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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

Report for the Quarter ending December 31, 1882.

CITY OF NEW YORK,
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS—36 UNION SQUARE, }
January 25, 1883.

Hon. FRANKLIN EDSON, Mayor, etc.,

SIR—In accordance with section 27, chapter 335, of the Laws of 1873, the Department of Public Parks transmits herewith a report of its transactions, for the quarter ending with December 31, 1882:

This quarter being one when the season demands that great care for the preservation of the Parks and other works entrusted to the Department should be taken, an unusual amount of work has been done. The ornamental structures of the Parks require to be covered; the delicate plants housed, and the hardier ones protected, the roads graveled for the winter's wear, and the works of construction in the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, and on the bridges, made secure. The one hundred and eighty miles of streets and roads in the "annexed district" require to be maintained and put in order for winter use, the drains and culverts opened and cleaned, and, in fact, all the works of the Department put in a condition where they will be the least liable to suffer from the severity of the season.

By chapter 619 of the Laws of 1875, the Department was authorized to set apart as much ground as might be deemed necessary in the Central Park for the purpose of the erection thereon of a suitable fireproof building, by and at the cost and for the use of the American College of Music, incorporated under chapter 176 of the Laws of 1875. These acts of the Legislature were procured at the instance of Samuel Wood, a wealthy gentleman, since deceased, who desired to found, and contemplated building, a College of Music in the City of New York. He did not desire that his name should be connected with it until after his decease, and therefore the name of the "American College of Music" was adopted.

By an order of the Supreme Court, granted on the 8th day of February, 1882, the name of the American College of Music of the City of New York was changed to the "Samuel Wood College of Music."

The trustees have applied to the Department for the setting apart of grounds for the erection of this building, but no formal action has been taken in the matter by the Department.

By the terms of an agreement with the West Side and Yonkers Railway Company, for the promotion of means of transit across the Harlem river for pedestrians, and also by means of railroad, it was stipulated that the bridge should contain a footway for the free use of all persons desiring to pass and repass on foot. This stipulation has not been complied with, and this Department has called the attention of the railroad company to the fact.

The Department, through the Counsel to the Corporation, has made a further return to the writ of certiorari in the matter of the Second Avenue Railroad Company against the Department, in the matter of the permission granted to the Suburban Rapid Transit Company to construct a bridge across the Harlem river, at or near Second avenue.

An injunction has been granted by the Supreme Court preventing this Department from removing the house of Eliza Raub, encroaching upon the line of Third avenue.

This Department has been served with an injunction granted by Judge Charles Donohue, Justice of the Supreme Court, restraining the Department of Public Parks, and the Commissioner of Public Works, from interfering with the New York Elevated Railroad Company in doing any work necessary for the erection and maintenance of a station at Battery place and Greenwich street.

The subject of erecting telegraph and electric light poles on the sidewalks of the city parks has occupied the attention of the Department. The Fire Department, under a law of 1871, claiming the right so to do. In view of the frequent application for these permits, the following resolutions governing the matter have been adopted:

"Inasmuch as the erection of poles on the sidewalks of the public parks has been attended with the destruction of the pavements around such poles;

"Resolved, That hereafter, and before a permit is issued for the erection of any telegraph or electric light pole on the sidewalk of any park or square, the party making such application shall do so in writing, pledging to restore the pavement at his own expense, and to employ the person who originally laid the pavement, or such party as the Department may select to do the work, and that the pole so to be erected shall be first approved of by the Superintendent of Parks, and the entire work done to his satisfaction."

"Resolved, That the communication be received and filed, and that the Secretary be directed to call the attention of the Fire Department to the Act of 1832, laying out Union Square, and to the various statutes of 1871, 1873 and 1876, which provide that the Department of Public Parks shall control and manage all public parks and streets immediately adjoining the same."

The United States Illuminating Company having attempted to erect a line of poles through Fortieth street, between Fifth and Sixth avenues, the property-owners called upon the Department to exercise its authority, conferred by chapter 850 of the Laws of 1873. This Department has done so in order to give opportunity whereby the parties interested may have their respective rights legally determined.

The duty of the Department, in view of the provisions of the Penal Code, has received careful attention. The parks of this city are the pleasure grounds of the people, and must be maintained and cared for at all times. The working stock of the Department and the animals in the zoological collection must all be cared for on Sundays. The bridges over the Harlem and Bronx rivers and other streams require hourly attention. In view of the varied duties incumbent upon the Department, it was

"Resolved, That, in the opinion of this Board, labor which directly contributes to the health and comfort of citizens, and cannot be deferred without detriment thereto, is to be considered necessary and permissible; and, further, that no interference is to be allowed with the presence and con-

duct of visitors who do not clearly contravene the statutes of the State and the ordinances of this Department."

Permission has been granted to H. B. Claffin, W. S. Dunn, U. P. Bailey, and others, property holders in the Twenty-fourth Ward, upon their petition, allowing them to do the work of regulating and grading that part of Sedgwick avenue between its point of intersection with the old Boston road and its intersection with the Kingsbridge road in the Twenty-fourth Ward; the work to be done at their own expense under the supervision of the Engineer of this Department, they to pay all Engineers and Inspector's fees.

In accordance with the wishes and upon the petition of the property owners, the grade of One Hundred and Thirty-eighth street, between Brook and St. Ann's avenues, has been altered and established and the maps filed in accordance with law.

The Counsel to the Corporation having notified this Department that the Supreme Court, on 24th November last, confirmed the report of the Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment for the opening of Webster avenue from One Hundred and Sixty-fifth street to One Hundred and Eighty-fourth street, the Department, at the request of the Comptroller at a meeting held December 27, 1882, adopted the following preamble and resolution:

Whereas, A certain proceeding was instituted by the Department of Public Parks, by virtue of chapter 604 of the Laws of 1874, and other statutes, to wit:

In the matter of the application of the Department of Public Parks for and in behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to the opening of Webster avenue, from the eastern line of the New York and Harlem Railroad at One Hundred and Sixty-fifth street to the northern line of One Hundred and Eighty-fourth street; and,

Whereas, The report of the Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment, appointed by the Supreme Court in said proceedings, was confirmed by said Court, at Special Term, November 24, 1882; and,

Whereas, Section 7 of said act provides for the creation and issue of stock of the City of New York for the payment of the damages awarded by said Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment, and of the expenses, charges and disbursements in the premises; therefore

Resolved, That pursuant to section 7 of chapter 604, Laws of 1874, the Commissioners of the Department of Public Parks hereby direct that the public fund or stock which the Comptroller of the City of New York, by said provision of law, is authorized and directed to create and cause to be issued in the manner, and on behalf of the City of New York, shall be issued at such time or times, in such manner and form, of such description, and in such amounts, not exceeding the total sum of one hundred and ninety-one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five dollars and ninety-two cents (\$191,895.92), as the said Comptroller may determine, for the payment of the awards for damages, expenses, charges and disbursements made and incurred by the Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment appointed by the Supreme Court, in a certain proceeding instituted by the Department of Public Parks by virtue of said act, to wit:

In the matter of the application of the Department of Public Parks, for and in behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to the opening of Webster avenue, from the eastern line of the New York and Harlem Railroad at One Hundred and Sixty-fifth street to the northern line of One Hundred and Eighty-fourth street.

The buildings and fences on the line of this avenue as opened have been ordered to be sold.

The plans for Sewerage District No 33, of the Twenty-third Ward, lying southerly of Westchester avenue, west of Concord avenue, north of One Hundred and Forty-ninth street and east of St. Ann's avenue, have been adopted and filed in the office of the Comptroller, Clerk of the Common Council, Health Department and Department of Public Works.

In accordance with a request from the Board of Health, submitting maps showing the lands necessary to be taken for the construction of drains in the West Farms and Woodstock District, the Department has taken the following action:

Resolved, That, in compliance with the provisions of section 2, chapter 360 of the Laws of 1880, the Commissioners of the Department of Public Parks hereby authorize and direct the Counsel to the Corporation to take immediate and proper proceedings for the acquirement of a right of way over, under, or through the lands shown to be required for drains, on a certain map filed in this Department by the Board of Health of the Health Department of the City of New York, entitled, "Map showing the location of drains, and the land required for the construction thereof, within the district bounded on the north by Home street, on the east by Prospect avenue and Leggett Lane, on the west by Boston and Caldwell avenues and the Port Morris Branch Railroad, and on the south by Long Island Sound, in the Twenty-third Ward of the City of New York, caused to be made by the Board of Health of the Health Department of the City of New York, by resolution passed August 17, 1880, in pursuance of the provisions of chapter 360 of the Laws of New York, passed May 22, 1880, signed, Walter De F. Day, M. D., Sanitary Superintendent, and known as the "Woodstock District."

Resolved, That in compliance with the provisions of section 2, chapter 360 of the Laws of 1880, the Commissioners of the Department of Public Parks hereby authorize and direct the Counsel to the Corporation to take immediate and proper proceedings for the acquirement of a right of way over, under, or through the lands shown to be required for drains on a certain map filed in this Department by the Board of Health of the Health Department of the City of New York, entitled, "Map showing the location of drains and the land required for the construction thereof, within the district bounded on the north by the Kingsbridge road easterly to the Bronx river, on the east by the Bronx river, on the south by Fairmount avenue and the continuation of the line thereof to the Bronx river, and on the west by Broad street and the continuation of the line thereof to the Kingsbridge road, in the Twenty-fourth Ward of the City of New York, caused to be made by the Board of Health of the Health Department of the City of New York, by resolution passed September 28, 1882, in pursuance of the provisions of chapter 360 of the Laws of New York, passed May 22, 1880, signed, Walter De F. Day, M. D., Sanitary Superintendent, and known as the "West Farms District."

The Department has, during the past quarter, received proposals and awarded contracts as follows:

For regulating and grading Alexander avenue, and also setting curb-stones, flagging the sidewalks, laying crosswalks, and paving the roadways therein with trap-blocks, from the Southern Boulevard to North Third avenue.

For regulating and grading East One Hundred and Thirty-fourth street, and also setting curb and gutter stones, and flagging the sidewalks four feet wide therein, from Willis avenue to Brook avenue.

For regulating and grading One Hundred and Forty-third street, and also setting curb and gutter stones, and flagging the sidewalks four feet wide therein, from Willis avenue to Brook avenue.

For regulating and grading, laying crosswalks, flagging sidewalks a space four feet wide, and setting curb and gutter stones in Depot place, between Sedgwick avenue and the New York Central and Hudson River Railroad.

For flagging sidewalks a space four feet wide, and setting curb and gutter stones on the southerly side of One Hundred and Fifty-first street, from Courtland avenue to Morris avenue, and laying a crosswalk in said street, at the southern intersection of College avenue.

For regulating, grading, setting curb and gutter stones, flagging the sidewalk four feet wide, and laying crosswalks in Clifton street, from the easterly curb-line of St. Ann's avenue to the westerly curb-line of Union avenue:

For regulating, grading, setting curb and gutter stones, flagging the sidewalks four feet wide, and laying crosswalks in One Hundred and Sixty-fifth street, between the easterly curb-line of Boston road and the westerly curb-line of Union avenue.

For building the iron superstructure of the Madison Avenue Bridge over the Harlem river.

For regulating and grading Morris avenue, and also setting curb and gutter stones, and flagging the sidewalks four feet wide therein, from One Hundred and Thirty-eighth to One Hundred and Fifty-sixth street.

For regulating and grading One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street, and also setting curb and gutter stones, and flagging the sidewalks four feet wide therein, from Elton avenue to Courtland avenue.

For flagging the eastern sidewalk a space four feet wide, in St. Ann's avenue, from One Hundred and Thirty-eighth street to the Southern Boulevard.

For flagging sidewalks a space four feet wide, and setting curb and gutter stones in Denman place, between Forest (Concord) and Union avenues.

For constructing a sewer and appurtenances in One Hundred and Forty-eighth street, between Mill brook and Courtland avenue, with branches in North Third avenue, between One Hundred and Forty-seventh and One Hundred and Forty-ninth streets, and in Willis avenue, between One Hundred and Forty-eighth and One Hundred and Forty-ninth streets.

For regulating and grading East One Hundred and Thirty-fifth street, and also setting curb-stones, flagging sidewalks, laying crosswalks and paving with trap-blocks the roadway therein, from North Third avenue to the Mott Haven Canal.

In Central Park, the usual work of keeping lawns, walks and drives in order has been carried on during the past quarter.

Gravel has been laid and rolled on the East, West and Central Drives. Tar walks have been laid around the East Green, from opposite Sixty-eighth street to Seventy-second street, and west of the Ball Ground to the Mineral Springs, with crossings opposite the Casino, at the junction of Terrace Walk and East Drive, and opposite the Boat-house.

The repairing of drains, basins, gutters, etc., has been attended to, and a new outlet made from the drive to the water-course at Glenspan Bridge.

The composting of mould and lime has been proceeded with, and the same spread over the North Meadows and lawn on the hill, opposite One Hundred and Sixth street, west side.

The newly-planted shrubs on the transverse roads have been manured, as have also the lawns and other places requiring it, as far as practicable.

A large number of plants, consisting of 5,000 climbing vines and deciduous shrubs, intended to festoon and ornament the stone walls, have been planted on the banks above the transverse roads, and the usual important work continued at the propagating-houses, green-houses and Conservatory. The seasonable pruning and the necessary clearing away of deadwood and underbrush have been done, as heretofore, with all the force at command for such purposes.

Several of the city parks have been manured, the manure having been procured free of cost at down-town stables; and this work will be continued throughout the winter until they all have a thorough top-dressing.

The walks of the City Parks have been carefully attended to and kept as clear as possible from dirt, snow, ice, etc.

The requisite care has been taken of, and repairs made to, the rolling stock, agricultural implements, engines and steam apparatus belonging to the Department.

The plumbing and gas-fitting of all the Department buildings have been attended to, and the pipes in cottages and closets kept in good order.

A large amount of carpenter's work has been performed during the quarter, such as the repair of cottages and buildings, putting up the large skate-house, building a small skate-house at Harlem Meer for gentlemen, and the repair of gates and fences and the police boxes at the Central Park entrances. The rolling-stock of the Department, consisting of water-trucks, carts, wagons, snow-plows, scrapers, etc., has also needed and received considerable repairs. The apparatus and implements belonging to the gardening and propagating houses, and the park benches and signs, have been kept in good condition, many new signs have been made, and the constant requirements of the Department in carpentry, joinery and wheelwrighting have been attended to.

The painters of the Department have been kept busily employed, and a goodly amount of work has been effected by them. The ladies' cottage, restaurant, music stand, police box, etc., in Battery Park, have been painted. The dairy in Central Park has been painted outside and inside, and the painting of the ball-house is progressing rapidly. The outside and the roof of the large skate-house have been calcimined and colored, and the new skate-house at Harlem Meer painted and glazed. The boat-house and curlers' house at Conservatory lake have been painted inside and outside, as have also the police boxes, waiting arbors, fences and railings.

Inscope Arch has been cleaned, oiled and varnished. All the buildings and lamps around the lake have been glazed, and other ordinary glazing, painting, etc., carried on according to the requirements of the Department.

The work on Riverside avenue has progressed with great rapidity and efficiency, considering the force at command for the purpose. Four hundred and sixty elm, linden and maple trees have been planted, and the holes dug therefor were filled with mould, of which 700 loads have been hauled. The dirt from these tree-holes (over 700 loads) was carted away and used to fill gullies on the slope of Riverside Park.

The holes and washings, caused by the severe equinoctial storm, have been filled up and repaired, gravel laid and rolled on the drive, basins cleaned, gutters repaired, and the usual care taken of the drive, bridle road, walks, etc. The old buildings on the Park have all been removed, very much improving its general appearance.

With a view to the improvement of Riverside Park and the proper maintenance of the avenue, the Department has ordered prepared a complete topographical map, showing the boundaries, surfaces, elevations, location of culverts, sewers and drains.

Plans have been adopted for the construction of a walk through Riverside Park, from Seventy-second to One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street, and a road on the north end at the bluff at Claremont. This work it is intended to prosecute in the early spring.

Plans have been adopted for the completion of the improvement of Riverside avenue, between Eighty-fifth and Eighty-eighth streets. When this is done the entire work of construction of this avenue, delegated to this Department, will have been completed; and so soon as the Department of Public Works has completed the construction of the sewers through the avenue, this Department will proceed with the proper maintenance and ornamentation.

But little work of this character has been done during the past quarter other than the planting of trees, for the reason that the surface of the drive has been mainly occupied by the contractors in the construction of these sewers.

This work has been done by these contractors in many instances in total disregard of the wishes of this Department or the preservation of the avenue or the expensive retaining and parapet wall bounding it. The attention of the Commissioner of Public Works having been called to the matter, he has promised the necessary repairs shall be made.

The Department has given consideration to the adoption of a code of regulations for the establishing of limits of projections for the construction of buildings on the line of this avenue. This will secure a conformity in the widths of courtyards, stoops, bay-windows, balconies, cornices and other projections.

The improvement of Manhattan Square has been steadily carried forward, and a great amount of work has been performed.

The work of forming grass-plots, seeding, etc., has been effectively continued. About 550 deciduous shrubs have been planted in trenches around the square, and 120 elm trees planted around walks. A considerable quantity of stone for walks has been broken and laid in front of the Museum of Natural History, and much progress has been made in the grading and rolling of the drives and walks.

The Commissioner of Public Works having expressed his approval of the plans prepared by this Department for the treatment of the sidewalk and entrances of the three streets or avenues bounding on Morningside Park on the north, south and east sides of said park, the plans were

adopted by this Department on 18th October last, and filed in the Department of Public Works, thereby enabling the Department of Public Works to proceed with the improvement of the streets and avenues bounding this park.

The police force of the Department has been increased during the past quarter by the appointment of eight additional gatekeepers.

The entire force of park and gatekeepers have been provided with new winter uniforms supplied by contract at a public letting.

The force now consists of

Surgeon.....	1
Captain.....	1
Sergeants.....	2
Acting Sergeants.....	2
Patrolmen.....	49
Gatekeepers.....	35
Tailors.....	4
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Of this force three sergeants, thirty-seven patrolmen, thirty gatekeepers, and four tailors perform duty on the Central Park.

The remainder of the force are detailed for duty on the various city parks, as follows:

CITY PARKS.

Patrolmen performing duty on the various parks throughout the city:

Mount Morris Park.....	1
Riverside ".....	2
Reservoir ".....	1
Madison ".....	2
Stuyvesant ".....	1
Union ".....	1
Tompkins ".....	2
Washington ".....	1
City Hall ".....	1
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Total.....	12

Gatekeepers performing duty on the various parks throughout the city:

High Bridge Park.....	1
Washington ".....	1
Battery ".....	2
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Total.....	4

The following statistics give the transactions of the force during the past quarter:

ARRESTS FOR OCTOBER.

Drunk and Disorderly—Committed for 1 month by Justice.....	3
" " " 10 days ".....	1
" " " 1 day ".....	1
" " Fined \$10 by Justice.....	1
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Total.....	6

Intoxication—Committed for 1 month by Justice.....	3
" " " 10 days ".....	3
" " " 5 " ".....	1
" " " 3 " ".....	1
" " " 1 day ".....	1
" " Fined \$20 by Justice.....	1
" " " 10 " ".....	1
" " " 5 " ".....	2
" " " 2 " ".....	4
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Total.....	17

Disorderly Conduct—Committed for 6 months by Justice.....	1
" " " 3 " ".....	1
" " Fined \$10 by Justice.....	1
" " Discharged ".....	4
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Total.....	7

Violation of Park Ordinance—Fined \$10 by Justice.....	1
" " " 5 " ".....	1
" " " 1 " ".....	1
" " Discharged ".....	4
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Total.....	7

Indecent Conduct—Committed for 6 months by Justice.....	1
" " " 3 " ".....	1
" " Fined \$10 by Justice.....	3
" " Discharged ".....	1
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Total.....	6

Cohabiting—Fined \$10 by Justice.....	2
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Reckless Driving—Fined \$10 by Justice.....	1
" " " 5 " ".....	1
" " Discharged ".....	3
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Total.....	5

Assault—Committed for 1 month by Justice.....	1
" " Fined \$10 by Justice.....	2
" " Discharged ".....	1
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Total.....	4

Vagrancy—Committed for 1 year by Justice.....	1
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Suspicious Person—Discharged at Station.....	1
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Males.....	49
Females.....	7

Total for month.....	<hr/>
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ARRESTS FOR NOVEMBER.

Drunk and Disorderly—Committed for 6 months by Justice.....	1
" " " 3 " ".....	2
" " " 1 month ".....	1
" " Fined \$10 by Justice.....	1
" " " 1 " ".....	1
" " Discharged ".....	1
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Total.....	7

Intoxication—Committed for 1 month by Justice.....	1
“ “ 10 days “ “.....	3
“ “ 5 “ “.....	1
“ “ 2 “ “.....	1
“ Fined \$10 by Justice.....	3
“ “ 1 “ “.....	1
“ Taken to Hospital and died.....	1
“ Discharged by Justice.....	2
Total.....	13

Disorderly Conduct—Committed for 1 month by Justice.....	1
“ “ 3 days “ “.....	1
“ “ 1 “ “.....	1
“ Fined \$5 by Justice.....	1
“ Discharged by Justice.....	1
Total.....	5

Violation of Park Ordinance—Discharged at Station..... 2

Vagrancy—Committed for 6 months by Justice..... 1

Larceny from Person—Discharged by Justice..... 1

Attempted Suicide—Committed to Commissioners of Charities and Correction by Justice..... 1

Males..... 18

Females..... 12

Total for month..... 30

ARRESTS FOR DECEMBER.

Disorderly Conduct—Committed for 10 days by Justice.....	1
“ Fined \$10 by Justice.....	3
“ “ 2 “ “.....	1
“ Discharged “ “.....	1
Total.....	6

Drunk and Disorderly—Committed for 10 days by Justice.....	1
“ Fined \$5 by Justice.....	1
Total.....	2

Intoxication—Committed for 10 days by Justice.....	1
“ “ 3 “ “.....	3
“ Fined \$10 by Justice.....	1
“ “ 5 “ “.....	1
“ “ 3 “ “.....	1
“ “ 1 “ “.....	1
“ Discharged “ “.....	1
Total.....	9

Fast Driving—Fined \$3 by Justice.....	1
“ Discharged by Justice.....	1
Total.....	2

Violation of Park Ordinance—Fined \$5 by Justice.....	1
“ “ Discharged by Justice.....	1
Total.....	2

Violation of City Ordinance—Discharged by Justice..... 1

Attempted Suicide—Discharged by Justice..... 1

Insanity—Committed to Commissioners of Charities and Correction..... 1

Indecent Conduct—Fined \$10 by Justice..... 2

Males..... 21

Females..... 5

Total for month..... 26

LOST CHILDREN.

Twenty-one (21) lost children have been restored to their friends and taken to Police Headquarters, of which 10 were boys and 11 were girls.

SUICIDES.

One (1) has taken place on Central Park.

ATTEMPTED SUICIDES.

Three (3) have taken place on Central Park and one (1) on city parks.

INJURED AND SICK CARED FOR.

Three (3) persons were taken sick on Central Park and four (4) on city parks and taken to hospital and home.

RUNAWAYS.

Thirty-four (34) have taken place on Central Park.

COLLISIONS.

Fifteen (15) have taken place on Central Park.

ACCIDENTS.

Twenty-nine (29) have taken place on Central Park.

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One (1) found at City Hall Park.

LOST PROPERTY.

Numerous articles were found on the various parks and delivered to the Property Clerk of the Department.

HORSES, WAGONS, ETC.

Fifteen (15) horses, sixteen (16) wagons, and two (2) sleighs were taken to the park stables.

IMPOUNDED.

Three (3) horses and eleven (11) goats were impounded on Central Park.

RECAPITULATION.

Death—Patrolman.....	1
Arrests—Males.....	88
“ Females.....	24
Lost children—Males.....	10
“ Females.....	11
Total.....	21

Suicide.....	1
Attempted suicide.....	4
Injured and sick cared for.....	7
Runaways.....	34
Accidents.....	29
Animals impounded.....	14
Horses taken to park stables.....	15
Wagons “ “.....	16
Sleighs “ “.....	2

TWENTY-THIRD AND TWENTY-FOURTH WARDS.

So much popular misunderstanding always exists relative to all scientific work where the results are not apparent physically, and recently such studied efforts have been made by interested parties to foster such misunderstanding in order to cripple, discredit, and interrupt the work of this character under the jurisdiction of this Department, that it has seemed in this report, covering the last quarter of the year, it would not be out of place to briefly recall the many responsible duties devolving upon this Department in relation to the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, and the general scope of each, before giving in detail the results accomplished during the last quarter, and previous to that period. The result will show that the Department has borne long and patiently the malicious slanders circulated in regard to this portion of its work.

Considering these works in their natural succession, we have—

First.—Surveying, laying out, and monumenting.

The Department has jurisdiction under chapter 604 of the Laws of 1874, of laying out all that portion of the Twelfth Ward north of One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street, and all of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, in all some 14,292 acres, or 57½ per cent. of the entire area of the city; the general scope of the work being the conversion of this great area from farm land into city property. More exactly, it may be defined as the preparation of the exact working plans according to which a great city shall be constructed.

The work is not at all showy, and, until comprehended in its full scope, is unattractive. When thoroughly comprehended in all its complexity, it becomes of the highest interest, requiring the broadest theoretical views, coupled with the consideration of innumerable practical details only known to the expert.

The successive steps in the work must necessarily be, and have been, successively, as follows:

(a) The determination of the exact location of all physical objects such as roads, streams, swamps, buildings, etc.; (b) the exact determination of the relative heights of all physical objects, including the surface of the ground.

These preliminary steps were completed some years ago, under various commissions, and the results recorded on maps now on file in the Department. They form the basis for all the subsequent plans for laying out.

This is just the information obtained, in more or less complete degree, along the proposed route of every railroad, before any attempt is made to exactly fix its location; in a word, is the collection in tangible, clear, and connected shape of all data that may have a bearing in affecting the cost, practicability or convenience of all subsequent constructions. It is as indispensable to the engineer in arranging the location of streets for a city as for a lawyer to obtain all the facts in a case before attempting to conduct it.

After this preliminary information has been obtained, the next and second step is to design the plan. It may almost be said that too much care cannot be exercised at this stage, so many different objects are to be attained.

The street plan must be comprehensive and systematic. It must provide direct and hence the shortest thoroughfares between objective points. It must provide that the grades of streets shall never be excessive, and that the lightest ones shall occur on the thoroughfares. It must provide that there shall be sufficient inclination to the streets to give speedy surface drainage. It must provide that the streets can be cheaply graded, that the grade of the street shall be sufficiently near the elevation of the natural surface of the ground as to enable the lots fronting on such street to be available without expensive grading. It must provide streets through which the main lines of sewers can be conducted with the least amount of work. It must provide numerous parks at the most eligible points. It must take into consideration the present and future appearance of the streets; that there shall be no abrupt and broken grades, and that there shall be ample opportunity of placing large and important buildings where their architectural effects shall be enhanced and not smothered. It must do as little injury to the subdivisions of private property as possible. It should provide for business and manufacturing sections as well as for suburban districts for residences. It must provide for the readiest access to railroad stations and the water-front. It must arrange for safety at all railroad crossings. It must arrange that the plan shall be somewhat flexible; that the large subdivisions in the suburban districts shall be capable of smaller subdivisions in harmony with the general plan in case it becomes thickly built upon. And these general considerations have to be regarded in addition to innumerable special problems that are constantly occurring.

This step has been completed for at least 13,500 acres of the 14,292 acres under charge of the Department.

The plan of laying out having been adopted, the next and

Third step is the marking out on the ground of the plan laid down on paper, technically known as monumenting. Upon this work the Department is steadily engaged at present.

This work is, to a certain degree, routine, requiring many successive detailed operations, involving an immense amount of calculation, and hence, incessant care, thoroughness and patience, as well as familiarity with the work. It has been so far carried out with a fullness and exactness far in advance of anything of a similar nature ever attempted before in the city.

Some 2,671 monuments have been set by the Department, thus defining on the ground the lines of over 189 miles of streets.

The fourth step is the establishment of the exact grade of each street, requiring some calculation and a very careful study.

With the completion of this step the plan may be said to be finished and all improvements on or along the streets be proceeded with.

Second.—Tax maps.

Under chapter 411 of the Laws of 1876, the Department is charged with preparation of maps showing all subdivisions of real estate in Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth wards. The task is no easy one, not only on account of the area to be covered (about equal to all the remaining twenty-two wards of the city), but on account of the roughness of original surveys from which the deed descriptions are drawn, necessitating the actual examination on the ground of all property lines.

This work depends on the completion of the monumenting; it can never precede it, as the relative positions of property and street lines can only be arrived at when the latter are definitely established. Any compilation of existing maps would be worse than worthless, as tending to sanction and perpetuate existing errors.

In the maps prepared by the Department an endeavor has been made to improve on the maps heretofore made by adding more information, as follows:

1. The exact area in city lots and fractions of all pieces of property.
2. The exact shape of each lot, in addition to its dimensions.
3. The shape and dimensions of all streets.
4. The legal status of streets.
5. The old as well as new names of streets.
6. The title of all filed maps of property as originally subdivided, and where filed.

Third.—Acquiring title to streets.

Under chapter 579 of the Laws of 1880, this Department is charged with furnishing all maps required by the Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment in every proceeding for street openings.

There is a great deal of detail required in this work at any time; but where streets are opened in advance of the completion of the tax maps, the labor is increased many times.

Fourth.—Drainage.

Under chapter 360 of the Laws of 1880, this Department is charged with furnishing all the maps required by the Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment in proceeding for acquiring the right of way necessary for the construction of drains. It is also charged with the subsequent operation of building the drains. As with street openings, the lack of tax-maps greatly increases the work.

Fifth.—Sewerage System.

Under chapter 604 of the Laws of 1874, the Department is charged with the preparation and filing of plans for the sewerage system of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, or for a district nearly equal to the area of all the rest of the wards in the city put together.

Sixth.—Street Improvements.

Under chapter 329 of the Laws of 1874, this Department is charged with the construction of all street improvements, such as sewers, regulating and grading, curb, gutter, and flagging, laying crosswalks, paving, fencing, filling sunken lots, etc., and the preparation of assessment maps and lists of the same. In this latter work the great labor and embarrassment is again the lack of tax-maps.

Seventh.—Bridges.

This Department is also charged with the construction of all bridges in the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, and of those across the Harlem river and Spuyten Duyvil creek, and the Bronx river.

During the quarter monuments have been set as follows :

	Set.	Reset.
1. Kingsbridge District.....	6	
2. Central ".....	12	
3. Morrisania ".....	6	
Total.....	18	6

These define on the ground about 1.44 miles of streets and avenues, being the whole or part of the following :

Bailey avenue, Mott avenue, Walton avenue, One Hundred and Sixty-fifth, One Hundred and Fifty-third street, One Hundred and Forty-sixth, and One Hundred and Forty-fifth streets, and Titar place.

Taken by years, there have been set as follows :

Year	Monuments.
Prior to 1874.....	435
During 1874.....	5
" 1875.....	44
" 1876.....	128
" 1877.....	220
" 1878.....	400
" 1879.....	338
" 1880.....	405
" 1881.....	402
" 1882.....	294
Total to date.....	2,671

The number of monuments set this year shows a decrease from that of previous years since 1878. This is owing to the fact that the force employed has been quite inadequate to meet the numerous new demands made on its time this year, without interfering with the regular progress of the monumenting.

This refers particularly to the duties devolved upon the Department, by law, in connection with street openings, and the acquisition of the right of way required for drains.

The expenditure for monumenting has, of course, been reduced in proportion.

The number of points set for monuments during the quarter was 67.

The length of traverse lines measured was, in the aggregate, 21,290 feet.

The work on the tax maps shows—

The total number of blocks completed to end of quarter.....	345
Number completed prior to this quarter.....	330
Number completed during this quarter.....	15

Complete searches have been made in the Register's office at White Plains of that part of the village of Morrisania, between Third avenue and Mill brook, and of the properties fronting on Railroad avenue, east, between Mott Haven and One Hundred and Sixty-first street.

Partial searches (about two-thirds finished) have been made of the village of Melrose, south.

These searches include some 1,355 conveyances.

Surveys for tax-map purposes have been made in portions of Melrose, south, and the village of Morrisania, of four hundred and sixty-eight separate properties, covering about sixty-one acres.

STREET OPENINGS.

Rule maps have been furnished the Council to the Corporation to enable him to commence proceedings to acquire title to Bailey avenue, from Sedgwick avenue to Boston avenue, in the Twenty-fourth Ward, about 0.8 miles in length.

The final acquisition of title to Webster avenue by the city, proceedings for which were initiated by this Department in 1879, is a subject upon which the public may well be congratulated, it being the preliminary step to the most important sanitary improvement now demanded in the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, namely, the construction of the continuation of the Mill Brook sewer for some two miles northerly from its present terminus, affording thereby an outlet for the sewerage of the most thickly settled districts of Morrisania, Central Morrisania and Tremont.

That this favorable condition has been reached is due to the foresight and steadfast policy of the Department in resisting all popular clamor for temporary and inadequate measures and insisting upon the only thorough and comprehensive plan possible for the sanitary improvement of the Mill Brook valley.

DRAINAGE.

Damage and benefit maps have been furnished the Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment in the matter of acquiring a right of way for drains along the former channel of Mill brook, from Westchester avenue to One Hundred and Forty-first street.

CONSTRUCTION—MADISON AVENUE BRIDGE.

Work has steadily progressed during the past quarter. All the piles have been driven and the caps set under the southern approach, and the filling of sand about the caps and piles has been commenced.

For the eastern abutment all the piles have been driven, and the work of capping is in progress whenever the tide will permit.

Nothing can be foreseen at this time to prevent the entire foundation from being ready for the masonry whenever the season will permit.

The quantities of work done during the quarter are as follows :

- 785 piles driven.
- 2,074 cubic yards earth filling.

- 877 cubic yards sand filling.
- 36,314 feet B. M. timber.
- 2 sewers.

With one exception, all the sewers commenced during the season have been completed.

The character of the work has been generally satisfactory, much in advance of that heretofore obtained.

The amount of work done during the quarter has exceeded by 162 per cent. the average yearly amount since annexation, and is only exceeded as to the actual amount done in any one year by the year 1879, when the construction of the Brook Avenue sewer was in progress.

The aggregate length of sewer built during the quarter ending December 31, 1882, has been.....	1,992 lineal feet.
During prior three quarters of 1882.....	11,891 "
Total for the year 1882.....	13,883 "

Or 2 63-100 miles.....	2.63 miles.
Total since annexation, prior to 1882.....	8.02 "
Total prior to annexation.....	3.24 "

Total length of new and old sewers, Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards. 13.89 "

It will be instructive for those who have charged that the material interests of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards have been neglected since annexation to note that, in ratio of the population, as given by the census of 1880, the length of sewers in the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, as compared with that of the other wards of the city, shows 13.57 miles, while the actual length, as given above, is 13.89 miles, and that of this latter amount 10.65 miles, or 76 per cent., have been built under the charge of this Department, during a period when the population of these wards increased only about 17 per cent.

	Receiving Basins.	Manholes.
Total number built during year.....	25	161
Built prior to last quarter.....	25	142
Built during quarter.....	5	19
Amount of rock excavated during year.....	1,967 lineal yards.	
Amount of rock excavated prior to last quarter.....	658 " "	
Amount of rock excavated during last quarter.....	1,309 " "	

The aggregate cost of the 13,833 feet of sewers built during the past year (1882) has been as follows :

Labor and materials.....	\$45,971 24
Engineering.....	1,561 80
Total.....	\$47,533 04

3. Regulating, grading, curb, gutter, and flagging.

The grading of the following-named streets has been completed during the past year :

One Hundred and Fifty-third street, Third to Railroad avenues.....	2,320 lineal feet.
One Hundred and Forty-second street, Willis to Brook avenues.....	971 " "
One Hundred and Thirty-fifth street, Third avenue to Alexander avenue.....	862 " "
One Hundred and Thirty-fourth street, Third avenue to Alexander avenue.....	938 " "
Total.....	5,091 " "

—involving the following quantities of work :

	FILLING. CUBIC YARDS.	EXCAVATION OF EARTH. CUBIC YARDS.	EXCAVATION OF ROCK. CUBIC YARDS.	CURB SET. LINEAL FEET.	GUTTER LAID. LINEAL FEET.	FLAGGING LAID. SQUARE FEET.
During year 1882...	19,909	11,164	268	15,327	13,527	59,527
During first three quarters.....	18,075	11,164	268	7,829	7,829	28,036
During last quarter..	1,834	.....	...	7,498	5,698	31,551

One Hundred and Forty-fourth street, from Willis to St. Ann's avenue, has been completely curbed, guttered and flagged.

In Elton avenue the work of flagging, curb, gutter, etc., for its entire length has been commenced, the quantities of work for both One Hundred and Forty-fourth street and Elton avenue, are included above.

4. Crosswalks.

During the year fifty-seven separate crosswalks have been laid, aggregating 2,276 lineal feet, or 9,222 square feet.

3,474 square feet were laid during first three quarters of 1882.

5,748 square feet were laid during last quarter of 1882.

The actual total cost of the above street improvement work done during 1882 has been as follows :

For labor and materials.....	\$36,255 38
For engineering.....	867 12
Total.....	\$37,122 40

5. Filling and fencing vacant lots.

During quarter 131 cubic yards filling.

During 1882 1,731 cubic yards filling, and 50 lineal feet fencing.

The actual cost has been—

For labor and materials.....	\$773 83
For engineering.....	11 22
Total.....	\$785 05

The following tabular statement will be found of interest, and will show the greatly increased amount of work executed this year by the Department over that of previous years.

This has been accomplished with a smaller engineering force than has been employed for several previous years.

Necessary repairs and improvements have been made on the following roads, streets, and avenues:

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|---|---|
| Albany avenue. | Oloff Park road. |
| Avenue A. | Pipe street. |
| Avenue B. | Palisade avenue. |
| Berrian avenue. | Prospect avenue. |
| Berrian Landing road. | River lane. |
| Bettner's lane. | Riverdale lane. |
| Birch street. | Riverdale avenue. |
| Bleach road. | Road leading to Springhurst. |
| Boston avenue. | Samuel street. |
| Broadway. | St. Ann's avenue. |
| Cliff street. | Sedgwick avenue. |
| Clinton avenue. | Southern Boulevard. |
| Concord avenue. | Spring street. |
| Courtland avenue. | Spring place. |
| Fairmount avenue. | Spuyten Duyvil road. |
| Franklin avenue. | Undercliff avenue. |
| Gerard avenue. | Union avenue. |
| Grand avenue. | Valentine avenue. |
| Gun Hill road. | Washington avenue. |
| Home street. | Warren street. |
| Independence avenue. | Walnut street. |
| Jerome avenue. | Weber's lane. |
| John street. | West Farms road. |
| Kingsbridge avenue. | Williamsbridge road. |
| Kingsbridge road, between Fordham and Southern Boulevard. | Woodruff avenue. |
| Kingsbridge road, between Fordham and Jerome avenues. | Third avenue. |
| Kingsbridge road, between Jerome avenue and Fordham bridge. | Second street, Woodlawn. |
| Kingsbridge road, between Main street and Southern Boulevard. | Third street, Woodlawn. |
| Lexington avenue. | One Hundred and Thirty-eighth street. |
| Locust avenue. | One Hundred and Forty-third street. |
| McComb's Dam road. | One Hundred and Fiftieth street. |
| Mechanic street. | One Hundred and Fifty-first street. |
| Mile Square road. | One Hundred and Fifty-second street. |
| Mosholu avenue. | One Hundred and Fifty-sixth street. |
| Mott avenue. | One Hundred and Sixty-first street. |
| Mott street. | One Hundred and Sixty-second street. |
| Myrtle avenue. | One Hundred and Sixty-third street. |
| Ogden avenue. | One Hundred and Sixty-fourth street. |
| Old Post road. | One Hundred and Sixty-fifth street. |
| | One Hundred and Sixty-ninth street. |
| | One Hundred and Seventieth street. |
| | One Hundred and Seventy-seventh street. |

Necessary repairs have been made on the following sewers and drains, including the cleaning of the same:

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| Birch street. | Worth avenue. |
| Broadway. | Passage avenue. |
| Brook avenue. | Railroad avenue. |
| Courtland avenue. | Road leading to Springhurst. |
| Fairmount avenue. | St. Ann's avenue. |
| Jerome avenue. | Southern Boulevard. |
| Kingsbridge road, Fordham. | Undercliff avenue. |
| Monroe avenue. | Washington avenue. |
| Pelham avenue. | One Hundred and Thirty-fourth street. |
| Quarry road. | One Hundred and Forty-fourth street. |
| Robbins avenue. | One Hundred and Forty-ninth street. |
| Sedgwick avenue. | One Hundred and Fifty-eighth street. |
| Spring place. | One Hundred and Sixty-third street. |
| Thomas avenue. | One Hundred and Sixty-eighth street. |
| Tiebout avenue. | One Hundred and Seventy-fifth street. |
| Warren street. | |

- Receiving-basins have been cleaned and repaired along the following streets and avenues:
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|--|---|
| Alexander avenue. | One Hundred and Thirty-ninth street. |
| Cliff street. | One Hundred and Forty-third street. |
| College avenue. | One Hundred and Forty-sixth street. |
| Franklin avenue. | One Hundred and Forty-eighth street. |
| Lincoln avenue. | One Hundred and Fiftieth street. |
| Mott avenue. | One Hundred and Sixty-seventh street. |
| Railroad avenue. | One Hundred and Sixty-eighth street. |
| Southern Boulevard. | One Hundred and Sixty-ninth street. |
| Third avenue. | One Hundred and Seventieth street. |
| One Hundred and Thirty-fourth street. | One Hundred and Seventy-seventh street. |
| One Hundred and Thirty-fifth street. | Washington avenue. |
| One Hundred and Thirty-seventh street. | Willis avenue. |
| One Hundred and Thirty-eighth street. | |

Repairs have been made on the following bridges:

- On Cliff street, over Bungay creek.
- On Grand avenue.
- On Pelham avenue, over Mill brook.
- On Pelham avenue, over Bronx river.
- On Samuel street, over Bronx river.
- On Valentine avenue, over Mill brook.
- On Welsh street, over Mill brook.
- On Williamsbridge, over Bronx river.
- On Third avenue, over Mill brook.
- On One Hundred and Forty-fifth street, over Mill brook.
- On One Hundred and Forty-sixth street, over Mill brook.
- On One Hundred and Sixty-first street, over Cromwell's creek.
- On One Hundred and Sixty-fifth street, over Cromwell's creek.
- On One Hundred and Seventy-fifth street, over Mill brook.
- On One Hundred and Seventy-seventh street, over Mill brook.

The following permits have been issued:

- 59 permits for sewer connections.
- 23 permits for placing building materials.
- 1 permit for opening street to connect with sewer.
- 2 permits for driving across the sidewalk.
- 1 permit for removing flagging to replace waste pipe.
- 1 permit for constructing private drain.
- 4 permits for dumping earth on public road.
- 1 permit for removing stone and rock from the street.
- 1 permit for repairing drain.

During the quarter ending December 31, 1882,
 746 feet of new drain has been built.
 578 feet of new drain has been rebuilt.
 1,843 feet of new drain has been repaired and cleaned.
 1,250 feet of sewers have been repaired and cleaned.
 1 manhole has been rebuilt.
 4 receiving-basins have been rebuilt.
 7 receiving-basins have been raised.
 300 feet of gutter stone has been reset.
 182 feet of new crosswalk has been laid.
 1,210 feet of cobble-stone gutters have been laid.
 720 feet of guard railing has been constructed on the approaches to the various bridges crossing the Bronx River.
 185 buildings standing on the land taken in the matter of One Hundred and Thirty-eighth street, and other streets and avenues in the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, have been removed.
 785 feet of guard railing has been constructed to protect the various dangerous places where buildings have been removed from the land acquired in the matter of One Hundred and Thirty-eighth street, and other streets and avenues in the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards.
 147,509 square feet of earth roads have been macadamized with broken traprock stone and screenings.

Statement showing the number of days of the working force employed in the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards for the quarter ending December 31, 1882.

MONTH.	Superintendent.	Foremen.	Draw Tender.	Mason.	Carpenter.	Monitor.	Double Teams.	Laborers.
October.....	31	78	31	25 3/4	26	28 3/4	584 5/8	3,744 1/4
November.....	30	65	30	22 1/2	25	2 1/2	398	2,447 1/4
December.....	31	74 1/2	31	25	25	....	105 1/2	818

Statement showing the average working force per day employed in the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards for the quarter ending December 31, 1882:

MONTH.	Superintendent.	Foremen.	Draw Tender.	Mason.	Carpenter.	Monitor.	Double Teams.	Laborers.
October.....	1	3	1	1	1	1 1/10	26	144
November.....	1	2 1/2	1	1	1	....	15 1/8	94 1/2
December.....	1	3	1	1	1	....	4 5/8	32

Statement showing the number of the working force employed in the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards for the quarter ending December 31, 1882:

MONTH.	Superintendent.	Foremen.	Draw Tender.	Mason.	Carpenter.	Monitor.	Double Teams.	Laborers.
October.....	1	3	1	1	1	1	5	34

NEW YORK METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATORY—CENTRAL PARK.

During the past quarter six hundred monthly reports have been sent to home and foreign libraries and observatories. Weekly reports have been issued to the CITY RECORD, Health Department and newspapers; and meteorological information has been supplied to the Corporation Counsel and to the law courts.

During the month of October improvements were made in the force of wind instruments, so that gusts of wind of stronger pressure can be registered. Changes have been made in the rain gauge for the melting of snow and sleet.

On November 18, there commenced an electric disturbance, lasting several days, interfering greatly with telegraphing, not only in this country but also in Europe. November 30, Thanksgiving day, there was sleighing in the Park. December 3, 8 and 9, the temperature was ten degrees above zero. December 30 there was skating on the Park lakes.

The mean barometrical readings for the past quarter are .035 inch above the average for the past ten years.

The mean temperature was .66 degrees below the average for the past ten years. The rain-fall of this quarter for October is 1.51 inch; November, 1.24 inch; December, 1.95 inch; while the averages of the same months for the past 41 years are October, 3.65 inches, November, 3.81 inches; December, 3.90 inches.

Tables for the Quarter ending December 31, 1882.

BAROMETER (Reduced to Freezing).

1882.	7 A. M.	2 P. M.	9 P. M.	MEAN.	MAXIMUM.	TIME.	MINIMUM.	TIME.
October.....	29.990	29.946	29.964	29.967	30.254	9 A. M., 6th	29.578	2 P. M., 24th
November.....	30.027	29.986	30.012	30.008	30.414	9 A. M., 3d	29.508	5 P. M., 13th
December.....	29.962	29.974	29.956	29.947	30.300	9 A. M., 19th	29.458	5 P. M., 13th
Mean.....	29.993	29.952	29.977	29.974	30.322	.....	29.515	.....

THEMOMETERS (Fahrenheit Degrees).

1882.	7 A. M.		2 P. M.		9 P. M.		MEAN.	
	Dry Bulb.	Wet Bulb.	Dry Bulb.	Wet Bulb.	Dry Bulb.	Wet Bulb.	Dry Bulb.	Wet Bulb.
October	52.87	50.38	61.13	54.58	57.25	53.32	57.08	52.75
November	36.26	35.56	42.76	39.46	38.56	36.86	39.19	37.29
December	27.97	25.48	33.32	29.13	30.48	27.48	30.59	27.35
Mean	39.03	37.14	45.74	41.05	42.10	39.22	42.29	39.13

1882.	MAXIMUM.				MINIMUM.				MAXIMUM. In Sun.
	Dry Bulb.	Time.	Wet Bulb.	Time.	Dry Bulb.	Time.	Wet Bulb.	Time.	
October	75	3 P. M., 8th	65	3 P. M., 8th	42	7 A. M., 28th	41	7 A. M., 28th	133, 1 P. M., 2d
November	69	1 P. M., 1st	61	11 A. M., 1st	20	7 A. M., 28th	20	7 A. M., 28th	127, 1 P. M., 1st
December	51	4 A. M., 6th	45	4 A. M., 6th	10	7 A. M., 8th	8	7 A. M., 8th	102, 10 A. M., 6th
Mean	65		57		24		23		120.6

WINDS.

1882.	DIRECTION.			MOVEMENT IN MILES.			FORCE IN POUNDS PER SQUARE FOOT.		OZONE. 0 10 1.90 1.73 1.19 1.60
	7 A. M.	2 P. M.	9 P. M.	Total for Month.	Maximum for Day.	Minimum for Day.	Maximum.	Time.	
October	NNE	NE	SW	4,353	263	39	12	9.00 A. M., 15th	
November	NNE	W	NNE	5,022	368	67	21	10.50 A. M., 24th	
December	W	WNW	W	6,261	418	58	22	7.15 P. M., 7th	
Mean				5,212	349	55	18		

HYGROMETER.

1882.	FORCE OF VAPOR.				RELATIVE HUMIDITY.				CLOUDS.			RAIN and SNOW.		
	7 A. M.	2 P. M.	9 P. M.	Mean.	7 A. M.	2 P. M.	9 P. M.	Mean.	7 A. M.	2 P. M.	9 P. M.	Duration.	Water.	Snow.
October .....	.339	.347	.362	.349	83	64	74	74	5.83	5.61	4.70	2 21 50	1.51	...
November .....	.212	.212	.207	.210	94	74	86	84	5.66	4.36	3.73	2 21 30	1.24	14"
December .....	.114	.116	.119	.116	72	58	68	66	5.45	5.64	4.19	3 5 00	1.95	...
Mean .....	.222	.225	.229	.225	83	65	76	75	5.65	5.20	4.20	3 0 6	1.56	4.66

APPOINTMENTS.

DATE.	NAME.	OCCUPATION.	RATE OF PAY.
Oct 4, 1882.	Thos. J. O'Connor	Gatekeeper	Per day, \$2 00
" 7, "	John McKowan	Double team	" 4 00
" 7, "	James C. Parker	"	" 4 00
" 12, "	Andrew Ward	"	" 4 00
" 12, "	Michael Webb	"	" 4 00
" 12, "	John Giblin	"	" 4 50
" 13, "	Peter McKay	"	" 4 00
" 13, "	John Cannon	"	" 4 00
" 18, "	Joseph Berrie	"	" 4 00
" 18, "	Daniel Kelly	Inspector	" 3 00
" 18, "	John J. Clarke	"	" 3 50
" 25, "	Patrick Cull	Double team	" 4 00
Nov. 9, "	S. W. Hoag, Jr	Assistant Engineer	Per annum, 1,500 00
" 10, "	Thomas Lyons	Inspector	Per day, 3 00
" 23, "	Peter J. Brady	Gatekeeper	" 2 00
Dec. 20, "	John E. Feiler	"	" 2 00
" 20, "	Wm. D. Tracy	"	" 2 00
" 20, "	John Whelan	"	" 2 00
" 27, "	Dennis M. Daly	"	" 2 00
" 27, "	John McCloskey	Inspector	" 3 00
" 27, "	E. F. Van Hoesen	Assistant Engineer	Per annum, 1,500 00
" 27, "	Ssancliff B. Downes	Assistant	Per day, 2 50

RESTORED.

Nov. 2, 1882.	Alfred Videtta	Bridgetender	Per day, \$2 00
" 15, "	Thomas Duggan	Double team	" 4 00

DROPPED AND DISCHARGED.

Nov. 1, 1882.	James Lytell	Double team	Per day, \$4 00
" 16, "	Samuel McKinley	"	" 4 00
" 16, "	Jackson Weeks	"	" 4 00
" 16, "	Michael Crotty	"	" 4 00
" 16, "	John Griffin	"	" 4 00
" 16, "	Andrew Ward	"	" 4 00
" 16, "	Michael Webb	"	" 4 00
" 16, "	John Gibbin	"	" 4 00
" 16, "	Joseph McMahon	"	" 4 00
" 16, "	Wm. Callaghan	"	" 4 00
" 16, "	James Conner	"	" 4 00
" 16, "	John McKowen	"	" 4 00
" 16, "	Patrick Cull	"	" 4 00
" 28, "	Leonard Dietsch	"	" 4 00
" 28, "	Thomas Duggan	"	" 4 00
Dec. 6, "	John Corbit	"	" 4 00
" 8, "	Wm. F. Gall	Patrolman	" 2 40
" 8, "	Thomas Higgins	Inspector	" 4 00
" 22, "	Hugh J. Daley	"	" 4 00
" 20, "	Wm. Kelly	"	" 3 00
" 20, "	Thomas Lyons	"	" 3 00
" 27, "	John J. Clarke	"	" 3 50
" 30, "	Joseph J. Walsh	Carpenter	" 3 00
" 30, "	James Miller	"	" 3 00
" 30, "	James Parkes	"	" 3 00
" 30, "	Wm. Murphy	Painter	" 3 00
" 30, "	Geo. Jolliffe	"	" 3 00
" 30, "	Geo. R. Dunkley	"	" 3 00
" 30, "	Ed. Connolly	"	" 3 00

SUSPENDED.

Dec. 6, 1882.	Jacob Wray Mould	Architect	Per month, \$250 00
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RESIGNED.

Dec. 8, 1882.	O. H. Rogers	Assistant	Per day, \$3 00
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PROMOTED.

Nov. 15, 1882.	Thomas Cullen	Helper to Steam Engineer	Per day, \$2 50
" 15, "	John Reynolds	Skilled Laborer to Steam Engineer	" 2 50
" 22, "	John McGuire	Laborer to Gardener	" 2 00

CHANGE OF GRADE.

Nov. 22, 1882.	August Schmidt	Division Gardener to Gardener	Per day, \$2 00
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MENAGERIE—CENTRAL PARK.

Donations.

DATE.	DONATIONS.	DONORS.
Oct. 3, 1882	2 Mottled Owls	Mrs. R. B. Roosevelt, Sayville, L. I.
" 5, "	1 Sora Rail	Mr. J. S. Hanson, New York City.
" 9, "	1 Rattlesnake	Mr. B. Roberts, Anita, Ia.
" 17, "	1 Small Alligator	Mrs. B. Meyberg, New York City.
" 18, "	1 Flying Squirrel	Mr. Fred. B. Wilson, New York City.
" 18, "	1 Horned Toad	Messrs. Simon & Bro., New York City.
" 27, "	2 King Parakeets	Misses Lily and Kittie Wanwright, New York City.
" 31, "	1 Fish Hawk	Mr. R. Brown, New York City.
Nov. 2 1882	1 Lemur	Mr. J. Hartvig, Brooklyn.
" 4, "	1 Bittern	Mr. H. Olmsted, New York City.
" 12, "	1 Grebe	Fred. Mather, Newark, N. J.
" 15, "	1 Prairie Wolf	Mr. Henry Havemeyer, N. Y. City.
" 24, "	1 Opossum	Mr. J. L. Hicks, Chester, N. J.
" 28, "	1 Opossum	Mr. George Roads, Tenafly, N. J.
Dec. 15, 1882	2 Virginia Deer	Mr. R. H. C. Watson, West Farms.
" 22, "	1 Puma	Ensign W. I. Chambers, U. S. N.
" 22, "	1 Opossum	Mr. H. W. Tompkins, New York City.
" 27, "	1 Hawk	Dr. Henry F. Aken, Brooklyn.
" 30, "	1 Herring Gull	Master Rudolph Brenner, N. Y. City.

Animals Bred in the Menagerie.

Oct. 13. 1 guanaco.

Animals Purchased for the Menagerie.

Oct. 20. 1 Arabian ewe.

Animals sold at Public Auction.

Oct. 20. 8 ram lambs, 21 Southdown ewes.

Specimens Placed on Exhibition.

Henry Reiche & Bro.—

Oct. 3. 2 sea lions, 2 white pelicans.

Nov. 24. 13 snakes, 3 white swans.

Thomas S. Gaynor—
 Oct. 8. 1 European vulture, 1 king vulture, 2 hawks, 7 yellow-crested cockatoos, 3 rosa cockatoos, 1 raccoon, 1 wolf dog, 1 zebra, 2 lions, 1 leopard, 10 monkeys, 3 African elephants, 1 puma, 1 macaw, 1 curassow, 1 silver pheasant, 1 white pelican, 1 caribou, 1 coati, 1 sun bear, 1 camel, 1 tiger, 1 black leopard, 2 Arabian baboons, 1 snake.

Orrin Brothers—
 Oct. 9. 4 monkeys.

I. S. Barnes—
 Oct. 9. 9 Arabian sheep.
 Dec. 27. 7 bears.

P. T. Barnum—
 Oct. 14. 1 cinnamon bear, 2 agoutis.
 " 15. 1 polar bear.

C. V. Banta—
 Oct. 18. 1 elk.

E. B. Peire—
 Oct. 30. 1 black bear, 1 coatimundi, 1 Virginia deer, 1 raccoon.

J. Protheroe—
 Nov. 4. 22 ostriches.

J. J. Nathans—
 Nov. 4. 23 monkeys.
 Dec. 28. 2 nyghaus.

John B. Davis—
 Nov. 30. 4 snakes.

Burns & Clark—
 Dec. 12. 1 carima, 1 razor-billed curassow.
 " 29. 1 king vulture, 2 owls.

Al. Watts—
 Dec. 27. 3 lions, 36 monkeys, 1 toucan, 1 coatimundi, 1 elk, 2 macaws, 2 agoutis.

Animals Returned to Exhibitors.

Kiralfy Brothers—
 Oct. 2. 1 elephant, deposited September 24, exhibited 8 days.

J. J. Nathans—
 Oct. 2. 1 rose cockatoo, deposited March 23, exhibited 193 days.
 Nov. 15. 4 monkeys, deposited November 4, exhibited 11 days.
 Dec. 1. 3 monkeys, deposited November 4, exhibited 16 days.

P. T. Barnum—
 Oct. 15. 1 giraffe, deposited May 26, exhibited 142 days; 3 giraffes, deposited July 14, exhibited 93 days; 2 ostriches, deposited July 14, exhibited 93 days; 1 ostrich deposited September 27, exhibited 18 days.
 " 24. 1 leopard, deposited July 12, exhibited 104 days; 2 emus, deposited August 12, exhibited 73 days; 2 black bears, deposited August 28, exhibited 57 days; 1 cinnamon bear, deposited October 14, exhibited 10 days.

Thos. S. Gaynor—
 Oct. 24. 1 puma, deposited October 8, exhibited 16 days.
 Nov. 1. 1 elephant, deposited October 8, exhibited 23 days; 10 monkeys, deposited October 8, exhibited 23 days.
 Dec. 30. 2 elephants, deposited October 8, exhibited 83 days.

Orrin Bros.—
 Nov. 1. 4 monkeys, deposited October 9, exhibited 23 days.

Jukes & Hager—
 Nov. 2. 2 lions, deposited September 26, exhibited 37 days, 1 leopard, deposited September 26, exhibited 37 days.

J. Protheroe—
 Dec. 4. 22 ostriches, deposited November 4, exhibited 30 days.

Rieche & Bro.—
 Dec. 2. 2 white pelicans, deposited October 3, exhibited 60 days.

I. S. Barnes—
 Dec. 29. 1 brown bear, deposited December 27, exhibited 2 days.
 " 30. 6 Arabian sheep, deposited October 9, exhibited 82 days.

Amount of Food Furnished by Exhibitors.

3,887 pounds fish.	4,050 pounds meat.
3,686 pounds bread.	9,980 pounds hay.
7 barrels vegetables.	133 quarts milk.
2 bags feed.	1 bag oats.
100 bushels corn.	750 pounds straw.

Bills amounting to \$155,580 85
 Pay-rolls amounting to 93,690 38
 were audited and transmitted to the Finance Department for payment.
 Cash to the amount of \$3,074.32, was deposited with the Comptroller.
 By order of the Department of Public Parks. W. M. OLLIFFE, Commissioner D. P. P.
 E. P. BARKER, Secretary D. P. P.

ASSESSMENT COMMISSION.

No. 27 CHAMBERS STREET, TUESDAY, February 6, 1883—2 o'clock P. M.

The Commission created by chapter 550 of the Laws of 1880, to revise, vacate, or modify assessments for local improvements in the City of New York, met pursuant to adjournment.

Present—All the members, viz.: Commissioners Edward Cooper (Chairman), John Kelly, Allan Campbell, George H. Andrews, and Daniel Lord, Jr.

The Clerk presented copies of the CITY RECORD and "Daily Register" of February 5 and 6, 1883, showing the publication of notices of the meeting.

The minutes of the meeting held on January 30, 1883, were read and approved. The Clerk reported that he had filed in the Finance Department, on January 31, 1883, certificates of award in favor of the persons named, and for the amounts specified in the resolutions adopted by the Commissioners on January 26 and 30, 1883.

The Clerk reported that he had filed in the Finance Department, on January 31, 1883, certificates reducing the assessments in the cases specified in the resolution adopted January 30, 1883.

Calendar.

No. 1206—Matter of Mary G. Pinckney, assessment for One Hundred and Eighth street regulating, grading, etc., from Fifth avenue to East river; confirmed February 3, 1876.
 Mr. John A. Beall, the counsel representing the city, presented a portion of the evidence for the City of New York, after which the further hearing of the case was adjourned to the next meeting.

No. 3669—Matter of Anna Dreyer, assessment for Eleventh avenue paving, between Fifty-ninth and Sixty-fifth streets; confirmed April 18, 1879.

No. 3670—Matter of Charles C. Clausen, assessment for Eleventh avenue paving, between Fifty-ninth and Sixty-fifth streets; confirmed April 18, 1879.

No. 3671—Matter of Mary Tieman, assessment for Eleventh avenue paving, between Fifty-ninth and Sixty-fifth streets; confirmed April 18, 1879.
 Mr. John C. Shaw, attorney, presented the evidence on behalf of the petitioners, and the counsel representing the city having no evidence to present, the cases were closed and decision reserved.

Motion.

T. H. Baldwin, Esq., attorney, moved that under the decision made by the Commissioners, on November 14, 1882, in Matter of Brower, reducing the assessment for boulevard regulating, grading, etc., from Fifty-ninth to One Hundred and Fifty-fifth streets, a certificate of award issue in favor of The Union Dime Savings Institution (No. 3505), who had paid, prior to June 9, 1880, assessments for said improvement. The motion was granted.

Decisions.

Commissioner Lord presented the following resolution, viz.: Resolved, That the decisions rendered by the Commissioners on July 25 and November 14, 1882, reducing certain assessments for local improvements, be made the decisions of the Commissioners in the following similar cases, viz.:

Assessment for Second Avenue Paving, between Eighty-sixth and One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street; confirmed August 25, 1873.

No. 3548. Thomas Monaghan reduced from \$622.75 to \$541.86 Boulevard Regulating, Grading, etc., from Fifty-ninth to One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street; confirmed December 29, 1876.

No. 1443. Josiah H. Gautier reduced from \$1,618 48 to \$1,052 02
 No. 4024. Moses T. Williams " 184 93 to 120 21
 Which was adopted by the following vote, viz.:
 Affirmative—Commissioners Cooper, Kelly, Campbell, Andrews, and Lord—5.

Awards.

Commissioner Andrews presented the following resolution, viz.: Resolved, That pursuant to the provisions of section 10, chapter 550, Laws of 1880, and under the decisions rendered by the Commissioners reducing assessments for street improvements, the following amounts are hereby awarded and adjudged to the following persons, who paid prior to June 9, 1880, assessments on their property for said improvements, viz.:

Assessment for Sixth Avenue Sewer, between One Hundred and Twenty-ninth and One Hundred and Forty-seventh streets; confirmed July 3, 1875.

No. 3848. John Parr; amount paid, \$21.02; amount of award, \$13.14.
 No. 3849. William Reid, Sr.; amount paid, \$37.03; amount of award, \$23.14.
 No. 3850. John F. Holmes et al.; amount paid, \$188.88; amount of award, \$116.95.
 No. 4069. James Wilkie, Jr.; amount paid, \$65.50; amount of award, \$40.94.

Assessment for Seventh Avenue Sewers, between One Hundred and Twenty-first and One Hundred and Thirty-seventh streets; confirmed July 3, 1875.

No. 3855. John K. Krieg; amount paid, \$32.25; amount of award, \$20.96.
 No. 3856. Annie T. Curnen; amount paid, \$42; amount of award, \$27.30.
 No. 4081. Harriet Overhiser; amount paid, \$64.50; amount of award, \$41.93.

Assessment for Sixth Avenue Macadamizing, etc., from One Hundred and Tenth street to Harlem river; confirmed December 10, 1874.

No. 3976. Charles P. Holmes et al.; amount paid, \$155.70; amount of award, \$61.97.
 No. 3977. John K. Krieg; amount paid, \$103.80; amount of award, \$41.31.
 No. 4070. James Wilkie, Jr.; amount paid, \$34.84; amount of award, \$13.87.

Assessment for Seventh Avenue Regulating, Grading, etc., from One Hundred and Tenth street to Harlem river; confirmed September 24, 1875.

No. 3982. Annie T. Curnen; amount paid, \$19.50; amount of award, \$7.27.
 No. 4082. Edward F. Walsh; amount paid, \$187.50; amount of award, \$69.94.

Assessment for Seventh Avenue Paving, etc., from One Hundred and Tenth street to Harlem river; confirmed September 24, 1875.

No. 3992. Annie T. Curnen; amount paid, \$10.76; amount of award, \$3.60.
 No. 3993. John Parr; amount paid, \$14.50; amount of award, \$4.86.
 No. 4071. James Wilkie, Jr.; amount paid, \$43; amount of award, \$13.51.
 No. 4083. Edward F. Walsh; amount paid, \$107.50; amount of award, \$36.01.

Assessment for One Hundred and Thirty-first Street Regulating, Grading, etc., from Tenth Avenue to Boulevard; confirmed October 7, 1876.

No. 3586. Ann Carroll; amount paid, \$238.31; amount of award, \$23.83.

Assessment for One Hundred and Seventeenth Street Regulating, Grading, etc., from Seventh to Eighth Avenue; confirmed January 30, 1874.

No. 4461. Joanna Phalon; amount paid, \$592.02; amount of award, \$230.89.

Which was adopted by the following vote, viz.:
 Affirmative—Commissioners Cooper, Kelly, Campbell, Andrews, and Lord—5.

On motion of Commissioner Lord the seventh rule, relating to meetings of the Commission, was suspended, and, on his motion, it was,
 Resolved, That when the Commission adjourns, it do so to meet on Friday, February 9, 1883, at 3 o'clock P. M.

On motion of Commissioner Kelly, the Commission then adjourned.

JAMES J. MARTIN, Clerk.

No. 27 CHAMBERS STREET, FRIDAY, February 9, 1883—3 o'clock P. M.

The Commission created by chapter 550 of the Laws of 1880, to revise, vacate, or modify assessments for local improvements in the City of New York, met pursuant to adjournment.

Present—All the members, viz.: Commissioners Edward Cooper, John Kelly, Allan Campbell, George H. Andrews, and Daniel Lord, Jr.

The Clerk presented copies of the CITY RECORD and "Daily Register" of February 8 and 9, 1883, showing the publication of notices of the meeting.

On motion of Commissioner Lord, the reading of the minutes of the meeting held on February 6, 1883, was dispensed with.

Decision.

Commissioner Kelly presented the following decision, viz.:
 In Matters of Anna Dreyer (No. 3669), Charles C. Clausen (No. 3670), and Mary Tieman (No. 3671); assessments for Eleventh Avenue paving, between Fifty-ninth and Sixty-fifth streets; confirmed April 18, 1879.

In the petition presented by John Paine we decided, on July 25, 1882, that the petitioner was not entitled to relief, inasmuch as his lots did not front on that part of the avenue through which the tracks were laid. The evidence in the case of the present petitioners shows that their lots lie between Fifty-ninth and Sixtieth streets, on Eleventh Avenue; that the railroad tracks are laid in front of their lots.

Under our decision in the Matter of Mott, April 11, 1882, the petitioners are entitled to the same relief which was there awarded, which was a reduction of forty per cent. The assessment on the lots of the petitioners should therefore be reduced as follows, viz.:

Anna Dreyer, Block No. 240, Ward Nos. 31 and 32; assessment reduced from \$117.23 each to \$70.33 each.

Charles C. Clausen, Block No. 194, Ward No. 1; reduced from \$120.85 to \$72.51; Wards Nos. 2, 3, 4, reduced from \$117.23 each to \$70.33 each; Ward No. 64, reduced from \$123.84 to \$74.30.

Mary Tieman, Block No. 240, Ward No. 30; assessment reduced from \$117.23 to \$70.33.

The Chairman put the question whether the decision as presented shall stand as the decision of the Commissioners.

Which was decided in the affirmative, a majority of all the Commissioners voting in favor thereof, viz.:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cooper, Kelly, Campbell, Andrews and Lord—5.

The Chairman presented a copy of a writ of certiorari issued out of the Supreme Court, City and County of New York, commanding the Commissioners to certify and return all proceedings had before them in the matter of the applications of John E. Caffry and Emiline Austin et al., for the return of a part of the assessment paid for Sixth Avenue macadamizing, etc., between One Hundred and Tenth Street and Harlem River, in which an award, \$898.41 was made in favor of John E. Caffry on January 26, 1883.

On motion of Commissioner Lord, the writ was ordered on file, and the Clerk directed to prepare a return to the writ.

On motion of Commissioner Andrews, the Commission then adjourned.

JAMES J. MARTIN, Clerk.

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

The Board of Police met on the 9th day of February, 1883.
 Present—Commissioners French, Mason, and Matthews.

Leaves of Absence Granted.

Patrolman Peter Richardson, Sixth Precinct, five days, without pay.
 Doorman John A. Brady, Twenty-third Precinct, three days, without pay.
 Report of the Superintendent pursuant to Rule 435 (arrests by Detective Squad in January, 1883), was ordered on file.

Mask Balls Allowed.

Wallace Dancing Academy, at Grand Opera House. February 21. Independent Butcher Guard, at Third avenue and Sixteenth street. February 8. Ladies' Pleasure Circle, at No. 723 Sixth avenue. February 7. Harugari Leederkranz Society, at No. 48 Orchard street. February 12. New York Baker Club, at No. 66 Fourth street. February 24. Allemania Mannerchor, at No. 291 Bowery. February 10. Lady Flynn Association, at No. 136 Canal street. February 20. Haydn Am. Musical Society, at No. 334 West Forty-fourth street. February 12. Arminia Lodge, F. R., at No. 334 West Forty-fourth street. February 14. Benevolent Turn Verein, at No. 334 West Forty-fourth street. February 21. Deutsche Fortbildling Verein, at No. 334 West Forty-fourth street. February 22. Martha Washin (ton Circle, at No. 139 Essex street. February 19. Schwartz Dancing Academy, at No. 139 Essex street. March 8.

The following applications for promotion to Second Grade were referred to Superintendent for report as to efficiency, etc.: Patrolman Timothy J. Callaghan, Thirteenth Precinct. Charles W. Schultz, Twenty-third Precinct. Peter J. Daly, Seventeenth Precinct.

The following applications for full pay while sick were referred to the Superintendent and Board of Surgeons for report: Patrolman Jacob M. Hendricks, Eighth Precinct. Philip Daab, Eighth Precinct. Maurice Tracy, Twenty-second Precinct.

Application of Patrolman Charles H. Phillips, Twelfth Precinct, for promotion, was referred to the Superintendent to cite for examination.

Application of Mrs. A. Rogers for appointment as Matron, was ordered on file. Communication from the Counsel to the Corporation, asking attendance of Patrolman St. Clair Glass, Thirtieth Precinct, was referred to the Chief Clerk to notify said officer.

Communication from the Counsel to the Corporation asking dates and amounts due certain officers on claims for back pay, was referred to the Chief Clerk to furnish.

A communication from the Property Clerk, submitting claim of Cornelius Zabriskie for certain bonds taken from James Coddington, was referred to the Counsel to the Corporation for opinion.

A communication from the Common Council, being resolution amending resolution adopted by the Board of Aldermen, December 12, 1882, directing the Manhattan Elevated Railway Company to cover the stairways and platform leading to its station at Third avenue and One Hundred and Twenty-ninth street, was referred to the Superintendent.

Communication from C. Kleeman, making complaint against Patrolman Wm. J. Miller, First Precinct, was referred to the Superintendent.

Communication from Townsend & Weed, giving notice of attorney's lien in case of John Ryan, was referred to the Treasurer.

Resolved, That the certified copy of the judgment in the case of John Ryan against the Board of Police be and is hereby referred to the Counsel to the Corporation for his opinion and advice as to what the Board shall do in the premises, it having no fund from which it can legally pay such judgment.

Resolved, That the communication from John D. Townsend, February 7, relative to claim of John Ryan for amount of salary detained from him since the commencement of the mandamus proceedings, be referred to the Counsel to the Corporation for advice.

The following communications were referred to the Counsel to the Corporation for advice: From Townsend, Dyeit & Einstein, attorneys, on claim of John B. Ryan, ex-Policeman. From John D. Townsend, attorney, on claim of Joseph J. McEvoy, Patrolman. From John D. Townsend, attorney, on claim of Maurice Stack, Pensioner. From Benson & Lindsay, attorneys, on claim of Joseph Hall, ex-Policeman. From John D. Townsend, attorney, on claim of Robert W. Foster.

Resignation Accepted.

Patrolman John Delaney, Twenty-ninth Precinct.

NEW YORK SUPREME COURT.

William Byrne agst. Affidavit and order to show cause.

S. B. French et al. Referred to the Counsel to the Corporation.

The like in cases of Philip Meany, George C. McClary, Timothy Falvey, Thomas S. Harper, John Healy, John Layden, James Stewart, Bernard Meehan, James J. Tuite, John J. Kane, John Lehuert, Christian Popp.

Robert J. Cromie, James Cowan, Patrick T. Feeney, Chester D. Ketchum, Henry Lehue, Mary Leech, Matthew Skilling, Matthew Kennedy, James H. Brennan, Patrick J. Keenan, Richard Leary, James Gray, William B. Deeves, James Geraghty, Peter Kenney, George D. Shaw, Hiram Levy, William Mulcahy, George W. Steele, August Alberts, Patrick McLaughlin, Daniel Murray.

NEW YORK SUPREME COURT.

Charles H. Simpson, etc., agst. Affidavit and order to show cause.

C. A. St. John, Property Clerk. Referred to the Counsel to the Corporation.

Resolved, That the following transfers and detail be ordered: Patrolman Henry Hoffman, from Fourth Precinct to Seventeenth Precinct. Robert Halfpenny, from Fifth Precinct to Thirtieth Precinct. John G. Burke, from Eighteenth Precinct to First Precinct. James O'Connor, from First Precinct to Eighteenth Precinct. John Kelly, from Twenty-ninth Precinct to Fourth Precinct. John W. Washburn, from Ninth Precinct to Twenty-ninth Precinct. James Quinn, from Fourteenth Precinct to Sixteenth Precinct. John T. Cuff, Nineteenth Precinct, detailed temporarily as Precinct Detective.

Judgments—Fines Imposed.

Patrolman James Mullany, Fourth Precinct, one day's pay. James Mullany, Fourth Precinct, ten days' pay. Samuel B. Fellows, Seventh Precinct, one day's pay. William H. Reuck, Eighth Precinct, one day's pay. Alexander Mains, Eighth Precinct, one day's pay. Alexander Mains, Eighth Precinct, one day's pay. John Mohr, Eighth Precinct, two days' pay. John Raymond, Thirteenth Precinct, one day's pay. John King, Thirteenth Precinct, one day's pay. John O'Connor, Thirteenth Precinct, one day's pay. Patrick O'Hara, Twenty-eighth Precinct, one day's pay. John J. Graham, Twenty-ninth Precinct, one day's pay. Albert E. Robbins, Thirty-second Precinct, one day's pay. John Condon, Fourth Precinct, twenty days' pay. John Condon, Fourth Precinct, one day's pay. John Condon, Fourth Precinct, three days' pay. Hugh J. Foley, Fourth Precinct, two days' pay. Patrick J. Foley, Fourth Precinct, two days' pay. Joseph P. Bradley, Sixth Precinct, one day's pay. Hugh Beatty, Eighth Precinct, ten days' pay. Lawrence F. Clauson, Eighth Precinct, twenty days' pay. Charles A. Flay, Thirteenth Precinct, one day's pay. Thomas Connolly, Sixteenth Precinct, one day's pay. Oscar Reinhardt, Eighteenth Precinct, one day's pay. William Rourke, Eighteenth Precinct, one day's pay. Frank Werner, Twenty-second Precinct, one day's pay. Hector Worden, Twenty-seventh Precinct, two days' pay. Jacob Lambrecht, Twenty-eighth Precinct, one day's pay. Henry Purnhagen, Twenty-eighth Precinct, one day's pay.

Complaints Dismissed.

Table with 2 columns: Precinct and Name. Patrolman William F. Ripley (4), Henry J. Hoffman (4), Thomas S. Harper (6), Emil L. Pfachler (6), Peter Maguire (8), David W. Erskine (12), Patrolman John O'Neil (No. 2) (18), Joseph F. Balbec (22), Thomas J. Eagan (23), Timothy Schefmeyer (27), Martin Larken (30).

S. C. HAWLEY, Chief Clerk.

OFFICIAL DIRECTORY

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

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

Mayor's Office. No. 6 City Hall, 10 A. M. to 3 P. M. FRANKLIN EDSON, Mayor; S. HASTINGS GRANT, Secretary and Chief Clerk.

Mayor's Marshal's Office.

No. 1 City Hall, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. GEORGE A. McDERMOTT, First Marshal. Permit Bureau Office. No. 13 1/2 City Hall, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. HENRY WOLTMAN, Registrar.

COMMISSIONERS OF ACCOUNTS.

No. 1 County Court-house, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. WM. PITT SHEARMAN, JOHN W. BARROW.

LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT.

Office of Clerk of Common Council. No. 8 City Hall, 10 A. M. to 4 P. M. JOHN REILLY, President Board of Aldermen. FRANCIS J. TWOMEY, Clerk Common Council. City Library. No. 12 City Hall, 10 A. M. to 4 P. M.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS.

Commissioner's Office. No. 31 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. HUBERT O. THOMPSON, Commissioner; FREDERICK H. HAMLIN, Deputy Commissioner.

Bureau of Water Register.

No. 31 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. JOHN H. CHAMBERS, Register.

Bureau of Incumbrances.

No. 31 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. JOSEPH BLUMENTHAL, Superintendent.

Bureau of Lamps and Gas.

No. 31 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. STEPHEN McCORMICK, Superintendent.

Bureau of Streets.

No. 31 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. JAMES J. MOONEY, Superintendent.

Engineer in Charge of Sewers.

No. 31 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. STEPHENSON TOWLE, Engineer-in-Charge.

Bureau of Chief Engineer.

No. 31 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. ISAAC NEWTON, Chief Engineer.

Bureau of Street Improvements.

No. 31 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. GEORGE A. JEREMIAH, Superintendent.

Bureau of Repairs and Supplies.

No. 31 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. THOMAS H. McAVOY, Superintendent.

Bureau of Water Purveyor.

No. 31 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. DANIEL O'REILLY, Water Purveyor.

Keeper of Buildings in City Hall Park.

MARTIN J. KEESE, City Hall.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT.

Comptroller's Office. Nos. 19 and 20 New County Court-house, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. ALLAN CAMPBELL, Comptroller; RICHARD A. STORRS, Deputy Comptroller.

Auditing Bureau.

No. 19 New County Court-house, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. DANIEL JACKSON, Auditor of Accounts.

Bureau for the Collection of Assessments and Arrears of Taxes and Assessments and of Water Rents. No. 5 New County Court-house, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. ARTEMAS CADY, Collector of Assessments and Clerk of Arrears.

Bureau for the Collection of City Revenues and of Markets. No. 6 New County Court-house, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. THOMAS F. DeVOE, Collector of City Revenue and Superintendent of Markets.

Bureau for the Collection of Taxes.

First floor Brown-stone Building, City Hall Park. MARTIN T. McMAHON, Receiver of Taxes; ALFRED VREDENBURG, Deputy Receiver of Taxes.

Bureau of the City Chamberlain.

No. 18 New County Court-house, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. J. NELSON TAPPAN, City Chamberlain.

Office of the City Paymaster.

Room 1, New County Court-house, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. MOOR FALLS, City Paymaster.

LAW DEPARTMENT.

Office of the Counsel to the Corporation. Staats Zeitung Building, third floor, 9 A. M. to 5 P. M. Saturdays, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. GEORGE P. ANDREWS, Counsel to the Corporation; ANDREW T. CAMPBELL, Chief Clerk.

Office of the Public Administrator.

No. 49 Beekman street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. ALGERNON S. SULLIVAN, Public Administrator.

Office of the Corporation Attorney.

No. 49 Beekman street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. WILLIAM A. BOYD, Corporation Attorney.

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

Central Office. No. 300 Mulberry street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. STEPHEN B. FRENCH, President; SETH C. HAWLEY, Chief Clerk; JOHN J. O'BRIEN, Chief Bureau of Elections.

DEPARTMENT OF CHARITIES AND CORRECTION. Central Office. No. 66 Third avenue, corner Eleventh street, 8:30 A. M. to 5:30 P. M. H. H. PORTER, President; GEORGE F. BRITTON, Secretary.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Headquarters. Nos. 155 and 157 Mercer street. JOHN J. GORMAN, President; CARL JUSSEN, Secretary.

Bureau of Chief of Department.

ELI BATES, Chief of Department.

Bureau of Inspector of Combustibles.

PETER SEERY, Inspector of Combustibles.

Bureau of Fire Marshal.

GEORGE H. SHELDON, Fire Marshal.

Bureau of Inspection of Buildings.

WM. P. ESTERBROOK, Inspector of Buildings.

Office hours, Headquarters and Bureaus, from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. Saturdays, 3 P. M.

Attorney to Department. WM. L. FINDLEY, Nos. 155 and 157 Mercer street and No. 120 Broadway.

Fire Alarm Telegraph. J. ELLIOT SMITH, Superintendent of Telegraph, Nos. 155 and 157 Mercer street.

Repair Shops. Nos. 128 and 130 West Third street. JOHN McCABE, Chief of Battalion-in-Charge, 8 A. M. to 5 P. M.

Hospital Stables. 90th street, between 9th and 10th avenues (temporary). JAMES SHEA, Superintendent of Horses.

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

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS. No. 36 Union Square, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. EDWARD P. BARKER, Secretary.

Civil and Topographical Office. Arsenal, 64th street and 5th avenue, 9 A. M. to 5 P. M. Office of Superintendent of 23d and 24th Wards. 146th street and 3d avenue, 9 A. M. to 5 P. M.

DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS. Nos. 117 and 119 Duane street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. WILLIAM LAIMBEER, President; JOHN T. CUMING, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS. Staats Zeitung Building, Tryon Row, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. THOMAS B. ASTEN, President; J. C. REED, Secretary.

Office Bureau Collection of Arrears of Personal Taxes. No. 117 and 119 Duane street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. WILLIAM LAIMBEER, President; JOHN T. CUMING, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF STREET CLEANING. 51 Chambers street, Rooms 10, 11 and 12, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. JAMES S. COLEMAN, Commissioner; M. J. MORRISON, Chief Clerk.

BOARD OF ASSESSORS. Office, City Hall, Room No. 11 1/2, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. JOHN R. LYDECKER, Chairman; WM. H. JASPER, Secretary.

BOARD OF EXCISE. Corner Bond street and Bowery, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. WILLIAM P. MITCHELL, President; JOSEPH S. MICHAELS, Chief Clerk.

SHERIFF'S OFFICE. Nos. 3 and 4 New County Court-house, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. ALEXANDER V. DAVIDSON, Sheriff; JOEL O. STEVENS, Under Sheriff; DAVID McGOONIGAL, Order Arrest Clerk.

REGISTER'S OFFICE. East side City Hall Park, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. AUGUSTUS T. DOCHARTY, Register; J. FAIRFAX McLAUGHLIN, Deputy Register.

COMMISSIONER OF JURORS. No. 17 New County Court-house, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. GEORGE CAULFIELD, Commissioner; ALFRED J. KREGAN, Deputy Commissioner.

COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE. Nos. 7 and 8 New County Court-house, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. PATRICK KEENAN, County Clerk; H. STEVENSON BEATTIE, Deputy County Clerk.

DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE. Second floor, Brown-stone Building, City Hall Park, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. JOHN McKEON, District Attorney; HUGH DONNELLY, Chief Clerk.

THE CITY RECORD OFFICE. And Bureau of Printing, Stationery, and Blank Books. No. 2 City Hall, 8 A. M. to 5 P. M., except Saturdays, on which days 8 A. M. to 3 P. M. THOMAS COSTIGAN, Supervisor; R. P. H. ABELL, Book-keeper.

CORONERS' OFFICE. Nos. 13 and 15 Chatham street. PHILIP MERKLE, FERDINAND LEVY, BERNARD F. MARTIN and WILLIAM H. KENNEDY, Coroners; JOHN T. TOAL, Clerk of the Board of Coroners.

SUPREME COURT. Second floor, New County Court-house, 10 1/2 A. M. to 3 P. M. General Term, Room No. 9. Special Term, Room No. 10. Chambers, Room No. 11. Circuit, Part I., Room No. 12. Circuit, Part II., Room No. 13. Circuit, Part III., Room No. 14. Judges' Private Chambers, Room No. 15. NOAH DAVIS, Chief Justice; PATRICK KEENAN, Clerk.

SUPERIOR COURT. Third floor, New County Court-house, 11 A. M. General Term, Room No. 29. Special Term, Room No. 33. Chambers, Room No. 33. Part I., Room No. 34. Part II., Room No. 35. Part III., Room No. 36. Judges' Private Chambers, Room No. 30. Naturalization Bureau, Room No. 32. Clerk's Office, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M., Room No. 31. JOHN SEDGWICK, Chief Judge; THOMAS BOESE, Chief Clerk.

COURT OF COMMON PLEAS. Third floor, New County Court-house, 11 A. M. Clerk's Office, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M., Room No. 22. General Term, Room No. 24. Special Term, Room No. 21. Chambers, Room No. 21. Part I., Room No. 25. Part II., Room No. 26. Part III., Room No. 27. Naturalization Bureau, Room No. 23. CHARLES P. DALY, Chief Justice; NATHANIEL JARVIS, Jr., Chief Clerk.

COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS. No. 32 Chambers street. Parts I. and II. FREDERICK SMYTH, Recorder, Presiding Judge of the General Sessions; HENRY A. GILDESLERVE and RUFUS B. COWING, Judges. Terms first Monday each month. JOHN SPARKS, Clerk.

MARINE COURT. General Term, Room No. 15, City Hall. Trial Term, Parts I., II., and III., second floor, City Hall. Special Term, Chambers, Room No. 21, City Hall, 10 A. M. to 4 P. M. Clerk's Office, Room No. 10, City Hall. GEORGE SHEA, Chief Justice; JOHN SAVAGE, Clerk.

OVER AND TERMINER COURT.

General Term, New County Court-house, second floor, southeast corner, Room No. 13, 10:30 A. M. Clerk's Office, Brown-stone Building, City Hall Park, second floor, northwest corner.

COURT OF SPECIAL SESSIONS.

At Tombs, corner Franklin and Centre streets, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays, 10 A. M. Clerk's Office, Tombs.

DISTRICT CIVIL COURTS.

First District—First, Second, Third, and Fifth Wards, southwest corner of Centre and Chambers streets, 10 A. M. to 4 P. M. MICHAEL NORTON, Justice. Second District—Fourth, Sixth, and Fourteenth Wards, corner of Pearl and Centre streets, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. CHARLES M. CLANCY, Justice. Third District—Eighth, Ninth, and Fifteenth Wards, Sixth avenue, corner West Tenth street. GEORGE W. PARKER, Justice. Fourth District—Tenth and Seventeenth Wards Nos. 20 and 22 Second avenue, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. ALFRED STECKLER, Justice. Fifth District—Seventh, Eleventh, and Thirteenth Wards, No. 124 Clinton street. JOHN H. MCCARTHY, Justice. Sixth District—Eighteenth and Twenty-first Wards, Nos. 389 and 391 Fourth avenue. WILLIAM H. KELLY, Justice. Seventh District—Nineteenth and Twenty-second Wards, Fifty-seventh street, between Third and Lexington avenues. AMBROSE MONELL, Justice. Eighth District—Sixteenth and Twentieth Wards, southwest corner of Twenty-second street and Seventh avenue. FREDERICK G. GELNEVY, Justice. Ninth District—Fifteenth Ward, One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street, near Fourth avenue. HENRY P. MCGOWN, Justice. Tenth District—Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, corner of College avenue and Kingsbridge road. JAMES R. ANGEL, Justice.

POLICE COURTS.

Judges—BUTLER H. BIXBY, MAURICE J. POWERS, J. HENRY FORD, JACOB PATTERSON, JR., JAMES T. KILBRETH, BANKSON T. MORGAN, HENRY MURRAY, MARCUS OTTERBOUR, SOLON B. SMITH, ANDREW J. WHITE, HUGH GARDISER. GEORGE W. CREIGIER, Secretary. Office of Secretary, Fifth District Police Court, One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street, near Fourth avenue.

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

POLICE DEPARTMENT—CITY OF NEW YORK, OFFICE OF THE PROPERTY CLERK (ROOM NO. 39), No. 300 MULBERRY STREET, NEW YORK, January 20, 1883.

OWNERS WANTED BY THE PROPERTY CLERK OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK, No. 300 Mulberry street, Room No. 39, for the following property, now in his custody, without claimants: Boots, shoes, iron, lead, male and female clothing, boots, shoes, wine, blankets, diamonds, canned goods, liquors, etc., also small amount money taken from prisoners and found by patrolmen of this Department. C. A. ST. JOHN, Property Clerk.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS, 36 UNION SQUARE, NEW YORK, February 12, 1883.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT A MAP OR plan showing a revised system of streets and avenues in the Highbridge District of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards of the City of New York, will be on exhibition at the office of the Topographical Engineer, of the Department of Public Parks, at the Arsenal building, Central Park, from and after this date and until March 1, next, for the purpose of allowing persons interested to examine the same, and to file their objections thereto before said map or plan is finally acted upon by the Department of Public Parks.

E. P. BARBER, Secretary.

BOARD OF STREET OPENING AND IMPROVEMENT.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, IN ACCORDANCE with the provisions of section 105 of chapter 335 of the Laws of 1873, entitled "An Act to reorganize the local government of the City of New York," passed April 25, 1873, that the Board of Street Opening and Improvement deem it to be for the public interest to alter the map or plan of the City of New York, by laying out and opening a new street fifty feet in width between the northerly side of Forty-ninth street and the southerly side of Fifty-first street; the western side; or boundary of said street to be three hundred and fifty (350) feet easterly from the easterly line of First avenue, and parallel thereto, and that they propose to alter the map or plan of said city by laying out and opening said street.

And that such proposed action of said Board has been duly laid before the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York.

Dated January 26, 1883. FRANKLIN EDSON, Mayor. ALLAN CAMPBELL, Comptroller. HUBERT O. THOMPSON, Commissioner of Public Works. JOHN REILLY, President Board of Aldermen. ARTHUR BERRY, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION, No. 66 THIRD AVENUE.

TO CONTRACTORS.

PROPOSALS FOR GROCERIES AND DRY GOODS.

SEALED BIDS OR ESTIMATES FOR FURNISHING GROCERIES.

- 2,000 pounds best Roasted Maracaibo Coffee. 100 barrels Crackers. 100 boxes Candles. 50 barrels Henny. 25 boxes Raisins. 25 dozen Canned Tomatoes (3 pounds). DRY GOODS. 20 pieces Cotton Duck, No. 4.

—or any part thereof, will be received at the office of the Department of Public Charities and Correction, in the City of New York, until 9:30 o'clock A. M., of Friday, February 16, 1883. The person or persons making any bid or estimate shall furnish the same in a sealed envelope, indorsed "Bid or Estimate for Groceries and Dry Goods," and with his or their name or

names, and the date of presentation, to the head of said Department, at the said office, on or before the day and hour above named, at which time and place the bids or estimates received will be publicly opened by the head of said Department, and read.

The Department of Public Charities and Correction reserves the right to decline any and all bids or estimates if deemed to be for the public interest, and to accept any bid or estimate as a whole, or for any one or more articles included therein. No bid or estimate 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 a defaulter, as surety or otherwise, upon any obligation to the Corporation.

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

Delivery will be required to be made from time to time, at such times and in such quantities as may be directed by the said Department.

Any bidder for this contract must be known to be engaged in and well prepared for the business, and must have satisfactory testimonials to that effect; and the person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded will be required to give security for the performance of the contract by his or their bid, with two sufficient sureties, in the penal amount of fifty (50) per cent. of the estimated amount of the contract.

Each bid or estimate shall contain and state the name and place of residence of each of the persons making the same; and the names of all persons interested with him or them therein; and if no other person be so interested, it shall distinctly state that fact; and that it is made without any connection with any other person making an estimate for the same purpose, and is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud; and that no member of the Common Council, Head of a Department, Chief of a Bureau, deputy thereof or clerk therein, or other officer of the Corporation, is directly or indirectly interested therein, or in the supplies or work to which it relates, or in any portion of the profits thereof. The bid or estimate must be verified by the oath, in writing, of the party or parties making the estimate, that the several matters stated therein are in all respects true. Where more than one person is interested, it is requisite that the verification be made and subscribed by all the parties interested.

Each bid or estimate shall be accompanied by the consent, in writing, of two householders or freeholders in the City of New York, with their respective places of business or residence, to the effect that if the contract be awarded to the person making the estimate, they will, on its being so awarded, become bound as his sureties for its faithful performance; and that if he shall omit or refuse to execute the same, they shall pay to the Corporation any difference between the sum to which he would be entitled on its completion, and that which the Corporation may be obliged to pay to the person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded at any subsequent letting; the amount in each case to be calculated upon the estimated amount of the work by which the bids are tested. The consent above mentioned shall be accompanied by the oath or affirmation, in writing, of each of the persons signing the same that he is a householder or freeholder in the City of New York, and is worth the amount of the security required for the completion of the contract, over and above his liabilities, as bail, surety, or otherwise; and that he has offered himself as a surety in good faith and with the intention to execute the bond required by section 27 of Chapter 8 of the Revised Ordinances of the City of New York, if the contract shall be awarded to the person or persons for whom he consents to become surety. The adequacy and sufficiency of the security offered to be approved by the Comptroller of the City of New York.

No bid or estimate will be considered unless accompanied by either a certified check upon one of the national banks of the City of New York, drawn to the order of the Comptroller, or money, to the amount of five per centum of the amount of the security required for the faithful performance of the contract. Such check or money must not be enclosed in the sealed envelope containing the estimates, but must be handed to the officer or clerk of the Department who has charge of the Estimate-box, and no estimate can be deposited in said box until such check or money has been examined by said officer or clerk and found to be correct. All such deposits, except that of the successful bidder, will be returned to the persons making the same within three days after the contract is awarded. If the successful bidder shall refuse or neglect, within five days after notice that the contract has been awarded to him, to execute the same, the amount of the deposit made by him shall be forfeited and retained by the City of New York as liquidated damages for such neglect or refusal; but if he shall execute the contract within the time aforesaid, the amount of his deposit will be returned to him.

Should the person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded neglect or refuse to accept the contract within five days after written notice that the same has been awarded to his or their bid or proposal, or if he or they accept, but do not execute the contract and give the proper security, he or they shall be considered as having abandoned it, and as in default to the Corporation; and the contract will be re-advertised and let as provided by law.

The quality of the articles, supplies, goods, wares, and merchandise must conform in every respect to the samples of the same respectively at the office of the said Department. Bidders are cautioned to examine the specifications for particulars of the articles, etc., required, before making their estimates.

Bidders will state the prices for each article, by which the bids will be tested.

Bidders will write out the amount of their estimate in addition to inserting the same in figures.

Payment will be made by a requisition on the Comptroller, issued on the completion of the contract or from time to time, as the Commissioners may determine.

Bidders are informed that no deviation from the specifications will be allowed, unless under the written instruction of the Commissioners of Public Charities and Correction.

The form of the agreement, including specifications, and showing the manner of payment, can be obtained at the office of the Department.

Dated New York, February 3, 1883. HENRY H. PORTER, THOMAS S. BRENNAN, JACOB HESS, Commissioners of the Department of Public Charities and Correction.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION, No. 66 THIRD AVENUE, NEW YORK, February 6, 1883.

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 Workhouse, Blackwell's Island—Lizzie Wilson; age 39 years. Committed December 30, 1882.

Margaret Doyle; age 54 years. Committed December 27, 1882.

John McKenna; age 50 years. Committed December 14, 1882.

At Lunatic Asylum, Blackwell's Island—Bridget McGinn; age 47 years; 5 feet 3 1/2 inches high; dark hair, blue eyes.

At Homeopathic Hospital, Ward's Island—Charles Wolfe; age 39 years; 5 feet 8 inches high; brown eyes and hair. Had on when admitted black overcoat, dark pants, blue flannel coat, blue jumper, gaiters, black derby hat.

William Donnelly; age 44 years; 5 feet 5 inches high; gray eyes, black hair. Had on when admitted black suit of clothes, black derby hat.

Ellen Carroll; age 42 years; 5 feet high; gray eyes and hair. Had on when admitted calico dress, black shawl, woolen hood, laced shoes.

At Branch Lunatic Asylum, Hart's Island—Mary Hogan; age 38 years; black hair and eyes.

Nothing known of their friends or relatives.

By order. G. F. BRITTON, Secretary.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

HEADQUARTERS FIRE DEPARTMENT, CITY OF NEW YORK, 155 AND 157 MERCER STREET, NEW YORK, September 23, 1881.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE Board of Commissioners of this Department will meet daily, at 10 o'clock A. M., for the transaction of business.

By order of JOHN J. GORMAN, President. CORNELIUS VAN COTT, HENRY D. PURROY, Commissioners. CARL JUSS'N, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, ROOM 6, NO. 31 CHAMBERS STREET, NEW YORK, February 8, 1883.

TO CONTRACTORS.

BIDS OR ESTIMATES, INCLOSED IN A SEALED envelope, with the title of the work and the name of the bidder indorsed thereon, also the number of the work as in the advertisement, will be received at this office until Wednesday, February 21, 1883, at 12 o'clock M., at which place and hour they will be publicly opened by the head of the Department, and read, for the following:

- No. 1. REGULATING AND GRADING Tenth avenue, from the north curb of Ninety-third street to the south curb of Ninety-fifth street, and setting curb stones and flagging sidewalks therein. No. 2. REGULATING AND GRADING One Hundred and Twenty-second street, from the west curb of Fourth avenue to the east curb of Madison avenue, and setting curb stones and flagging sidewalks therein. No. 3. REGULATING AND GRADING One Hundred and Thirty-sixth street, from the west curb of Sixth avenue to the east curb of Seventh avenue, and setting curb stones and flagging sidewalks therein. No. 4. REGULATING AND GRADING One Hundred and Forty-first street, from the west curb of Eighth avenue to the east curb of Avenue St. Nicholas, and setting curb stones and flagging sidewalks therein. No. 5. FLAGGING SIDEWALKS four feet wide on Third avenue, from the north curb of Ninety-third street to the south curb of One Hundred and First street. No. 6. FLAGGING SIDEWALKS four feet wide on Ninth avenue, from the north curb of Sixty-fourth street to the south curb of Seventy-first street.

Each estimate must contain the name and place of residence of the person making the same, the names of all persons interested with him therein, and if no other person be so interested, it shall distinctly state that fact. That it is made without any connection with any other person making an estimate for the same work, and is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud. That no member of the Common Council, head of a department, chief of a bureau, deputy thereof, or clerk therein, or other officer of the Corporation is directly or indirectly interested in the estimate or in the work to which it relates or in the profits thereof.

Each estimate must be verified by the oath, in writing, of the party making the same, that the several matters therein stated are true, and must be accompanied by the consent, in writing, of two householders or freeholders in the City of New York, to the effect that if the contract is awarded to the person making the estimate, they will, upon its being so awarded, become bound as his sureties for its faithful performance; and that if he shall refuse or neglect to execute the same, they will pay to the Corporation any difference between the sum to which he would be entitled upon its completion, and that which the Corporation may be obliged to pay to the person to whom the contract shall be awarded at any subsequent letting; the amount to be calculated upon the estimated amount of the work by which the bids are tested.

The consent last above mentioned must be accompanied by the oath or affirmation, in writing, of each of the persons signing the same, that he is a householder or freeholder in the City of New York, and is worth the amount of the security required for the completion of the contract, over and above his liabilities, as bail, surety, or otherwise; and that he has offered himself as a surety in good faith, and with the intention to execute the bond required by law.

No estimate will be considered unless accompanied by either a certified check upon one of the national banks of the City of New York, drawn to the order of the Comptroller, or money, to the amount of five per centum of the amount of the security required for the faithful performance of the contract. Such check or money must not be enclosed in the sealed envelope containing the estimate, but must be handed to the officer or clerk of the Department who has charge of the Estimate-box, and no estimate can be deposited in said box until such check or money has been examined by said officer or clerk and found to be correct. All such deposits, except that of the successful bidder, will be returned to the persons making the same within three days after the contract is awarded. If the successful bidder shall neglect or refuse, within five days after notice that the contract has been awarded to him, to execute the same, the amount of the deposit made by him shall be forfeited and retained by the City of New York as liquidated damages for such neglect or refusal; but if he shall execute the contract within the time aforesaid, the amount of his deposit will be returned to him.

Blank forms of bid or estimate, the proper envelopes in which to inclose the same, the specifications and agreements, and any further information desired, can be obtained at the office of the Superintendent of Street Improvements, Room No. 5, No. 31 Chambers street.

HUBERT O. THOMPSON, Commissioner of Public Works.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, ROOM 6, NO. 31 CHAMBERS STREET, NEW YORK, February 8, 1883.

TO CAST-IRON WATER PIPE MANUFACTURERS AND CONTRACTORS.

BIDS OR ESTIMATES, INCLOSED IN A SEALED envelope, with the title of the work and the name of the bidder indorsed thereon, also the number of the work, as in the advertisement, will be received at this office until Wednesday, February 21, 1883, at 12 o'clock M., at which place and hour they will be publicly opened by the head of the Department, and read, for the following:

- No. 1. FURNISHING CAST-IRON WATER-PIPE BRANCHES AND SPECIAL CASTINGS. No. 2. FURNISHING CAST-IRON WATER-PIPE BRANCHES AND SPECIAL CASTINGS. No. 3. LAYING WATER MAINS in Jerome avenue, from Sedgwick avenue to eight thousand feet north of same. No. 4. LAYING WATER MAINS in Alexander, Myrtle, Valentine, Thomas, Berrian, Grand, St. Ann's, Brook, Gerard, Eighth and St. Nicholas avenues, and in One Hundred and Forty-ninth, One Hundred and Seventy-seventh, Suburban, One Hundred and Forty-sixth, One Hundred and Forty-seventh, George, One Hundred and Fifty-ninth, One Hundred and Eleventh streets, and in Demand place, Williamsbridge road and Sylvan place.

Each estimate must contain the name and place of residence of the person making the same, the names of all persons interested with him therein, and if no other per

son be so interested, it shall distinctly state that fact. That it is made without any connection with any other person making an estimate for the same work, and is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud. That no member of the Common Council, head of a department, chief of a bureau, deputy thereof, or clerk therein, or other officer of the Corporation is directly or indirectly interested in the estimate or in the work to which it relates or in the profits thereof.

Each estimate must be verified by the oath, in writing, of the party making the same, that the several matters therein stated are true, and must be accompanied by the consent, in writing, of two householders or freeholders in the City of New York to the effect that if the contract is awarded to the person making the estimate, they will, upon its being so awarded, become bound as his sureties for its faithful performance; and that if he shall refuse or neglect to execute the same, they will pay to the Corporation any difference between the sum to which he would be entitled upon its completion, and that which the Corporation may be obliged to pay to the person to whom the contract shall be awarded at any subsequent letting; the amount to be calculated upon the estimated amount of the work by which the bids are tested.

The consent last above mentioned must be accompanied by the oath or affirmation, in writing, of each of the persons signing the same, that he is a householder or freeholder in the City of New York, and is worth the amount of the security required for the completion of the contract, over and above his liabilities, as bail, surety, or otherwise; and that he has offered himself as a surety in good faith, and with the intention to execute the bond required by law.

No estimate will be considered unless accompanied by either a certified check upon one of the national banks of the City of New York, drawn to the order of the Comptroller, or money, to the amount of five per centum of the amount of the security required for the faithful performance of the contract. Such check or money must not be inclosed in the sealed envelope containing the estimate, but must be handed to the officer or clerk of the Department who has charge of the Estimate-box, and no estimate can be deposited in said box until such check or money has been examined by said officer or clerk and found to be correct. All such deposits, except that of the successful bidder, will be returned to the persons making the same within three days after the contract is awarded. If the successful bidder shall neglect or refuse, within five days after notice that the contract has been awarded to him, to execute the same, the amount of the deposit made by him shall be forfeited and retained by the City of New York, as liquidated damages for such neglect or refusal; but if he shall execute the contract within the time aforesaid, the amount of his deposit will be returned to him.

Blank forms of bid or estimate, the proper envelopes in which to inclose the same, the specifications and agreements, and any further information desired, can be obtained at the office of the Chief-Engineer, Room 10, No. 31 Chambers street.

HUBERT O. THOMPSON, Commissioner of Public Works.

SUPREME COURT.

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

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BILL of the costs, charges and expenses incurred by reason of the proceedings in the above entitled matter, will be presented for taxation to one of the Justices of the Supreme Court, at the Chambers thereof in the County Court House at the City Hall, in the City of New York, on the twenty-first day of February, 1883, at 10:30 o'clock in the forenoon of that day, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon; and that the said bill of costs, charges and expenses has been deposited in the office of the Department of Public Works, there to remain for and during the space of ten days.

Dated New York, February 7, 1883.

JAMES MOORE, HORACE P. WHITNEY, JOHN SCOTT, Commissioners.

In the matter of the application of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to the opening of Sixty-fourth street, from Third avenue to the East river, in the City of New York.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BILL of the costs, charges and expenses incurred by reason of the proceedings in the above entitled matter, will be presented for taxation to one of the Justices of the Supreme Court, at the Chambers thereof in the County Court House at the City Hall, in the City of New York, on the twenty-first day of February, 1883, at 10:30 o'clock in the forenoon of that day, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon; and that the said bill of costs, charges and expenses has been deposited in the office of the Department of Public Works, there to remain for and during the space of ten days.

Dated New York, February 7, 1883.

EDMOND CONNELLY, LUKE F. COZANS, JOSEPH MEEKS, Commissioners.

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

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BILL of the costs, charges and expenses incurred by reason of the proceedings in the above entitled matter, will be presented for taxation to one of the Justices of the Supreme Court, at the Chambers thereof in the County Court House at the City Hall, in the City of New York, on the 21st day of February, 1883, at 10:30 o'clock in the forenoon of that day, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon; and that the said bill of costs, charges and expenses has been deposited in the office of the Department of Public Works, there to remain for and during the space of ten days.

Dated New York, February 7, 1883.

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

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

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BILL of the costs, charges and expenses incurred by reason of the proceedings in the above entitled matter, will be presented for taxation to one of the Justices of the Supreme Court, at the Chambers thereof in the County Court House, at the City Hall, in the City of New York, on the 21st day of February, 1883, at 10:30 o'clock in the forenoon of that day, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon; and that the said bill of costs, charges and expenses has been deposited in the office of the Department of Public Works, there to remain for and during the space of ten days.

Dated, New York, February 7, 1883.

THOMAS J. CREAMER, CHARLES PRICE, EDMOND CONNELLY, Commissioners.

Fourth. That our report herein will be presented to the Supreme Court of the State of New York, at a special term thereof, to be held in the New Court-House at the City Hall, in the City of New York, on the ninth day of March, 1883, 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, January 20, 1883. J. SCOTT, H. P. WHITNEY, J. MOORE, Commissioners.

In the matter of the application of the Department of Public Works, for and on behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to the opening of One Hundred and Twenty-sixth street, from First avenue to Second avenue, in the City of New York.

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

First.—That we have completed our estimate and assessment, and that all persons interested in these proceedings, or in any of the lands affected thereby, and who may be opposed to the same, do present their objections, in writing, duly verified to us, at our office No. 73 William street (third floor), in the said city, on or before the 9th day of February, 1883, and that we, the said Commissioners, will hear parties so objecting within the ten week-days next after the said 9th day of February, 1883, and for that purpose, will be in attendance at our said office on each of said ten days, at 2 1/2 o'clock P. M.

Second.—That the abstract of the said estimate and assessment, together with our maps, and also all the affidavits, estimates and other documents which were used by us in making our report, have been deposited in the office of the Department of Public Works, in the City of New York, there to remain until the sixteenth day of February, 1883.

Third.—That the limits embraced by the assessment aforesaid are as follows, to wit: All those lots, pieces, or parcels of land lying and being within the following described bounds: Beginning at a point in the westerly line of First avenue, distant 97 feet and 11 inches southerly from the southerly side of One Hundred and Twenty-sixth street, running thence westerly through the center of the block, to the easterly line of Second avenue; thence northerly along the easterly line of Second avenue to and across One Hundred and Twenty-sixth street, to a point in said easterly line of Second avenue, distant 99 feet and 11 inches north of the northerly side of One Hundred and Twenty-sixth street; thence easterly through the center of the block, to the westerly line of First avenue, and thence southerly along the westerly line of First avenue, to and across One Hundred and Twenty-sixth street to the point or place of beginning; excepting therefrom, all the land within the lines of One Hundred and Twenty-sixth street.

Fourth.—That our report herein will be presented to the Supreme Court of the State of New York, at a special term thereof, to be held in the County Court-house at the City Hall, in the City of New York, on the twenty-third day of February, 1883, 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, January 2, 1883. NATHANIEL JARVIS, FRANCIS BLESSING, GEORGE W. MCLEAN, Commissioners.

ARTHUR BERRY, Clerk.

In the matter of the application of the Department of Public Works for and on behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to the opening of One Hundred and Twenty-seventh street, from Eighth avenue to Avenue St. Nicholas, in the City of New York.

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

First.—That we have completed our estimate and assessment, and that all persons interested in these proceedings, or in any of the lands affected thereby, and who may be opposed to the same, do present their objections, in writing, duly verified, to us, at our office, No. 73 William street (third floor), in the said city, on or before the 9th day of February, 1883, and that we, the said Commissioners, will hear parties so objecting within the ten week-days next after the said 9th day of February, 1883, and for that purpose will be in attendance at our said office on each of said ten days, at two o'clock P. M.

Second.—That the abstract of the said estimate and assessment, together with our maps, and also all the affidavits, estimates and other documents which were used by us in making our report, have been deposited in the office of the Department of Public Works in the City of New York, there to remain until the 16th day of February, 1883.

Third.—That the limits embraced by the assessment aforesaid are as follows, to wit: All those lots, pieces or parcels of land lying and being within the following described bounds: viz: beginning at a point in the westerly side of Eighth avenue, distant ninety-nine feet and eleven inches south of the southerly side of One Hundred and Twenty-seventh street, running thence westerly through the center of the block to the easterly side of Avenue St. Nicholas; thence northerly along the easterly side of Avenue St. Nicholas to and across One Hundred and Twenty-seventh street to a point in the easterly side of Avenue St. Nicholas, distant one hundred and one feet and one-fourth of an inch north of the northerly side of One Hundred and Twenty-seventh street; thence easterly through the center of the block to the westerly side of Eighth avenue; and thence southerly along the westerly side of Eighth avenue to and across One Hundred and Twenty-seventh street to the point or place of beginning; excepting therefrom all the land within the lines of One Hundred and Twenty-seventh street.

Fourth.—That our report herein will be presented to the Supreme Court of the State of New York, at a Special Term thereof, to be held in the County Court-house at the City Hall, in the City of New York, on the 23d day of February, 1883, 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, January 2, 1883. GEORGE W. MCLEAN, DE WITT C. GRAHAM, C. W. WEST, Commissioners.

ARTHUR BERRY, Clerk.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT.

CITY OF NEW YORK, FINANCE DEPARTMENT, COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, February 7, 1883.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY-OWNERS.

IN PURSUANCE OF SECTION 4 OF CHAPTER 33 of the Laws of 1881, the Comptroller of the City of New York hereby gives public notice to property-owners that the following lists of assessments for local improvements in said city were confirmed by the "Board of Revision and Correction of Assessments" on the 6th day of January, 1883, and, on the same date, were entered in the Record of Titles of Assessments kept in the "Bureau for the Collection of Assessments, and of Arrears of Taxes and Assessments, and of Water Rents," viz: Front street sewer, between Broad street and Old Slip.

Mangin street sewer, between Broome and Delancey streets, etc.

Section 5 of the said act provides that, "If any such assessment shall remain unpaid for the period of sixty days after the date of entry thereof in the said record of titles of assessments, it shall be the duty of the officer authorized to collect and receive the amount of such assessment, to charge, collect, and receive legal interest thereon at the rate of seven per centum per annum, to be calculated from the date of such entry to the date of payment."

The above assessments are payable to the Collector of Assessments and Clerk of Arrears, at the "Bureau for the Collection of Assessments, and of Arrears of Taxes and Assessments, and of Water Rents," from 9 A. M. until 2 P. M., and all payments made thereon, on or before April 8, 1883, will be exempt from interest as above provided, and after that date will be subject to a charge of interest at the rate of seven per cent. per annum from the date of entry in the Record of Titles of Assessments in said Bureau.

ALLAN CAMPBELL, Comptroller.

D. M. SEAMAN, AUCTIONEER.

SALE OF FERRY LEASES.

THE THIRTY-FOURTH STREET FERRY.

A LEASE OF THE FRANCHISE OF THE FERRY between Thirty-fourth street, East river, and Long Island City, along with the wharf property used for ferry purposes, belonging to the Corporation of the City of New York, at the foot of said street, will be sold at public auction to the highest bidder, at the Comptroller's office, at 12 o'clock noon, on Tuesday, February 13, 1883, by order of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, under a resolution adopted January 24, 1883, as provided by chapter 498, Laws of 1880.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS.

The lease of the franchise or right to operate said ferry along with the said wharf property, will be offered for sale at the time and place above mentioned, on a lease for the term of five years from the first day of March, 1883, at a minimum yearly rental or upset price of five per cent. of the gross receipts from all ferriages with said ferry for the franchise thereof, along with the said wharf property, at an additional yearly rental of \$2,000, payable quarterly, the said lease to contain all such covenants and conditions as are required by law and ordinances of the Common Council and are prescribed by resolutions of the Sinking Fund, relative to the leasing of ferries and wharf property, upon a form of lease prepared by the Counsel to the Corporation, and filed in the Comptroller's office; provided, also, that the ferrage of foot passengers over said ferry shall not exceed three cents each, and that the rates of ferrage for trucks, carriages, and vehicles of all kinds, and for horses, cattle, and other animals, shall not exceed, during the term of said lease, those heretofore and now charged at said ferry; and that sworn returns of the gross receipts from all ferriages shall be made by the lessee, quarterly, to the Comptroller, in such form as he may prescribe, and that the books of accounts shall be subject to his examination.

The highest bidder will be required to pay the auctioneer's fee, and deposit with the Comptroller at the time of sale the sum of \$2,000, which sum shall apply to the rent first falling due, if the lease is executed, and shall be forfeited to the City if the purchaser shall fail or refuse to execute the lease when notified and required by the Comptroller, provided also that satisfactory security shall be furnished for the faithful performance of the covenants thereof.

The right to reject any bid is reserved, if deemed for the interests of the City.

ALLAN CAMPBELL, Comptroller.

CITY OF NEW YORK, FINANCE DEPARTMENT, January 29, 1883.

THE ROOSEVELT STREET FERRY.

A lease of the franchise of the ferry between Roosevelt street, East river, in the City of New York, and South Seventh street, Brooklyn, E. D., along with the wharf property belonging to the Corporation of the City of New York at the foot of said Roosevelt street, will be sold at public auction to the highest bidder, at the Comptroller's office, at 12 o'clock noon, on Tuesday, February 13, 1883, by order of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, under a resolution adopted January 24, 1883, as provided by chapter 498, Laws of 1880.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS.

The lease of the franchise or right to operate said ferry, along with the said wharf property, will be offered for sale at the time and place above mentioned, on a lease for the term of five years from the first day of March, 1883, at a minimum yearly rental or upset price of twenty thousand dollars per annum, payable quarterly; the said lease to contain all such covenants and conditions as are required by law and ordinances of the Common Council, and are prescribed by resolutions of the Sinking Fund, relative to the leasing of ferries and wharf property upon a form of lease prepared by the Counsel to the Corporation and filed in the Comptroller's office; provided, also, that the ferrage of foot passengers over said ferry shall not exceed three cents each, and that the rate of ferrage for trucks, carriages and vehicles of all kinds, and for horses, cattle, and other animals, shall not exceed, during the term of said lease, those heretofore and now charged at said ferry; and that sworn returns of the gross receipts from all ferriages shall be made by the lessee, quarterly, to the Comptroller, in such form as he may prescribe, and that the books of accounts shall be subject to his examination.

The highest bidder will be required to pay the auctioneer's fee, and deposit with the Comptroller, at the time of sale, the sum of \$5,000, which sum shall apply to the rent first falling due, if the lease is executed, and shall be forfeited to the city if the purchaser shall fail or refuse to execute the lease when notified and required by the Comptroller; provided, also, that satisfactory security shall be furnished for the faithful performance of the covenants thereof.

The right to reject any bid is reserved, if deemed for the interests of the City.

ALLAN CAMPBELL, Comptroller.

CITY OF NEW YORK, FINANCE DEPARTMENT, January 29, 1883.

CITY OF NEW YORK, FINANCE DEPARTMENT, COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, January 18, 1883.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNERS.

IN PURSUANCE OF SECTION 4 OF CHAPTER 33 of the Laws of 1881, the Comptroller of the City of New York hereby gives public notice to property owners that the following lists of assessments for local improvements in said city were confirmed by the "Board of Revision and Correction of Assessments" on the 6th day of January, 1883, and, on the same date, were entered in the Record of Titles of Assessments kept in the "Bureau for the Collection of Assessments, and of Arrears of Taxes and Assessments, and of Water Rents," viz: Eighty-seventh street regulating, etc., between Tenth avenue and Boulevard.

Ninety-third street regulating, etc., between Boulevard and West End avenue.

Ninety-fourth street regulating, etc., between Eighth avenue and Boulevard.

Ninety-eighth street regulating, etc., between Third and Fourth avenues.

One Hundred and First street regulating, etc., between Ninth and New avenues.

One Hundred and First street regulating, etc., between Second and Third avenues.

One Hundred and Fifth street regulating, etc., between Third and Fourth avenues.

Fifth avenue regulating, grading, etc., sidewalks, between Sixty-fifth and Sixty-sixth streets.

Forty-third street regulating, grading, etc., sidewalks, between Lexington and Fourth avenues.

One Hundred and Sixth street regulating, grading, etc., sidewalks, between Fourth and Madison avenues.

One Hundred and Nineteenth street flagging sidewalks, between Fourth and Sixth avenues.

Eighty-third street flagging sidewalks, between Eighth avenue and Boulevard.

First avenue flagging sidewalks (west side), between Forty-first and Forty-fourth streets.

One Hundred and Thirteenth street flagging sidewalks, between Fourth and Fifth avenues.

One Hundred and Seventeenth street flagging sidewalks, between Fourth and Sixth avenues.

Mott avenue crosswalks, at East One Hundred and Forty-fifth street.

Seventy-sixth street regulating and paving, between Madison and Fifth avenues.

Tenth avenue paving, from Seventy-second to Seventy-fourth street.

Tenth avenue paving, from One Hundred and Fifty-first to One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street.

Twelfth avenue paving, from One Hundred and Thirtieth to One Hundred and Thirty-third street.

Seventy-fifth street paving, from First avenue to Avenue A.

Eighty-second street paving, from First to Second avenue.

Eighty-eighth street paving, from First avenue to Avenue A.

Ninety-fourth street paving, from Fourth to Madison avenue.

One Hundred and Thirteenth street paving, from Second to Third avenue.

One Hundred and Fifteenth street paving, from Third avenue to Avenue A.

One Hundred and Twenty-third street paving, from First to Pleasant avenue.

One Hundred and Thirty-third street paving, from Fourth to Sixth avenue.

Montgomery street sewer, between Cherry and Water streets.

Madison avenue sewer, between One Hundred and Nineteenth and One Hundred and Twenty-first streets, etc.

Fourth avenue sewer, east side, between One Hundred and Second and One Hundred and Third streets.

Seventy-eighth street sewer, between Ninth and Tenth avenues.

Eighty-first street sewer, between Fourth and Madison avenues.

Eighty-third street sewer, between Riverside and West End avenues.

One Hundred and Sixth street sewer, between summit east of Tenth avenue and New avenue, between Eighth and Ninth avenues.

One Hundred and Twelfth street sewer, between Seventh and Eighth avenues.

Eighty-sixth street basin, northeast corner of Madison avenue.

One Hundred and Sixth street basin, northwest corner Third avenue.

One Hundred and Eighth street basin, southwest corner Fourth avenue.

One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street basin, northeast corner Madison avenue.

One Hundred and Fifty-third street basin, northwest corner Ninth avenue.

Seventy-ninth street fencing, south side, between Lexington and Third avenues.

One Hundred and Eleventh street fencing, southwest corner of Lexington avenue.

One Hundred and Twenty-first street fencing, southeast corner of Lexington avenue.

One Hundred and Twenty-third street fencing, north side, between First and Second avenues.

One Hundred and Twenty-fourth street fencing, southeast corner of First avenue.

One Hundred and Twenty-fourth street fencing, southwest corner of Sixth avenue.

One Hundred and Thirty-second street fencing, south side, between Fifth and Sixth avenues.

One Hundred and Thirty-fourth street, fencing (north side), east of Alexander avenue.

Boulevard, tree planting, from Fifty-ninth to One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street.

Section 5 of the said act provides that, "If any such assessment shall remain unpaid for the period of sixty days after the date of entry thereof in the said Record of Titles of Assessments, it shall be the duty of the officer authorized to collect and receive the amount of such assessment, to charge, collect, and receive legal interest thereon at the rate of seven per centum per annum, to be calculated from the date of such entry to the date of payment."

The above assessments are payable to the Collector of Assessments and Clerk of Arrears, at the "Bureau for the Collection of Assessments, and of Arrears of Taxes and Assessments, and of Water Rents," from 9 A. M. until 2 P. M., and all payments made thereon, on or before March 19, 1883, will be exempt from interest as above provided, and after that date will be subject to a charge of interest at the rate of seven per cent. per annum from the date of entry in the Record of Titles of Assessments in said Bureau.

ALLAN CAMPBELL, Comptroller.

CITY OF NEW YORK, FINANCE DEPARTMENT, COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, December 21, 1882.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY-OWNERS.

IN PURSUANCE OF SECTION 4 OF CHAPTER 33 of the Laws of 1881, the Comptroller of the City of New York hereby gives public notice to property-owners that the assessment list for the opening of Sixty-seventh street, from Third avenue to East river, was confirmed by the Supreme Court, on the 22d day of March, 1882, and entered on the 20th day of December, 1882, in the Record of Titles of Assessments, kept in the Bureau for the Collection of Assessments, and of Arrears of Taxes and Assessments, and of Water Rents.

Section 5 of the said act provides that, "If any such assessment shall remain unpaid for the period of sixty days after the date of entry thereof in the said record of titles of assessments, it shall be the duty of the officer authorized to collect and receive the amount of such assessment, to charge, collect and receive legal interest thereon at the rate of seven per centum per annum, to be calculated from the date of such entry to the date of payment."

The above assessments are payable to the Collector of Assessments and Clerk of Arrears, at the "Bureau for the Collection of Assessments, and of Arrears of Taxes and Assessments, and of Water Rents," from 9 A. M. until 2 P. M., and all payments made thereon, on or before February 19, 1883, will be exempt from interest as above provided, and after that date will be subject to a charge of interest at the rate of seven per cent. per annum from the date of entry in the Record of Titles of Assessments in said Bureau.

ALLAN CAMPBELL, Comptroller.

CITY OF NEW YORK—FINANCE DEPARTMENT, BUREAU FOR COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS, AND OF ARREARS OF TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS, AND OF CROTON WATER RENTS, OFFICE OF THE COLLECTOR OF ASSESSMENTS AND CLERK OF ARREARS, November 15, 1882.

NOTICE OF THE SALE OF LANDS AND TENEMENTS FOR UNPAID TAXES OF 1877, 1878, AND 1879, AND CROTON-WATER RENTS OF 1876, 1877, AND 1878, UNDER THE DIRECTION OF ALLAN CAMPBELL, COMPTROLLER OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

The undersigned hereby gives public notice, pursuant to the provisions of the act entitled "An act for the collection of taxes, assessments, and Croton water rents in the City of New York, and to amend the several acts in relation thereto," passed April 8, 1871.

That the respective owners of all lands and tenements in the City of New York on which taxes have been laid and confirmed situated in the Wards Nos. 1 to 24 inclusive for the years 1877, 1878, and 1879, and now remaining due and unpaid; and also the respective owners of all lands and tenements in the City of New York, situated in the wards aforesaid, on which the regular Croton water rents have been laid for the years 1876, 1877, and 1878, and are now remaining due and unpaid, are required to pay the said taxes and Croton water rent so remaining due and unpaid to the Collector of Assessments and Clerk of Arrears, at his office, in the Department of Finance, in the new Court-house, with the interest thereon at the rate of 7 per cent. per annum, as provided by chapter 33 of the Laws of 1881, from the time when the same became due to the time of payment, together with the charges of this notice and advertisement, and if default shall be made in such payment, such lands and tenements will be sold at public auction, at the new Court-house, in the City Hall Park, in the City of New York, on Monday, March 5, 1883, at 12 o'clock, noon, for the lowest term of years at which any person shall offer to take the same in consideration of advancing the amount of tax or Croton water rent, as the case may be, so due and unpaid, and the interest thereon, as aforesaid, to the time of sale, together with the charges of this notice and advertisement and all other costs and charges accrued thereon, and that such sale will be continued from time to time until all the lands and tenements so advertised for sale shall be sold.

Notice is hereby further given that a detailed statement of the taxes and the Croton water rents, the ownership of the property on which taxes and Croton water rents remain unpaid, is published in a pamphlet, and that copies of the said pamphlet are deposited in the office of the Collector of Assessments and Clerk of Arrears, and will be delivered to any person applying for the same.

A. S. CADY, Collector of Assessments and Clerk of Arrears.

REAL ESTATE RECORDS.

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

Grantors, grantees, suits in equity, insolvents' and Sheriff's sales, in 61 volumes, full bound, price, \$700 00 The same, in 25 volumes, half bound, price, 50 00 Complete sets, folded, ready for binding, 15 00 Records of Judgments, 25 volumes, bound, 10 00

Orders should be addressed to "Mr. Stephen Angell, Comptroller's Office, New County Court-house."

ALLAN CAMPBELL, Comptroller.

JURORS.

NOTICE

IN RELATION TO JURORS FOR STATE COURTS.

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER OF JURORS, NEW COUNTY COURT-HOUSE, NEW YORK, Sept. 15, 1881.

APPLICATIONS FOR EXEMPTIONS WILL BE heard here, from 10 to 3 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., called 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 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.

GEORGE CAULFIELD, Commissioner of Jurors, Room 17, New County Court-house.

DEPARTMENT OF TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS.

DEPARTMENT OF TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS, STAAT ZIEUING BUILDING, NEW YORK, January 8, 1883.

IN COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 9, CHAPTER 302, Laws of 1859, it is hereby advertised that the books of "The Annual Record of the Assessed Valuations of Real and Personal Estate" of the City and County of New York, for the year 1883, are now open for examination and correction from the second Monday of January, 1883, until the first day of May, 1883.

All persons believing themselves aggrieved must make application to the Commissioners of Taxes and Assessments, at this office, during the period said books are open, in order to obtain the relief provided by law.

Applications for correction of assessed valuations on personal estate must be made by the person assessed, to the said Commissioners, between the hours of 10 A. M. and 2 P. M. at this office during the same period.

THOMAS B. ASTEN, GEORGE B. VANDERPOEL, EDWARD C. DONNELLY, Commissioners of Taxes and Assessments.

ASSESSMENT COMMISSION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, THAT A MEETING of the Commissioners under the act, chapter 550 of the Laws of 1880, entitled "An act relating to certain assessments for local improvements in the City of New York," passed June 9, 1880, will be held at their office, No. 27 Chambers street, on Tuesday, February 13, 1883, at 2 o'clock P. M.

EDWARD COOPER, JOHN KELLY, ALLAN CAMPBELL, GEORGE H. ANDREWS, DANIEL LORD, Jr., Commissioners under the Act.

JAMES J. MARTIN, Clerk.

THE CITY RECORD.

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