

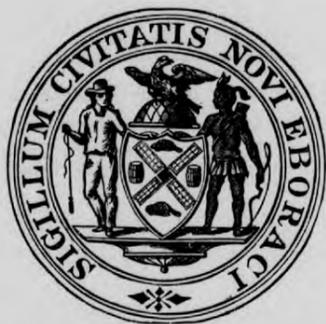
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LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

STATED SESSION.

TUESDAY, August 6, 1878, }
12 o'clock M. }

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

PRESENT:

Hon. William R. Roberts, President;

ALDERMEN

William Bennett,
Bernard Biglin,
Thomas Carroll,
Ferdinand Ehrhart,
Robert C. Foster,
William H. Gedney,
John W. Guntzer,

George Hall,
John W. Jacobus,
Patrick Keenan,
Terence Kiernan,
Samuel A. Lewis,
John J. Morris,

Henry C. Perley,
Joseph C. Pinckney,
Bryan Reilly,
Thomas Sheils,
James J. Slevin,
Louis C. Waehner.

On motion of Alderman Pinckney, the reading of the minutes of the last meeting was dispensed with.

PETITIONS.

By Alderman Perley—

Petition of residents of the State of New Jersey for the repeal or amendment of the ordinance of the City of New York relative to carts and cartmen.
Which was referred to the Committee on Law Department.

COMMUNICATIONS.

By Alderman Biglin—

Communication from Messrs. Shook & Gilmore tendering the free use of Gilmore's Garden for the reception of the Columbia Crew.

GILMORE'S CONCERT GARDEN, 27TH ST. AND MADISON AVE., }
NEW YORK, August 5, 1878. }

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen:

GENTLEMEN—In view of the fact that it has been resolved by the Honorable Board of Aldermen, in behalf of the City of New York, and in conjunction with his Honor the Mayor, to tender a public reception to the victorious Columbia College Crew upon their return to this city, the undersigned would respectfully beg leave to tender the free use of Gilmore's Garden for the purposes of such reception on any evening designated by the Committee.

The Committee's obedient servants,

SHOOK & GILMORE.

Which was referred to the Special Committee on Reception of Columbia Crew.

PETITIONS RESUMED.

By the President—

Petition of Geo. C. Goeller, asking that action be taken to regulate and grade Third avenue, from Harlem river to One Hundred and Forty-seventh street, by the Department of Parks.
Which was referred to the Committee on Public Works.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

By Alderman Pinckney—

Resolved, That his Honor the Mayor be requested to return to this Board G. O. 203, for the purpose of amending it.
The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution.
Which was decided in the affirmative.

PETITIONS AGAIN RESUMED.

By the President—

Petition of Geo. C. Goeller, asking that street peddlers be licensed.

NEW YORK, August 3, 1878.

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

GENTLEMEN—I would respectfully ask your Honorable Body, as a matter of justice to the many store-keepers of this great city, that "street peddlers" be regularly licensed, and made to display the number of their license with conspicuous figures on their hats. A license fee of \$5.00 or \$10.00 a year would not be much of a burden on them, and at the same time be a great source of revenue to this city.

It would not only be a matter of justice to the store-keepers, who pay rents, and thus help property-owners to pay their taxes, but there are many other reasons why they should be regulated and controlled by a license.

Respectfully yours,

GEO. C. GOELLER,

Third avenue and One Hundred and Thirty-fourth street.

Which was referred to the Committee on Law Department.

By the same—

Petition to erect a slide from the first floor of the house No. 237 Mercer street, for the purpose of sliding packing boxes down said slide into the wagon in the street.
Which was referred to the Committee on Streets.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE DEPARTMENTS AND CORPORATION OFFICERS.

The President laid before the Board the following communication from the Sheriff's Office:

STATE OF NEW YORK,
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE,
ALBANY, July 30, 1878.

To the Sheriff of the County of New York:

SIR—Notice is hereby given that, at the General Election to be held in this State on the Tuesday succeeding the first Monday of November next (November fifth), the following officers are to be elected, to wit: An Associate Judge of the Court of Appeals (for a full term), in the place of Samuel Hand (appointed by the Governor in the place of William F. Allen, deceased), whose term of office will expire on the last day of December next.

A Representative in the Forty-sixth Congress of the United States for the Fifth Congressional District, composed of the First, Second, Third, Fourth, Fifth, Sixth, Eighth, and Fourteenth Wards of the City of New York, Bedloe's Island, Ellis's Island, and Governor's Island, in the County of New York.

A Representative in the Forty-sixth Congress of the United States for the Sixth Congressional District, composed of the Seventh, Eleventh, and Thirteenth Wards of the City of New York, in the County of New York.

A representative in the Forty-sixth Congress of the United States for the Seventh Congressional District, composed of the Tenth and Seventeenth Wards of the City of New York, in the County of New York.

A representative in the Forty-sixth Congress of the United States for the Eighth Congressional District, composed of the Ninth, Fifteenth, and Sixteenth Wards, and that portion of the Eighteenth Ward lying within Fourteenth street, Twenty-sixth street and Fourth and Sixth avenues, in the City of New York, in the County of New York.

A Representative in the Forty-sixth Congress of the United States for the Ninth Congressional District, composed of so much of the Twentieth Ward as lies within Twenty-sixth street, Fortieth street, Seventh avenue, and the Hudson river, and so much of the Twelfth and Twenty-second Wards as lies within Fortieth street, Spuyten Duyvil Creek, Eighth avenue, and Hudson river, in the City of New York, in the County of New York.

A Representative in the Forty-sixth Congress of the United States for the Tenth Congressional District, composed of so much of the Eighteenth Ward as is east of Fourth avenue, and so much of the Nineteenth and Twenty-first Wards of said city as is east of Third avenue and Blackwell's Island, in the City of New York, in the County of New York.

A Representative in the Forty-sixth Congress of the United States for the Eleventh Congressional District, composed of so much of the Twentieth Ward as lies within Twenty-sixth street, Fortieth street, Sixth and Seventh avenues, and so much of the Twelfth and Twenty-second Wards as is east of Eighth avenue, and so much of the Nineteenth and Twenty-first Wards of said city as lies west of Third avenue and Ward's and Randall's Islands, in the City of New York, in the County of New York.

County officers also to be elected for said county:

Twenty-one Members of Assembly.

A Mayor for the City of New York, in the place of Smith Ely, Jr.

A City Judge, in the place of Josiah Sutherland.

A District Attorney, in the place of Benjamin K. Phelps.

A Coroner, in the place of Moritz Ellinger.

All whose terms of office will expire on the last day of December next.

Also a Senator for the Seventh Senate District (in the City of New York), to fill the unexpired term of John Morrissey, deceased. Respectfully yours,

ALLEN C. BEACH, Secretary of State.

SHERIFF'S OFFICE,

NEW YORK, July 31, 1878. }

I certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the Election Notice received by me this day from the Secretary of State.

BERNARD REILLY,

Sheriff of the City and County of New York.

Which was ordered on file.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS RESUMED.

By Alderman Morris—

Whereas, The condition of the walks in and around many of the public parks in this city is a reproach to the Department having the control of such public places, and if they were owned by private individuals, would subject them to penalties for violation of the ordinances of this city, in respect to broken and unflagged sidewalks; be it therefore

Resolved, That the Commissioners of the Department of Public Parks be and they are hereby requested to include in their provisional estimate for the year 1879, a sum sufficient to repair and reflag the walks in and around Tompkins Square, the City Hall Park, Reservoir Park, Washington Square, and such other of the public parks or places as may require to have the walks in and around them repaired or reflagged and put in good order, fit for the uses of the public.

Alderman Waehner moved to amend by striking out the preamble.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

By Alderman Keenan—

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

Which was referred to the Committee on Salaries and Offices.

By Alderman Sheils—

Resolved, That the Commissioner of Public Works be and he is hereby requested to report to this Board, at his earliest convenience, a statement showing—

First—The amount of labor and materials furnished, and the cost thereof, under and pursuant to the provisions of a resolution approved August 8, 1876, for laying a 48-inch Croton main in First avenue, from Seventy-ninth street to Fourteenth street, and a 36-inch main in First avenue, Fourteenth street to Houston street, Orchard street, Division street, and Pike street to East Broadway.

Second—The amount of labor and materials required to complete the work mentioned in said resolution, with an estimate of the probable cost thereof.

Third—The reason why the said work was suspended more than one year ago, the causes of the present delay, and the length of time yet required to complete the work.

Fourth—The amount of the appropriation now available to pay for the prosecution of this work.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

By Alderman Waehner—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Andrew Finck & Son to place a platform scale, 8 x 14 feet, in front of their premises 326 West Thirty-ninth street, in the carriageway of said street, the same to be on a level with the pavement. Said work to be done at their own expense, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and the permission hereby granted to continue during the pleasure of the Common Council.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

By Alderman Carroll—

Resolved, That lamp-posts be erected and street-lamps placed and lighted on the north side of Seventy-third street, easterly from Third avenue, as far as the gas-mains are now laid, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Works.

By Alderman Hall—

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

Which was referred to the Committee on Salaries and Offices.

By Alderman Bennett—

Resolved, That the resolution which became adopted May 7, 1878, placing two boulevard lamps in front of church on south side of Fifty-seventh street, between First avenue and Avenue A, be amended so as to read south side of Fifty-seventh street, between First and Second avenues.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

By Alderman Keenan—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to the Dry Dock & East Broadway Railroad Company to place a street-washer opposite No. 193 East Broadway, corner of Jefferson street, for the purpose of watering horses, the company to pay the usual rate for water used, the work to be done at their own expense; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

By Alderman Sauer—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Mrs. M. E. Kendall to place an ornamental lamp-post and lamps in front of her premises No. 1250 Broadway, provided the post does not exceed the dimensions prescribed by ordinance, and the work to be done and gas supplied at her own expense, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

By the President—

Resignation of W. T. Ashman, in favor of Samuel Brown.

Alderman Pinckney moved to strike from the resignation the words "in favor of Samuel Brown."

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

The President then put the question whether the Board would agree to accept said resignation.

Which was decided in the affirmative.

Whereupon the President offered the following:

Resolved, That Samuel Brown be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place of William T. Ashman, who has resigned.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative, on a division, viz.:

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Bennett, Biglin, Carroll, Ehrhart, Foster, Gedney, Guntzer, Hall, Jacobus, Keenan, Kiernan, Lewis, Morris, Perley, Pinckney, Sheils, Slevin, and Wachner—19.

(G. O. 230.)

By Alderman Morris—

Resolved, That the ordinary street-lamps now on the lamp-posts in front of the church in Sullivan street, between Bleecker and West Third streets; St. Clement's Church, in West Third street, near Macdougall street; Washington Square College Church, opposite Washington square; church in Spring street, near Varick street, and the churches in Twelfth and Thirteenth streets, between Sixth and Seventh avenues, be removed and boulevard lamps be substituted therefor, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

Which was laid over.

By Alderman Reilly—

Resolved, That the New York Elevated Railway Company be and they are hereby directed to take the necessary measures to prevent a repetition of the accidents which have befallen some of the mechanics and others employed by them in the operation of their road, and also to prevent the careless dropping of iron tools and other heavy articles and things on the streets and sidewalks.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

By Alderman Keenan—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to William Pickens and Charles Heine to regulate, grade, set curb and gutter stones, and flag the sidewalk in front of their property on the north side of Seventy-third street, east of Third avenue, and to regulate and grade one-half of the carriageway of said street in front of their said property, the work to be done at their own expense, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

By Alderman Sheils—

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

Which was referred to the Committee on Salaries and Offices.

By Alderman Slevin—

Resolved, That James A. Hennessey be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place of Ferdinand Levy, whose term of office expires on August 24, 1878.

Alderman Wachner moved to amend by referring the resolution to the Committee on Salaries and Offices.

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

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

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Bennett, Ehrhart, Guntzer, Hall, Morris, Perley, Pinckney, Reilly, and Wachner—10.

Negative—Aldermen Biglin, Carroll, Foster, Gedney, Jacobus, Keenan, Kiernan, Lewis, and Slevin—9.

By Alderman Keenan—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Hiram Duryea to erect a gutter bridge, fifteen feet wide, in front of his stable 252 Cherry street, the work to be done at his own expense, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

By Alderman Bennett—

Resolved, That permission be and is hereby given to Frank McGovern, a discharged and disabled soldier, to erect and keep a fruit and cake stand in front of No. 620 West Twenty-third street, provided the same shall not constitute an encroachment or incumbrance upon the street or sidewalk, he having obtained the consent of the owner and occupant of the premises in front of which the stand is to be erected; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Works.

By Alderman Kiernan—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Charles Kammer to erect awning posts, and place and keep an awning in front of his premises No. 1431 Third avenue, the work to be done at his own expense, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

By Alderman Keenan—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Joseph Lewis to place and keep a meat-rack on the sidewalk near the curb-stone in front of No. 188 Eighth avenue, to be not more than 14 feet long and 10 feet high, the posts to be of iron, and so constructed as not to be an incumbrance on the street or an obstruction to public travel, the work to be done at his own expense, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

By Alderman Phillips—

Resolved, That Geo. W. Williams, Jr., be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York.

Which was referred to the Committee on Salaries and Offices.

By Alderman Keenan—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to G. E. & J. D. Kitching to place and keep a bridge over the gutter in front of No. 728 East Eleventh street, the work to be done at their own expense, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

By the same—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to the Thomas F. Grady Club to suspend a banner across Chatham street from the corner of James street, the work to be done at their own expense; such permission to continue only until September 1, 1878.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

By Alderman Foster—

Resolved, That Henry P. McGown be and he is hereby reappointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, to date from the expiration of his present term of office, August 24, 1878.

Which was referred to the Committee on Salaries and Offices.

By the President—

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

Which was referred to the Committee on Salaries and Offices.

By Alderman Bennett—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to John Hamilton to retain sign in front of his premises 428 West Seventeenth street; the same to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

By Alderman Reilly—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Nicholas Brown to retain awning-posts and awning in front of his premises No. 127 Roosevelt street; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

Which was referred to the Committee on Streets.

By the same—

Resolved, That the street lamp-post and lamp now situated in front of No. 153 Cedar street be removed to and placed in front of No. 147 Cedar street, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

Which was referred to the Committee on Streets.

(G. O. 231.)

By Alderman Carroll—

Resolved, That vacant lot No. 3 West Fifty-seventh street, between Fifth and Sixth avenues, south side, be fenced in, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was laid over.

By Alderman Wachner—

Resolved, That Ferdinand Levy be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds, in place of Ferdinand Levy, whose term expires August 24, 1878.

Which was referred to the Committee on Salaries and Offices.

MESSAGES FROM HIS HONOR THE MAYOR.

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

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT—CITY HALL, }
NEW YORK, August 6, 1878.

To the Honorable the Common Council:

GENTLEMEN—I herewith return, without my approval, G. O. 225, "To light One Hundred and Sixth street, from the Boulevard to the Riverside Drive."

This street has not yet been opened according to law, and I am therefore constrained to withhold my approval of the resolution.

SMITH ELY, JR., Mayor.

Resolved, That lamp-posts be erected and street-lamps lighted in One Hundred and Sixth street, from the Boulevard to the Riverside Drive, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

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

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

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT—CITY HALL, }
NEW YORK, July 30, 1878.

To the Honorable the Common Council:

GENTLEMEN—I herewith return, without my approval, the resolution "To permit Joseph Bastgen to place a bridge over the gutter in front of his premises No. 201 Grand street."

The Commissioner of Public Works informs me that after an examination of the premises, he deems the placing of a gutter bridge at the premises named in the resolution unnecessary, and I am therefore constrained to withhold my approval of the resolution.

SMITH ELY, JR., Mayor.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Joseph Bastgen to place a bridge over the gutter in front of his premises No. 201 Grand street, the work to be done at his own expense; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

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

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

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT—CITY HALL, }
NEW YORK, August 6, 1878.

To the Honorable the Common Council:

GENTLEMEN—I herewith return, without my approval, G. O. 148, "To build a receiving-basin on the northeast corner of Seventy-fifth street and Third avenue."

According to law the building of sewers, receiving-basins, and culverts is placed within the discretion and at the option of the Department of Public Works, and a resolution or ordinance of the Common Council is not necessary for such work. The Commissioner of Public Works informs me that the established grade of the street does not call for a receiving-basin at the point named in the resolution, and that he does not deem the same necessary.

For these reasons I am constrained to withhold my approval of the resolution.

SMITH ELY, JR., Mayor.

Resolved, That a receiving-basin and culvert be built on the northeast corner of Seventy-fifth street and Third avenue, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

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

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

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT—CITY HALL, }
NEW YORK, July 30, 1878.

To the Honorable the Common Council:

GENTLEMEN—I herewith return, without my approval, the resolution "To permit the Board of Police to use the street hydrants for street cleaning purposes."

The Commissioner of Public Works informs me that this resolution is superfluous, as, according to law, the charge of the hydrants and use of water have been placed under the Department of Public Works, and the Police Department can obtain the necessary permit to use the hydrants upon application to the Department of Public Works.

I am therefore constrained to withhold my approval of the resolution.

SMITH ELY, JR., Mayor.

Resolved, That the Commissioner of Public Works be and he is hereby authorized and directed to allow the Board of Police, through the members of the police force and officers and employees of the Bureau of Street Cleaning, to use Croton water from street hydrants, so far as may be required and properly applied, for the purposes of cleaning the streets of this city.

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

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

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT—CITY HALL, }
NEW YORK, July 30, 1878.

To the Honorable the Common Council:

GENTLEMEN—I herewith return, without my approval, G. O. 196, "To light Sixty-third street, from First avenue to the East river."

The Commissioner of Public Works informs me that there are no houses on this street within the limits named in the resolution, and I therefore consider the proposed improvement premature, and am constrained to withhold my approval.

SMITH ELY, JR., Mayor.

Resolved, That gas-mains be laid, lamp-posts erected, and street-lamps lighted in Sixty-third street, from First avenue to the East river, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

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

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

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT—CITY HALL, }
NEW YORK, August 6, 1878.

To the Honorable the Common Council:

GENTLEMEN—I herewith transmit for your information, communication from the Board of Police, transmitting copy of proceedings of the Board at a meeting held July 30, 1878.

SMITH ELY, JR., Mayor.

POLICE DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK, }
300 MULBERRY STREET, }
NEW YORK, July 30, 1878.

Hon. Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York:

GENTLEMEN—By direction of the Board of Police, I herewith transmit copy of the following proceedings of the Board at a meeting held this day:

Whereas, The presence of vehicles standing in the streets while not in actual use, and the standing of teams on the hack-stands while not employed, embarrasses seriously the process of street cleaning, and greatly increases the expenses of the Bureau; and

Whereas, The work of the Street Cleaning Bureau would be facilitated and cheapened if the owners of the vehicles and teams would sweep the portions of the streets occupied by them, leaving the material conveniently heaped so as to be accessible to the dirt carts; it is therefore

Resolved, That the Common Council be and is hereby requested to so amend the ordinances as to require all persons who place their wagons, carts, or other vehicles, while not in actual use, in the public streets or places, to clean and sweep the whole extent of the street in front of the premises where the vehicles are placed, so as to perfectly clean the street from the curb-stone to the centre of the street, placing the material in a compact pile in the centre of the street; this work to be done three times a week, viz., on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, before eight o'clock in the morning.

The permits granted to persons to place vehicles, when not in use, in the street in front of their premises, shall contain a condition that the street sweeping required in this ordinance shall be performed by the persons holding the permit, and that any neglect to comply with such condition shall forfeit the permit and render it null and void.

Very respectfully,

S. C. HAWLEY, Chief Clerk.

Which was referred to the Committee on Police and Health Departments.

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

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT—CITY HALL, } NEW YORK, August 6, 1878.

To the Honorable the Common Council :

GENTLEMEN—I herewith return, without my approval, G. O. 202, "To fence vacant lot east of Grammar School No. 70, north side of Seventy-fifth street, three hundred feet east of Third avenue."

Resolved, That the vacant lot east of Grammar School No. 70, north side of Seventy-fifth street, three hundred feet east of Third avenue, be fenced in, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

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

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

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT—CITY HALL, } NEW YORK, August 6, 1878.

To the Honorable the Common Council :

GENTLEMEN—I herewith return, without my approval, G. O. 105, "To lay water pipes in One Hundred and Thirty-ninth street, between Willis and Brook avenues."

Resolved, That Croton water pipes be laid in One Hundred and Thirty-ninth street, between Willis and Brook avenues, as provided in section 2, chapter 477, Laws of 1875.

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

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS AGAIN RESUMED.

By Alderman Pinckney—

Resolved, That the Commissioner of Public Works be and he is hereby authorized, under chapter 477, Laws of 1875, and as amended by chapter 386, Laws of 1878, to erect on the lots situated between Ninety-seventh and Ninety-eighth streets, one hundred (100) feet west of Ninth avenue, and which lots were retained by the Commissioner of Public Works, under chapter 230, Laws of 1870, a suitable building, and to place therein two (2) pumping engines and fixtures, including a tank and stand-pipe; and to lay the necessary pipes to connect the same with the Croton main leading from the Reservoir in Central Park, and with the distributing mains now laid, so as to supply water at higher elevations to buildings on that portion of Manhattan Island situated above the level of sixty feet above mean high tide, at a cost not exceeding the sum of two hundred and twenty thousand dollars.

Alderman Pinckney moved that the resolution be laid over.

Alderman Sheils moved to refer to the Committee on Public Works.

Alderman Pinckney moved to refer to the Committee on Lands and Places and Park Department.

Alderman Reilly moved, as a substitute, to refer to the Committee on Streets.

Alderman Waehner moved, as an amendment to the substitute, that the paper be referred to the Committee on Law Department.

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

Which was decided in the negative, on a division called by the President, viz.:

Affirmative—Aldermen Guntzer, Hall, Jacobus, Keenan, Slevin, and Waehner—6.

Negative—The President, Aldermen Bennett, Biglin, Carroll, Ehrhart, Foster, Gedney, Kiernan, Lewis, Morris, Perley, Pinckney, Reilly, and Sheils—14.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with the substitute of Alderman Reilly.

Which was decided in the negative, on a division called by Alderman Sheils, viz.:

Affirmative—Aldermen Biglin, Keenan, Kiernan, Reilly, and Slevin—5.

Negative—The President, Aldermen Bennett, Carroll, Ehrhart, Foster, Gedney, Guntzer, Hall, Jacobus, Lewis, Morris, Perley, Pinckney, Sheils, and Waehner—15.

The President then put the question whether the Board would agree with the motion of Alderman Pinckney to refer.

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

Affirmative—Aldermen Biglin, Carroll, Ehrhart, Foster, Gedney, Jacobus, Keenan, Kiernan, Morris, Perley, and Pinckney—11.

Negative—The President, Aldermen Bennett, Guntzer, Hall, Lewis, Reilly, Sheils, Slevin, and Waehner—9.

By Alderman Reilly—

Whereas, A reprehensible practice prevails in many of the Departments of the city government, viz., that of holding private or secret sessions or meetings for the transaction of public business; and

Whereas, Great detriment to the public interests is liable to be the result of denying the public admission to the meetings of these Commissioners. The people have an undoubted right to be present, if they see fit, at the business meetings of those whom they select as their agents or servants to watch their proceedings and to hold them to a just accountability for their acts, and they are justified in regarding with suspicion the conduct of public officials who refuse them the exercise of this right, or who are apparently unwilling to give publicity to their proceedings until some time after they have transpired; and

Whereas, Section 90 of chapter 335, Laws of 1873, clearly gives the Common Council power to prevent a longer continuance of this method of transacting public business, and as no emergency can possibly arise that would justify holding such meetings in secret; be it therefore

Ordained by the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of New York, in Common Council convened, as follows:

Section 1. All meetings of the Boards or Commissions constituting Departments of the city government of the City of New York, for the transaction of public business, shall be held openly, and shall, in all cases, be accessible to the public. Such meetings shall be held at such times and places as may be determined upon by each of such Departments, and due notice thereof shall be published daily in the CITY RECORD.

Sec. 2. This ordinance shall take effect immediately.

Alderman Lewis moved to refer to the Committee on Law Department.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

REPORTS.

The Committee on Salaries and Offices, to whom were referred, at different times, resolutions in favor of appointing sundry persons as Commissioners of Deeds, respectfully

REPORT

for your adoption the following resolution:

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

Table with two columns: Names of Commissioners and Names of persons they replace. Includes names like Eugene Delmar, John S. McNulty, Robert H. Carleton, etc.

SAMUEL A. LEWIS, } Committee on WM. SAUER, } Salaries and Offices. JOHN J. MORRIS, }

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

Which was decided in the affirmative, on a division, viz.:

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Bennett, Biglin, Carroll, Foster, Gedney, Guntzer, Jacobus, Keenan, Kiernan, Lewis, Morris, Perley, Pinckney, Reilly, Sheils, Slevin, and Waehner—18.

Negative—Alderman Hall—1.

The Committee on Building and Fire Departments, to whom were referred the annexed preamble and resolution directing your Committee to cause to be made a full and thorough examination of the transactions of the "Building Department" from the first of January, 1875, up to the present date, respectfully

REPORT:

That the resolution containing these instructions was referred to your Committee instead of being adopted by your Honorable Body, thereby at once authorizing and compelling the investigation contemplated. The propriety of this action will be at once apparent, when the communication herewith accompanying is laid before you. It is from the Superintendent of Buildings, addressed to the chairman of your Committee, and requests that the investigation be made, asking that it be extended so as to include the time between January 1, 1870, and January 1, 1878, embracing a period of eight years instead of three years, as proposed in the resolution, which includes the whole term of service of the present Superintendent in the Department. The request is a reasonable one, and coming from the party accused, should, in the opinion of your Committee, be granted.

Your Committee therefore respectfully recommend the adoption of the resolution, amended so as to conform to the request of the Superintendent of Buildings.

Whereas, The press of this city at various times during the last five years have made serious charges publicly against the Building Department, and as no answer has ever been made to them publicly by the chief of this Department the public believe them to be true; and

Whereas, The following paragraph did appear in one of the morning papers last week:

"THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT.—Damaging Reports in Regard to its Management; Incorrect Statistics.—There are some more damaging reports in circulation in regard to the Building Department. One gentleman with whom the writer had a conversation, asserts that the statistics prepared by its officers and published occasionally in the CITY RECORD are grossly incorrect, and that they were apparently compiled for the purpose of making a false showing of its efficiency. He also stated that some of the employees have not received the sums supposed to be set opposite their names, and that their salaries were constantly fluctuating in accordance with political necessities and the demands that were made upon Superintendent Adams for increased patronage. The gentleman who made the statement claims to have an intimate knowledge of the affairs of the Department. In regard to the continuous reports about fire-escapes to which the public have been treated, one thing is certain: These reports have never been thoroughly examined, in order to test their accuracy. Mr. Adams or his assistants can prepare any statement they please, and have it published in the CITY RECORD. They are their own reporters. A glance, too, at some of the fire-escapes which have been erected under the supervision of the Department would show that they are utterly worthless, although they were put up at great expense for the ostensible purpose of saving life in cases of fire. It is probable that the Department would have been abolished by the Legislature long ago but for the skill with which its patronage is distributed among politicians who are strong enough to keep it in existence, notwithstanding the many abuses that characterize its management. It is said that the patronage is divided among the friends of Assemblymen from this city when the Legislature is in session, and among the Aldermen when the Legislature adjourns. By this means the Department is enabled to save itself from being abolished by the Legislature, and from being investigated by the Board of Aldermen."

Which requires a full and explicit answer; therefore be it

Resolved, That the Committee on Fire and Building Departments of this Board of Aldermen be and they are hereby authorized and directed to cause to be made a full and thorough examination of the transactions of this Department in all of its branches, from the first day of January, 1870, up to the present date; and that all persons who have had any dealings with this Department in any way, directly or indirectly, or with any person or persons supposed to have influence with this Department, be invited to come before this Committee, or communicate with them on this investigation; and the Committee is further directed to report to this Board the result of their examination when completed.

DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS, OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT, No. 2 FOURTH AVENUE, NEW YORK, July 29, 1878.

Alderman JAMES J. SLEVIN, Chairman of Committee on Fire and Building Departments:

DEAR SIR—I see by the published proceedings of the meeting of the Board of Aldermen, held July 23, 1878, that a resolution calling for an investigation of the affairs of the Department of Buildings was offered and referred to the Committee on Fire and Building Departments, of which you are chairman.

Relative thereto I most respectfully request that the investigation thus called for be recommended by your Committee to be had and made.

I know of no transaction in this Department during the time specified, viz., from January 1, 1875, to date hereof, or during my term of office as Superintendent, from May, 1873, that I should not be willing to have the public know all about. And I shall be glad to be afforded an opportunity of thus publicly vindicating my character and the administration of the business of the Department under my supervision from the foul aspersions sought to be cast upon it and upon myself through the columns of a daily paper, inspired and instigated through personal enmity.

And inasmuch as the resolution provides for such investigation to be had and made only from January 1, 1875, I would most respectfully request of your Committee that the said resolutions may be so amended as to cause such investigation to be had and made from January 1, 1870, instead of from January 1, 1875; I was connected with the Department at that date and prior thereto, in the capacity of Deputy Superintendent, and desire that the transactions of the Department be inquired into from that date, or during my connection with the Department since 1862.

Very truly, your obedient servant,

WALTER W. ADAMS, Superintendent of Buildings.

JAMES J. SLEVIN, } Committee on W. H. GEDNEY, } Fire and Building THOMAS SHEILS, } Departments.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

(G. O. 232.)

The Committee on Public Works, to whom were referred the annexed resolution and ordinance in favor of grading, curbing, and paving Eighty-first street, from Eighth to Ninth avenue, respectfully

REPORT:

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

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

THOMAS SHEILS, } Committee THOS. CARROLL, } on GEO. HALL, } Fire and Building J. C. PINCKNEY, } Departments. B. BIGLIN, }

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 233.)

The Committee on Public Works, to whom was referred the annexed resolution in favor of erecting a free hydrant for man and beast, northeast corner of Ninety-seventh street and Third avenue, respectfully

REPORT:

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

Resolved, That a free hydrant for the use of man and beast be erected on the northeasterly corner of Ninety-seventh street and Third avenue, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

THOMAS SHEILS, } Committee THOS. CARROLL, } on GEO. HALL, } Public Works. B. BIGLIN, }

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 234.)

The Committee on Public Works, to whom was referred the annexed resolution in favor of laying Croton water mains in Forty-third street, between Second and Third avenues, as provided in section 2, chapter 477, of the Laws of 1875, respectfully

REPORT:

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

Resolved, That the Commissioner of Public Works be and he is hereby authorized and directed to lay Croton water mains in Forty-third street, between Second and Third avenues, as provided in section 2, chapter 477, of the Laws of 1875.

THOMAS SHEILS, } Committee THOS. CARROLL, } on GEO. HALL, } Public Works. J. C. PINCKNEY, } B. BIGLIN, }

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 235.)

The Committee on Public Works, to whom were referred the annexed resolution and ordinance in favor of flagging Fourth avenue, between Fifty-second and Fifty-third streets, four feet wide, respectfully

REPORT :

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

Resolved, That Fourth avenue, between Fifty-second and Fifty-third streets, west side, be flagged four feet wide, where not already done, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

THOMAS SHEILS, GEO. HALL, THOS. CARROLL, J. C. PINCKNEY, B. BIGLIN, Committee on Public Works.

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 236.)

The Committee on Public Works, to whom were referred the annexed resolution and ordinance in favor of flagging the sidewalk on the north side of Forty-fifth street, from Broadway to a point about 150 feet west, full width, respectfully

REPORT :

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

Resolved, That the sidewalk on the north side of Forty-fifth street, from Broadway to a point about 150 feet west, be flagged full width, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

THOMAS SHEILS, THOS. CARROLL, GEO. HALL, J. C. PINCKNEY, B. BIGLIN, Committee on Public Works.

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 237.)

The Committee on Public Works, to whom was referred the annexed resolution in favor of laying gas-mains, erecting lamp-posts, and lighting street-lamps in Sixty-third street, between First and Second avenues, respectfully

REPORT :

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

Resolved, That gas-mains be laid, lamp-posts erected, and street-lamps lighted in Sixty-third street, between First and Second avenues, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

THOMAS SHEILS, THOS. CARROLL, GEO. HALL, J. C. PINCKNEY, B. BIGLIN, Committee on Public Works.

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 238.)

The Committee on Public Works, to whom was referred the annexed resolution in favor of erecting a fire-hydrant on the southwest corner of Avenue A and Seventy-third street, respectfully

REPORT :

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

Resolved, That a fire-hydrant be erected on the southwest corner of Avenue A and Seventy-third street, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

THOMAS SHEILS, THOS. CARROLL, GEO. HALL, J. C. PINCKNEY, B. BIGLIN, Committee on Public Works.

Which was laid over.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE DEPARTMENTS AND CORPORATION OFFICERS RESUMED.

The President laid before the Board the following communication from the County Clerk's Office :

COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE, NEW COUNTY COURT-HOUSE, NEW YORK, August 1, 1878.

Hon. WM. R. ROBERTS, President Board of Aldermen :

SIR—I herewith send you a list of Commissioners of Deeds whose terms expire during the present month, pursuant to an order of, or rather a resolution of your Honorable Board.

Yours, etc.,

HENRY A. GUMBLETON, Clerk.

Commissioners whose term of Office expire during the month of August 1878.

Table with 2 columns: Name and Term Expires. Lists names like Matthew T. Beirne, John F. Gouldsberry, etc., with their respective expiration dates.

Which was referred to the Committee on Salaries and Offices.

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

CITY OF NEW YORK—DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, July 27, 1878.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen :

Weekly statement, showing the appropriations made under the authority contained in section 112, chapter 335, Laws of 1873, for carrying on the Common Council from January 1 to December 31, 1878, both days inclusive, and of the payments made up to and including the date hereof, for and on account of each appropriation.

Table with 3 columns: Title of Appropriations, Am't of Appropriations, Payments. Lists items like City Contingencies, Salaries—Common Council, etc.

Which was ordered on file.

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

CITY OF NEW YORK—DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, July 20, 1878.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen :

Weekly statement, showing the appropriations made under the authority contained in section 112, chapter 335, Laws of 1873, for carrying on the Common Council from January 1 to December 31, 1878, both days inclusive, and of the payments made up to and including the date hereof, for and on account of each appropriation.

Table with 3 columns: Title of Appropriations, Am't of Appropriations, Payments. Lists items like City Contingencies, Salaries—Common Council, etc.

Which was ordered on file.

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

CITY OF NEW YORK—DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, Aug. 3, 1878.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen :

Weekly statement, showing the appropriations made under the authority contained in section 112, chapter 335, Laws of 1873, for carrying on the Common Council from January 1 to December 31, 1878, both days inclusive, and of the payments made up to and including the date hereof, for and on account of each appropriation.

Table with 3 columns: Title of Appropriations, Am't of Appropriations, Payments. Lists items like City Contingencies, Salaries—Common Council, etc.

Which was ordered on file.

The President laid before the Board the following communication from Honorable S. S. Cox :

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN, No. 8 CITY HALL, NEW YORK, July 25, 1878.

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

GENTLEMEN—The accompanying letter from the Honorable S. S. Cox, in reply to one from me in transmitting to him, by your direction, an engrossed copy of a preamble and resolution tendering him the thanks of the Corporation of the City of New York for his great labors and invaluable services in the establishment and improvement of the Life-Saving Service of the United States, is respectfully submitted to your Honorable Body.

I cannot conceive any better manner of complying with the request contained in the last paragraph of Mr. Cox's letter.

Very respectfully,

FRANCIS J. TWOMEY, Clerk.

NEW YORK CITY, July 23, 1878.

MY DEAR SIR—I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of a copy of the resolution of the Board of Aldermen, approved by the Mayor, June 17, 1878, tendering the thanks of the municipality of New York for services in the establishment and improvement of the Life-Saving Service of the United States.

This presentation is enhanced by the fact, that my friend, Mr. Alderman Morris, was the author as well as the bearer of the resolution. It is also pleasant to acknowledge the elegance of its engrossment.

But the special pleasure is, that it is an incentive to duty. It is an encouragement to pursue the best line of legislative endeavor.

I prize the words you utter and the language of the resolution; and will prize them until my dying hour.

While I would share your encomium with others equally, if not more worthy of it; and without arrogating to myself the abundant measure of praise so generously expressed, still your testimonial is cherished as a recompense for much study, vigilance, and anxiety bestowed for many years upon a system of practical humanity.

That system is now being organized under the liberal provisions of the measure which I introduced and advocated. It will prove, I trust, not a mere illustration of sentimentality, but a realization, in its most catholic spirit, of a large roundabout benevolence, at once an example and an encouragement to all the world.

Present, my dear sir, my sincere acknowledgments to the Board of Aldermen for this beautiful proof of their appreciation, and believe me that it will be ever held and embalmed in my heart and memory.

Respectfully,

S. S. COX.

FRANCIS J. TWOMEY, Esq., Clerk of Common Council, etc., etc.

Which was ordered to be printed in the CITY RECORD and placed on file.

The President laid before the Board the following communication :

NEW YORK, August 6, 1878.

To the Hon. Board of Aldermen of the City of New York :

GENTLEMEN—Noticing the discussion of the "Holly system" of steam distribution throughout our city for heating dwellings, Fire and Police Departments, etc., also for the uses of machinists, running of elevators and the like, I would remark, so far as the heating of houses, police and fire dormitories are concerned, as also schools and hospitals, and where the apparatus or appliance would cost from \$150 to \$300, besides the piping and fitting necessary, the plan would be expensive; also the planting of a large steam boiler on every block to cover the district must certainly be attended with serious objections. A new plan is now being introduced in many of our first-class houses, the same having been in successful operation the last year in Philadelphia, where hospitals, schools, and churches have been warmed and ventilated with the "Crary Fire-clay Pipe Furnace," a treatise on which I inclose their circular, the principle of which consists of a cluster of fire-clay pipes (more or less used according to the amount of space to heat) set on end, with head flanged at top and bottom; these come together and set with fire-clay mortar, thus forming roof and floor; the sides are built up with an 8-inch wall of fire-brick, thus inclosing the whole combustion chamber surrounding the grate bars of fire-box, leaving draft escapes connecting with chimney in rear, giving a direct draft, completely encircling these pipes with flame of fire, producing a white heat, so that no soot or particles can adhere to them; the pipes, when set, are left 20 inches off the cellar floor, leaving the aperture open for the cold air received from out doors through these pipes into the hot air chamber, and carried by the ordinary tin flues throughout the building, guaranteeing 70 degrees heat at every register in the coldest weather, and affording a pure, agreeable, softened, summer-like atmosphere, not to be attained by either iron, steam, or hot water, as in steam you are constantly breathing the same air over and over, while the other is constantly renewed and disinfected through "clay"; the expense is small, furnace durable, as there is nothing to rust or corrode, and a saving of one-third fuel, owing to all surface fire-box, grate-bars, can be replaced at will; there arises no gas, smoke, or dust to choke or parch the lungs. Mr. King, President of Fire Department, has had the matter under consideration, as well as General Smith, President Police Commission.

Respectfully,

OLIVER BRYAN, 62 Liberty street.

P. S.—These parties are willing to make a trial test, subject to adoption, at any time, on any building, you will appoint. They are now in treaty for heating Kings County Hospital, Doctor Schenck.

Which was ordered to be printed, and referred to the Committee on Public Works.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

Alderman Keenan, by unanimous consent, called up G. O. 192, being a resolution and ordinance, as follows :

Resolved, That Croton water mains be laid in Fulton avenue, from Spring place north to One Hundred and Seventieth street, as provided in section 2, chapter 477, Laws of 1875.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative, on a division, viz. :

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Bennett, Biglin, Carroll, Foster, Gedney, Guntzer, Hall, Jacobus, Keenan, Kiernan, Lewis, Morris, Perley, Pinckney, Reilly, Sheils, and Waehner—18.

Alderman Biglin, by unanimous consent, called up G. O. 213 1/2, being a preamble and resolution, as follows :

Resolved, That a copy of this preamble and these resolutions be engrossed and framed, duly authenticated by the signatures of his Honor the Mayor and the President of the Board of Aldermen, the corporate seal affixed and attested by the Clerk of the Common Council, and presented to the President and Faculty of Columbia College, to be retained in the institution as a slight token of the appreciation of the people of the City of New York of the brilliant achievements of the Columbia College Crew of 1878 in defeating their competitors, the crews of Oxford and Cambridge Colleges, at the international rowing regatta, at the capital of the British empire, July 4 and 5, 1878.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative, on a division, viz. :

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Bennett, Biglin, Carroll, Foster, Gedney, Guntzer, Hall, Jacobus, Keenan, Kiernan, Lewis, Morris, Perley, Pinckney, Reilly, Sheils, and Waehner—18.

Alderman Perley called up G. O. 229, being a resolution, as follows :

Resolved, That the block of ground bounded by Gansevoort, Little West Twelfth, Washington and West streets, known as part of the "Fort Gansevoort property," be and is hereby designated as a stand for farmers' wagons, for the sale of garden produce, subject to the same ordinances, rules, and regulations as apply to other public places now used for like purposes, and the Comptroller is hereby authorized and directed to carry into effect the provisions of this resolution.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative, on a division, viz. :

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Bennett, Biglin, Carroll, Foster, Gedney, Guntzer, Hall, Jacobus, Keenan, Kiernan, Lewis, Morris, Perley, Pinckney, Sheils, and Waehner—17.

Negative—Alderman Reilly—1.

PETITIONS AGAIN RESUMED.

By Alderman Keenan—
Petition of property-owners to lay gas-mains and light lamps in St. Ann's avenue, from One Hundred and Thirty-eighth to One Hundred and Forty-ninth street.

NEW YORK, June 14, 1878.

To the Honorable Board of Aldermen of the City of New York:
GENTLEMEN—The undersigned respectfully ask that gas-lamps may be put up and lighted on St. Ann's avenue, from One Hundred and Thirty-eighth to One Hundred and Forty-ninth street.

- John G. Crane. F. A. Entz.
F. G. Brown. John H. Oberteuffer.
Chas. I. Brown. Anthony Hartman.
William Huckel. Thomas Murphy.
Elspeh Riddock. John Hughes.
S. Samuels. J. S. Bryant.
William Atwater, M. D.

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Works.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS RESUMED.

Alderman Perley called up G. O. 197, being a resolution and ordinance, as follows:
Resolved, That the north side of Fifty-ninth street, between Madison and Fifth (5th) avenues, be flagged full width, where not already done, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative, on a division, viz.:

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Bennett, Biglin, Carroll, Foster, Gedney, Guntzer, Hall, Jacobus, Keenan, Kiernan, Lewis, Morris, Perley, Pinckney, Reilly, Sheils, and Waehner—18.

Alderman Pinckney called up G. O. 201, being a preamble and resolution, as follows:

Whereas, Certain sunken lots lying on the west side of the Eighth avenue, between One Hundred and Forty-third and One Hundred and Fifty-fourth streets, require draining and filling because of the collection of stagnant water; and

Whereas, The Board of Health have reported them detrimental to health;

Resolved, That the Corporation Counsel be requested to furnish this Board with his opinion in regard to the powers and duties of this Board to pass an ordinance for the filling and draining of said lots, or for the filling sufficiently to drain them.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

Alderman Pinckney called up G. O. 226, being a resolution, as follows:

Resolved, That boulevard lamps be substituted for the ordinary street-lamps in front of the M. E. Church in Seventh street, between Second and Third avenues, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative, on a division, viz.:

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Bennett, Biglin, Carroll, Foster, Gedney, Guntzer, Hall, Jacobus, Keenan, Kiernan, Lewis, Morris, Perley, Pinckney, Reilly, Sheils, and Waehner—18.

Alderman Kiernan called up G. O. 213, being a resolution, as follows:

Resolved, That Croton water-mains be laid in Hoffman street, from the Kingsbridge road to Pelham avenue, as provided in chapter 477, Laws of 1875.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative, on a division, viz.:

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Bennett, Biglin, Carroll, Foster, Guntzer, Hall, Jacobus, Keenan, Kiernan, Lewis, Morris, Perley, Pinckney, Reilly, Sheils, and Waehner—17.

Alderman Kiernan called up G. O. 144, being a resolution and ordinance, as follows:

Resolved, That One Hundredth street, from a point distant 66 feet westerly from the Tenth avenue on the northerly side, and from a point 68 feet westerly from the Tenth avenue on the southerly side, being the easterly line of the Boulevard, be regulated and graded, the curb and gutter stones set, and sidewalks flagged a space four feet wide through the centre thereof, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative, on a division, viz.:

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Bennett, Biglin, Carroll, Foster, Gedney, Guntzer, Hall, Jacobus, Keenan, Kiernan, Lewis, Morris, Perley, Pinckney, Reilly, and Waehner—17.

Alderman Reilly called up G. O. 227, being a resolution and ordinance, as follows:

Resolved, That a receiving-basin and culvert be built on the northwest and southwest corners of Broadway and Thirty-fourth street, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative, on a division, viz.:

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Bennett, Biglin, Carroll, Foster, Gedney, Guntzer, Hall, Jacobus, Keenan, Kiernan, Lewis, Morris, Perley, Pinckney, Reilly, Sheils, and Waehner—18.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS AGAIN RESUMED.

Alderman Gedney moved that when the Board adjourns is do adjourn to meet again on Tuesday, the 20th inst., at 12 o'clock M.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

Alderman Morris moved that the Board do now adjourn.

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

Which was decided in the negative.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS AGAIN RESUMED.

Alderman Waehner called up G. O. 218, being a resolution, as follows:

Resolved, That the railroad company owning the rails laid in Avenue D, East Broadway and other streets, be and is hereby required, pursuant to the power conferred upon the Common Council by section 2 of chapter 512, Laws of 1860, to run cars over the route of their road, both ways, every half hour, from 12 midnight until 5 o'clock A. M. every day, and as much oftener as the convenience of passengers may require. The Commissioner of Public Works is hereby authorized and directed to notify the said railroad company to comply with the rules and regulations contained in this resolution, and the Commissioners of Police are hereby authorized and directed to cause all violations thereof to be reported to the Corporation Attorney for prosecution. For every violation of the provisions of this resolution in respect to the running of cars over the tracks of said company after 12 P. M. and before 5 A. M., the penalty is hereby fixed at fifty dollars.

Alderman Keenan moved to amend by striking out after the words "Avenue D" the words "East Broadway and other streets."

But he subsequently withdrew the motion, and moved that the consideration of the resolution be postponed.

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

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

Affirmative—Aldermen Bennett, Biglin, Foster, Guntzer, Hall, Keenan, Lewis, Morris, Perley, Pinckney, and Reilly—11.

Negative—The President, Aldermen Gedney, Kiernan, Sheils, and Waehner—5.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS AGAIN RESUMED.

Alderman Keenan moved that the Board do now adjourn.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

And the President announced that the Board stood adjourned until Tuesday, the 20th instant, at 12 o'clock M.

FRANCIS J. TWOMEY, Clerk.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS,
COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, ROOM 19, CITY HALL,
NEW YORK, July 25, 1878.

In accordance with section 110, chapter 335, Laws of 1873, the Department of Public Works makes the following report of its transactions for the week ending, July 20, 1878:

Public Moneys Received and Deposited in the City Treasury.

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Includes items like Croton water rent, penalties on Croton water rent, tapping Croton pipes, vault permits, sewer permits, sewer pipe sold to contractors, removing obstructions, and a Total of \$121,314 28.

Permits Issued.

- 4 permits to construct street vaults.
22 permits to make sewer connections.
23 permits to repair sewer connections.
33 permits to tap Croton pipes.
42 permits to repair water connections.
112 permits to place building material on streets.

Public Baths.

The attendance at the public baths during the week was as follows:

Table with 3 columns: Bath location, Males, Females. Includes locations like East Fifth street, Gouverneur street, Bethune street, East Thirty-seventh street, East One Hundred and Fourteenth street, West Thirty-fifth street, and a Totals row.

Public Lamps.

- 8 new lamps lighted.
1 lamp discontinued.
2 lamp-posts removed.
1 lamp-post reset.
6 lamp-posts straightened.
2 columns refitted.
6 columns released.

Report of Photometrical Examinations of Illuminating Gas, for the week ending July 20, 1878, made at the Photometrical Rooms of the Department of Public Works.

Large table with 11 columns: Date, Time, Thermometer, Barometer, Gas Company, Burner, Pressure at point of ignition, Consumption of Gas, Rate per hour, Consumption of Candle, Cps. per hour, Illuminating Power (Observed, Corrected). Contains multiple rows of data for different dates and locations.

E. G. LOVE, Gas Examiner.

Replacing Pavements over Croton Pipes.

- In Madison avenue, between Seventy-fifth and Eightieth streets.
In Madison avenue, between Sixty-third and Sixty-fourth streets.
In Fifth avenue, between Nineteenth and Twenty-third streets.
In Seventh avenue, between Eleventh and Thirteenth streets.
In Sixtieth street, between Fifth and Madison avenues.
In Transverse road, Central Park.

Repairing Pavements.

- In Sixty-first street, between Fourth and Lexington avenues.
In Fifty-sixth street, between Third and Lexington avenues.
In Fifty-ninth street, between Eighth and Ninth avenues.
In Fifty-fourth street, between Seventh and Eighth avenues.
In Fifty-first street, between Fifth and Sixth avenues.
In Fifty-fourth street, between Fifth and Madison avenues.
In Forty-seventh street, between Seventh and Eighth avenues.
In Fortieth street, between Eleventh and Twelfth avenues.
In Thirty-second street, between Ninth and Eleventh avenues.
In Twenty-eighth street, between Tenth and Eleventh avenues.
In Twenty-seventh street, between Ninth and Tenth avenues.
In Sixteenth street, between Tenth and Eleventh avenues.
In Twelfth street, between Fifth and Seventh avenues.
In Eleventh street, between Third and Fourth avenues.
In Sixteenth street, between Third avenue and Irving place.
In Twenty-first street, between Fifth avenue and Broadway.
In Thirty-seventh street, between Second and Third avenues.
In Second avenue, between Eighth and Ninth streets, and between Eighteenth and Twenty-fourth streets.
In Lexington avenue, at Fifty-ninth street.

- In South Fifth avenue, between Broome and Prince streets.
- In Broadway, between Thirty-sixth and Thirty-eighth streets.
- In North Moore street, between Varick and Hudson streets.
- In Leroy street, between Bedford and Bleecker streets.
- In Bank street, between West and Greenwich streets.
- In West street, between Canal and King streets.
- In New Church street, between Cortlandt and Dey streets.
- In Bond street, between Broadway and Bowery.
- In Chrystie street, between Grand and Broome streets.
- In Tompkins street, between Grand and Broome streets.
- In Goerck street, between Houston and Third streets.
- In Allen street, between Rivington and Delancey streets.
- In Roosevelt street, between Chambers and Madison streets.

Repairing and Cleaning Sewers.

- 103 receiving-basins and culverts cleaned.
- 700 lineal feet of sewers cleaned.
- 3 lineal feet of sewers rebuilt.
- 21 lineal feet of culverts rebuilt.
- 6 lineal feet of spur-pipe laid.
- 5 receiving-basins repaired.
- 5 man-holes repaired.
- 4 basin covers replaced.
- 2 man-hole covers replaced.
- 34 cubic yards of earth excavated.
- 25 cubic yards of earth filled in.
- 6 square yards of pavement relaid.
- 209 cart loads of dirt removed.

STATEMENT of Laboring Force employed in the Department of Public Works during the week ending July 20, 1878.

NATURE OF WORK.	MECHANICS.	LABORERS.	TEAMS.	CARTS.
Maintenance of Aqueduct and Reservoirs.....	9	49	3	..
In Pipe Yard, foot of East Twenty-fourth street.....	2	19	..	..
Repairing 6-foot Pipes.....	4	20	..	..
Laying and repairing Croton pipes.....	32	110	..	25
Repairing pavements.....	58	204	2	64
Repairing and cleaning sewers.....	3	22	..	8
Maintenance of Boulevards and Avenues.....	3	20	16	5
Repairing roads.....	1	17	6	2
Total.....	112	461	27	104
Increase over previous week.....	..	..	..	..
Decrease from previous week.....	1	2	..	..

Appointments.

- Michael Riordan, Inspector on Sewer.
- Christopher Havican, Inspector on Paving.
- W. W. Dechert, Inspector on Regulating and Grading.

Removed.

- Patrick O'Brien, Inspector on Regulating and Grading.

Requisitions on the Comptroller.

The total amount of requisitions drawn by the Department upon the Comptroller during the week is \$82,061.99.

HUBERT O. THOMPSON, Deputy Commissioner of Public Works.

BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND APPORTIONMENT.

BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND APPORTIONMENT—CITY OF NEW YORK, MAYOR'S OFFICE—CITY HALL, THURSDAY, August 1, 1878—1 o'clock P. M.

The Board met in pursuance of the following call :

OFFICE OF THE MAYORALTY, EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT—CITY HALL, NEW YORK, July 31, 1878.

In pursuance of the authority contained in the 112th section of chapter 335, being an act entitled "An act to reorganize the local government of the City of New York," passed April 30, 1873; and section 1 of chapter 779, being an act entitled "An act in relation to raising money by taxation in the County of New York, for county purposes," passed June 14, 1873; and chapter 304, being an act entitled "An act to consolidate the government of the City and County of New York, and further to regulate the same," passed April 30, 1874; and chapter 303, being an act entitled "An act in relation to the estimates and apportionment for the support of the government of the County of New York," passed April 30, 1874; and chapter 308, being an act entitled "An act in relation to the estimates and apportionment for the support of the government of the City of New York," passed May 1, 1874—a meeting is hereby called of the Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, and the President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments, constituting a Board of Estimate and Apportionment, to be held at the office of the Mayor, on Thursday, August 1, 1878, at 1 o'clock P. M., for the purposes specified in requisition of the Comptroller dated July 31, 1878.

WILLIAM R. ROBERTS, Acting Mayor.

CITY OF NEW YORK, FINANCE DEPARTMENT—COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, July 31, 1878.

1139. SMITH ELY, Jr., Mayor of New York:

SIR—You are requested to call a meeting of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment on Thursday, the 1st day of August, 1878, at 1 o'clock P. M., for the purpose of authorizing the issue of \$3,100 of Bonds of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of New York, under chapter 473, Laws of 1877, and for the transaction of such other business as may come before the Board.

Respectfully, JOHN KELLY, Comptroller.

Admission of a copy of the within, as served upon us this 31st day of July, 1878.

- SMITH ELY, Jr., Mayor;
- JOHN KELLY, Comptroller;
- WILLIAM R. ROBERTS, President of the Board of Aldermen;
- JOHN WHEELER, President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments.

Present—The following members, viz.:

Smith Ely, Jr., the Mayor of the City of New York; John Kelly, the Comptroller of the City of New York; John Wheeler, the President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments.

Absent—William R. Roberts, the President of the Board of Aldermen.

The minutes of the meeting held July 26, 1878, were read and approved.

By unanimous consent the rule adopted at meeting of June 23, 1874, relating to the calls of meetings, was suspended, in order to act upon the issue of bonds of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of New York.

The Comptroller presented the following communication :

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, ROOM 19, CITY HALL, NEW YORK, July 29, 1878.

Hon. JOHN WHEELER, Secretary, Board of Estimate and Apportionment :

SIR—Under date of 11th instant I requested the transfer of the sum of one hundred and ninety dollars and forty-one cents (\$190.41) from the appropriation for "Lamps and Gas for 1877," to the appropriation for "Third District Court-house," to enable the Department to make requisition for the payment of claims against the latter account.

I would now request that the transfer be made from the appropriation for "Lamps and Gas for 1878," in place of being made from the appropriation for "Lamps and Gas for 1877."

Very respectfully, ALLAN CAMPBELL, Commissioner of Public Works.

And offered for adoption the following resolution :

Resolved, That the sum of one hundred and ninety dollars and forty-one cents be and the same is hereby transferred from the appropriation for "Lamps and Gas" for the year 1878, which is in excess of the amount required for the purposes and objects thereof, to an appropriation for "Third District Court House" for the year 1877, for which the same is required.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote :

Affirmative—The Mayor of the City of New York (Chairman), the Comptroller of the City of New York, and the President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments—3.

The Comptroller offered for adoption the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Board of Police be and is hereby authorized to transfer the sum of eleven hundred and ninety-three dollars from the appropriation to the Police Department for the year 1877, entitled, "Police Station-houses—Alterations, fitting up, additions to and repairs of Station-houses, etc.," which is in excess of the amount required for the purposes and objects thereof, to the appropriation for the year 1875, entitled "Construction of Stables for Thirty-third Precinct," which is insufficient, as set forth in resolution adopted by the said Board of Police on May 10, 1878.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote :

Affirmative—The Mayor of the City of New York (Chairman), the Comptroller of the City of New York, and the President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments—3.

The Comptroller offered for adoption the following preamble and resolution :

Whereas, Section 112 of chapter 335 of the Laws of 1873, as amended by section 20 of chapter 757 of the Laws of 1873, provides as follows :

"The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, and the President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments shall constitute a Board of Estimate and Apportionment, who shall, annually, between the first day of August and the first day of November, meet, and by the affirmative vote of all the members, make a provisional estimate of the amounts required to pay the expenses of conducting the public business of the City and County in each Department and branch thereof, and the Board of Education, for the then ensuing financial year."

"For the purpose of making said provisional estimate, the heads of Departments and the Board of Education shall, at least thirty days before the said provisional estimate is required to be made as herein provided, send to the Board of Apportionment an estimate in writing, herein called a Departmental Estimate, of the amount of expenditures, specifying in detail the objects thereof, required in their respective departments, including a statement of each of the salaries of their officers, clerks, employees, and subordinates."

"The same statement as to salaries and expenditure shall be made by all other officers, persons, and boards having power to fix or authorize them."

"A duplicate of these departmental estimates and statements shall be made at the same time to the Board of Aldermen;" therefore

Resolved, That the Comptroller be requested to notify the heads of all the city departments, and the officers of the City and County of New York to prepare their "Departmental Estimates" for the year 1879, in conformity with the foregoing provisions of law, and send the same to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment prior to the first day of September, 1878.

Resolved, That the officers of all institutions which may be entitled by law to allowances of money from the City and County of New York, be also notified by the Comptroller to send their estimates for the year 1879.

The Chairman put the question whether the Board would agree with said preamble and resolution.

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote :

Affirmative—The Mayor of the City of New York (Chairman), the Comptroller of the City of New York, and the President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments—3.

The Comptroller presented the following communication :

FINANCE DEPARTMENT—COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, July 30, 1878.

To the Board of Estimate and Apportionment :

The Armory Commission, appointed by and under chapter 473 of the Laws of 1877, have finished their investigation of claims for goods, merchandise and material furnished, and labor performed, in fitting up and furnishing armories and drill-rooms in the City of New York, and, in addition to the awards made on June 27, 1878, made the following awards on July 26 and 27, 1878, and then adjourned sine die :

NAMES OF CLAIMANTS.	ARMORY AND DRILL-ROOM UPON WHICH WORK WAS PERFORMED.	AMOUNT OF CLAIM.	AMOUNT ALLOWED BY COMMISSION.
Otto Meyer.....	Third Regiment of Cavalry, 37 and 37½ Bowery.....	\$1,500 00	\$700 00
Robert Burckhardt.....	First and Third Regiments of Cavalry, 37 and 37½ Bowery....	4,496 45	800 00
George W. Sauer.....	291 and 293 Bowery, Ninety-sixth and Sixth regiments, N. G. S. N. Y., and Battery B.....	3,094 60	1,600 00
Total.....		\$9,091 05	\$3,100 00

A resolution authorizing the issue of bonds for the amount of these awards is herewith submitted for the action of the Board. The sixth section of the act creating the Commission provides for the issue of bonds to an amount not to exceed \$50,000, to pay the awards made on claims presented to the Commission. The claims presented for the determination of the Commission amounted to \$74,279.12, and the awards made amount in all to the sum of \$43,563.32.

Respectfully, JOHN KELLY, Comptroller.

And offered for adoption the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Comptroller be and he is hereby authorized to issue, at such rate of interest as he may determine, not exceeding seven per cent. per annum, for a period not to exceed three years, bonds of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of New York, for the sum of thirty-one hundred dollars, to pay the awards made on July 26 and 27, 1878, by the Commission appointed by and under chapter 473 of the Laws of 1877, on claims for goods, merchandise, and materials furnished and labor performed in fitting up and furnishing armories and drill-rooms.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote :

Affirmative—The Mayor of the City of New York, (Chairman), the Comptroller of the City of New York, and the President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments—3.

The Secretary offered for adoption the following resolution :

Resolved, That the sum of twenty-nine hundred and ninety-five dollars and three cents be and the same is hereby, transferred from the appropriation "Contingencies—Department of Taxes and Assessments, 1877," the same being in excess of the amount required for the purposes and objects thereof, to the appropriation "Contingencies—Department of Taxes and Assessments, 1878," the amount of said appropriation being insufficient.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote :

Affirmative—The Mayor of the City of New York, (Chairman), the Comptroller of the City of New York, and the President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments—3.

On motion, the Board adjourned.

JOHN WHEELER, Secretary.

APPROVED PAPERS.

Resolved, That the sidewalks on the east side of Madison avenue, from Fifty-sixth to Fifty-seventh street, and on the north side of Fifty-sixth street, from Madison to Fourth avenue, be flagged full width, where not already done, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

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

Approved by the Mayor, July 30, 1878.

Resolved, That gas-mains be laid, lamp-posts erected, and street-lamps lighted in Fifty-eighth street, from Sixth to Seventh avenue, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

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

Approved by the Mayor, July 30, 1878.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Smith & McNell to place an ornamental post, not to exceed the dimensions prescribed for ornamental gas lamp-posts, in front of their hotel at Nos. 193 to 199 Washington street, as a support for a thermometer, the work to be done at their own expense, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, July 23, 1878.

Approved by the Mayor, July 30, 1878.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION, No. 66 THIRD AVENUE, NEW YORK, July 30, 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 Charity Hospital, Blackwell's Island—Josephine Mangin, alias Kate O'Connor; aged 28 years; 5 feet 8 inches high; dark hair and eyes. Had on when admitted, light calico skirt and wrapper, gaiters. Nothing known of her friends or relatives.

By Order, JOSHUA PHILLIPS, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION, No. 66 THIRD AVENUE, NEW YORK, July 26, 1878.

PROPOSALS FOR DRY GOODS, GROCERIES, ETC.

PROPOSALS, SEALED AND INDORSED AS above, will be received by the Commissioners of Public Charities and Correction, at their office, until 9 o'clock A. M., of Friday, August 9, 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. 5,000 yards Cassimere. 500 yards Cadet Satinet. 5,000 yards Cottonades. 10,000 yards Jeans. 5,000 yards Blue Denims.

- GROCERIES. 100 barrels Oatmeal. 100 barrels Hominy, "A No. 1." 10 barrels Pickles; 2,000 to the barrel.

- OATS AND STRAW. 2,000 bushels White Oats, best quality, to weigh 32 pounds to the bushel. 500 bales long bright Rye Straw; to be delivered in quantities as required.

TIN. 100 boxes Roofing Tin. 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.

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

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

CORPORATION NOTICE.

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 assessment has been completed and is lodged in the office of the Board of Assessors for examination by all persons interested, viz.:

No. 1. Assessment list for damages caused by the closing of Bloomingdale road, together with the list of awards to property-owners along the line of said road.

The limits embraced by such assessment include all the several houses and lots of ground, vacant lots, pieces and parcels of land, situated between— Fifty-ninth and One Hundred and Fifty-ninth streets, Eighth avenue and Hudson river.

All persons whose interests are affected by the above-mentioned 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 list will be transmitted as provided by law to the Board of Revision and Correction of Assessments for confirmation, on the 2d day of September 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, August 1, 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.—Sewers in the Boulevard, between Ninety-second and One Hundred and Sixth streets. \$90,958 68
No. 2.—Sewers in Eleventh avenue, between Sixtieth and Sixty-fourth streets, and in Sixty-first street, between Tenth and Eleventh avenues. 11,289 88
No. 3.—Flagging sidewalks in Fifty-fifth street, between Madison and Fourth avenues, and fencing the vacant lots thereon. 475 10
No. 4.—Fencing vacant lots north side of Eighty-second street, south side of Eighty-third street, and east side of Fifth avenue, between Eighty-second and Eighty-third streets. 377 11
No. 5.—Regulating and grading, setting curb and gutter stones, and flagging One Hundred and Twelfth street, from Madison avenue to a point one hundred and seventy-five feet easterly, and flagging and refencing rest of sidewalks. 845 64

WM. H. JASPER, Secretary.

OFFICE BOARD OF ASSESSORS, No. 114 WHITE STREET, NEW YORK, July 18, 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.—Regulating and grading One Hundred and Ninth street, from Third to Fifth avenue. \$2,763 95
No. 2.—Paving One Hundred and Twentieth street, from First avenue to Harlem river, with Belgian pavement. 5,382 74
No. 3.—Paving One Hundred and Fourteenth street, from Second to Fourth avenue, with Belgian pavement. 7,285 42
No. 4.—Sewer in Ninety-ninth street, between Boulevard and Tenth avenue. 1,099 25
No. 5.—Sewer in Twelfth avenue, between One Hundred and Thirtieth and One Hundred Thirty-first streets and in One Hundred and Thirty-first street, between Twelfth avenue and Boulevard. 3,154 95
No. 6.—Sewer in One Hundred and Nineteenth street, between Fourth and Fifth avenues, and in Fourth avenue, west side, between One Hundred and Seventeenth and One Hundred and Twenty-first streets. 16,746 60
No. 7.—Receiving-basins northwest corner of One Hundred and Tenth street and Madison avenue, and northwest corner of One Hundred and Sixteenth street and Lexington avenue. 313 00

WM. H. JASPER, Secretary.

OFFICE BOARD OF ASSESSORS, No. 114 WHITE STREET, NEW YORK, July 10, 1878.

THE CITY RECORD.

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

SUPREME COURT.

In the matter of the application of the Department of Public Parks, for and on behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to the opening of Concord avenue, from Boston avenue to the south side of Denman place, in the Twenty-third Ward of the City of New York.

PURSUANT TO THE STATUTES OF THE STATE of New York, in such case made and provided, the Department of Public Parks, for and in behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of New York, hereby give notice, that the Counsel to the Corporation of said city will apply to the Supreme Court, in the First Judicial District of the State of New York, at a special term of said court, to be held in the County Court-house, in the City of New York, on the 8th day of August, 1878, at 11 o'clock, in the forenoon of that day, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon, for the appointment of Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment in the above-entitled matter.

The nature and extent of the improvement hereby intended, is the acquisition of title in the name and in behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, to all the lands and premises, with the buildings thereon, and appurtenances thereto belonging, required for the opening of Concord avenue, from the southern line of Denman place to the southeastern line of Boston avenue as said Concord avenue is shown and delineated on certain maps made by the Commissioners of the Department of Public Parks, under authority of chapters 329 and 604 of the Laws of 1874, and chapter 436 of the Laws of 1876, and filed in the office of the Secretary of State of the State of New York, in the office of the Register of the City and County of New York, and in the office of the Department of Public Parks; said street or avenue being more particularly bounded and described as follows, viz.:

I.—Beginning at a point (the southeastern corner of Concord avenue and Denman place), on the eastern line of Concord avenue 1,145 63-100 feet northerly from Westchester avenue, measured on the said eastern line of Concord avenue, thence continuing northerly in the direction of the aforesaid eastern line of Concord avenue, produced for 50 feet to the northern line of Denman place; thence, without deflection, northerly for 246 3-10 feet to the southern side of Cliff street; thence deflecting 90 degs. to the left, westerly, for 50 feet, thence deflecting 90 degs. to the left, southerly, for 296 3-10 feet; thence deflecting 90 degs. to the left, easterly for 50 feet to the point or place of beginning. Also all that certain other lot, piece, or parcel of land bounded and described as follows:

II.—Beginning at a point (the northeastern corner of Concord avenue and Cliff street), distant 1,497 93-100 feet northerly from the northeastern corner of Concord and Westchester avenues, measured on a line forming an angle of 35 degs. 02 min. to the west and left with the northern line of Westchester avenue; thence northerly on a line at right angles with the northern line of Cliff street for 550 feet to the southern line of One Hundred and Sixty-third street; thence, without deflection, northerly for 50 feet to the northern line of One Hundred and Sixty-third street; thence, without deflection, northerly for 720 feet to the southern line of One Hundred and Sixty-fifth street; thence, deflecting 90 degs. to the left, westerly for 50 feet; thence, deflecting 90 degs. to the left, southerly for 720 feet to the northern line of One Hundred and Sixty-third street; thence, without deflection, southerly for 50 feet to the southern line of One Hundred and Sixty-third street; thence, without deflection, southerly for 550 feet to the northern line of Cliff street; thence, deflecting 90 degs. to the left, easterly for 50 feet to the point or place of beginning; and also all that certain other lot, piece, or parcel of land bounded and described as follows:

III.—Beginning at a point (the northeastern corner of One Hundred and Sixty-fifth street and Concord avenue), distant 2,861 93-100 feet northerly from the northeastern corner of Westchester and Concord avenues, measured on a line forming an angle of 35 deg. 02 min. to the west and left with the northern line of Westchester avenue; thence northerly on a line at right angles with the northern line of One Hundred and Sixty-fifth street for 575 feet to the southern line of George street; thence, without deflection, northerly for 60 feet to the northern line of George street; thence, without deflection, northerly for 565 feet to the southern line of One Hundred and Sixty-seventh street; thence, without deflection, northerly for 50 feet to the northern line of One Hundred and Sixty-seventh street; thence, without deflection, northerly for 422 25-100 feet to the southern line of One Hundred and Sixty-eighth street; thence, without deflection, northerly for 50 04-100 feet to the northern line of One Hundred and Sixty-eighth street; thence, without deflection, northerly for 382 55-100 feet to the southeastern line of Boston avenue; thence, deflecting 153 deg. 25 min. 08 sec. to the left, southerly for 117 74-100 feet; thence, deflecting 26 deg. 34 min. 52 sec. to the left, southerly for 280 71-100 feet to the northern line of One Hundred and Sixty-eighth street; thence, without deflection, southerly for 50 04-100 feet to the southern line of One Hundred and Sixty-eighth street; thence, without deflection, southerly for 424 13-100 feet to the northern line of One Hundred and Sixty-seventh street; thence, without deflection, southerly for 50 feet to the southern line of One Hundred and Sixty-seventh street; thence, without deflection, southerly for 465 feet to the northern line of George street; thence, without deflection, southerly for 60 feet to the southern line of George street; thence, without deflection, southerly for 575 feet to the northern line of One Hundred and Sixty-fifth street; thence, deflecting 90 degs. to the left, easterly for 50 feet to the point or place of beginning.

WM. C. WHITNEY, Counsel to the Corporation, No. 2 Tryon Row.

In the matter of the application of the Department of Public Works for and on behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to the opening of Eighty-second street, from First avenue to the East river, in the City of New York.

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

I.—That we have completed our estimate and assessment, and that all persons interested in these proceedings, or in any of the lands affected thereby, and who may be opposed to the same, do present their objections in writing, duly verified, to Menzo Diefendorf, Esq., our Chairman, at the office of the Commissioners, No. 202 Broadway (Room 72), in the said city, on or before the 6th day of August, 1878; and that we, the said Commissioners, will hear parties so objecting within ten week days next after the said 6th day of August, 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.

II.—That the abstract of the said estimate and assessment, together with our maps, and also all the affidavits, estimates, and other documents which were used by us in making our report, have been deposited in the office of the Department of Public Works, in the City of New York, there to remain until the 13th day of August, 1878.

III.—That the limits embraced by the assessment aforesaid are as follows, to wit: All those lots, pieces or parcels of land situate, lying and being in the City of New York, and bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a point on the easterly side of First avenue distant one hundred and two feet two inches from the northerly side of Eighty-second street; thence easterly and parallel with Eighty-second street to the East river; thence southerly along the said East river to a point distant one hundred and four feet two inches from the southerly side of Eighty-second street; thence westerly and parallel with Eighty-second street to the easterly side of first avenue; thence northerly along the easterly side of first avenue to the point or place of beginning.

IV.—That our report herein will be presented to the Supreme Court of the State of New York, at a Special Term thereof, to be held in the New Court-house, at the City Hall, in the City of New York, on the 10th day of September, 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, June 24, 1878. MENZO DIEFENDORF, GEORGE H. SWORDS, THOMAS L. FEITNER, Commissioners.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT.

WILLIAM KENNELLY, AUCTIONEER.

PREMISES AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THIRD AVENUE AND EIGHTY-FIFTH STREET, TO BE LEASED AT AUCTION ON FRIDAY, JULY 12, 1878.

THE LEASE OF PREMISES ON THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF EIGHTY-FIFTH STREET AND THIRD AVENUE, for the term of two years, nine months and fifteen days, from July 15, 1878, will be sold at public auction at the New County Court-house, on Friday, July 12, 1878, at 10 1/2 o'clock A. M.

TERMS OF SALE.

Twenty per cent. on the yearly rent bid to be paid to the Collector of City Revenue at the time and place of sale; and the successful bidder will be required, at the same time, to have an obligation executed by two sureties, to be approved by the Comptroller, for carrying into effect the terms of sale.

Twenty per cent., when paid, will be credited on the first quarter's rent; or, forfeited, if the lessee does not execute the lease and bond within fifteen days after the sale; and the Comptroller shall be authorized, at his option, to resell the premises bid off by those failing to comply with the terms as above; and the party so failing to comply to be liable for any deficiency that may result from such resale.

No person will be received as lessee or surety who is delinquent on any former lease from the Corporation. No bid will be accepted from any person who is in arrears to the Corporation upon debt or contract, or who is a defaulter, as security or otherwise, upon any obligation to the Corporation (sec. 99 of Charter of 1873).

The leases will contain the usual covenants and conditions, reserving to the Corporation the right to cancel the lease whenever the premises may be required by them for public purposes.

All repairs will be made at the expense of the lessees, 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, July 8, 1878. JOHN KELLY, Comptroller.

The above sale is adjourned to Friday, July 26, 1878, at 10 1/2 o'clock A. M., at the same place. JOHN KELLY, Comptroller.

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, July 12, 1878. JOHN KELLY, Comptroller.

The above sale is adjourned to Friday, August 2, 1878, at 11 o'clock A. M., at the same place. JOHN KELLY, Comptroller.

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, July 26, 1878. JOHN KELLY, Comptroller.

The above sale is adjourned to Friday, August 16, 1878, at 11 o'clock A. M., at the same place. JOHN KELLY, Comptroller.

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, August 2, 1878. JOHN KELLY, Comptroller.

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 Sheriffs' sales, in 61 volumes, full bound, price, \$100 00 The same, in 25 volumes, half bound, 50 00 Complete sets, folded, ready for binding, 15 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."

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, BUREAU FOR THE COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS, No. 16 NEW COURT-HOUSE, CITY HALL PARK, NEW YORK, July 17, 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 JULY 12, 1878. Worth street, regulating, grading, etc., between Broadway and Chatham street. 43d street, regulating, grading, etc., between 2d and 3d avenues. 85th street, regulating, grading, etc., between Avenues A and B. 101st street, regulating, grading, etc., between 9th avenue and Public Drive. 10th avenue, regulating, grading, etc., between 81st and 82d streets. 103d street, paving, between Lexington and 4th avenues, and Lexington avenue, between 103d and 104th streets. 58th street, flagging, north side, between Lexington and 4th avenues. 63d street, curb, gutter, and flagging, between 1st avenue and East river. Lexington avenue, crosswalks at 129th and 130th streets. 143d street, sewer, from 75 feet west of 3d avenue, etc. 51st street, " 1st to 2d avenue. Washington street, sewer, between Fulton and Vesey streets. 59th street, basin, northeast corner of Madison avenue. 74th street, basin, northwest corner of Avenue A. 83d street, fencing, northeast corner of 2d avenue. 50th street, fencing, northeast corner of Madison avenue. 57th street, fencing, south side, between 2d and 3d avenues. 72d street, regulating, etc. (Eastern Boulevard), from 5th avenue to Avenue A. 16th street, regulating, etc. (Eastern Boulevard), from Avenue A to 6th avenue. Avenue A, regulating, etc. (Eastern Boulevard), from 57th to 86th street.

CONFIRMED JULY 2, 1878; ENTERED JULY 17, 1878. 85th street, opening, from 9th to New avenue, and from 12th avenue to the Hudson river.

All payments made on the above assessments on or before September 14, 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, July 20, 1878.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY-HOLDERS.

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

CONFIRMED JULY 10, 1878; ENTERED JULY 20, 1878. 73d street, opening, from 5th avenue to the East river. All payments made on the above assessment on or before September 18, 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.

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

CENTRAL DEPARTMENT OF THE MUNICIPAL POLICE, PROPERTY CLERK'S OFFICE, No. 300 MULBERRY STREET, NEW YORK, July 30, 1878.

OWNERS WANTED BY THE PROPERTY Clerk, of the Police Department, City of New York, 300 Mulberry street, Room 39, for the following property now in his custody without claimants: gold and silver watches, boats, rope, male and female clothing, camel hair shawl, silk circular, muff, revolvers, wagons, furniture, trunk and contents, bags and contents, seal sacque, and small amount of money taken from prisoners and found on street.

C. A. ST. JOHN, Property Clerk.

POLICE DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK, 300 MULBERRY STREET, NEW YORK, July 29, 1878.

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT this Department will sell at public auction, at the stables of the Bureau of Street Cleaning, on Friday, August 9, 1878, 10 o'clock A. M., an accumulation of old iron (consisting of old horseshoes, cart-tires, and scrap), and also a quantity of old rope.

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

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).