto and establishing and maintaining therein its museum, library and collections, and carrying out the objects and purposes of said party of the second part;

And whereas, A building contemplated by said act has now been erected and nearly completed and equipped, in a manner suitable for the purposes of said Museum, as provided in the first section of the act of May fifteenth, eighteen hundred and seventy-five, known as chapter 351 of the Laws of 1875, for the purpose of establishing and maintaining therein the said Museum, as provided by the said last named act, and by the act of April fifth, eighteen hundred and seventy-one, known as chapter 290 of the Laws of 1871;

And whereas, It is desired, as well by the said party of the first part as by the said party of the second part, that, immediately upon the completion and equipment of said building, the said party of the second part should be established therein, and should transfer thereto its museum, library and collections, and carry out the objects and purposes of the said party of the second part;

Now, therefore, It is agreed by and between the said parties as follows, viz.:

First—That the said party of the first part has granted and demised and let, and doth by these presents grant, demise, and let, unto the said party of the second part, the said buildings and the appurtenance thereunto belonging, to have and to hold the same as long as the said party of the second part shall continue to carry out the objects and purposes defined in its charter, or such other objects and purposes as by any future amendment of said charter may be authorized, and shall faithfully keep, perform and observe the covenants and conditions herein contained on its part to be kept, performed, and observed, or until the said building shall be surrendered by the said party of the second part, as hereinafter provided.

Secondly—That neither the party of the first part, its successor or successors, nor the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of New York, shall be in any manner chargeable or liable for the preservation of the said building or the property of the party of the second part which may be placed therein, against fire, or for any damage or injury that may be caused by fire to the said property; but it is agreed that, damages as aforesaid excepted, the said party of the first part will keep said building, from time to time, in repair.

Thirdly—That, as soon after the completion and equipment of said building as practicable, said party of the second part shall transfer to, and place and arrange in, said building its museum, library, and collections, or such portion thereof as can be properly displayed to the public therein, and shall have and enjoy the exclusive use of the whole of said building, subject to the provisions herein contained and the rules and regulations herein prescribed, during the continuance of the term hereby granted, or until a surrender thereof, as herein provided.

Fourthly—That the exhibition halls of said building shall, on Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday of each week, and on all legal or public holidays, except Sundays, be kept open and accessible to the public, free of charge, from nine o'clock A. M. until half an hour before sunset, under such rules and regulations as the party of the second part shall from time to time prescribe, but on the remaining days of the week the same shall be open only for exhibition to such persons upon such terms as the said party of the second part shall from time to time direct. But all professors and teachers of the public schools of the City of New York or other institutions of learning in said City in which instruction is given free of charge, shall be admitted to all the advantages afforded by the said party of the second part, through its museum, library, apparatus and collections, or otherwise, for study, research and investigation, free of any charge therefor, and to the same extent and on the same terms and conditions as any other persons are admitted to such advantages as aforesaid.

Fifthly—That the museum, library and collections, and all other property of the said party of the second part which shall or may be placed in said building, shall continue to be and remain absolutely the property of said party of the second part, and neither the said party of the first part, or the said Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty shall, by reason of said property being placed in said building, or continuing therein, have any right, title, property or interest therein, nor shall the said party of the second part, by reason of its occupation and use of said building under this agreement, acquire, or be deemed to have any right, title, property or interest in said building, except so far as expressly granted by this agreement.

Sixthly—That the said party of the second part shall, on or before the first day of May in every year during the continuance of this agreement, submit to the said party of the first part, its successor or successors, a detailed printed report of the operations and transactions of the said party of the second part, and all its receipts and payments, for the year ending with the thirty-first day of December next preceding.

Seventhly—That the said party of the first part shall have, at all times, access to every part of said building for general visitation and supervision, and also for the purpose of the performance of the duties devolved upon it by the Laws of the State of New York, or of the City of New York. That the police powers and supervision of said party of the first part shall extend in, through and about said building. That the said party of the second part may appoint, direct, control and remove all persons employed within said building, and in and about the care of said building, and the museum, library and collections therein contained.

Eighthly—That the said party of the second part may, at any time after the expiration of three and before the expiration of six months from the date of the service of a notice in writing to said party of the first part, its successor or successors, or to the Mayor of the city of New York, of its intention so to do, quit and surrender the said premises, and remove all its property therefrom, and upon and after such notice, the said party of the second part shall and will, at the expiration of the said six months, quietly and peaceably yield up and surrender unto the said party of the first part, and its successors, all and singular the aforesaid demised premises. And it is expressly understood and agreed by and between the parties hereto, that if the said party of the second part shall omit to do, perform, fulfil, or keep any or either of the covenants, articles, clauses and agreements, matters and things herein contained, which on its part are to be done, performed, fulfilled or kept according to the true intent and meaning of these presents, then and from thenceforth this grant and demise shall be utterly null and void. And in such case it shall and may be lawful for said Department to serve or cause to be served on the said party of the second part a notice in writing declaring that the said grant hereinbefore made has become utterly null and void, and thereupon the said party of the first part, its successor or successors (ninety days' time being first given to the said party of the second part to remove its property therefrom), may re-enter and shall again have, repossess and enjoy the premises before mentioned the same as in their first and former estate, and in like manner as though these presents had never been made, without let or hindrance of the said party of the second part, anything herein contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

Ninthly—And it is further expressly understood and agreed by and between the parties hereto, that this agreement may be wholly cancelled and annulled, or from time to time altered or modified, as may be agreed in writing between the said parties or their successors, anything herein contained to the contrary in anywise notwithstanding.

In witness whereof, the party of the first part hath caused this agreement to be executed by their President and Secretary, pursuant to a resolution of the Board of Commissioners of said Department,

adopted at a meeting held on the thirtieth day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight, and the said party of the second part hath caused the same to be executed by their President, and their official seal affixed thereto, pursuant to a resolution of the Trustees of the American Museum of Natural History, adopted at a meeting held on the twelfth day of February, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-seven.

In presence of D. PORTER LORD. JAS. F. WENMAN, President Department of Public Parks of the City of New York. WM. IRWIN, Secretary Department of Public Parks of the City of New York. ROBERT L. STUART, President American Museum of Natural History.

STATE OF NEW YORK, City and County of New York, ss.: On this twelfth day of February, in the year 1878, before me personally came James F. Wenman, President of the Department of Public Parks of the City of New York, and William Irwin, Secretary of the said Department of Public Parks, with both of whom I am personally acquainted, and both of whom being by me duly sworn, said that they reside in the City and County of New York, that the said James F. Wenman is the President, and the said William Irwin is the Secretary, of the said Department of Public Parks, and that they signed their names to the foregoing agreement by order of the "Board of Commissioners" of the said Department of Public Parks, as such President and Secretary.

W. C. BESSON, (73) Notary Public, New York County. [Seal.] STATE OF NEW YORK, City and County of New York, ss.:

On this 12th day of February, in the year 1878, before me personally came Robert L. Stuart, the President of the American Museum of Natural History, with whom I am personally acquainted, who being by me duly sworn, says that he resides in the City and County of New York, that he is the President of the "American Museum of Natural History" and that he knows the corporate seal of said Museum, that the seal affixed to the foregoing agreement is such corporate seal, that it is affixed thereto by order of the "Board of Trustees" of said American Museum of Natural History, and that he signed his name thereto by the like order, as President of said Museum.

W. C. BESSON, (73) Notary Public, New York County. [Seal.] Recorded in the office of the Register of the City and County of New York, in Liber 1426 of Cons., p. 402, February 16, A. D. 1878, at 9 o'clock A. M., and examined. Witness my hand and official seal, FREDERICK W. LOEW, Register.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Report for the Quarter Ending March 31, 1878.

HEADQUARTERS FIRE DEPARTMENT—CITY OF NEW YORK, OFFICE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, NEW YORK, May 10, 1878.

To his Honor SMITH ELY, Jr., Mayor:

SIR—In conformity with the provisions of section 27, of chapter 335, of the Laws of 1873, we have the honor to submit herewith the report of the operations and actions of this Department, for the three months ending with the 31st day of March.

Fires.

Table with 2 columns: Description of fire events and their counts. Includes 'Number communicated by telegraph', 'In buildings', 'Extent of damage to buildings', 'How extinguished', and 'Discovered by firemen'.

Estimated Loss and Insurance.

Table with 3 columns: Category (On buildings, etc. / On stock), Loss, Insurance. Totals: \$1,003,140 Loss; \$5,265,501 Insurance.

Uninsured Loss.

Table with 2 columns: Category (On buildings, etc. / On stock), Uninsured Loss. Totals: \$77,011.

Average loss per fire \$2,259 32

Table showing loss distribution by amount: 'The loss was less than \$100 at', 'between 100 and 1,000 at', etc. Total: 444 fires.

Causes and Origin of Fires.

Table with 2 columns: Cause (Alcohol lamp upsetting, Backdraft of chimney, etc.) and Count. Total: 10 causes.

Table with 2 columns: Description of fire incidents (Foul chimneys, Fat, etc., Felting around steam pipe, etc.) and Count. Total: 444 incidents.

Telegraph Calls and Alarms received at and transmitted from Headquarters.

Table with 2 columns: Description of telegraph calls and alarms (First alarms from street boxes, Second alarms, etc.) and Count. Total: 1,534 calls.

Operations under the Law regulating the Storage of Combustibles, etc.

Table with 3 columns: Description of operations (Cash received for kerosene oil licenses, gunpowder permits, etc.) and Amount. Total: \$1,949 50.

Table with 2 columns: Description of complaints (Complaints of violation of law pending at last report, received during the quarter) and Count. Total: 499 complaints.

Large table with columns: NATURE OF COMPLAINT, VIOLATION, ETC.; Number of Complaints; DISPOSITION (Completed on Notice, Unfounded, Penalties Collected, etc.); STILL PENDING (In Department, In Law Department). Total: 499 complaints.

Sanitary Condition of the Force.

Table with 2 columns: Description of sanitary conditions (Number of cases of ordinary illness, accidents and injuries, etc.) and Count. Total: 948 cases.

Table with 2 columns: Description of candidates (Number of candidates passed, rejected) and Count. Total: 88 candidates.

The sum of \$1,714.48 has been received for sales of condemned materials, etc., and the amount deposited with the City Chamberlain.

The aggregate amount of bills and pay-rolls audited and forwarded to the Comptroller for payment during the quarter is \$307,698.51, of which \$30,338.13 were for expenditures incurred in 1877. We respectfully refer to the subjoined quarterly statements of the New York Fire Department Relief Fund and Life Insurance Fund.

Respectfully submitted,
 VINCENT C. KING,
 JOSEPH L. PERLEY,
 JOHN J. GORMAN, } Commissioners.

Quarterly Statement, N. Y. F. D. Relief Fund, for the Quarter ending March 31, 1878.

Dec. 31, 1877	Balance on hand.....		\$322,479 73
Mar. 31, 1878	Receipts for quarter—		
	From Fines.....	\$223 51	
	Interest.....	577 94	
	Oil licenses.....	1,260 00	
	Penalties.....	550 00	
	Powder, etc., licenses.....	4 00	
	Special permits.....	10 00	
	Chimney fires.....	95 00	
	Fire in street permits.....	30 50	
			2,750 95
			\$325,230 68
Mar. 31, 1878	Disbursements for quarter—		
	For Expense account.....	\$349 82	
	Pay of relieved men.....	549 99	
	Pension of retired men.....	1,314 56	
	Pension account.....	1,956 40	
	Fines remitted.....	5 00	
			4,175 77
Mar. 31, 1878	Balance on hand.....		\$321,054 91

NEW YORK, March 31, 1878.

JOHN J. GORMAN, Treasurer.

Quarterly Statement, N. Y. F. D. Life Insurance Fund, for Quarter ending March 31, 1878.

Dec. 31, 1877	Balance on hand.....	\$5,544 00
Mar. 31, 1878	Receipts for quarter—assessments.....	2,292 00
Mar. 31, 1878	Balance on hand.....	\$7,836 00

NEW YORK, March 31, 1878.

JOHN J. GORMAN, Treasurer.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE.

Abstract of transactions of the Department of Finance for the week ending May 11, 1878.

Deposits in the Treasury.

On account of the Sinking Fund.....	\$117,131 14
“ “ City Treasury.....	455,547 05
Total.....	\$572,678 19

Bonds and Stocks Issued.

Five per cent. Bonds.....	\$249,100 00
Five per cent. Stock.....	12,000 00
Total.....	\$261,100 00

Warrants Registered and Ready for Payment.

Additional Free Floating Baths.....	\$73 75
Advertising.....	34 50
Aqueduct—Repairs and Maintenance.....	8,081 49
Armories and Drill-rooms, or Wages of Armors.....	225 00
Assessment Fund.....	1,016 14
Boulevards, Roads, and Avenues, Maintenance of.....	593 58
City Parks Improvement Fund.....	1,536 85
Cleaning Markets.....	21 00
College of the City of New York.....	1,666 34
Common Schools for the State.....	300,000 00
Contingencies—Comptroller's Office.....	106 00
“ Department of Buildings.....	51 40
“ Law Department.....	2,314 97
“ Mayor's Office.....	202 36
Croton Water Fund.....	1,932 58
Croton Water-main Fund.....	7,550 47
Croton Water Rent—Refunding Account.....	26 40
Dock Fund.....	9,200 49
Fire Department Fund.....	4,176 16
Flagging Sidewalks and Fencing Vacant Lots in front of City Property.....	51 92
Foundling Asylum Under Charge of the Sisters of Charity.....	19,457 06
Free Floating Baths.....	18 00
Fund for Small-pox Hospital and Care of Contagious Diseases.....	72 64
Harlem River Bridges—Repairs, Improvements, and Maintenance.....	366 36
Health Fund.....	13 50
Interest on the City Debt.....	18,942 64
Judgments.....	106 14
Lamps and Gas.....	396 25
Maintenance and Government of Parks and Places.....	9,751 85
Maintenance and Government of Public Places, Roads, Avenues, and Bridges, including Bridges over Bronx river, Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards.....	945 50
Museum of Art Fund.....	15,175 68
Museum of Natural History Fund.....	71 91
New York Catholic Protectory.....	18,908 03
New York Infant Asylum.....	2,909 37
New York Juvenile Asylum.....	13,750 00
Printing, Stationery, and Blank Books.....	5,950 32
Public Buildings—Construction and Repairs.....	483 21
Public Charities and Correction.....	28,827 68
Public Instruction.....	56,922 09
Removing Obstructions in Streets and Avenues.....	155 50
Refunding Taxes Paid in Error.....	612 60

Repairs and Renewal of Pavements.....	8,754 33
Repairing and Renewal of Pipes, Stop-cocks, etc.....	2,149 44
Repaving under Chapter 476, Laws of 1875.....	266 00
Revenue Bonds of 1877.....	15,000 00
Roads and Avenues, and Sprinkling.....	12 25
Salaries—Finance Department.....	116 66
Sewers—Repairing and Cleaning.....	1,239 91
Street Improvement Fund.....	29,934 15
“ “ Riverside Avenue.....	1,124 20
Supplies for and Cleaning Public Offices.....	281 22
Surveying, Laying-out, Monumenting, etc., Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards.....	177 16
Union Home and School for the Education of Children of Volunteer Soldiers.....	1,500 00
Water-meter Fund.....	919 00
Total.....	\$594,172 05

SUITS, ORDERS OF COURT, JUDGMENTS, Etc.

COURT.	PLAINTIFF OR RELATOR.	AMOUNT.	NATURE OF ACTION, ETC.	ATTORNEY.
Supreme...	James B. Brady.....	\$8,136 11	For curbing, guttering, and flagging Eighty-third street, Third avenue to Avenue A, in 1854.....	F. Smyth.
“	Trustees of Columbia College.....		Judgment cancelling taxes 1870 to 1873, on lot No. 40, Block 434, Nineteenth Ward.....	G. D. L. Harrison.
“	Lawrence Lewis.....		Order to vacate assessment sale for sewer in One Hundred and Thirty-first street.....	A. B. Johnson.
“	Wm. Cauldwell.....	2,334 54	For advertising in the Sunday Mercury in 1870 and 1871.....	J. R. Marvin.
“	Abram Scholle.....		Order to reduce assessment for regulating Fifth avenue, One Hundred and Thirtieth to One Hundred and Thirty-eighth street.....	A. B. Johnson.
“	Abram Scholle and others.....	578 81	Notice of Judgment.....	M. Canfield.
“	E. F. Hatfield, Jr. et al., executors.....	2,065 34	“ “.....	A. B. Johnson.
Com.Pleas	John E. Hayes.....	100 00	For salary as Clerk in Fire Department, March, 1878.....	J. E. Hayes.
“	Philip Divers.....	10,000 00	For damages for personal injuries received by upsetting of wagon.....	J. A. Deering.
“	John J. Sanvan.....	371 99	Notice of Judgment.....	J. Taylor.
Superior..	James Williams.....	3,000 00	For damages for personal injuries received by falling on sidewalk in One Hundred and Twenty-seventh street, December 3, 1877.....	Townsend & Weed.
“	Chas. E. Coddington, assignee.....	5,208 33	For salary of Louis A. Jackson, regular clerk in Dock Department, February 1, 1876, to March 1, 1878.....	“

CLAIMS FILED.

NAME OF CLAIMANT.	AMOUNT.	NATURE OF CLAIM.	ATTORNEY.
Samuel Roosevelt & Co....	\$213 53	For cutlery and hardware furnished to Department of Parks in 1873.....	Jones, Roosevelt & Corley.
Bernard O'Neill.....	888 00	For repairs made to County Jail in 1870, by M. L. Kenney.....	
Timothy Hern.....	232 40	For return of assessment for opening public square, overpaid in 1877.....	A. B. Johnson.
Star Linseed Oil Co.....	389 65	For merchandise delivered to Department of Public Charities and Correction in 1872 and 1873.....	W. H. Williams.
John E. Hayes.....	100 00	For salary as Clerk in Fire Department, April, 1878.....	
George W. Morton.....	1,249 98	For salary as Excise Commissioner, February, March, and April, 1878.....	

CONTRACTS REGISTERED.

NO.	DATE OF CONTRACT.	DEPARTMENT.	NAMES OF CONTRACTORS	DESCRIPTION OF WORK.
4305	Mar. 8, 1878	Fire.....	James V. Donovan.....	Alterations and repairs to quarters of Engine Co. No. 7, and Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1, on the corner of Chambers and Centre streets. Total cost, \$1,793.
4306	Nov., 1873	Trustees of the Town of Morrisania, Twenty-third Ward.....	James Hall and Michael O'Neil.....	Regulating and grading Elton avenue, from Third avenue or Boston road to Brook avenue. Total cost, \$4,685.

Opening of Proposals.

The Comptroller attended the opening of proposals at the following Departments, viz.:
 May 8. The Fire Department (by representative)—For furnishing to said Department 2,800 tons of coal, and miscellaneous supplies for Fire Alarm, Telegraph Supply-room, and Repair Shops.
 10. The Department of Public Charities and Correction—For repairs to steamboat Minnahanonck's boiler, engine, ship carpenter and joiner work, and hauling out.

Approval of Sureties on Proposals.

The Comptroller approved of the adequacy and sufficiency of the sureties on the following proposals, viz.:
 May 10. For repairs to engine and boiler of steamer "Minnahanonck," under direction of Department of Public Charities and Correction.
 Slater & Reid, 167 Charles street, Principal.
 Hugh B. Dougherty, 145 Bank street, } Sureties.
 David Broome, 71 Horatio street,
 10. For carpenter and joiner work required for steamer "Minnahanonck."
 James D. Leary, 73 William street, Principal.
 Daniel O'Connor, 42 West Seventeenth street, } Sureties.
 Joseph H. Risley, 39 South street,

Transferred.

May 11. Thomas C. Smith, from position of Assistant Clerk in Bureau of Arrears to that of Temporary Clerk in Bureau for Collection of Taxes.
 JOHN KELLY, Comptroller.

LAW DEPARTMENT.

The following schedules form a report of the transactions of the office of the Counsel to the Corporation for the week ending May 4, 1878.
 The Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of New York are defendants, unless otherwise mentioned.

SCHEDULE "A."

SUITS AND SPECIAL PROCEEDINGS INSTITUTED.

SUPREME COURT.

William Cauldwell—Printing notices in N. Y. Mercury and Sunday Mercury between August 14, 1870, and December 24, 1871, \$2,334.54.
 In re the petition of Anke Dooper to vacate an assessment for paving Delancey street from Bowery to East river with trap-block pavement.

Samuel Roosevelt, hardware, cutlery, etc., furnished by Samuel Roosevelt & Co. to Department Public Parks, October and November, 1873, \$213.53.
 People, ex rel. Henry H. Matthews, agst. The Commissioners of Public Charities and Correction—Habeas corpus for release of relator, in the charge of the Department.
 Philip J. Seiter agst. Michael Walsh and wife, The Mayor, etc., New York—To foreclose mortgage executed by Michael Walsh, dated April 1, 1876, \$8,000 (the city a judgment creditor).

COMMON PLEAS.

Philip Divers—Personal injuries at One Hundred and Thirty-first street, between the Boulevard and Tenth avenue, on December 13, 1877, \$10,000.
 The New York Life Insurance Company agst. Daniel P. Ingraham, Jr., The Mayor, etc., City of New York, and others—To foreclose a mortgage executed by H. N. Hayes and wife, November 20, 1868, \$10,000 (the city a judgment creditor against Daniel P. Ingraham).

SUPERIOR COURT.

James Williams—Personal injuries in front of No. 127 West street (raised flag on sidewalk), on December 3, 1877, \$3,000.
 Charles E. Coddington, assignee of Louis A. Jackson—Salary as regular clerk in Dock Department from February 1, 1876, to March 1, 1878, at \$2,500 per annum, \$5,208.33.
 The Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of New York against Samuel Shapter and Charles Devlin—On the bond of defendants, executed January 15, 1870, for \$2,069.73. Amount paid defendant Devlin for stone furnished by Robert Jardine, for paving Eighth avenue, \$3,789.02.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT—SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK.

In the matter of Thomas Gearty, bankrupt—(The city a judgment creditor, \$67.04).

SCHEDULE "B."

JUDGMENTS ENTERED AND ORDERS OF THE GENERAL AND SPECIAL TERMS.

Metropolitan Gas-light Company—Order entered discontinuing the action, without costs.
 Trustees of Columbia College of the City of New York—Judgment order entered vacating the taxes mentioned in the complaint.
 Joseph Goillot—Order entered setting aside Jury's verdict of \$500 for plaintiff, and dismissing complaint.
 Abraham Scholle et al.—Judgment entered by consent in favor of the plaintiffs for \$578.81.
 John J. Halloran—Order entered discontinuing action, without costs.
 Wm. Drinnen—Order entered dismissing complaint, with costs, and \$10 costs of motion; judgment entered thereon in favor of the city for \$87.44.
 In re Abraham Scholle—Order entered reducing the assessment to \$3,025, and interest from date of order.
 In re Lawrence Lewis—Order entered vacating the sale.
 John J. Sanvan—Judgment entered by consent in favor of plaintiff for \$371.99.
 Alfred S. Barnes—Order entered discontinuing action without costs.
 In the matter of the application of Joseph Elliot for an award—Referee's report filed, finding the petitioner is entitled to \$67.
 Terence G. O'Brien—Order entered dismissing plaintiff's appeal, with costs and \$10 costs of motion.
 Max Nathan—Order entered discontinuing action without costs.
 T. B. Sage—Judgment entered in favor of the city for \$107.54.
 In re W. S. Corwin—Order entered vacating the assessment.
 Lawrence E. Hill—Order entered dismissing complaint with costs, and \$10 costs of motion. Judgment entered thereon in favor of the city for \$87.54.
 Wm. Flagg—Order entered dismissing complaint with costs, and \$10 costs of motion. Judgment entered thereon in favor of the city for \$87.54.
 Michael McCarthy—Order entered dismissing complaint with costs, and \$10 costs of motion. Judgment entered thereon in favor of the city for \$88.04.
 James Eaton, Jr., et al.—Order entered dismissing complaint with costs and \$10 costs of motion. Judgment entered thereon in favor of the city for \$88.04.
 A. J. Fullerton—Order entered dismissing complaint with costs, and \$10 costs of motion. Judgment entered thereon in favor of the city for \$87.54.
 William McMahon—Order entered dismissing complaint with costs, and \$10 costs of motion. Judgment entered thereon in favor of the city for \$87.54.
 William Ward—Order entered dismissing complaint with costs, and \$10 costs of motion. Judgment entered thereon in favor of the city for \$88.04.
 James Wm. McGowan—Order entered dismissing complaint with costs, and \$10 costs of motion. Judgment entered thereon in favor of the city for \$87.54.
 Leslie Irving—Order entered dismissing complaint with costs, and \$10 costs of motion. Judgment entered thereon in favor of the city for \$88.04.
 William Lovell—Order entered dismissing complaint with costs, and \$10 costs of motion. Judgment entered thereon in favor of the city for \$88.04.
 John G. Lightbody—Order entered dismissing complaint with costs, and \$10 costs of motion. Judgment entered thereon in favor of the city for \$88.04.
 Mary McEnroe—Order entered dismissing complaint with costs, and \$10 costs of motion. Judgment entered thereon in favor of the city for \$87.54.
 John Foley vs. Andrew H. Green—Ordered entered dismissing complaint with costs, etc. Judgment entered thereon in favor of defendant for \$98.14.

SCHEDULE "C."

SUITS AND SPECIAL PROCEEDINGS TRIED OR ARGUED.

In the matter of Broadway widening, from Thirty-fourth to Fifty-ninth streets—Reference proceeded.
 T. B. Sage—Tried before Barrett, J., and jury. Complaint dismissed.
 John McGuire vs. Boyd, The Mayor, etc., and others—Reference proceeded.
 Charles H. Haswell—Tried before Van Hoesen, J., and jury. Verdict directed for the city.
 Henry A. Smalley, Receiver—Papers submitted on plaintiff's motion for new trial.
 People, ex rel. J. J. Westray—Argued at General Term; decision reserved.
 The Mayor, etc., vs. Theo. W. Kent—Demurrer argued before Donohue, J.; decision reserved.
 People, ex rel. R. Chester Barrows, agst. W. W. Adams—Motion for writ of certiorari argued before Donohue, J.; motion denied.
 George Beach (infant)—Examined plaintiff before trial.

WM. C. WHITNEY, Corporation Counsel.

APPROVED PAPERS

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby granted to John Butler to keep a stand for the sale of newspapers, southwest corner New Church and Cortlandt streets; the same to remain during the pleasure of the Common Council.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen April 16, 1878.

Received from his Honor the Mayor, April 27, 1878, with his objections thereto.

In Board of Aldermen, May 7, 1878, taken up and considered, as provided in section 13, chapter 335, Laws of 1873, and adopted, notwithstanding the objections of his Honor the Mayor, two-thirds of all the members elected voting in favor thereof.

Resolved, That Hanover square be and is hereby designated as a stand for public cartmen, where such cartmen may remain in waiting for employment, until otherwise ordered by the Common Council.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen April 9, 1878.

Received from his Honor the Mayor, April 23, 1878, with his objections thereto.

In Board of Aldermen May 7, 1878, taken up and considered, as provided in section 13, chapter 335, Laws of 1873, and adopted, notwithstanding the objections of his Honor the Mayor, two-thirds of all the members elected voting in favor thereof.

Resolved, That permission be and is hereby given to Thomas F. Carr to erect a show-window and show-case inside the stoop line on the Thirty-fifth street side of the premises occupied by him at the northeast corner of Sixth avenue and Thirty-fifth street; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, April 16, 1878.

Received from his Honor the Mayor, April 27, 1878, with his objections thereto.

In Board of Aldermen, May 7, 1878, taken up and considered, as provided in section 13, chapter 335, Laws of 1873, and adopted, notwithstanding the objections of his Honor the Mayor, two-thirds of all the members elected voting in favor thereof.

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 May 4, 1878.

Barometer.

DATE.	7 A. M.			2 P. M.			9 P. M.			MEAN FOR THE DAY.	MAXIMUM.		MINIMUM.	
	REDUCED TO FREEZING.		TIME.	REDUCED TO FREEZING.	TIME.									
Sunday, 28.....	29.750	29.702	29.649	29.684	29.777	0 A. M.	29.621	12 P. M.						
Monday, 29.....	29.600	29.601	29.700	29.634	29.718	12 P. M.	29.596	3 A. M.						
Tuesday, 30.....	29.771	29.799	29.842	29.804	29.842	9 P. M.	29.718	0 A. M.						
Wednesday, 1.....	29.885	29.838	29.812	29.845	29.900	9 A. M.	29.800	5 P. M.						
Thursday, 2.....	29.852	29.811	29.762	29.808	29.867	9 A. M.	29.762	12 P. M.						
Friday, 3.....	29.746	29.697	29.697	29.713	29.762	0 A. M.	29.661	6 P. M.						
Saturday, 4.....	29.708	29.686	29.649	29.681	29.710	9 A. M.	29.649	9 P. M.						

Mean for the week..... 29.738 inches.
 Maximum " at 9 A. M., May 1..... 29.900 "
 Minimum " at 3 A. M., April 29..... 29.596 "
 Range "304 "

Thermometers.

DATE.	7 A. M.		2 P. M.		9 P. M.		MEAN.	MAXIMUM.		MINIMUM.		MAXIMUM.					
	Dry Bulb.	Wet Bulb.	Dry Bulb.	Wet Bulb.	Dry Bulb.	Wet Bulb.		Dry Bulb.	Wet Bulb.	Dry Bulb.	Wet Bulb.						
Sunday, 28	53	52	57	55	54	53	54.7	53.3	58	1 P. M.	55	1 P. M.	52	4 A. M.	51	4 A. M.	85
Monday, 29	52	51	60	55	55	53	55.6	53.0	65	4 P. M.	59	4 P. M.	52	8 A. M.	51	8 A. M.	121
Tuesday, 30	52	50	60	54	56	53	56.0	52.3	65	5 P. M.	58	5 P. M.	51	5 A. M.	50	5 A. M.	104
Wednesday, 1	52	50	62	57	54	52	56.0	53.0	64	3 P. M.	58	3 P. M.	50	4 A. M.	49	4 A. M.	111
Thursday, 2	54	53	72	61	62	58	62.6	57.3	76	4 P. M.	63	5 P. M.	51	1 A. M.	51	1 A. M.	129
Friday, 3	62	58	81	68	72	64	71.7	63.3	84	5 P. M.	70	4 P. M.	55	5 A. M.	54	5 A. M.	134
Saturday, 4	68	62	77	67	67	62	70.7	63.7	77	2 P. M.	68	1 P. M.	65	12 P. M.	61	12 P. M.	130

Mean for the week..... Dry Bulb. 61.0 degrees. Wet Bulb. 56.5 degrees.
 Maximum for the week, at 5 P. M., 3d..... 84. " at 4 P. M., 3d..... 70. "
 Minimum " at 4 A. M., 1st..... 50. " at 4 A. M., 1st..... 49. "
 Range " " 34. " 21. "

Wind.

DATE.	DIRECTION.			VELOCITY IN MILES.				FORCE IN POUNDS PER SQUARE FOOT.				
	7 A. M.	2 P. M.	9 P. M.	7 A. M.	2 P. M.	9 P. M.	Distance for the Day.	7 A. M.	2 P. M.	9 P. M.	Max.	Time.
Sunday, 28....	ENE	NE	NE	50	52	37	139	1	1½	0	2	1.30 P. M.
Monday, 29....	NE	NE	ESE	58	75	40	173	2¾	1	0	4	11 A. M.
Tuesday, 30....	NE	E	SE	38	41	23	102	¾	0	0	1¾	9 A. M.
Wednesday, 1....	SE	ESE	SE	2	19	44	65	0	¾	0	1¾	5 P. M.
Thursday, 2....	W	SE	ESE	14	7	38	59	0	0	¾	¾	5.10 P. M.
Friday, 3....	SSW	SSW	SSE	8	70	49	127	¾	1¾	¾	2	2.30 P. M.
Saturday, 4....	SW	ESE	SE	55	51	47	153	¾	1	¾	3½	4 P. M.

Distance traveled during the week..... 818 miles.
 Maximum force " " 4 pounds.

DATE.	Hygrometer.						Clouds.			Rain and Snow.				
	FORCE OF VAPOR.			RELATIVE HUMIDITY.			CLEAR, °. OVERCAST, 10.			DEPTH OF RAIN AND SNOW IN INCHES.				
APRIL AND MAY.	7 A. M.	2 P. M.	9 P. M.	7 A. M.	2 P. M.	9 P. M.	7 A. M.	2 P. M.	9 P. M.	Time of Beginning.	Time of Ending.	Duration.	Amount of Water.	Depth of Snow.
Sunday, 28	.375	.407	.389	93	87	93	10	10	10	2.40 A. M.	6 P. M.	H. M.	15.20	.47
Monday, 29	.361	.367	.376	93	71	87	10	9 Cu.	9 Cu.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Tuesday, 30	.334	.338	.363	86	65	81	9 Cu.	9 Cu.	0	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Wednesday, 1	.334	.399	.362	86	72	87	Hazy. 10	Hazy. 10	Hazy. 7 Cir. Cu.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Thursday, 2	.389	.390	.429	93	50	77	Hazy. 10	Hazy. 10	Hazy. 4 Cir. Cu.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Friday, 3	.429	.510	.489	77	48	62	Hazy. 0	Hazy. 0	Hazy. 6 Cir. Cu.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Saturday, 4	.476	.527	.489	70	57	74	Hazy. 4 Cir.	Hazy. 8 Cir. Cu.	10	5.40 P. M.	12 P. M.	6.20	.06	.....

Total amount of water for the week..... .53 inch.

DANIEL DRAPER, Director.

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; together with the heads of Departments and Courts.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

Mayor's Office. No. 6 City Hall, 10 A. M. to 3 P. M. SMITH ELY, Jr., Mayor; GEORGE B. VANDERPOEL, Secretary. Mayor's Marshal's Office. No. 7 City Hall, 10 A. M. to 3 P. M. JOHN TYLER KELLY, First Marshal. Permit and License Bureau Office. No. 1 City Hall, 10 A. M. to 3 P. M. DANIEL S. HART, Registrar.

LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT.

Office of Clerk of Common Council. No. 8 City Hall, 10 A. M. to 4 P. M. WILLIAM R. ROBERTS, President Board of Aldermen; FRANCIS J. TWOMEY, Clerk Common Council.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS.

Commissioner's Office. No. 19 City Hall, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. ALLAN CAMPBELL, Commissioner; HUBERT O. THOMPSON, Deputy Commissioner. Bureau of Water Register. No. 10 City Hall, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. JOHN H. CHAMBERS, Register; WILLIAM R. FARRELL, Deputy Register. Bureau of Incumbrances. No. 13 City Hall, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. JOSEPH BLUMENTHAL, Superintendent. Bureau of Lamps and Gas. No. 13 City Hall, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. STEPHEN MCCORMICK, Superintendent. Bureau of Streets. No. 19 City Hall, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. JAMES J. MOONEY, Superintendent. Bureau of Sewers. No. 21 City Hall, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. STEVENSON TOWLE, Engineer-in-Charge. Bureau of Chief Engineer. No. 11 1/2 City Hall, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. JOHN C. CAMPBELL, Chief Engineer. Bureau of Street Improvements. No. 11 City Hall, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. GEORGE A. JEREMIAH, Superintendent. Bureau of Repairs and Supplies. No. 18 City Hall, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. THOMAS KEECH, Superintendent. Bureau of Water Purveyor. No. 4 City Hall, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. DANIEL O'REILLY, Water Purveyor. Keeper of Buildings in City Hall Park. JOHN F. SLOPER, City Hall.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT.

Comptroller's Office. Nos. 19 and 20 New County Court-house, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. JOHN KELLY, Comptroller; RICHARD A. STORRS, Deputy Comptroller. Auditing Bureau. No. 19 New County Court-house, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. DANIEL JACKSON, Auditor of Accounts. Bureau of Arrears. No. 5 New County Court-house, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. ARTEMAS CADY, Clerk of Arrears. Bureau for the Collection of Assessments. No. 16 New County Court-house, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. EDWARD GILON, Collector. Bureau of City Revenue. No. 6 New County Court-house, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. EDWARD F. FITZPATRICK, Collector of City Revenue. Bureau of Markets. No. 6 New County Court-house, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. JOSHUA M. VARIAN, Superintendent of Markets. Bureau for the Collection of Taxes. First floor, Brown-stone building, City Hall Park. MARTIN T. MCMAHON, Receiver of Taxes; ALFRED VREDENBURG, Deputy Receiver of Taxes. Bureau of the City Chamberlain. No. 18 New County Court-house, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. J. NELSON TAPPAN, City Chamberlain.

LAW DEPARTMENT.

Office of the Counsel to the Corporation. Staats Zeitung Building, third floor, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. WILLIAM C. WHITNEY, Counsel to the Corporation; ANDREW T. CAMPBELL, Chief Clerk. Office of the Public Administrator. No. 49 Beekman street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. ALGERNON S. SULLIVAN, Public Administrator. Office of the Corporation Attorney. No. 49 Beekman street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. WILLIAM A. BOYD, Corporation Attorney. Attorney to Department of Buildings Office. Corner Cortland and Church streets. JOHN A. FOLEY, Attorney.

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

Central Office. No. 300 Mulberry street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. WILLIAM F. SMITH, President; SETH C. HAWLEY, Chief Clerk.

DEPARTMENT OF CHARITIES AND CORRECTION.

Central Office. Third avenue, corner Eleventh street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. THOMAS S. BRENNAN, President; JOSHUA PHILLIPS, Secretary.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Headquarters. Nos. 153, 155, and 157 Mercer street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. VINCENT C. KING, President; CARL JUSSSEN, Secretary.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

No. 301 Mott street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. CHARLES F. CHANDLER, President; EMMONS CLARK, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

No. 36 Union square, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. JAMES F. WENMAN, President; WILLIAM IRWIN, Secretary. Civil and Topographical Office. Arsenal, 64th street and 5th avenue, 9 A. M. to 5 P. M. JAMES R. CROES, Engineer. Office of Superintendent of 23d and 24th Wards. Fordham, 9 A. M. to 5 P. M.

DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS.

Nos. 117 and 119 Duane street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. JACOB A. WESTERVELT, President; EUGENE T. LYNCH, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS. Brown-stone building, City Hall Park, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. JOHN WHEELER, President; ALBERT STORES, Secretary.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

HEADQUARTERS FIRE DEPARTMENT, CITY OF NEW YORK, 155 and 157 MERCER STREET, NEW YORK, May 14, 1878. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT SIX (6) horses will be sold at public auction, to the highest bidder for cash, at Nos. 110 and 112 East Thirteenth street, on Friday, the 24th instant, at 12 o'clock M., by Van Tassel & Kearney, Auctioneers. VINCENT C. KING, JOSEPH L. PERLEY, JOHN J. GORMAN, Commissioners.

COLLEGE OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

A STATED SESSION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES of the College of the City of New York will be held at the Hall of the Board of Education, 146 Grand street, on Tuesday, May 21, 1878, at 4 o'clock P. M. LAWRENCE D. KIEKNAN, Secretary.

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., etc. No attention paid to letters. Persons "enrolled" as liable must serve when called or pay their fines. No mere excuse will be allowed or interference permitted. The fines, received from those who, for business or other reasons, are unable to serve at the time selected, pay the expenses of this office, and if unpaid will be entered as judgments upon the property of the delinquents. All good citizens will aid the course of justice, and secure reliable and respectable juries, and equalize their duty by serving promptly when summoned, allowing their clerks or subordinates to serve, reporting to me any attempt at bribery or evasion, and suggesting names for enrollment. Persons between sixty and seventy years of age, summer absentees, persons temporarily ill, and United States and District Court jurors are not exempt. Every man must attend to his own notice. It is a misdemeanor to give any jury paper to another to answer. It is also punishable by fine or imprisonment to give or receive any present or bribe, directly or indirectly, in relation to a jury service, or to withhold any paper or make any false statement, and every case will be fully prosecuted. THOMAS DUNLAP, Commissioner, County Court-house (Chambers street entrance)

LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT.

THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS OF the Board of Aldermen will meet in Room No. 9 City Hall, every Monday at 1 o'clock P. M.

THOMAS SHEILS, THOMAS CARROLL, GEORGE HALL, JOSEPH C. PINCKNEY, BERNARD BIGLIN, Committee on Public Works

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

POLICE DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK, 300 MULBERRY STREET, ROOM 39, PROPERTY CLERK'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, May 1, 1878.

OWNERS WANTED BY THE PROPERTY CLERK, 300 Mulberry street, Room 39, for the following property now in his custody without claimants:

Boat, rope, gold watch, chain, revolvers, boots, shoes, liquor, composition watch, seal sacque, lot furniture, male and female clothing, money taken from prisoners. C. A. ST. JOHN, Property Clerk.

CORPORATION NOTICE.

PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS FOR DAMAGES caused by the closing of the Bloomingdale Road are hereby notified that the Board of Assessors having duly considered the same and personally inspected the property have finally determined upon the amount of the award to be allowed in each particular case. The list is now complete and will be open for inspection for thirty days from the date of this notice.

THOMAS B. ASTEN, JOHN MULLALLY, EDWARD NORTH, JOHN R. MUMFORD, Board of Assessors.

OFFICE BOARD OF ASSESSORS, No. 114 WHITE STREET, NEW YORK, May 9, 1878.

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO THE owner or owners, occupant or occupants, of all houses and lots, improved or unimproved lands, affected thereby, that the following assessments have been completed and are lodged in the office of the Board of Assessors for examination by all persons interested, viz:

- 1. Regulating, grading, setting curb, flagging, and paving with Telford-macadamized pavement, in Avenue A, from northerly line of Fifty-seventh street to southerly line of Eighty-sixth street (Eastern Boulevard).
2. Regulating, grading, curbing, flagging, and superstructure of Seventy-second street, from the westerly line of Avenue A to the easterly line of Fifth avenue (Eastern Boulevard).
3. Regulating, grading, setting curb and gutter stones, and flagging, and superstructure in One Hundred and Sixteenth street, from Avenue A to Sixth avenue (Eastern Boulevard).
The limits embraced by such assessment include all the several houses and lots of ground, vacant lots, pieces and parcels of land, situated on—
1. Both sides of Avenue A, from Fifty-seventh to Eighty-sixth street, and to the extent of half the block at the intersecting streets.
2. Both sides of Seventy-second street, from Avenue A to Fifth avenue, and to the extent of half the block at the intersecting avenues.
3. Both sides of One Hundred and Sixteenth street, from Avenue A to Sixth avenue, and to the extent of half the block at the intersecting avenues.
All persons whose interests are affected by the above-named assessments, and who are opposed to the same, or either of them, are requested to present their objections in writing to the Board of Assessors, at their office, No. 114

White street, within thirty days from the date of this notice. The above described lists will be transmitted as provided by law to the Board of Revision and Correction of Assessments for confirmation, on the 10th day of June ensuing.

THOMAS B. ASTEN, JOHN MULLALLY, EDWARD NORTH, JOHN R. MUMFORD, Board of Assessors.

OFFICE BOARD OF ASSESSORS, No. 114 WHITE STREET (CORNER CENTRE), NEW YORK, May 9, 1878.

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

- No. 1—Sewer in Eighth avenue between Ninety-second and One Hundred fifth streets, with branches in Ninety-third and Ninety-sixth streets. \$40,993 79
No. 2—Regulating, grading, curb, flagging and Telford pavement in One Hundred and Tenth street, between First avenue and Riverside Drive. 439,417 92
No. 3—Sewers in Boulevard between Fifty-ninth and Sixty-first streets. 15,617 12
No. 4—Receiving basin on the northwest corner of Fourth street and Sixth avenue. 116 00

WM. H. JASPER, Secretary.

OFFICE BOARD OF ASSESSORS, No. 114 WHITE STREET, NEW YORK, April 26, 1878.

SUPREME COURT.

In the Matter of the Application of the Department of Public Works, for and in behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to the opening of One Hundred and Twenty-seventh street, from the northeasterly line of Lawrence street, parallel with One Hundred and Twenty-sixth street, to the westerly side of a certain road or avenue in the City of New York, closed by act of the Legislature, chapter 200, section 10, passed April 5, 1871; as said One Hundred and Twenty-seventh street appears upon a map made by the Commissioners of the Central Park and filed in the office of the Register of the City and County of New York, on October 23, 1867.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BILL of the costs, charges, and expenses incurred by reason of the proceedings in the above entitled matter, will be presented for taxation to one of the Justices of the Supreme Court, in the New Court-house at the City Hall, in the City of New York, on the 29th day of May, 1878, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon.

ELLIOTT F. SHEPARD, NEVIN W. BUTLER, LOUIS MESIER, Commissioners.

Dated New York, May 14, 1878.

In the matter of the application of the Department of Public Works for and in behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to the opening of One Hundred and Twenty-seventh street from the northeasterly line of Lawrence street, parallel with One Hundred and Twenty-sixth street, to the westerly side of a certain road or avenue in the City of New York, closed by act of the Legislature, chapter 200, section 10, passed April 5, 1871; as said One Hundred and Twenty-seventh street appears upon a map made by the Commissioners of the Central Park and filed in the office of the Register of the City and County of New York, on October 23, 1867.

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

First—That we have completed our estimate and assessment, and that all persons interested in these proceedings, or in any of the lands affected thereby, and who may be opposed to the same, do present their objections in writing, duly verified, to Elliott F. Shepard, Esq., our Chairman, at the office of the Commissioners, No. 154 Nassau street (Room No. 22), in the said city, on or before the third day of May, 1878, and that we, the said Commissioners, will hear parties so objecting within ten week-days next after the said third day of May, 1878, and for that purpose will be in attendance at our said office on each of said ten days, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon.

Second—That the abstract of the said estimate and assessment, together with our maps, and also all the affidavits, estimates, and other documents which were used by us in making our report, have been deposited in the office of the Department of Public Works, in the City of New York, there to remain until the tenth day of May, 1878.

Third—That the limits embraced by the assessment aforesaid are as follow, to wit: All those lots, pieces, or parcels of land situate, lying, and being in the City of New York, and bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a point formed by the intersection of the northerly line of One Hundred and Twenty-seventh street with the northeasterly line of Lawrence street, running thence northerly and at right angles to said One Hundred and Twenty-seventh street 100 feet; thence easterly and parallel with One Hundred and Twenty-seventh street 619 feet and 3/4 inches to what was formerly the easterly line of a certain new avenue closed by an act of the Legislature, passed April 5th, 1871 (Laws of 1871, chapter 200); thence in a southerly direction 281 feet and 7 inches to a point; thence westerly and parallel to One Hundred and Twenty-seventh street 408 feet and 10 inches to the northeasterly line of Lawrence street; thence northerly westerly along the northeasterly line of Lawrence street 217 feet and 6 inches, be the same more or less, to the corner formed by the intersection of the northeasterly line of Lawrence street with the southerly line of One Hundred and Twenty-seventh street; thence easterly along the southerly line of One Hundred and Twenty-seventh street 493 feet and 3/4 of an inch to the westerly line of said new avenue closed by an act of the Legislature, passed April 5, 1871, as aforesaid; thence northerly along the westerly line of said new avenue, closed as aforesaid, 63 feet and 3/4 inches to the northerly line of One Hundred and Twenty-seventh street; thence westerly along the northerly line of One Hundred and Twenty-seventh street 385 feet and 7/8 inches to the point or place of beginning.

Also all those other certain lots, pieces or parcels of land bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a point on the southwest side of Lawrence street, distant 206 feet and 3 inches from a point formed by the intersection of the southwest side of Lawrence street with the easterly side of the Tenth avenue; running thence southerly along the southwest side of Lawrence street, 185 feet 3 inches to a point; thence westerly and parallel to One Hundred and Twenty-seventh street, 164 feet and 4 inches to a point; thence northerly and at right angles to said One Hundred and Twenty-seventh street, 85 feet and 4 inches to the point or place of beginning.

Fourth—That our report herein will be presented to the Supreme Court of the State of New York, at a Special Term thereof, to be held in the New Court-house, at the City Hall, in the City of New York, on the sixteenth day of May, 1878, at the opening of the Court on that day, and that then and there, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon, a motion will be made that the said report be confirmed.

Dated New York, March 25, 1878.

ELLIOTT F. SHEPARD, NEVIN W. BUTLER, LOUIS MESIER, Commissioners.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION, CORNER OF THIRD AVENUE AND ELEVENTH ST., NEW YORK, May 10, 1878.

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 Lunatic Asylum, Blackwell's Island—Julia Hogan; aged 34 years. 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, May 9, 1878.

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 Thirteenth street, East river—Unknown man. Body in an advanced state of decomposition. 5 feet 8 inches high. Was dressed in black chinchilla overcoat, dark sack coat and vest, dark pants with raised check and seam, blue flannel shirt, white knit undershirt, white cotton socks, buttoned gaiters.

Unknown man, from foot of Jackson street. Aged about 35 years; 5 feet 8 inches high; dark brown hair; sandy moustache and imperial. Was dressed in black corded pants with brown stripe, black vest, calico shirt with brown dots, gaiters.

By Order, JOSHUA PHILLIPS, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION, CORNER OF THIRD AVENUE AND ELEVENTH ST., NEW YORK, May 7, 1878.

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 Eighty-sixth street, East river—Unknown man; body very much decomposed; 5 feet 8 inches high. Had on brown frock coat, dark pants, white shirt, white knit undershirt, white canton flannel drawers, gray woolen socks.

At Homeopathic Hospital, Ward's Island—James Rourke; aged 50 years; 5 feet 10 inches high; blue eyes gray hair. Nothing known of his friends or relatives.

At Hart's Island Hospital, Patrick O'Connor, aged 59 years; 5 feet 7 inches high; blue eyes; dark hair. 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, May 4, 1878.

PROPOSALS FOR DRY GOODS, GROCERIES, CROCKERY, PAINTS, LUMBER AND BRICK.

PROPOSALS, SEALED AND INDORSED AS above, will be received by the Commissioners of Public Charities and Correction, at their office, until 9 o'clock A. M., of Friday, May 17, 1878, at which time they will be publicly opened and read by the head of said Department, for furnishing and delivering at the foot of East Twenty-sixth street, free of all expense to the Department—

- DRY GOODS. 5 bales Russia Crash. 10,000 yards Ticking. 2,500 yards Furniture Check. 5,000 yards Bleached Muslin. 10,000 yards Awning Stripes. 10 pieces 60-in. Table Linen. GROCERIES. 25 hhds. Molasses; to be returned. 200 bags Coarse Meal; to be delivered in quantities as required. 5,000 pounds New Sweet Dairy Butter; to be delivered in quantities as required. CROCKERY. 15 gross W. G. Bowls. 1 gross Soup Plates. 1 gross Spilt Cups. 1 gross Male Urinals. 6 dozen 2-quart Pitchers. 6 dozen Bed Pans. 6 dozen Yellow Dishes. PAINTS. 4,000 pounds Pure White Lead, 15-100, 30-50, 40-25 pounds. 500 pounds Red Lead, in 25 pounds. 250 pounds Venetian Red, in 5s. 250 pounds Yellow Ochre. 250 pounds Indian Red, 25-1, 25-2, 35-3 pounds. LUMBER AND BRICK. 1,000 Worked Pine Boards, best quality. 250 Hemlock Joists, 3 x 4 inches. 50,000 Hard Brick.

The quality of the goods furnished must conform in every respect to the samples of the above to be seen at this office.

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

The Department of Public Charities and Correction reserve the right to decline any and all proposals if deemed to be for the public interest, and to accept an offer for the whole bid or for any single article included in the proposal, and no proposal will be accepted from, or a contract awarded to, any person who is in arrears to the Corporation upon debt or contract, or who is defaulter, as security or otherwise, upon any obligation to the Corporation. Blank forms of proposals and specifications, which are to be strictly complied with, can be obtained on application at the office of the Department, and all information furnished.

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

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION, No. 66 THIRD AVENUE, NEW YORK, May 11, 1878.

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 Fifty-first street and East river—Unknown man; aged about 35 years; 5 feet 7 inches high; dark curly hair; red moustache. Was dressed in dark cloth coat and vest, gray striped pants, white shirt, red flannel drawers and undershirt, white socks, buttoned gaiters.

Unknown man; aged about 40 years; 5 feet 8 inches high; dark curly hair; moustache and imperial. Was dressed in black frock coat and vest, black pants, white knit drawers, brown cotton socks, white shirt, red flannel undershirt, gaiters. On his person was found two receipts for taxes in Jersey City in name of Ann McGovern, and a license of Columbia Hotel, Columbia street, Brooklyn, to Jacob Hohe.

At New York City Asylum for Insane—John Williams; admitted January 11, 1872; aged 46 years; 4 feet 8 inches high; black hair; brown eyes. Nothing known of his friends or relatives.

By Order, JOSHUA PHILLIPS, Secretary.

THE CITY RECORD.

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

FINANCE DEPARTMENT.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, BUREAU FOR THE COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS, No. 16 NEW COURT-HOUSE, CITY HALL PARK, NEW YORK, May 11, 1878.

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 6, AND ENTERED MAY 7, 1878.

91st street, regulating, grading, etc., from 4th to 5th avenue.

Lawrence street, paving, from 9th avenue to Boulevard. All payments made on the above assessments on or before July 10, 1878, 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 entry.

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, No. 16 NEW COURT-HOUSE, CITY HALL PARK, NEW YORK, May 9, 1878.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY-HOLDERS.

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

CONFIRMED AND ENTERED MAY 4, 1878.

113th street, regulating, grading, etc., from Morningside to Riverside Drive.

146th street, regulating, grading, etc., from 10th avenue to Boulevard.

Washington street, curb, gutter, and flagging, west side, from Gansevoort to Little 12th street, etc.

5th avenue, sewer, west side, between 35th and 36th streets.

5th avenue, sewer, west of Mount Morris Square, between 122d and 123d streets.

10th avenue, sewer, between 57th and 59th streets.

57th street, sewer, between 8th and 9th avenues, etc.

127th street, sewer, between 6th avenue and summit west of 7th avenue.

127th street, sewer, between 7th avenue and summit east of 7th avenue.

4th street, paving, between Lewis and Mangin streets.

23d street, paving, between Avenue A and East river.

21st street, paving, between 1st avenue and Avenue A.

Grand street, basin, southeast corner Ridge street.

Lincoln avenue, basin, northeast corner 135th street, etc.

127th street, basin, southwest corner Lexington avenue.

5th avenue, basin, west side, opposite 108th and 109th streets.

All payments made on the above assessments on or before July 8, 1878, 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 entry.

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, No. 16 NEW COURT-HOUSE, CITY HALL PARK, NEW YORK, May 9, 1878.

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4th street, paving, between Lewis and Mangin streets.

23d street, paving, between Avenue A and East river.

21st street, paving, between 1st avenue and Avenue A.

Grand street, basin, southeast corner Ridge street.

Lincoln avenue, basin, northeast corner 135th street, etc.

127th street, basin, southwest corner Lexington avenue.

5th avenue, basin, west side, opposite 108th and 109th streets.

All payments made on the above assessments on or before July 8, 1878, 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 entry.

and no deduction whatever will be allowed for damage by reason of any sickness or epidemic that may prevail in the city during the continuance of the lease.

The lessees will be required to give a bond for double the amount of the annual rent, with two sureties, to be approved by the Comptroller, conditioned for the payment of the rent quarter-yearly, and the fulfillment on their part of the covenants of the lease.

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, April 19, 1878.

JOHN KELLY, Comptroller.

The above sale is adjourned to Friday, May 3, 1878, at 12 o'clock noon, at the same place.

JOHN KELLY, Comptroller.

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, April 26, 1878.

The above sale is adjourned to Friday, May 17, 1878, at 12 o'clock noon, at the same place.

JOHN KELLY, Comptroller.

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, May 3, 1878.

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

Records. Grantors, grantees, suits in equity, insolvents and Sheriff's 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 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 9, 1877.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, BUREAU FOR THE COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS, No. 16, NEW COURT-HOUSE, CITY HALL PARK, NEW YORK, March 29, 1878.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY-HOLDERS.

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

CONFIRMED FEBRUARY 7, AND ENTERED FEBRUARY 8, 1878.

Denman place, grading from Concord to Union avenues, Twenty-third Ward.

All payments made on the above assessments on or before May 28, 1878, 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 entry.

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.

WILLIAM KENNELLY, AUCTIONEER.

SALE OF FERRY FRANCHISES.

THE FRANCHISES TO RUN THE FOLLOWING ferries and a lease of the wharf property belonging to the city, if any, set apart for ferry purposes at each of said ferries, will be sold at public auction to the highest bidder, at the office of the Comptroller of the City of New York, on Thursday, November 8, 1877, at 12 o'clock noon, for the period of five years from November 1, 1877, except as otherwise stated:

Ferry from Peck Slip, New York City, to the foot of One Hundred and Thirtieth street at Third avenue, Harlem, with an intermediate landing at or near Eighty-fourth street, East river.

Ferry from Fulton Market slip, New York City, to Mott Haven with an intermediate landing at or near Eighty-fourth street, East river, until May 1, 1879.

Ferry as now established from foot of Roosevelt street, in the City of New York, East river, to South Seventh street, Brooklyn, Eastern District, together with the bulkheads and slips adjacent to and east of the wharf property at foot of Roosevelt street, East river, owned by the Bridge Company, and now occupied for said ferry.

Bidders must bid for the franchise and lease of wharf property of each ferry separately, but no bid will be received unless it includes an offer for both the ferry franchise and wharf property.

The form of the lease required to be executed by the highest bidder can be seen at the office of the Comptroller.

All bids will be regarded as made with reference to said form of lease, and in case the highest bidder shall neglect to execute a lease according to said form, for ten days after said sale, his bid will, at the option of the Comptroller and the Board of the Department of Docks, be rejected.

The leases will contain a covenant requiring the lessees to pay rent quarter-yearly to the Comptroller.

The minimum rate for which the ferry franchise or license to operate such ferries shall be used or enjoyed has been appraised and set by the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund at five per cent. per annum upon the gross receipts for ferrage collected at the New York landing-place for the ferry as now established from the foot of Roosevelt street, New York, to South Seventh street, Brooklyn, and at two and one-half per cent. per annum upon the gross receipts collected for ferrage for the ferries from Peck slip, New York, to the foot of One Hundred and Thirtieth street, Third avenue, Harlem; and from Fulton Market slip, New York, to Mott Haven, such percentage to be paid quarter-yearly to the Corporation and a covenant will be contained in each lease requiring the lessees to make and deliver to the Comptroller of the City of New York, quarter-yearly, a statement in writing, verified by oath or affirmation of the lessee, or of such proper officer of the lessee as may be designated by the Comptroller, of the actual total gross receipts for ferrage received by such lessee during the preceding three months, and also, that the lessee shall keep regular books of account, showing the daily gross receipts of the ferry leased, and allow said Comptroller, or any person designated by him, to examine such books.

The franchise will be put up and knocked down to the person offering to pay the largest percentage.

All moneys received for the conveyance of passengers, animals, vehicles, or freight from New York to be collected at the landing place in New York, or, if collected elsewhere, to be included in the receipts upon which such percentage is to be calculated and paid.

No bid less than such percentage on such gross receipts will be entertained.

The successful bidder will be required to pay to the Collector of City Revenue the sum of fifteen hundred dollars immediately after the franchise shall have been struck down to him, as security for the execution and performance of the lease, such amount to be credited on the rent when the same becomes due.

Security, satisfactory to the Comptroller, will be required for the punctual performance by the lessees of the covenants of the lease of the franchise in their behalf.

Each purchaser of a lease will be required, at the time of the sale, and in addition to the auctioneer's fees, to pay to the Department of Docks twenty-five per cent. of the amount of the annual rent bid for the wharf property, as security for the execution of the lease, and which twenty-

five per cent. will be applied to the payment of the rent for such property first accruing under the lease, when executed, or forfeited if the lessee neglects or refuses to execute the lease and bond after being duly notified that the lease is prepared and ready for signature, or, in case the bid be finally rejected, will be returned to the bidder.

Lessees will be required to pay their rent for the wharf property quarterly, in advance, in compliance with a stipulation therefor in the form of the lease adopted.

The franchise and the lease of the wharf property, if any, of each ferry will be put up and sold together to the highest bidder, subject to the condition hereinafter expressed, and subject also to the right of the Comptroller and the Board of the Department of Docks to reject any or all bids, if deemed to be for the interest of the city.

The right to reject any bid, if deemed to be to the interest of the City of New York, is reserved by the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund.

By order of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund.

JOHN KELLY, Comptroller.

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, November 1, 1877.

The above sale is adjourned to Thursday, November 15, 1877, at 12 o'clock noon, at the same place.

JOHN KELLY, Comptroller.

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, November 8, 1877.

The above sale is adjourned to Thursday, November 22, 1877, at 12 o'clock noon, at the same place.

JOHN KELLY, Comptroller.

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, November 15, 1877.

The above sale is adjourned to Thursday, December 13, 1877, at 12 o'clock noon, at the same place.

JOHN KELLY, Comptroller.

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, November 22, 1877.

The above sale is adjourned to Thursday, December 27, 1877, at 12 o'clock noon, at the same place.

JOHN KELLY, Comptroller.

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, December 13, 1877.

The above sale is adjourned to Thursday, January 10, 1878, at 12 o'clock noon, at the same place.

JOHN KELLY, Comptroller.

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, December 27, 1877.

The above sale is adjourned to Thursday, January 17, 1878, at 12 o'clock noon, at the same place.

JOHN KELLY, Comptroller.

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, January 10, 1878.

The above sale is adjourned to Thursday, January 31, 1878, at 12 o'clock noon, at the same place.

JOHN KELLY, Comptroller.

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, January 17, 1878.

The above sale is adjourned to Thursday, February 14, 1878, at 12 o'clock noon, at the same place.

JOHN KELLY, Comptroller.

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, January 31, 1878.

The above sale is adjourned to Thursday, February 28, 1878, at 12 o'clock noon, at the same place.

JOHN KELLY, Comptroller.

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, February 14, 1878.

The above sale is adjourned to Thursday, March 14, 1878, at 12 o'clock noon, at the same place.

JOHN KELLY, Comptroller.

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, February 28, 1878.

The above sale is adjourned to Thursday, March 28, 1878, at 12 o'clock noon, at the same place.

JOHN KELLY, Comptroller.

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, March 14, 1878.

The above sale is adjourned to Thursday, April 11, 1878, at 12 o'clock noon, at the same place.

JOHN KELLY, Comptroller.

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, March 28, 1878.

The above sale is adjourned to Thursday, April 11, 1878, at 12 o'clock noon, at the same place.

JOHN KELLY, Comptroller.

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, January 17, 1878.

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JOHN KELLY, Comptroller.

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, April 11, 1878.

The above sale is adjourned to Friday, April 19, 1878, at 12 o'clock noon, at the same place.

JOHN KELLY, Comptroller.

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, April 11, 1878.

The above sale is adjourned to Friday, May 3, 1878, at 12 o'clock noon, at the same place.

JOHN KELLY, Comptroller.

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, April 19, 1878.

The above sale is adjourned to Friday, May 17, 1878, at 12 o'clock noon, at the same place.

JOHN KELLY, Comptroller.

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, May 3, 1878.

WILLIAM KENNELLY, AUCTIONEER.

SALE OF FERRY FRANCHISE.

PURSUANT TO ADJOURNMENT.

THE FRANCHISE TO RUN THE FOLLOWING ferry and a lease of the wharf property belonging to the city, set apart for ferry purposes at said ferry, will be sold at public auction to the highest bidder, at the office of the Comptroller of the City of New York, on Thursday, October 25, 1877, at 12 o'clock noon, for the period of five years from November 1, 1877, namely:

Ferry from Ninety-second street, East river, to Astoria, Queens County, Long Island.

Bidders must bid for the franchise and lease wharf property of said ferry separately, but no bid will be received unless it includes an offer for both the ferry franchise and wharf property.

The form of the lease required to be executed by the highest bidder can be seen at the office of the Comptroller.

All bids will be regarded as made with reference to said form of lease, and in case the highest bidder shall neglect to execute a lease according to said form for ten days after said sale, his bid will, at the option of the Comptroller and the Board of the Department of Docks, be rejected.

The leases will contain a covenant requiring the lessees to pay rent quarter-yearly to the Comptroller

The successful bidder will be required to pay to the Collector of City Revenue the sum of fifteen hundred dollars immediately after the franchise shall have been struck down to him, as security for the execution and performance of the lease, such amount to be credited on the rent when the same becomes due.

Security, satisfactory to the Comptroller, will be required for the punctual performance by the lessees of the covenants of the lease of the franchise in their behalf.

The minimum price for which the lease of said wharf property connected with the ferry from Ninety-second street, East river, to Astoria, Long Island, will be sold, has been fixed by the Board of the Department of Docks at the following sum, namely:

For bulkhead at foot of Ninety-second street, East river, and for premises at foot of Fulton street, Astoria, as now occupied for ferry purposes, at \$250 per annum.

The premises connected with the said ferry, to be taken in the condition in which they were in on the 1st day of August, 1877, and all repairs and rebuilding thereof, and dredging at said ferry during the term leased, to be done at the expense and cost of the lessees.

The purchaser of the lease will be required, at the time of the sale, and in addition to the auctioneer's fees, to pay to the Department of Docks twenty-five per cent. of the amount of the annual rent bid for the wharf property, as security for the execution of the lease, and which twenty-five per cent. will be applied to the payment of the rent for such property first accruing under the lease, when executed, or forfeited if the lessee neglects or refuses to execute the lease and bond after being duly notified that the lease is prepared and ready for signature, or, in case the bid be finally rejected, will be returned to the bidder.

Lessees will be required to pay their rent for the wharf property quarterly, in advance, in compliance with a stipulation therefor in the form of the lease adopted.

The franchise and the lease of the wharf property, of said ferry will be put up and sold together to the highest bidder, subject to the condition hereinafter expressed, and subject also to the right of the Comptroller and the Board of the Department of Docks to reject any or all bids, if deemed to be for the interest of the city.

The right to reject any bid, if deemed to be to the interest of the City of New York, is reserved by the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund.

By order of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund.

JOHN KELLY, Comptroller.

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, October 25, 1877.

The above sale is adjourned to Thursday, November 8, 1877, at 12 o'clock noon, at the same place.

JOHN KELLY, Comptroller.

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, October 25, 1877.

The above sale is adjourned to Thursday, November 15, 1877, at 12 o'clock noon, at the same place.

JOHN KELLY, Comptroller.

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JOHN KELLY, Comptroller.

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, November 8,