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### COMMISSIONERS OF THE SINKING FUND.

*Proceedings of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, at the meeting held February 1, 1884.*

Present—Franklin Edson, Mayor; Frederick Smyth, Recorder; S. Hastings Grant, Comptroller; J. Nelson Tappan, Chamberlain; and Hugh J. Grant, Chairman Finance Committee of the Board of Aldermen.

On motion of the Recorder, the Mayor was elected Chairman for the ensuing year.

On motion of the Comptroller, W. H. Dikeman was elected Secretary for the ensuing year.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Comptroller submitted the following communication from the Commissioners of Docks, viz.:

CITY OF NEW YORK—DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS,  
NOS. 117 AND 119 DUANE STREET,  
NEW YORK, January 21, 1884.

Hon. FRANKLIN EDSON, Mayor and Chairman of the Board of Commissioners of the Sinking Fund of the City of New York:

SIR—At a meeting of the Board governing this Department, held this day, the following resolution was unanimously adopted :

"Resolved, That the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, pursuant to authority vested in them, by subdivision 11 of section 6, chapter 574, Laws of 1871, be and hereby are respectfully requested to direct the Comptroller of the City of New York, to prepare and issue Dock Bonds of the City of New York for the amount of two hundred and fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000) for the uses and purposes of the Department of Docks."

Very respectfully,

JOHN T. CUMING, Secretary.

Whereupon the following resolution, submitted by the Comptroller, was, on motion, adopted, viz.:

Resolved, That pursuant to the provisions of section 143 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882, the Comptroller be and is hereby authorized and directed to prepare and issue, to meet the requirements of the Department of Docks, "Dock Bonds of the City of New York," bearing interest not exceeding three and one-half per cent. per annum, to the amount of two hundred and fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000), for the purpose of raising moneys required for the uses and purposes of that Department, according to the provisions of the act of the Legislature relating to said Department, its powers and duties, passed April 18, 1871, and upon the requisition of the Commissioners of Docks, under their resolution adopted on January 21, 1884.

(Chairman Finance Committee Board of Aldermen, excused from voting, at his own request.)

The Comptroller submitted the following report, viz.:

CITY OF NEW YORK—FINANCE DEPARTMENT,  
COMPTRROLLER'S OFFICE,  
January 31, 1884.

To the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund:

GENTLEMEN—The Commissioners of the Sinking Fund adopted a resolution November 20, 1878, to employ Elliot Sandford as counsel to represent their interests in the public markets and the revenues thereof, as affected by the action of the Commissioner of Public Works and the Superintendent of Incumbrances, in the matter of market stands in the vicinity of Washington Market.

An action was accordingly brought by him in the Supreme Court in the year 1878, which has been discontinued under a resolution adopted by this Board September 6, 1883.

Mr. Sandford has presented his claim for professional services in the years 1878, 1879, 1880, 1881, 1882, and 1883, as counsel in this case, amounting to \$1,375.

It has been examined at my request by the Recorder, who states in a communication herewith submitted, that he has "carefully examined the pleadings and proceedings in the action referred to," and is "of the opinion that the services rendered by Mr. Sandford are reasonably worth the sum charged in his claim and that it should be paid."

I therefore recommend the payment of the claim and that it be paid from the appropriation "Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, Expenses of," for 1883, in which year the action referred to was discontinued by a resolution of this Board, the balance in said fund being sufficient for the purpose.

Respectfully,

S. HASTINGS GRANT, Comptroller.

Resolved, That the claim of Elliot Sandford for professional services rendered in an action brought by him, in the Supreme Court, as counsel for the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund against the Commissioner of Public Works and the Superintendent of Incumbrances, pursuant to a resolution of this Board adopted November 20, 1878, amounting to thirteen hundred and seventy-five dollars (\$1,375), be and the same is hereby allowed, and the Comptroller is authorized and directed to pay the said sum to said Elliot Sandford from the appropriation "Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, Expenses of," 1883, the year in which said action was discontinued.

On motion, the report was laid over to the next meeting.

The Comptroller submitted the following resolution, viz.:

Resolved, That a warrant for fourteen hundred and six dollars and four cents (\$1,406.04), be drawn against the "Sinking Fund for the Payment of Interest on the City Debt," and in favor of the Chamberlain, for deposit in the City Treasury, to the credit of "Croton Water Rent—Refund Account," for refunding duplicate, erroneous, and over-payments of Croton water rents, as follows :

1883.			
December 31.	J. Nelson Tappan, Chamberlain	\$93 91	
20.	Frederick Leporin	12 00	
20.	E. J. Donnell	9 00	
31.	Michael Bley	6 00	
1884.			
January 7.	T. R. Butler	16 60	
17.	P. Harmony's Nephews & Co., Agents	15 00	
17.	S. F. Jayne & Co., Agents	10 40	
17.	Thomas Rigney & Co.	11 90	
17.	Alleton, Dutcher & Moore	500 00	
18.	Anna Katrina Ihlenberg	4 00	
7.	Peter Buhl	15 65	
21.	E. M. Sperling	103 70	
21.	E. M. Sperling	54 50	
21.	S. C. Williams	46 53	
18.	R. C. Dinegar	34 00	
26.	J. Schader	5 00	
28.	Isaac C. Ogden	20 60	
29.	Joseph Baumgartner	9 20	
30.	H. P. Carlson	8 05	
31.	C. W. Durant & Son	430 00	
	Total	\$1,406 04	

On motion, the resolution was adopted.

The Comptroller submitted the following communication in relation to the issue of Stocks and Bonds, viz.:

CITY OF NEW YORK—FINANCE DEPARTMENT,  
COMPTRROLLER'S OFFICE,  
January 31, 1884.

To the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund:

GENTLEMEN—Section 137 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882, as enacted by chapter 552, Laws of 1880, provides for the issue of bonds and stocks of the City of New York, which "shall be exempt from taxation by said City and by the County of New York, but not from taxation for State purposes," as follows, to wit :

"Section 137. The commissioners of the sinking fund of the city of New York for the redemption of the city debt, when duly authorized by ordinance of the common council, may, by concurrent resolution, direct that the bonds and stocks of said city, issued pursuant to law, after June ninth, eighteen hundred and eighty, shall be exempt from taxation by said city and by the county of New York, but not from taxation for state purposes; and all bonds and stocks issued pursuant to such authority shall be exempt from taxation accordingly, provided that said bonds and stocks shall not bear interest exceeding the rate of four and one-half per centum per annum. The bonds and stocks of the city of New York, issued pursuant to the provisions of this section, shall express upon their face, the fact that they are exempt from taxation by the city and county of New York, but not from state taxation, and shall refer to this section, and to the ordinance of the common council, and the resolution of the commissioners of the sinking fund authorizing their issue."

In pursuance of the foregoing statute the following ordinance has been passed by the Common Council of the City of New York :

"AN ORDINANCE to authorize the issue of certain bonds and stocks of the city of New York, exempt from taxation.

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

"Section 1. The commissioners of the 'sinking fund of the city of New York for the redemption of the city debt,' are hereby authorized, as provided by section 1 of chapter 552 of the Laws of 1880, by concurrent resolution, to direct that the bonds and stocks of the city of New York, hereafter issued, pursuant to law, shall be exempt from taxation by said city, and by the county of New York, but not from taxation for state purposes; and all bonds and stocks issued pursuant to such authority shall be exempt from taxation accordingly, provided that said bonds and stocks shall not bear interest exceeding the rate of four and one-half per cent. per annum.

"Sec. 2. This ordinance shall take effect immediately."

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, September 14, 1880.

Approved by the Mayor, October 2, 1880.

It will be necessary, during the present year, to raise the money required for various purposes of the city, by the sale of bonds and stocks, from time to time, on proposals or bids at public lettings, and as city bonds and stocks can be sold more advantageously for the interests of the city, when they are exempt from municipal taxation, I have prepared and respectfully submit a resolution, authorizing the issue of certain bonds and stocks of the City of New York, as provided by law, which "shall be exempt from taxation by said City and by the County of New York, but not from taxation for State purposes," pursuant to the foregoing statute and ordinance, for the amount specified, during the year 1884, for such action thereon as may be deemed advisable by the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund.

Respectfully,

S. HASTINGS GRANT, Comptroller.

Whereas, An ordinance was duly enacted by the Common Council of the City of New York, on the 2d day of October, 1880, in the terms following, to wit :

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

"Section 1. The commissioners of 'the sinking fund of the city of New York for the redemption of the city debt,' are hereby authorized, as provided by section 1 of chapter 552 of the Laws of 1880, by concurrent resolution, to direct that the bonds and stocks of the city of New York, hereafter issued, pursuant to law, shall be exempt from taxation by said city, and by the county of New York, but not from taxation for state purposes; and all bonds and stocks issued, pursuant to such authority, shall be exempt from taxation accordingly, provided that said bonds and stocks shall not bear interest exceeding the rate of four and one-half per cent. per annum."

Now, as authorized by said ordinance, and pursuant to section 137 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882, as enacted by chapter 552 of the Laws of 1880, "the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund for the Redemption of the City Debt," do hereby, by their concurrent resolution, direct that certain bonds and stocks of the City of New York, to be issued during the year 1884, pursuant to law, for the sums specified, according to their denomination and title, shall be exempt from taxation by said city, and by the County of New York, but not from taxation for State purposes, as follows, to wit :

"Additional Croton Water Stock of the City of New York," authorized by section 141 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882, for a sum not exceeding \$1,000,000.

"Dock Bonds of the City of New York," authorized by section 143 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882, for a sum not exceeding \$3,000,000.

"Assessment Bonds of the Corporation of the City of New York," authorized by section 144 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882, for a sum not exceeding \$1,000,000.

The communication was accepted, and, on motion, the preamble and resolution were adopted.

The Mayor called up for consideration the subject of the approval by this Board, of the agreement to purchase the bulkhead and piers on the East river in front of Nos. 40 to 48, inclusive, South street, and the southerly half of Gouverneur Lane, laid over at the last meeting.

After a general discussion in which the Mayor, Recorder, George P. Andrews, Esq., Counsel to the Corporation; James C. Carter, Esq., Special Counsel; and Simon Stevens, Esq., representing the owners of said piers and bulkheads, participated:

On motion of the Recorder the subject was laid over to the next meeting.

The Comptroller submitted the following communication from the Department of Docks in relation to the application of the Board of Health for a space on block foot of Sixteenth street, East river, about thirty feet wide, extending northward from the west end of the hospital building to the dock, and that a berth at the dock for a boat, not less than one hundred feet in length, be assigned to the exclusive use of the Health Department, viz.:

CITY OF NEW YORK—DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS,  
NOS. 117 AND 119 DUANE STREET,  
NEW YORK, January 3, 1884.

*Hon. S. HASTINGS GRANT, Comptroller City of New York:*

SIR—By direction of the Board governing this Department, I beg leave to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of December 21st, enclosing copies of communications of September 5 and October 10, from the Board of Health to the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund requesting that further portions of the premises at Sixteenth street, East river, be appropriated for the purposes of the hospital for contagious diseases located thereto and requesting this Department to communicate with you in respect thereto as soon as practicable.

In response thereto I am directed to state that this Department requires all the area now left to them in the block between Sixteenth and Seventeenth streets and east of Avenue C which has not already been taken and appropriated for various purposes to the other Departments of the city government; that it is an absolute necessity for this Department to have a Department yard on the East river water-front, in order to facilitate the work devolving upon it by law, and that the prosecution of such work will be greatly impeded and interrupted for the want of the necessary area required for use as a depot to store and keep the material required on the works under its charge.

It is also proper to state that in order to prepare and clear the ground for the site of the hospital on East Sixteenth street as located by resolution of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, that the sheds and buildings of this Department were removed at considerable expense and placed in other locations on the premises, and if the application of the Board of Health be granted, they will require to be again removed or taken down.

In view of the necessities and requirements of this Department to have ample room and proper facilities for conducting the work entrusted to it to perform, this Board protests against any further transfers being made of the premises in question.

Very respectfully,  
L. J. N. STARK, President.

On motion, the communication was referred to the Comptroller.

The Comptroller submitted the following report, viz.:

CITY OF NEW YORK—FINANCE DEPARTMENT,  
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,  
January 31, 1884.

*To the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund:*

GENTLEMEN—A resolution of the Department of Public Parks, requesting a continuation of the lease of the premises No. 36 Union Square, now occupied as offices by that Department, for one year, from January 1, 1884, is herewith presented.

After due inquiry I am satisfied that the rent of said premises, at \$2,500 per annum, is fair and reasonable, and that it would be for the interests of the city that a lease thereof, for the purposes specified, should be made, and submit a resolution authorizing such lease.

Respectfully,  
S. HASTINGS GRANT, Comptroller.

Resolved, That the Counsel to the Corporation be requested to prepare a lease of the premises occupied as offices by the Department of Public Parks, No. 36 Union Square, for the term of one year, from January 1, 1884, at the rent of \$2,500 per annum, on the same conditions that are contained in the lease of the same premises which expired at that date; and the Comptroller is authorized and directed to enter into and execute such lease, when so prepared and approved by the Counsel to the Corporation, pursuant to section 181 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882.

Report accepted, and, on motion, the resolution was adopted.

[Communication from Department of Public Parks filed.]

The Comptroller submitted the following report, viz.:

CITY OF NEW YORK—FINANCE DEPARTMENT,  
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,  
January 31, 1884.

*To the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund:*

GENTLEMEN—Herewith I present a communication from the Board of Excise requesting a lease of the premises occupied for their offices for one year from May 1, 1884, when the present lease expires; and a note also from the cashier of the German Exchange Bank offering to lease the same on the same terms and conditions.

After due inquiry, I am satisfied the rent of said premises at \$2,100 per annum is fair and reasonable, and that it would be for the interests of the city that a lease for the purposes specified should be made, and submit a resolution authorizing said lease.

Respectfully,  
S. HASTINGS GRANT, Comptroller.

Resolved, That the Counsel to the Corporation be requested to prepare a lease of the premises in the building No. 245 Bowery, occupied for offices by the Board of Excise, for one year from May 1, 1884, at a rent of \$2,100 per annum, on the same conditions as are contained in the lease therefor which expires May 1, 1884; and the Comptroller is authorized and directed to enter into and execute such lease when prepared by the Counsel to the Corporation and approved by him, pursuant to section 181 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882.

Report accepted, and, on motion, the resolution was adopted.

[Communication from Board of Excise filed.]

Application of Board of Police Justices for a renewal of the lease of premises occupied by the Fifth District Court, Harlem, was received, and, on motion, referred to the Comptroller.

The Comptroller submitted the following report, viz.:

CITY OF NEW YORK—FINANCE DEPARTMENT,  
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,  
February 1, 1884.

*To the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund:*

GENTLEMEN—Pursuant to the resolution adopted by this Board, December 24, 1883, authorizing and directing the Comptroller to sell at public auction, after due advertisement and appraisal, a lease of the southerly half of the lower floor of the Essex Market Building, to be used for market purposes only, for the term of ten years, as provided by section 170 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882, and appointing Francis Tomes the appraiser to value the same, I respectfully

REPORT :

That the rental value of the lease of said premises was appraised by said Francis Tomes at five thousand dollars per annum, and that the same was sold at public auction held at the Comptroller's office, January 29, 1884, to Messrs. Gustavus F. and Edwin C. Swift, the highest bidders, at the yearly rental of five thousand and one dollars (\$5,001), in accordance with the terms and conditions of said resolution and of the advertisement thereof.

Herewith I present a resolution for the action of the Board approving said appraisement and sale of the lease of said premises and requesting the Counsel to the Corporation to prepare the lease for execution accordingly.

Respectfully,

S. HASTINGS GRANT, Comptroller.

Resolved, That the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund hereby approve of the appraisement made by Francis Tomes of the yearly rental value of the lease of the southerly half of the lower floor of the Essex Market Building, at five thousand dollars (\$5,000), and also of the sale of said lease made at public auction, January 29, 1884, to Gustavus F. and Edwin C. Swift, the highest bidders, at five thousand and one dollars (\$5,001) per annum, and the Counsel to the Corporation is requested to prepare a lease of said premises from the city to the said Gustavus F. and Edwin C. Swift, for the term of ten years, from May 1, 1884, at the yearly rent of five thousand and one dollars, according to the terms and conditions of said sale, and the provisions of law; and the Mayor and Clerk of the Common Council are hereby authorized and directed to execute such lease when prepared and approved by the Counsel to the Corporation.

Report accepted, and, on motion, the resolution was adopted.

(Chairman Finance Committee Board of Aldermen, excused from voting, at his own request.)

The Comptroller submitted the following report, viz.:

CITY OF NEW YORK—FINANCE DEPARTMENT,  
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,  
February 1, 1884.

*To the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund:*

GENTLEMEN—In pursuance of an act (chapter 272) entitled "An act to authorize the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund of the City and County of New York to lease certain lands in the City of New York to the German Hospital and Dispensary of the City of New York," passed May 13, 1881, the President of said Hospital and Dispensary presented a petition to this Board, August 11, 1881, "to grant to the Trustees of said institution an extension of the lease upon which the hospital is located to a term of ninety-nine years, from the original beginning of said lease, dated February 9, 1865," which was for the period of fifty years, at the nominal rental of one dollar per year.

The petition was referred by a resolution to the Counsel to the Corporation, requesting him to furnish the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund with his opinion as to their powers to make such a lease as is provided for by the said act.

The Counsel to the Corporation gave his opinion, dated September 15, 1881, advising the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund "to adopt a resolution declining to execute the lease, basing such resolution on the sole ground that the act is unconstitutional," for the purpose, as stated by him, "of having the constitutionality of the statute passed directly upon by the court."

This opinion was submitted to the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund at a meeting held September 23, 1881, when, on motion of the Recorder, it was laid over.

No further action was taken in this matter until April 25, 1883, when the President of the German Hospital and Dispensary presented an amended petition to meet the objection raised by the Counsel to the Corporation that the original petition contained "no provision for a covenant or agreement on the part of the hospital that any patients shall be treated free of charge."

This amended petition was referred to the Comptroller, and no further action has been taken by the Commissioners.

Subsequently, however, as suggested by the Counsel to the Corporation, in his opinion previously referred to, the German Hospital and Dispensary brought the matter before the Supreme Court, to have the constitutionality of chapter 272 of the Laws of 1881 passed upon directly.

The Court at a Special Term has now decided that the act in question is within the constitutional powers vested in the Legislature, to authorize provision to be made "for the aid and support of the poor."

A writ of peremptory mandamus was issued by the court, ordering the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund et al., immediately after the receipt of this writ, and at their next regular meeting to be held before the return day thereof, to make return upon the said petition, to the Supreme Court, at their Special Term to be held on the first Monday of February, 1884.

The mandamus was presented to the Commissioners at their meeting held December 18, 1883, and was referred to the Comptroller.

I have asked the Counsel to the Corporation for his advice in this matter, and herewith I submit his reply, dated January 4, 1884, stating that, if the Commissioners "are satisfied with the decision of Judge Barrett, it will be their duty to comply with the mandamus, and decide whether, in view of the character and resources of the relator, the relief and assistance which will be afforded by it to the indigent sick within the city will be such as to justify the extension of the lease prayed for. The granting or refusing of the application," he adds, "is entirely discretionary with the Commissioners."

He desires to be advised whether it is the wish of the Commissioners that an appeal should be taken.

As the question of the constitutionality of the act has been decided by the court affirmatively, and as the charter of that institution provides that it shall nurse indigent sick and wounded without pay or remuneration, and the court holds that the extension of the lease of the premises occupied would be "an aid to the poor of the city," I recommend that the mandamus be obeyed, and submit herewith a resolution requesting the Counsel to the Corporation to prepare a lease, as provided by chapter 272 of the Laws of 1881.

Respectfully,  
S. HASTINGS GRANT, Comptroller.

Resolved, That a lease be granted to the German Hospital and Dispensary of the City of New York, of the land situate on the southeasterly corner of Seventy-seventh street and Fourth avenue, which was on the thirteenth day of May, 1881, held by said hospital by a lease from the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of New York, for a further term of ninety-nine years from the date of the existing lease, upon the same terms upon which said lands are now leased, but such lease shall continue only so long as the same shall be used for the purposes of a hospital and dispensary, and for no other purpose, as provided by chapter 272 of the Laws of 1881, the provisions of which have been re-enacted by section 188 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882; provided, also, that said grantee shall covenant and agree, as a condition of said lease, that indigent sick shall be treated in said hospital in the same manner that other patients are treated without charge for an aggregate period of not less than ten thousand days annually, and the Mayor and Clerk of the Common Council are hereby authorized and directed to execute such lease when prepared and approved by the Counsel to the Corporation.

Report accepted, and, on motion, the resolution was adopted.

[Documents submitted with report filed.]

Bill of Williams Brothers, \$4.50, for posting 225 bills for leasing part of Essex Market Building at auction was received; whereupon, the following resolution, submitted by the Comptroller, was, on motion, adopted, viz.:

Resolved, That a warrant, payable from the appropriation "Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, Expenses of," for 1884, be drawn in favor of Williams Brothers, for the sum of four dollars and fifty cents (\$4.50), to pay their bill for posting bills for leasing a part of the Essex Market Building.

W. H. DIKEMAN, Secretary.



Of the total number of deaths reported for the week, 120 were in institutions, 345 in tenement houses, 113 in houses containing three families or less, 7 in hotels and boarding-houses, 7 in rivers' streets, boats, etc.; 6 were on the basement floor, 109 on the first, 150 on the second, 101 on the third, 69 on the fourth, 27 on the fifth, 2 on the sixth; 592 were stated to be residents of New York City and 0 non-residents; 75 were stated to be single, 169 married, 77 widowed, and the condition of 271 was not stated—these were children who had not attained a marriageable age.

The total number of burial permits issued during the week are as follows, viz.: City deaths, 592; still-births, 58; bodies in transitu, 15. Of the total burial permits issued for city and still-births 59 were upon certificates received from the Coroners; 552 births, 200 marriages, 58 still-births, 592 deaths, 15 applications for transit permits were recorded, indexed, and tabulated; 79 searches of the registers of births, marriages, and deaths were made, and 3 transcripts of the birth record, 6 of marriage, and 59 of death were issued during the week.

The mean temperature for the week ending January 26, 1884, was 21.2 degrees Fahr., the mean reading of the barometer was 30.095, the mean humidity was 91, saturation being 100, the number of miles traveled by the wind was 1,219, and the total amount of rain-fall was 1.06 inches depth of water, as reported by D. Draper, Ph. D., Director of the New York Meteorological Observatory, Central Park.

The disposition of 567 deaths and still-births, or 87.23 per cent. of the total number reported, was in the following 14 cemeteries: Bayside (Jewish), 18; Calvary (Roman Catholic), 232; City pauper burial ground (undenominational), 80; Greenwood (undenominational), 37; Lutheran (undenominational), 86; Cypress Hills (undenominational), 20; Evergreen (undenominational), 34; Woodlawn (undenominational), 22; St. Michael's (Protestant Episcopal), 15; Union (Methodist Protestant), 3; Holy Cross (Roman Catholic), 8; Machpelah, L. I. (Jewish), 0; St. Raymond's (Roman Catholic), 7; Washington (undenominational), 5.

The distribution of deaths (actual mortality) for the week ending January 19, 1884, was in the following wards, viz.: First, 7; Second, 0; Third, 7; Fourth, 7; Fifth, 6; Sixth, 6; Seventh, 14; Eighth, 9; Ninth, 28; Tenth, 21; Eleventh, 31; Twelfth, 57; Thirteenth, 17; Fourteenth, 15; Fifteenth, 4; Sixteenth, 19; Seventeenth, 39; Eighteenth, 38; Nineteenth, 122; Twentieth, 31; Twenty-first, 46; Twenty-second, 49; Twenty-third, 13; Twenty-fourth, 6.

The actual mortality for the week ending January 19, 1884, was 592; this is 10 less than the number that occurred during the corresponding week of the year 1883, and 50.6 less than the average of the corresponding weeks of the past five years, and represents an annual death-rate of 22.98 per 1,000 persons living, the population estimated at 1,339,363.

The annual death-rate per 1,000 persons living, of the estimated or enumerated population, according to the most recent weekly returns of Philadelphia was 21.24; Brooklyn, 22.18; Baltimore, 22.24; Boston, 24.94; New Orleans, 22.81; Richmond, 22.72; Charleston, 32.82; Lowell, 23.43; Worcester, 16.34; Cambridge, 25.69; Fall River, 19.16; Lawrence, 20.00; Lynn, 14.93; Springfield, 11.75; Pittsburgh, 16.8; Monthly returns—District of Columbia, 28.63; Mobile, 24.30; Memphis, 46.44; Norfolk, 19.70; Minneapolis, 16.27; Somerville, 12.01; New Bedford, 14.19; Salem, 22.68. Foreign cities—Weekly returns—London, 19.4; Liverpool, 23.7; Birmingham, 20.2; Manchester, 28.4; Glasgow, 25.7; Edinburgh, 18.8; Dundee, 19.4; Dublin, 27; Belfast, 25; Cork, 22.1; Brussels, 30.6; Buda-Pesth, 26.8; Paris, 24.48; Rome, 30; Turin, 32.7; Venice, 34.7; Munich, 27.3; Breslau, 33.26; Trieste, 32.97; Stockholm, 24.4; Christiania, 7.18; Calcutta, 30.8; Madras, 41.9; Geneva, with suburbs, 23.6; Basel, 20.9; Bern, 32.2; St. Petersburg, 40.7; Warsaw, 30.95; Havre, 27; Salford, 24.6; Liege, 14; Prague and suburbs, 28.1; Lisbon, 40; Granada, 40.2. Monthly returns—Bayonne, 27.49; Rheims, 25.71; Buenos Ayres, 18.9.

By order of the Board,  
EMMONS CLARK, Secretary.

## APPROVED PAPERS

Resolved, That Charles W. McCusker be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place of Nicholas Diehl, who has failed to qualify.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, January 31, 1884.

Resolved, That Charles S. Hayes be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City of New York, in place of Charles S. Hayes, whose term of office expires January 12, 1884.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, January 31, 1884.

Resolved, That David S. White be and he is hereby reappointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place of David S. White, whose term of office expired January 12, 1884.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, January 31, 1884.

Resolved, That Philip N. Gaulon, whose term of office has expired on the 27th of January, 1884, be and is hereby appointed Commissioner of Deeds.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, January 31, 1884.

Resolved, That Joseph Ullman be and he hereby is reappointed a Commissioner of Deeds, in place of Joseph Ullman, whose term has expired on the 14th day of January, 1884.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, January 31, 1884.

Resolved, That George A. Moore be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place of George A. Moore, whose term of office expired January 12, 1884.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, January 31, 1884.

Resolved, That Frank Schaeffler be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place of Frank Schaeffler, whose term of office expired January 12, 1884.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, January 31, 1884.

Resolved, That Cornelius J. Kane be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place of Cornelius J. Kane, whose term of office expired January 12, 1884.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, January 31, 1884.

Resolved, That Henry C. Freeman be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place of Henry C. Freeman, whose term of office expired on the 18th instant.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, January 31, 1884.

Resolved, That Eugene S. Ives be and he is hereby reappointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, whose term of office expired January 12, 1884.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, January 31, 1884.

Resolved, That Archibald M. Maclay be and he is hereby reappointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, whose term of office expires February 3, 1884.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, January 31, 1884.

Resolved, That Thomas F. Penny be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place of Thomas F. Penny, whose term of office expired December 29, 1883.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, January 31, 1884.

## METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATORY

OF THE

## DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS

CENTRAL PARK, NEW YORK.

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

### ABSTRACT OF REGISTERS FROM SELF-RECORDING INSTRUMENTS,

For the Week ending February 2, 1884.

#### Barometer.

DATE. JANUARY AND FEBRUARY.	7 A.M.	2 P.M.	9 P.M.	Mean for the Day.	MAXIMUM.		MINIMUM.	
	Reduced to Freezing.	Reduced to Freezing.	Reduced to Freezing.	Reduced to Freezing.	Reduced to Freezing.	Time.	Reduced to Freezing.	Time.
Sunday, 27	30.646	30.662	30.644	30.651	30.700	11 A.M.	30.562	9 A.M.
Monday, 28	30.442	30.332	30.286	30.353	30.600	9 A.M.	30.246	12 P.M.
Tuesday, 29	30.248	30.262	30.282	30.264	30.300	11 A.M.	30.214	4 A.M.
Wednesday, 30	30.200	30.010	29.808	30.006	30.280	9 A.M.	29.756	12 P.M.
Thursday, 31	29.690	29.636	29.600	29.642	29.756	9 A.M.	29.552	12 P.M.
Friday, 1	29.468	29.718	29.998	29.723	30.042	12 P.M.	29.416	5 A.M.
Saturday, 2	30.038	29.988	30.048	30.024	30.092	12 P.M.	29.988	2 P.M.

Mean for the week..... 30.095 inches.  
Maximum " at 11 A.M., January 27..... 30.700 "  
Minimum " at 5 A.M., February 1..... 29.416 "  
Range " ..... 1.284 "

#### Thermometers.

DATE. JANUARY AND FEBRUARY.	7 A.M.	2 P.M.	9 P.M.	MEAN.	MAXIMUM.		MINIMUM.		MAX- IMUM IN SUN.
	Dry Bulb.	Wet Bulb.							
Sunday, 27	15	15	25	23	21	21	20.3	19.6	89.
Monday, 28	24	23	28	28	28	26.6	26.3	30	42.
Tuesday, 29	26	26	28	27	25	26.6	26.3	29	76.
Wednesday, 30	17	17	30	29	36	33	27.6	26.3	38.
Thursday, 31	39	36	41	38	41	39	40.3	37.6	49.
Friday, 1	40	38	29	27	20	19	29.6	28.0	94.
Saturday, 2	19	18	31	26	33	29	27.6	24.3	87.

Dry Bulb. Wet Bulb.  
Mean for the week..... 28.4 degrees ..... 26.9 degrees.  
Maximum for the week, at 10 P.M., 31st..... 42. " at 10 P.M., 31st..... 40. "  
Minimum " " at 6 A.M., 27th..... 14. " at 6 A.M., 27th..... 14. "  
Range " " ..... 28. " ..... 26. "

#### Wind.

DATE. JANUARY AND FEBRUARY.	DIRECTION.			VELOCITY IN MILES.			FORCE IN POUNDS PER SQUARE FOOT.			Max.	Time.	
	7 A.M.	2 P.M.	9 P.M.	7 A.M.	2 P.M.	9 P.M.	Distance for the Day.	7 A.M.	2 P.M.	9 P.M.		
Sunday, 27	NNW	NNE	NNE	33	56	30	139	0	0	0	1	9.30 A.M.
Monday, 28	NE	NE	ENE	53	60	63	176	0	0	3/4	1 1/2	10.10 P.M.
Tuesday, 29	NE	NNE	NNW	117	66	31	214	3/4				

## EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

## Appointments by the Mayor.

To be a Board of Examiners for all positions in Schedule B of the regulations prescribed by the Mayor for admission to the Civil Service of the City of New York:

CHARLES S. FAIRCHILD,  
J. SEAVEN PAGE, and  
A. R. MACDONOUGH.

To be a Board of Examiners for all positions in Schedule C of the regulations prescribed by the Mayor for admission to the Civil Service of the City of New York, except positions as nurses, attendants, and orderlies in the city asylums and hospitals:

DAN. B. SMITH,  
ARTHUR H. DUNDON, and  
JAMES MOIR.

To be a Board of Examiners for positions as nurses, orderlies, and attendants in the city asylums and hospitals:

THOMAS H. BURCHARD, M. D.,  
F. TILDEN BROWN, M. D., and  
T. H. MANLEY, M. D.  
WM. E. LUCAS,  
Secretary.

NEW YORK, January 8, 1884.

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Examiners for all positions in Schedule B, as specified in the regulations prescribed by the Mayor of the City of New York for the admission of persons into the Civil Service of said city, has this day been organized by the election of Augustus R. Macdonough as Chairman, and that blanks for applicants for positions included in said Schedule B can be obtained on and after January 15, 1884, from the Secretary of the Municipal Service Examining Board, No. 6 City Hall.

A. R. MACDONOUGH,  
CHAS. S. FAIRCHILD,  
J. SEAVEN PAGE,  
Board of Examiners.

NEW YORK, January 16, 1884.

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Examiners for all positions in Schedule C, except nurses, etc., as specified in the regulations prescribed by the Mayor of the City of New York for the admission of persons into the Civil Service of said city, has been organized by the election of Arthur H. Dundon as Chairman, and that blanks for applicants for positions included in said Schedule C can be obtained on and after this date from the Secretary of the Municipal Service Examining Board, No. 6 City Hall.

ARTHUR H. DUNDON,  
DAN. B. SMITH,  
JAMES MOIR,  
Board of Examiners.

NEW YORK, January 8, 1884.

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Examiners for all positions as nurses, attendants and orderlies for the city hospitals and asylums in the Department of Public Charities and Correction, as specified in the regulations prescribed by the Mayor for the admission of persons into the Civil Service of the City of New York, has been organized by the election of Thomas H. Burchard, M. D., as Chairman and F. Tilden Brown M. D., as Recording Officer, and that blanks for applicants for positions as nurses, attendants and orderlies as aforesaid can be obtained on and after January 15, 1884, from the Secretary of the Municipal Service Examining Board, No. 6 City Hall.

THOMAS H. BURCHARD, M. D.,  
F. TILDEN BROWN, M. D.,  
THOMAS H. MANLEY, M. D.,  
Board of Examiners.

## Appointment by the Mayor.

January 18, 1884.—Ehrman S. Nadal, Secretary of the Boards of Examiners, Municipal Service, City of New York.

WM. E. LUCAS,  
Secretary.

## 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; WILLIAM E. LUCAS, Secretary; AUGUSTUS WALSH, 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. 13½ 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.  
GEO. EDWIN HILL, ANDREW B. MARTIN.

## AQUEDUCT COMMISSIONERS.

Room 78, Tribune Building, 9 A. M. to 5 P. M.  
THE MAYOR, President; JAMES W. McCULLOH, Secretary; BENJAMIN S. CHURCH, Chief Engineer.

LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT.  
Office of Clerk of Common Council.  
No. 8 City Hall, 10 A. M. to 4 P. M.  
WILLIAM P. KIRK, 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 Chief Engineer.  
No. 31 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.  
ISAAC NEWTON, Chief Engineer.  
Bureau of Water Register.  
No. 31 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.  
JOHN H. CHAMBERS, Register.

Bureau of Street Improvements.  
No. 31 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.  
GEORGE A. JEREMIAH, Superintendent.  
Engineer in Charge of Sewers.

No. 31 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.  
STEPHENSON TOWLE, Engineer-in-Charge.  
Bureau of Repairs and Supplies.  
No. 31 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.  
THOMAS H. MCALVOY, Superintendent.

Bureau of Water Purveyor.  
No. 31 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.  
DAVID L. SMITH, Water Purveyor.

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

Keeper of Buildings in City Hall Park.  
MARTIN J. KEES, City Hall.

## FINANCE DEPARTMENT.

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

## Auditing Bureau.

No. 19 New County Court-house, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.  
WM. J. LYON, Auditor of Accounts.  
DAVID E. AUSTEN, Assistant Auditor.

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

Bureau for the Collection of City Revenues and of Markets.

No. 6 New County Court-house, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.  
FRANCIS TOMEY, Collector of the 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 VREDEBURG, 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. ANDREAS, 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.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

No. 36 Union Square, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.  
SALEM H. WALES, President; 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.

LUCIUS J. N. STARK, President; JOHN T. CUMING, Secretary.

Office hours from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. daily, except Saturdays; on Saturdays as follows: from September 15 to June 15, from 9 A. M. to 3 P. M.; from June 15 to September 15, from 9 A. M. to 12 M.

DEPARTMENT OF TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS.

Staats Zeitung Building, Tryon Row, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.  
Saturdays, 3 P. M.

THOMAS B. ASTEN, President; FLOYD T. SMITH, Secretary.

Office Bureau Collection of Arrears of Personal Taxes.

Brown-stone Building, City Hall Park, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

CHARLES S. BEARDSLEY, Attorney; WILLIAM CERFORD, Clerk.

DEPARTMENT OF STREET CLEANING.  
31 and 32 Park Row, "World" Building, Rooms 8 and 9, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.  
JAMES S. COLEMAN, Commissioner; A. H. ROGERS, Deputy Commissioner; M. J. MORRISON, Chief Clerk.

## BOARD OF ASSESSORS.

Office, City Hall, Room No. 11½, 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.  
NICHOLAS HAUGHTON, President; BENJAMIN F. HASKIN, Secretary and 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 McGONIGAL, Order Arrest Clerk.

## FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Office hours for all except where otherwise noted from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. Saturdays, to 3 P. M.

## Headquarters.

Nos. 155 and 157 Mercer street.  
CORNELIUS VAN COTT, 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.

W.M. P. ESTERBROOK, Inspector of Buildings.

## Attorney to Department.

WM. L. FINDLEY, Nos. 155 and 157 Mercer street.

## Fire Alarm Telegraph.

J. ELLIOT SMITH, Superintendent of Telegraph, Nos. 155 and 157 Mercer street.  
Central Office Fire Alarm Telegraph open at all hours.

## 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.

99th street, between 9th and 10th avenues.  
JOSEPH SHEA, Superintendent of Horses.  
Open at all hours.

## HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

No. 301 Mott street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.  
ALEXANDER SHALER, President; EDMOND CLARK, Secretary.

## REGISTER'S OFFICE.

East side City Hall Park, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.  
JOHN REILLY, 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; JAMES E. CONNER, 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. S. BEATTIE, Deputy County Clerk.

## DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE.

Second floor, Brown-stone Building, City Hall Park, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.  
PETER B. OLNEY, 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, 8 A. M. to 5 P. M. Sundays and Holidays, 8 A. M. to 12:30 P. M.

PHILIP MERKLE, FERNAND LEVY, BERNARD F. MARTIN and WILLIAM

## DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS.

DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS,  
117 AND 119 DUANE STREET.

## TO CONTRACTORS.

(No. 202.)

PROPOSALS FOR ESTIMATES FOR PREPARING  
FOR AND BUILDING A CRIB-WORK BULK-  
HEAD AT THE FOOT OF SEVENTY-THIRD  
STREET, EAST RIVER.

**ESTIMATES FOR PREPARING FOR AND**  
building a crib-work bulkhead at foot of Seventy-  
third street, East river, including the proper grading of its  
approach, will be received by the Board of Commissioners  
at the head of the Department of Docks, at the office of  
said Department, Nos. 117 and 119 Duane street, in the  
City of New York, until 12 o'clock M.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 1884.

at which time and place the estimates will be publicly  
opened by the head of said Department. The award of  
the contract, if awarded, will be made as soon as practi-  
cal after the opening of the bids.

Any person making an estimate for the work, shall  
furnish the same in a sealed envelope to said Board,  
at said office, on or before the day and hour above  
named, which envelope shall be indorsed with the name  
or names of the person or persons presenting the same,  
the date of its presentation, and a statement of the work  
to which it relates.

The bidder to whom the award is made shall give  
security for the faithful performance of the contract,  
in the manner prescribed and required by ordinance, in the  
sum of six hundred dollars.

The Engineer's estimate of the nature, quantities and  
extent of the work, is as follows:

	Feet B.M., measured in the work.	
1. Yellow Pine Timber, 12' x 12".....	6,672	
" " 10' x 12".....	11,400	
" " 6' x 12".....	432	
" " 5' x 10".....	700	
Total.....	19,204	

NOTE.—The above quantities are exclusive of ex-  
tra lengths required for scars, laps, etc., and of  
waste.

2. Piles—Yellow Pine, about..... 62

(It is expected that these piles will have to be not  
more than 22 feet long to meet the requirements of the  
specification for driving. Piles 22 feet or less in  
length will be furnished by the Department according  
to the terms of the specification.)

3. Oak Fender Files..... 6  
4. White or Yellow Pine Mooring Posts..... 2  
5. Half-round Oak Fenders..... 25  
6. Crib Logs, 15 to 35 feet long..... 142

7. Wrought Iron Dock Stakes, 1/2" x  
29", 1/2" x 22", 1/2" x 20", 1/2" x 18",  
3/4" x 16", 3/4" x 14", 3/4" x 12", and  
1/2" x 10" square, and 3/4" x 12" and  
3/8" x 5" round, about..... 5,500 pounds.

8. 1 1/2", 1 1/4", and 1" Wrought Iron  
Screw-bolts and Wrought Iron  
Washers, about..... 466 "

9. Wrought Iron Armature Plates and  
Corner Bands, about..... 660 "

10. Cast-iron Washers, about..... 70 "

11. Rubble Wall, containing about..... 47 cubic yards.

12. Crib Stone, about..... 220 "

13. Rip-rap Stone..... 280 "

14. Gravel..... 120 "

15. Materials for painting and oiling or tarring.

16. Labor of every description, including the labor of  
removing the existing dumping-board according to  
the terms of the specifications, the labor of excavating,  
filling and grading for an approach, according  
to the terms of specifications, and the labor of  
laying up about 47 cubic yards of rubble retaining  
wall.

N.B.—As all the above-mentioned quantities, though  
stated with as much accuracy as is possible, *in advance*,  
are approximate only, bidders are required to submit their  
estimates upon the following express conditions, which  
shall apply to and become part of every estimate received:

1. Bidders must satisfy themselves, by personal examina-  
tion of the location of the proposed work, and by such other means as they may prefer as to the accuracy of the foregoing Engineer's estimate, and shall not, at any time, after the submission of an estimate, dispute or complain of the above statement of quantities, nor assert that there was any misunderstanding in regard to the nature or amount of the work to be done.

2. Bidders will be required to complete the entire work to the satisfaction of the Department of Docks, and in substantial accordance with the specifications of the contract. No extra compensation beyond the amount payable for the work before mentioned, which shall be actually performed at the price thereto, or to be specified by the lowest bidder, shall be due or payable for the entire work.

The work to be done under the contract is to be commenced within five days after the date of the contract, and the entire work is to be fully completed on or before the first day of May, 1884, and the damages to be paid by the contractor for each day that the contract may be unfulfilled after the time fixed for the fulfillment thereof has expired, are, by a clause in the contract, fixed, and liquidated at Fifty Dollars per day.

All the old material taken from the said existing structure, to be removed under this contract, will be relinquished to the contractor, and bidders must estimate the value of such material when considering the price for which they will do the work under the contract.

Bidders will state in their estimates a price for the whole of the work to be done, in conformity with the approved form of agreement and the specifications therein set forth, by which price the bids will be tested. This price is to cover all expenses of every kind involved in or incidental to the fulfillment of the contract, including any claim that may arise through delay, from any cause, in the performing of the work thereunder.

Bidders will distinctly write out, both in words and in figures, the amount of their estimates for doing this work.

The person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded will be required to attend at this office with the sureties offered by him or them, and execute the contract within five days from the date of the service of a notice to that effect; and in case of failure or neglect so to do, he or they will be considered as having abandoned it, and as in default to the Corporation; and the contract will be re-advertised and relet, and so on until it be accepted and executed.

Bidders are required to state in their estimates their names and places of residence; the names of all persons interested with them therein; and if no other person be so interested, the estimate shall distinctly state the fact; also that the estimate is made without any connection with any other person making an estimate for the same work, and that it is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud; and also that no member of the Common Council, Head of a Department, Chief of a Bureau, Deputy thereof, or Clerk therein, or other officer of the Corporation, is directly or indirectly interested therein, or in the supplies or work to which it relates, or in any portion of the profits thereof. The bid or estimate must be verified by the oath, in writing, of each of the persons 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 Dock Master shall promptly designate and assign in the order in which application is made, suitable and

convenient berths, so far as practicable, within the limits of his district, for the use of such vessel and water craft as may require the same for the reception or discharge of passengers, merchandise, etc., therefrom or for the necessary repair or the safety of any vessel or water craft.

It shall be the duty of each Dock Master to require and enforce the due observance of and compliance with such of the national and State laws, city ordinances, and the rules, regulations and orders of the Department of Docks as pertain to the use, care, and custody of the wharf property of and about the City of New York, promptly reporting to the Board all violations and evasions of such laws, ordinances, rules, regulations and orders.

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Each Dock Master is expressly prohibited, under penalty of immediate dismissal from his position, from receiving or demanding, directly or indirectly, any fee, gratuity, compensation, or article of value of any nature or kind, for the assignment of a berth to a vessel at any pier, slip, or wharf property whatsoever, or for the performance of or the omission to perform any of the duties required of or pertaining to the position of Dock Master of this Department.

Any person or persons having any cause of complaint against the Dock Masters for any failure or omission in the performance of the duties as required by the above rules, are requested to promptly communicate the same to this Board, at their offices, Nos. 117 and 119 Duane street.

By order of the Board,

LUCIUS J. N. STARK,  
WILLIAM LAIMBEER,  
JOHN R. VOORHIS,  
Commissioners of the Department of Docks.

JOHN T. CUMING, Secretary.  
New York, December 1, 1883.

## FIRE DEPARTMENT.

HEADQUARTERS  
FIRE DEPARTMENT, CITY OF NEW YORK,  
155 AND 157 MERCER STREET,  
NEW YORK, January 31, 1884.

## TO CONTRACTORS.

## SEALED PROPOSALS FOR FURNISHING THIS

Department with

## ONE THOUSAND FEET OF HOSE

will be received by the Board of Commissioners at the head of the Fire Department, at the office of said Department, Nos. 155 and 157 Mercer street, in the City of New York, until 12 o'clock A.M., Wednesday, February 13, 1884, at which time and place they will be publicly opened by the head of said Department and read.

The hose is to be seamless Baker fabric multiple cotton rubber-lined; made of best Gulf cotton and best Para rubber; to be five (5) ply, of three and one-half (3 1/2) inches internal diameter; in lengths of fifty (50) feet each, with coupling attached. Each and every length of the hose with the couplings attached, is to be capable of resisting a pressure test of three hundred (300) pounds to the square inch, and the wear and tear of use by the Fire Department, its officers, agents, and servants; it being agreed that 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 by the Comptroller.

Bidders are informed that no deviation from the specifications will be allowed, unless under the written instructions of the Engineer-in-Chief.

No estimate will be accepted from, or contract awarded to, any person who is in arrears to the Corporation, upon debt or contract, or who is a defaulter, as surely or otherwise, upon any obligation to the Corporation.

The right to decline all the estimates is reserved, if deemed for the interest of the Corporation of the City of New York.

Bidders are requested, in making their bids or estimates, to use the blank prepared for that purpose by the Department, a copy of which, together with the form of the agreement, including specifications, and showing the manner of payment for the work, can be obtained upon application therefor at the office of the Department.

LUCIUS J. N. STARK,  
WILLIAM LAIMBEER,  
JOHN R. VOORHIS,  
Commissioners of the Department of Docks.

Dated New York, January 28, 1884.

## PUBLIC NOTICE.

DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS,  
Nos. 117 and 119 DUANE STREET.

FOR THE INFORMATION OF THE PUBLIC,  
and especially of those using the Wharf Property of  
the City of New York, the following extracts from the  
rules and regulations established for the guidance of the  
Dock Masters appointed by the Board governing this  
Department, and to be observed by them in the perfor-  
mance of their duties, are hereby promulgated and  
published:

Resolved, For the proper supervision of the water-front of the city, the care of the wharf property located thereon placed in the charge of this Department, the rendering of necessary facilities for the prompt berthing of vessels thereto, and the collection of the wharfeage  
accruing therefrom, that the water-front of the City of New York be and hereby is arranged and divided into nine districts, and that for each of the said districts there shall be appointed, designated, or assigned, from time to time, at the pleasure of the Board, a suitable and competent person to be known and entitled as "Dock Master," who shall perform such duties and render such services in relation to the supervision, regulation, and occupation of the wharf property and water-front in their respective districts, as the laws of the United States and of the State of New York, the ordinances of the City of New York, and the by-laws of this Board, and its rules, or orders, shall or may require, prescribe, or direct.

The several districts so made and created, and the Dock Masters assigned thereto, are as follows, to wit:

District No. 1.—Embracing all that portion of the East river, extending from Castle Garden, on the Battery, to and including Pier 21, East river.

Charles H. Thompson, Dock Master; office, 33 Coenties Slip.

District No. 2.—All that portion of the North river extending from Castle Garden, to and including Pier old 42, North river.

George W. Wanmaker, Dock Master; office, foot of Duane street, N. R.

District No. 3.—From east side Pier 21, East river, to and including Pier 55, East river.

Edward Abel, Dock Master; office, 26a South street.

District No. 4.—From north side Pier 42, North river, to and including pier at foot of West Twenty-third street, North river.

John M. Smith, Dock Master; office, Pier, new 43, N. R.

District No. 5.—From north side Pier 55, East river, to north side of Thirty-fourth street, East river.

Bernard K. Keeney, Dock Master; office, foot of East Sixteenth street, E. R.

District No. 6.—From north side Pier at Twenty-third street, North river, to and including Pier at foot Fifty-ninth street, North river.

Edward Gilon, Dock Master; office, Pier, new 57, N. R.

District No. 7.—From north side of Thirty-fourth street, East river, to south side of Ninety-second street, East river.

Robert Hall, Dockmaster; office, 646 First avenue.

District No. 8.—From north side of Pier at Fifty-ninth street, North river, to Yonkers and Spuyten Duyvil Creek, from North river to Kingsbridge.

Theodore S. Croft, Dockmaster; office, foot of West Seventy-ninth street, N. R.

District No. 9.—From south side Ninety-second street, East river, to and including Bronx river, and also Harlem river, from East river to Kingsbridge.

John Callan, Dockmaster; office, foot of East One Hundred and Fourth street, Harlem river.

Resolved, That until otherwise ordered by this Board the following rules and instructions are issued for the guidance and observance of the several Dock Masters of the Department:

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Each Dock Master shall promptly designate and assign in the order in which application is made, suitable and

convenient berths, so far as practicable, within the limits of his district, for the use of such vessel and water craft as may require the same for the reception or discharge of passengers, merchandise, etc., therefrom or for the necessary repair or the safety of any vessel or water craft.

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 fifty dollars (\$50). Such check or money must not be inclosed in the sealed envelope containing the estimate, but must be haned 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 bond required by law, the adequacy and sufficiency of the security offered will be subject to approval by the Comptroller of the City of New York, after the award is made and prior to the signing of the contract.

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 readvertised and relet, as provided by law.

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

The form of the agreement and specifications and drawings, and showing the manner of payment for the hose, may be seen and forms of proposals may be obtained at the office of the Department.

CORNELIUS VAN COTT,  
HENRY D. PURROY,  
RICHARD CROKER,  
Fire Commissioners.

HEADQUARTERS  
FIRE DEPARTMENT, CITY OF NEW YORK,  
155 AND 157 MERCER STREET,  
NEW YORK, January 31, 1884.

## TO CONTRACTORS.

## SEALED PROPOSALS FOR FURNISHING THIS

Department with

## TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND (25,000) FEET OF

HOSE

will be received by the Board of Commissioners at

has offered himself as a surety in good faith and with the intention to execute the bond required by law. The adequacy and sufficiency of the security offered is to be approved by the Comptroller of the City of New York before the award is made and prior to the signing of the contract.

*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 seven hundred and fifty dollars (\$750). 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 notice that the contract has been awarded to him, to execute the same, the amount of the deposit made by him shall be forfeited to 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 readvertised and relet, as provided by law.

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

The form of the agreement and specifications showing the manner of payment for the hose, may be seen and forms of proposals may be obtained at the office of the Department.

CORNELIUS VAN COTT,  
HENRY D. PURROY,  
RICHARD CROKER,  
Commissioners.

HEADQUARTERS  
FIRE DEPARTMENT, CITY OF NEW YORK,  
155 AND 157 MERCER STREET,  
NEW YORK, January 25, 1884.

#### TO CONTRACTORS.

**SEALED PROPOSALS FOR FURNISHING THIS**  
Department with **SEVEN (7) FOUR WHEEL HOSE TENDERS**  
will be received by the Board of Commissioners at the head of the Fire Department, at the office of said Department, Nos. 155 and 157 Mercer street, in the City of New York, until 10 o'clock A. M., Wednesday, February 13, 1884, at which time and place they will be publicly opened by the head of said Department and read.

The tenders are to be similar to that now in use by Eng Co. No. 24 of this Department, and as per drawings and specifications.

Bidders will state the price per tender as well as the gross amount of the proposal.

For full information as to the amount and kind of work to be done, and time of delivery, bidders are referred to the specifications and drawings, which form part of these proposals.

The damages to be paid by the contractor for each day that the contract may be unfulfilled after the time specified for the completion thereof shall have expired, are, by a clause in the contract, fixed and liquidated at twenty-five (\$25) dollars per day.

No estimate will be received or considered after the hour named.

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

Any person making an estimate for the work shall present the same in a sealed envelope, to said Board, at said office, on or before the day and hour above named, which envelope shall be indorsed with the name or names of the person or persons presenting the same, the date of its presentation, and a statement of the work to which it relates.

The Fire Department reserves the right to decline any and all bids or estimates if deemed to be for the public interest. No bid or estimate will be accepted from, or contract awarded to, any person who is in arrears to the Corporation upon debt or contract, or who is a defaulter, as surety or otherwise, upon any obligation to the Corporation.

Each bid or estimate shall contain and state the name and place of residence of each of the persons making the same; 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; 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 of the City of New York, with their respective places of business or residence, to the effect that if the contract be awarded to the person making the estimate, they will, on its being so awarded, become bound as his sureties for its faithful performance in the sum of two thousand and four hundred dollars (\$2,400); and that if he shall omit or refuse to execute the same, they will 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 this contract, over and above all his debts of every nature, and 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. The adequacy and sufficiency of the security offered is to be approved by the Comptroller of the City of New York before the award is made and prior to the signing of the contract.*

*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 one hundred and twenty dollars (\$120). 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 notice that the contract has been awarded to him, to execute the same, the amount of the deposit made by him shall be forfeited to 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 readvertised and relet, as provided by law.

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

The form of the agreement and specifications and drawings, showing the manner of payment for the work, may be seen and forms of proposals may be obtained at the office of the Department.

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CORNELIUS VAN COTT,  
HENRY D. PURROY,  
RICHARD CROKER,  
Commissioners.

HEADQUARTERS  
FIRE DEPARTMENT, CITY OF NEW YORK,  
155 AND 157 MERCER STREET,  
NEW YORK, January 25, 1884.

#### TO CONTRACTORS.

**SEALED PROPOSALS FOR FURNISHING THIS**  
Department with **SIX (6) STEAM FIRE ENGINES**, will be received by the Board of Commissioners at the head of the Fire Department, at the office of said Department, Nos. 155 and 157 Mercer street, in the City of New York, until 10 o'clock A. M., Wednesday, February 13, 1884, at which time and place they will be publicly opened by the head of said Department and read.

The engines to be delivered at the Repair Shops of the Fire Department in complete working order, with a guarantee that the material and workmanship are of the best character, and to replace, at the expense of the contractor, such parts, if any, as may fail, if such failure is properly attributable to defective material or inferior workmanship. Said engines shall have a full and complete trial of their working powers at New York, under the superintendence of a competent engineer.

For information as to the amount and kind of work to be done and time of delivery, bidders are referred to the specifications which form part of these proposals.

The damages to be paid by the contractor for each day that the contract may be unfulfilled after the time specified for the completion thereof shall have expired, are, by a clause in the contract, fixed and liquidated at twenty-five (\$25) dollars per day.

No estimate will be received or considered after the hour named.

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

Any person making an estimate for the work shall present the same in a sealed envelope, to said Board, at said office, on or before the day and hour above named, which envelope shall be indorsed with the name or names of the person or persons presenting the same, the date of its presentation, and a statement of the work to which it relates.

The Fire Department reserves the right to decline any and all bids or estimates if deemed to be for the public interest. No bid or estimate will be accepted from, or contract awarded to, any person who is in arrears to the Corporation upon debt or contract, or who is a defaulter, as surety or otherwise, upon any obligation to the Corporation.

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CORNELIUS VAN COTT,  
HENRY D. PURROY,  
RICHARD CROKER,  
Commissioners.

HEADQUARTERS  
FIRE DEPARTMENT, CITY OF NEW YORK,  
155 AND 157 MERCER STREET,  
NEW YORK, January 25, 1884.

#### TO CONTRACTORS.

**SEALED PROPOSALS FOR FURNISHING THIS**  
Department with **SIX (6) STEAM FIRE ENGINES**, will be received by the Board of Commissioners at the head of the Fire Department, at the office of said Department, Nos. 155 and 157 Mercer street, in the City of New York, until 10 o'clock A. M., Wednesday, February 13, 1884, at which time and place they will be publicly opened by the head of said Department and read.

The engines to be delivered at the Repair Shops of the Fire Department in complete working order, with a guarantee that the material and workmanship are of the best character, and to replace, at the expense of the contractor, such parts, if any, as may fail, if such failure is properly attributable to defective material or inferior workmanship. Said engines shall have a full and complete trial of their working powers at New York, under the superintendence of a competent engineer.

For information as to the amount and kind of work to be done and time of delivery, bidders are referred to the specifications which form part of these proposals.

The damages to be paid by the contractor for each day that the contract may be unfulfilled after the time specified for the completion thereof shall have expired, are, by a clause in the contract, fixed and liquidated at twenty-five (\$25) dollars per day.

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Any person making an estimate for the work shall present the same in a sealed envelope, to said Board, at said office, on or before the day and hour above named, which envelope shall be indorsed with the name or names of the person or persons presenting the same, the date of its presentation, and a statement of the work to which it relates.

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CORNELIUS VAN COTT,  
HENRY D. PURROY,  
RICHARD CROKER,  
Commissioners.

HEADQUARTERS  
FIRE DEPARTMENT, CITY OF NEW YORK,  
155 AND 157 MERCER STREET,  
NEW YORK, January 25, 1884.

#### TO CONTRACTORS.

**SEALED PROPOSALS FOR FURNISHING THIS**  
Department with **SIX (6) STEAM FIRE ENGINES**, will be received by the Board of Commissioners at the head of the Fire Department, at the office of said Department, Nos. 155 and 157 Mercer street, in the City of New York, until 10 o'clock A. M., Wednesday, February 13, 1884, at which time and place they will be publicly opened by the head of said Department and read.

The engines to be delivered at the Repair Shops of the Fire Department in complete working order, with a guarantee that the material and workmanship are of the best character, and to replace, at the expense of the contractor, such parts, if any, as may fail, if such failure is properly attributable to defective material or inferior workmanship. Said engines shall have a full and complete trial of their working powers at New York, under the superintendence of a competent engineer.

For information as to the amount and kind of work to be done and time of delivery, bidders are referred to the specifications which form part of these proposals.

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No estimate will be received or considered after the hour named.

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

Any person making an estimate for the work shall present the same in a sealed envelope, to said Board, at said office, on or before the day and hour above named, which envelope shall be indorsed with the name or names of the person or persons presenting the same, the date of its presentation, and a statement of the work to which it relates.

The Fire Department reserves the right to decline any and all bids or estimates if deemed to be for the public interest. No bid or estimate will be accepted from, or contract awarded to, any person who is in arrears to the Corporation upon debt or contract, or who is a defaulter, as surety or otherwise, upon any obligation to the Corporation.

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## THE CITY RECORD.

FEBRUARY 6, 1884.

## DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION.

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

## TO CONTRACTORS.

## PROPOSALS FOR GROCERIES, DRY GOODS, HARDWARE, ETC.

## SEALED BIDS OR ESTIMATES FOR FURNISHING

## GROCERIES.

10,000 pounds	Hominy.
5,000 "	Wheaten Grits.
5,000 "	Prunes.
1,500 "	Dried Apples.
1,000 "	Cocoa.
1,000 "	Pepper.
6,000 pounds	Dairy Butter, sample on exhibition, Thursday, February 14, 1884.
30,000 Fresh Eggs, all to be candled.	
100 city cured Prime Hams, to average 14 lbs. each.	
24 dozen Extract of Vanilla.	
15 " Worcester Sauce (pints).	
500 barrels good sound Irish Potatoes, to weigh 6 lbs. net per bbl., and delivered at Blackwell's Island.	
100 bales Prime Timothy Hay, tare not to exceed 3 lbs. per hale, and weight charged as received at Store-house, Blackwell's Island.	
100 bags Bran, 50 lbs. each.	
100 barrels prime quality Charcoal, 3 bushels each.	

## DRY GOODS.

150 pairs	White Blankets.
100 pounds	D. B. Machine Thread, No. 50.
500 "	Knitting Cotton.
20 gross	India Rubber Fine Combs.
20 "	Plantation Combs.
10 bales	Cotton Batts, 50 pounds each.
5 gross	Knitting Needles.
100 "	Wood Coal Bu tons.

  

1,000 pounds	Block Tin, L. & F.
25 boxes	IC best Charcoal Roofing Tin, 14 x 20.
10 "	INX Tin, 14 x 20.
10 bundles	galvanized best quality "B B" Sheet Iron, No. 24.
50 gross	best quality Screws.
2 "	Mop Handles.
100 Striking Hammer Handles.	
100 Sledge "	
3 kegs	Cut Nails, 4d.
1 dozen	Plastering Trowels.
40 "	best quality Bath Brick.
20 coils	best quality o-tread Manila Rope.
1 coil	best quality 2-inch (cir.) Manila Rope.
1 "	best quality 5-inch (cir.) Manila Rope.
20 boxes	Clothes Pins, 5 gross each.
50 barrels	Whitewash Lime, best quality.
20 "	common Lime, best quality.
20 "	Plaster Paris, best quality.

or any single article 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 15, 1884. The person or persons making any bid or estimate shall furnish the same in a sealed envelope, indorsed "Bid or Estimate for Groceries, Dry Goods, Hardware, etc., etc." 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 President of said Department, and read.

THE BOARD OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REJECT ALL BIDS OR ESTIMATES IF DEEMED TO BE FOR THE PUBLIC INTEREST, AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 64, CHAPTER 410, LAWS OF 1882.

No bid or estimate will be accepted from, or contract awarded to, any person who is in arrears to the Corporation upon debt or contract, or who is a defaulter, as 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, and in such quantities as may be directed by the said Commissioners.

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 bond, 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; 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; also 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 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 this contract over and above all his debts of every nature, and 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 12 of chapter 7 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 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 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 to 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 readvertised and referred 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.

No bid or estimate will be accepted from, or contract awarded to, any person who is in arrears to the Corporation upon debt or contract, or who is a defaulter, as surety or otherwise, upon any obligation to the Corporation.

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 2, 1884.

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, January 31, 1884.

## PROPOSALS FOR 450 TONS OF FRESH MINED WHITE ASH STOVE COAL FOR THE OUT-DOOR POOR.

PROPOSALS, SEALED AND INDORSED AS above, will be received by the Commissioners of Public Charities and Correction, at their office, until 9:30 o'clock A. M., of Tuesday, February 12, 1884, at which time they will be publicly opened and read by the head of said Department, for 450 tons Fresh Mined White Ash Stove Coal, at the best quality; each ton to consist of two thousand pounds, to be well screened, and delivered in such quantities and in such parts of the city as may be required in specifications, and ordered from time to time, south of Eighty-fourth street, to be subject to such inspection as the Commissioners may direct, and to meet their approval as to the quality, quantity, time, and manner of delivery in every respect.

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

No proposal will be considered unless accompanied by the consent, in writing, of two householders or freeholders of the City of New York, with their respective places of business or residence, to the effect that, if the contract be awarded under that proposal, they will, on its being so awarded, become bound as sureties in eleven hundred (\$1,100) dollars each for its faithful performance, which consent must be verified by the justification of each of the persons signing the same for the amount of surety required. The adequacy and sufficiency of such security as well as the justification thereof, to be approved by the Comptroller.

No bid or estimate will be received or 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 to 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.

The Board of Public Charities and Correction reserves the right to reject all bids if deemed for the best interest of the city; and no proposal will be accepted from, or a contract awarded to, any person who is in arrears to the Corporation upon debt or contract, or who is a defaulter, as surety or otherwise, upon any obligation to the Corporation.

Blank forms of proposals and specifications, which are to be strictly complied with, can be obtained at the office of the Department, and all information furnished.

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, January 24, 1884.

IN ACCORDANCE WITH AN ORDINANCE OF the Common Council, "In relation to the burial of strangers or unknown persons who may die in any of the public institutions of the City of New York," the Commissioners of Public Charities and Correction report as follows:

At Lunatic Asylum, Blackwell's Island—Theresa Zimmerman; aged 55 years; 5 feet 2 3/4 inches high; gray eyes and hair.

At Homeopathic Hospital, Ward's Island—Ann Moore; aged 73 years; 5 feet 5 inches high; gray eyes and hair. Had on when admitted, brown plaid wrapper, gray knit shawl, black chip hat, buttoned garters.

John Lewis; aged 34 years; 5 feet 8 inches high; brown eyes and hair. Had on when admitted, dark coat and vest, brown pants, garters.

Daniel McGillicuddy; aged 35 years; 5 feet 7 inches high; blue eyes, brown hair. Had on when admitted, brown overcoat, mixed pants, blue vest, blue jumper, brown shoes; black hat.

Bridget Noonan; aged 35 years; 5 feet 2 inches high; gray eyes, black hair.

John Smith; aged 28 years; 5 feet 10 inches high; gray eyes; brown hair. Had on when admitted, dark overcoat and sack coat, brown pants, laced shoes, black cloth cap.

Mary Mahoney; aged 80 years; 4 feet 11 inches high; blue eyes; gray hair.

Annie Bubshaber; aged 58 years; 5 feet high; black eyes; gray hair.

Catharine Costello; aged 55 years; 5 feet 6 inches high; gray eyes and hair. Had on when admitted, black dress, light calico sacque, brown shawl, garters, black hat.

Nothing known of their friends or relatives.

By order.

G. F. BRITTON,  
Secretary.

## DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS,  
COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE,  
NO. 31 CHAMBERS STREET,  
NEW YORK, NOV. 1, 1883.

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO property-owners of the City of New York that, by the New York City Consolidated Act of 1882, among other matters relating to Croton water rates and affecting all properties liable for Croton water charges, is embraced the following, in "Title 2, Duies and Powers of the Department of Public Works as to Procuring and Distributing Water":

§ 350. The Commissioner of Public Works shall, from time to time, establish scales of rents, \* \* \* \* \*

Such rents shall be collected from the owners or occupants of all such buildings, respectively, which shall be situated upon lots adjoining any street or avenue in said city in which the distributing water-pipes are or may be laid, and from which they can be supplied with water, said rents shall become a charge and lien upon such houses and lots, respectively, as provided by law.

It becomes my duty to state that on and after the first day of April, 1883, all extra charges, such as steam-engines, bakeries, barbers, bathing-tubs, boarding-houses, boarding-schools, building purposes, horses, horse-troughs, hotels, porter-houses, taverns, etc., printing offices, stone cutting or dressing, slaughter-houses, dyeing, water-closets and urinals, laundries, restaurants, soda fountains, extra families, oyster and coffee saloons, water by meter measurement, meters and meter setting, and all other purposes for which the use of Croton water is chargeable according to law, are liens, and unless paid on or before the 30th day of April next must be returned to the Clerk of Arrears, with the amount due on each lot.

HUBERT O. THOMPSON,  
Commissioner of Public Works.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS,  
COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, NO. 31 CHAMBERS ST., NEW YORK, November 19, 1883.

## TO THE PUBLIC.

AT 9:30 P. M. ON THURSDAY THE 15TH instant, the aqueduct had to be shut off to repair a large leak that could not be repaired in the usual manner from the exterior. This leak had suddenly developed in the section south of Yonkers, where smaller fissures had previously occurred.

The examination showed fissures aggregating 2,000 feet in length. The repairs were finished and water was again turned on by 4 P. M., on Saturday, the 17th instant.

While the flow through the aqueduct was interrupted the supply in the Central Park reservoir was drawn down five feet.

This loss of supply in the city reservoirs, occurring now, as winter is approaching, makes it necessary to take extra precautions against waste of water. Being aware of the temptation to leave faucets open in cold weather to prevent freezing in the pipes, I specially protest against that practice, and appeal to all citizens to abstain from wasteful use of water in any manner whatever. The present condition of the supply and the possibility of a recurrence of similar leaks in the aqueduct make it my duty to give this public notice that I shall hereinbelow resort to the peremptory measure of shutting off the water in all places where persistent waste is discovered.

HUBERT O. THOMPSON,  
Commissioner of Public Works.

## SUPREME COURT.

In the matter of the application of the Commissioners of the Department of Public Parks, for and on behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title, wherever the same has not been heretofore acquired, to that part of One Hundred and Forty-seventh street (although not yet named by proper authority) extending from Willis Avenue to Brook Avenue, in the Twenty-third Ward of the City of New York, for the use of the public, to all the lands and premises, with the buildings thereon and the appurtenances thereto belonging, required for the opening of a certain street or avenue, known as One Hundred and Forty-seventh street, extending from Willis Avenue to Brook Avenue, in the Twenty-third Ward of the City of New York, for the use of the public, to all the lands and premises, with the buildings thereon and the appurtenances thereto belonging, required for the opening of a certain street or avenue, known as One Hundred and Forty-seventh street, extending from Willis Avenue to Brook Avenue, in the Twenty-third Ward of the City of New York, for the use of the public, to all the lands and premises, with the buildings thereon and the appurtenances thereto belonging, required for the opening of a