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### LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT.

#### BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

##### STATED SESSION.

MONDAY, February 25, 1884, }  
1 o'clock P. M. }

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

##### PRESENT :

Hon. William P. Kirk, President.

##### ALDERMEN

Thomas Cleary,	Hugh J. Grant,	John O'Neil,
Robert E. De Lacy,	Henry W. Jaehne,	James Pearson,
Charles Dempsey,	Patrick Kenney,	Charles H. Reilly,
Michael Duffy,	William H. Miller,	Thomas Rothman,
Patrick Farley,	Francis McCabe,	Henry L. Sayles,
Frederick Finck,	Arthur J. McQuade,	Thomas Sheils,
Ludolph A. Fullgraff,	John C. O'Connor, Jr.,	Louis Wendel.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

##### INVITATIONS.

Invitation to attend the annual ball of the William Law Association, to be held at the Lexington Avenue Opera House on February 28, 1884.  
Which was accepted.

##### PETITIONS.

By Alderman McCabe—  
Remonstrance of Mary G. Pinckney against flagging the sidewalks of Sixth avenue, from One Hundred and Twenty-fifth to One Hundred and Forty-fifth street.  
Which was referred to the Committee on Streets.

##### MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

By Alderman Grant—  
Resolved, That a crosswalk of three courses of blue-stone be laid across One Hundred and Twenty-ninth street, within the lines of the sidewalk, on each side of the Eighth avenue and parallel therewith, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.  
Which was referred to the Committee on Streets.

By the same—  
Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Barnum, Bailey & Hutchinson to drive an advertising wagon through the streets, from February 25 to April 21, 1884, also a wagon with stereoscopic views during same period.  
The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution.  
Which was decided in the affirmative.

By Alderman Pearson—  
Resolved, That Charles B. Reed 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, who has failed to qualify.  
The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution.  
Which was decided in the affirmative, as follows :  
Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Cleary, De Lacy, Dempsey, Duffy, Finck, Fullgraff, Grant, Jaehne, Kenney, Miller, McCabe, McQuade, O'Connor, O'Neil, Pearson, Reilly, Rothman, Sayles, and Wendel—20.

By Alderman McQuade—  
Resolved, That Michael J. McCarthy be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place of Emanuel Dreyfous, who has failed to qualify.  
The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution.  
Which was decided in the affirmative, as follows :  
Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Cleary, De Lacy, Dempsey, Duffy, Finck, Fullgraff, Jaehne, Kenney, Miller, McCabe, McQuade, O'Connor, O'Neil, Pearson, Reilly, Rothman, Sayles, and Wendel—19.

Alderman O'Neil moved that the petition of Col. Anton Meyer, asking to be permitted to retain, for the use of the Veteran Corps of the Fifth Regiment, N. G. S. N. Y. (recently disbanded), certain furniture, the property of the City of New York, which was ordered on file January 5, 1884, be taken from on file.  
The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion.  
Which was decided in the affirmative.

Alderman O'Neil then moved that the petition be referred to the Committee on Lands, Places and Park Department.  
The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion.  
Which was decided in the affirmative.

By Alderman De Lacy—  
Resolved, That the name of John Dohoe, recently appointed a Commissioner of Deeds, be corrected so as to read John Dohse, Jr.  
The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution.  
Which was decided in the affirmative.

By Alderman Finck—  
Resolved, That August M. Davidson be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York.  
Which was referred to the Committee on Salaries and Offices.

By Alderman Farley—  
Resolved, That the Commissioner of Public Works be and he is hereby requested to include in the list of streets to be repaved this year, under the permission of chapter 476, Laws of 1875, the following : Ridge street, from Division to Stanton street; Pitt street, from Division to Stanton street; Lewis street, from Grand to Stanton street, and Tompkins street, from Grand to Rivington street.  
The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution.  
Which was decided in the affirmative.

By Alderman Kenney—  
Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Charles H. Hoppe to place a coal-box inside the stoop-line in front of his premises, No. 669 First avenue; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.  
The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution.  
Which was decided in the affirmative.

By Alderman De Lacy—  
Resolved, That Charles H. Graham be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place of Daniel M. Levy, who failed to qualify.  
The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution.  
Which was decided in the affirmative, as follows :  
Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Cleary, De Lacy, Dempsey, Duffy, Farley, Finck, Fullgraff, Jaehne, Kenney, Miller, McCabe, McQuade, O'Connor, O'Neil, Pearson, Reilly, Rothman, Sayles, Sheils, and Wendel—21.

By Alderman Miller—  
Resolved, That Frank H. Hyatt be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York.  
Which was referred to the Committee on Salaries and Offices.

By Alderman Grant—  
Resolved, That a crosswalk be laid across Tenth avenue at the south side of One Hundred and Sixty-first street, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.  
Which was referred to the Committee on Streets.

By Alderman Dempsey—  
Resolved, That James T. McMahon be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York.  
Which was referred to the Committee on Salaries and Offices.

By Alderman Sayles—  
Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Dr. J. B. White to place a carriage stepping-stone at the curb in front of his premises, No. 709 Madison avenue; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.  
The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution.  
Which was decided in the affirmative.

By Alderman Dempsey—  
Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to James Black to erect a tin awning in front of his premises, No. 230 Third avenue; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.  
Which was referred to the Committee on Streets.

By the same—  
Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to the Retail Grocers' Union to erect a storm-door in front of premises No. 213 East Twenty-third street, to be 13 feet high, 24 feet 8 inches wide, and to extend 8 feet from the house line; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.  
Alderman Sheils moved that the resolution be referred to the Committee on Streets.  
The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion.  
Which was decided in the affirmative.

By Alderman Fullgraff—  
Resolved, That gas-mains be laid, lamp-posts erected, and street-lamps placed thereon and lighted, in Walnut street, in the Twenty-fourth Ward, where not already done, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.  
Which was referred to the Committee on Lamps and Gas.

By Alderman Jaehne—  
Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to J. Peiser to retain two show-cases inside the stoop-line in front of his premises, No. 527 Broadway; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.  
Which was referred to the Committee on Streets.

By Alderman Grant—  
Resolved, That the Commissioner of Public Works be and he is hereby directed to cause lamp-posts of the "Boulevard" pattern to be placed on the Riverside Drive, where said drive is to be lighted, under the resolution of the Common Council approved February 12, 1883.  
Which was referred to the Committee on Lamps and Gas.

By Alderman Duffy—  
Resolved, That gas-mains be laid, lamp-posts erected, and street-lamps lighted in Ninety-sixth street, from Third to Fifth avenue, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.  
Which was referred to the Committee on Lamps and Gas.

By Alderman Jaehne—  
Resolved, That William J. Farley be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York.  
Which was referred to the Committee on Salaries and Offices.

By Alderman Duffy—  
Resolved, That Ninety-sixth street, from Third to Fifth avenue, be paved with Macadam pavement, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.  
Which was referred to the Committee on Streets.

By the same—  
Resolved, That Croton water-mains be laid in Ninety-sixth street, from Third to Fifth avenue, as provided in chapter 381, Laws of 1879.  
Which was referred to the Committee on Public Works.

By Alderman McCabe—  
Resolved, That the Commissioner of Public Works be and he is hereby requested to include in the list of streets to be repaved this year, as provided in chapter 476, Laws of 1875, Fifth street, from Avenue A to First Avenue.  
The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution.  
Which was decided in the affirmative.

By the President—  
Resolved, That George J. Karrer be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York.  
Which was referred to the Committee on Salaries and Offices.

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By the same—  
Resolved, That the vacant lots on the corner of New Chambers street and Chestnut street be fenced in, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.  
Which was laid over.

By Alderman McCabe—  
Resolved, That the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund be and they are hereby authorized and directed to sell at public auction to the highest bidder or bidders, the lots on the block bounded by Third and Lexington avenues and Sixty-seventh and Sixty-eighth streets.  
Which was referred to the Committee on Finance.

By Alderman Duffy—  
Resolved, That south side of One Hundred and Twenty-first street, between Lexington and Fourth avenues, to be flagged where necessary, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.  
Which was referred to the Committee on Streets.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE DEPARTMENTS AND CORPORATION OFFICERS.

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

DEPARTMENT OF STREET CLEANING—CITY OF NEW YORK, }  
NOS. 31 AND 32 PARK ROW, }  
NEW YORK, February 18, 1884. }

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

DEAR SIR—Referring to your communication inclosing the resolution adopted by the Honorable Board of Aldermen, requesting the removal of the dumping board now located at the foot of Market street, East river, I desire respectfully to state that I am in correspondence with the Board of Dock Commissioners, upon the advisability of such removal.

Very respectfully,  
J. S. COLEMAN, Commissioner.

Which was ordered on file.

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

CITY OF NEW YORK—DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, }  
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, February 23, 1884. }

To the Honorable Board of Aldermen :

Weekly statement, showing the appropriations made under the authority contained in section 189, New York City Consolidation Act of 1882, for carrying on the Common Council, from January 1 to December 31, 1884, both days inclusive, and of the payments made up to and including the date hereof for and on account of each appropriation, and the amount of unexpended balances.

Title of Appropriations.	Amount of Appropriations.	Payments.	Amount of Unexpended Balances.
City Contingencies.....	\$1,000 00		\$1,000 00
Contingencies—Clerk of the Common Council..	250 00		250 00
Salaries—Common Council.....	69,000 00	\$4,830 81	64,169 19

S. HASTINGS GRANT, Comptroller.

Which was ordered on file.

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

CITY OF NEW YORK—FINANCE DEPARTMENT, }  
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, }  
February 20, 1884. }

To the Honorable Board of Aldermen :

GENTLEMEN—The Comptroller reports that the gross receipts of the Sixth Avenue Railroad Company, for carrying passengers for the month of January, 1884, as appears by the statement under oath, of the Treasurer of said Company, received by this Department on the 20th instant, were sixty-eight thousand six hundred and three dollars and forty cents (\$68,603.40).

Respectfully submitted,  
S. HASTINGS GRANT, Comptroller.

Which was ordered on file.

MESSAGES FROM HIS HONOR THE MAYOR.

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

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, February 25, 1884.

To the Honorable Board of Aldermen :

Herewith I forward to your Honorable Body the report of the Commissioners of Accounts, signed by Geo. Edwin Hill and Andrew B. Martin (two of said Commissioners), on "the accounts and vouchers of all moneys received into and paid out of the City Treasury during the statutory year ended November 30, 1883."

FRANKLIN EDSON, Mayor.

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF ACCOUNTS, }  
NEW YORK, January 30, 1884. }

To the Honorable the Mayor and the Common Council of the City of New York :

In accordance with section 164, chapter 410, Laws of 1882, the Commissioners of Accounts hereby certify and report that the accounts and vouchers of all moneys received into and paid out of the City Treasury during the statutory year ended November 30, 1883, have been examined and found correct.

That the amount of moneys received into and paid out of the City Treasury during the said year, as shown by the accounts and vouchers, is as follows :

Total cash receipts.....	\$66,362,673 33
Total cash payments.....	64,338,549 42
Balance.....	\$2,024,123 91
Balance of cash brought forward from preceding year.....	7,258,907 76
Total cash balance.....	\$9,283,031 67

—for which the Chamberlain was accountable on the thirtieth day of November, 1883, deposited in the following undermentioned depositories, viz. :

Importers and Traders' National Bank.....	\$1,643,031 67
Marine National Bank.....	1,080,000 00
Bank of New York, National Banking Association.....	900,000 00
Bank of North America.....	850,000 00
Continental National Bank.....	820,000 00
Hanover National Bank.....	750,000 00
St. Nicholas Bank.....	700,000 00
United States National Bank.....	400,000 00
Lincoln National Bank.....	300,000 00
Central Trust Co.....	300,000 00
Fourth National Bank.....	250,000 00
Chatham National Bank.....	240,000 00
Mount Morris Bank.....	200,000 00
Union Trust Co.....	200,000 00
National Park Bank.....	200,000 00
Bank of the State of New York.....	200,000 00
Madison Square Bank.....	100,000 00
Oriental Bank.....	100,000 00
Mechanics and Traders' National Bank.....	50,000 00
	\$9,283,031 67

That the amount of moneys borrowed for and on the credit of the City Treasury during said year is \$21,577,962.11.

That all of said moneys were obtained from sales of bonds and stocks of the City and County of New York, and that none of said bonds and stocks were sold by the city for less than their par value.

That the amount of stocks and bonds paid and canceled during said year is \$29,546,616.95. And that the warrants drawn by the Comptroller on the City Treasury during the said year have been compared with the several laws and ordinances under which the same purport to have been drawn, and we find that the Comptroller had power to draw such warrants.

Respectfully submitted,  
GEO. EDWIN HILL, } Commissioners  
ANDREW B. MARTIN, } of Accounts.

Which was ordered on file.

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

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, February 25, 1884.

To the Honorable Board of Aldermen :

I return, without my approval, the accompanying resolution of the Board of Aldermen, adopted February 14, 1884.

Poles of all kinds on the sidewalk form permanent, objectionable, and to my mind unnecessary obstructions, which should not be permitted. I must therefore decline to approve this resolution.

FRANKLIN EDSON, Mayor.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to John B. Davis to erect a barber-pole in front of his place of business, No. 93 Wall street ; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

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

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

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, February 25, 1884.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen :

I return, without my approval, the accompanying resolution of the Board of Aldermen, adopted February 14, 1884.

Of all street and sidewalk obstructions, it seems to me that meat-racks are the most objectionable. They occupy space which belongs to the public, are annoying to passers-by, and their use for the exposure of meat in the public streets should never be permitted.

FRANKLIN EDSON, Mayor.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Francis Hickey to erect two posts and retain a meat-rack in front of No. 1540 Third avenue ; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

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

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

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, February 25, 1884.

To the Honorable Board of Aldermen :

I return, without my approval, the accompanying resolution of the Board of Aldermen, adopted February 14, 1884.

I am informed that there is already a watering-trough at the corner of Rivington and Forsyth streets, and I can therefore see no public necessity for the erection of another so near.

Besides, the supply of water in this city is so limited that, in my judgment, no watering-troughs should be erected anywhere in the city until an increased supply of water has been obtained.

FRANKLIN EDSON, Mayor.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to D. Kohlively to erect a watering-trough in front of No. 17 Rivington street, corner of Chrystie street, the work to be done and water supplied at his own expense, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works ; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

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

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

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, February 25, 1884.

To the Honorable Board of Aldermen :

I return, without my approval, the accompanying resolution of the Board of Aldermen, adopted February 14, 1884.

The only information I have been able to obtain respecting this stand is that the tenants of No. 947 Second avenue object to having it placed in front of their premises.

It will undoubtedly form an obstruction on the sidewalk, and, in view of the objection to it, should not in my judgment be permitted.

FRANKLIN EDSON, Mayor.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Mrs. A. Corcoran to keep a small stand for the sale of newspapers in front of No. 947 Second avenue, on the sidewalk ; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

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

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

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, February 25, 1884.

To the Honorable Board of Aldermen :

I return, without my approval, the accompanying resolution of the Board of Aldermen, adopted February 14, 1884.

I am informed that complaints against stands, carts and other obstructions at the corner of Eighth street and Fourth avenue are constantly being sent to the Bureau of Incumbrances, and that a short time ago, the Superintendent removed a stand from the place where it is now proposed to place the one contemplated in this resolution.

In such circumstances, I think the desired permission should not be granted.

FRANKLIN EDSON, Mayor.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Vincenzo Vanezoro to place and retain a stand on the curb-line at the northwest corner of Fourth avenue and Eighth street ; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

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

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

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, February 25, 1884.

To the Honorable Board of Aldermen :

I return, without my approval, the accompanying resolution of the Board of Aldermen, adopted February 14, 1884.

I am informed that tenants in the house in front of which this coal-box is placed, have complained to the Superintendent of Incumbrances of the obstruction.

He has very properly, in my judgment, ordered its removal, and I should in such circumstances by no means feel justified in opposing the execution of his orders.

FRANKLIN EDSON, Mayor.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Louisa Burch to retain the coal-box in front of No. 639 Tenth avenue, such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

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

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

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, February 25, 1884.

To the Honorable Board of Aldermen :

I return, without my approval, the resolution of the Board of Aldermen, adopted February 14, 1884, that gas-mains be laid, lamp-posts set and street-lamps lighted in One Hundred and Second street, between Lexington and Fifth avenues.

There is not a building of any kind on this street and there seems to be no good reason why the work proposed should at present be ordered. I think the resolution premature.

FRANKLIN EDSON, Mayor.

Resolved, That gas-mains be laid, lamp-posts set and street-lamps lighted in One Hundred and Second street, between Lexington and Fifth avenues, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

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

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

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, February 25, 1884.

To the Honorable Board of Aldermen :

I return, without my approval, the resolution of the Board of Aldermen, adopted February 14, 1884, that gas-mains be laid, lamp-posts erected and street-lamps lighted in Southern Boulevard, from Woodruff avenue to Kingsbridge road.

In the distance of 3350 feet on the Southern Boulevard, from Woodruff avenue to Kingsbridge road, there are five small houses, one of which is on the corner of the Kingsbridge road, near a lamp already erected. There is little travel on the street proposed to be lighted, either day or night. In my judgment, this resolution is premature.

FRANKLIN EDSON, Mayor.

Resolved, That gas-mains be laid, lamp-posts erected and street-lamps lighted in Southern Boulevard, from Woodruff avenue to Kingsbridge road, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

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

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

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, February 25, 1884.

To the Honorable Board of Aldermen :

I return, without my approval, the resolution of the Board of Aldermen, adopted February 14, 1884, "that the Comptroller be and he is hereby authorized and directed to refuse payment from the city treasury of salaries or compensation to all officers or employees of the city government (mechanics and laborers excepted) whose names, while so holding office or employed, are not contained in the list of registered voters prepared, printed and published annually, as provided in

chapter 706 of the Laws of 1881, until he has been convinced, by competent proof, that every such officer or employee is, and at the time of his selection or appointment, was an actual resident of the City of New York and entitled to vote at the elections held therein for State or municipal officers."

This resolution would authorize and direct the Comptroller to refuse to pay the salaries of all officers or employees of the city government who are not now, or who were not at the time of their election or appointment, actual residents of the City of New York. Investigation shows that there is a considerable number of persons employed in the Departments of the city government who do not reside within the limits of the city; it also shows that some of these have been so employed for many years, and that they were appointed in good faith, accepted their positions in good faith, and have honestly and efficiently performed their respective duties. Some have moved from the city since their appointment, seeking places of residence where the expense of living would fall within the salaries paid them by the city; others have moved to the city and have become actual residents since their appointment.

Aside, therefore, from any questions of law involving the power of your Honorable Body to enforce this measure, I am convinced that an attempt to do so would be to oppose the best interests of the city government, and at the same time be unjust toward those persons in the employment of the city who would be affected thereby. Respecting the legal powers of your Honorable Body to adopt and enforce this measure, I respectfully refer you to the opinion of the Counsel to the Corporation, dated May 22, 1876, and addressed to Andrew H. Green, Esq., Comptroller, and also to the opinion of the Counsel to the Corporation, dated February 18, 1884, addressed to myself—copies of which opinions are transmitted herewith.

Recognizing, however, the principle involved in the claim that officers and employees of the city should be residents thereof, I have provided in the "Regulations for admission to the Civil Service of the City of New York" as follows (Regulation VI.):

" \* \* \* The affidavit of the applicant that he is eighteen years of age; that he is a citizen of the United States, and a resident of the City of New York, stating the street and number of his residence. \* \* \* "

These regulations, as you are aware, have been in operation since the 1st day of January, 1884, and, as will be observed, provide that no person who is not a resident of the city shall be appointed to any position as clerk, copyist, recorder, bookkeeper, or to any position requiring clerical service.

FRANKLIN EDSON, Mayor.

Resolved, That the Comptroller be and he is hereby authorized and directed to refuse payment from the City Treasury of salaries or compensation to all officers or employees of the City Government (mechanics and laborers excepted), whose names, while so holding office or employed, are not contained in the list of registered voters prepared, printed and published annually, as provided in chapter 706 of the laws of 1881, until he has been convinced, by competent proof, that every such officer or employee is, and at the time of his selection or appointment, was an actual resident of the City of New York, and entitled to vote at the elections held therein, for State or municipal officers.

LAW DEPARTMENT,  
OFFICE OF THE COUNSEL TO THE CORPORATION,  
NEW YORK, February 18, 1884.

Hon. FRANKLIN EDSON, Mayor:

SIR—I am in receipt of your communication under date of February 15, 1884, enclosing a resolution of the Common Council, No. 52, with a request that I report thereon to you. The resolution is as follows:

"Resolved, That the Comptroller be and he is hereby authorized and directed to refuse payment from the City Treasury of salaries or compensation to all officers or employees of the City Government (mechanics and laborers excepted) whose names, while so holding office or employed, are not contained in the list of registered voters prepared, printed and published annually, as provided in chapter 706 of the Laws of 1881, until he has been convinced, by careful proof, that every such officer or employee is, and at the time of his selection or appointment, was an actual resident of the city of New York, and entitled to vote at the elections held therein for State or municipal officers."

By the provisions of the charter (Consolidation Act, section 123), the Comptroller is required to settle and adjust all claims against the corporation and all accounts in which the corporation is concerned as debtor or creditor; and, in so doing, "he shall, as far as practicable be governed by the rules of law and principles of equity which prevail in courts of justice."

Whenever an officer or employee of the city government is lawfully appointed, accepts the appointment and performs the services required by his office or employment, he becomes a creditor of the city to the amount of his salary for the period covered by such services, and can recover the amount of his claim for such salary in the courts.

Under these circumstances, it would be the duty of the Comptroller to pay such claim, and the resolution, enclosed in your communication, would be no excuse for his failure so to do.

The only point to be considered, then, is whether the circumstances enumerated in the proposed ordinance, viz.: non-enrollment on the list of registered voters and non-residence in the City of New York operate, under ordinances now in force, to render the original appointment of such officer or employee void, or to forbid his continuance in his office or employment.

So far as I am advised, the only regulations, which it is claimed cover this point are to be found in

- A. The ordinance of February 11, 1876.
- B. The provisions of Section 34, Article 4, Title 6, of Chapter 5, Part I. of the Revised Statutes. (Banks' Bros. 7th Edition, Vol. I., page 370.)

A. THE ORDINANCE OF 1876.

That ordinance is as follows:

"AN ORDINANCE to prevent non-residents from holding office in any of the departments or branches of the Government of the City of New York.

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

"Section 1. No person, who is not a citizen of the State of New York, and a resident of the City and County of New York, shall be eligible to appointment to any office in any or either of the departments of the City Government, either as President or Commissioner, Chief of Bureau, clerk or officer thereof, or employee therein, whether legislative, executive, or judicial; nor shall any person not a resident of this city, who may be so employed or appointed, have any valid claim against the Mayor, Aldermen, or Commonalty of said city, for any salary, wages, or compensation under or by virtue of holding any office in either of such departments or branches of the City Government.

"Sec. 2. Any person holding any appointment or office, or employed in any of such departments or branches of the city government, except teachers of common schools, who shall, while holding such appointment or office, or so employed, remove from within the limits of this city, shall be deemed thereby to have resigned such appointment, vacated such office, or abandoned such employment, and it shall be the duty of the head of every department or other person authorized to make appointments or give employment, to appoint or employ a resident of this city to the office made vacant, or employment so surrendered, by said removal from this city, as provided in section 1 of this ordinance.

"Sec. 3. All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent or conflicting with the provisions of this ordinance is hereby repealed.

"Sec. 4. This ordinance shall take effect on the first day of May, 1876.

"Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, January 27, 1876.

"Received from his Honor the Mayor, February 11, 1876, without his approval or objections thereto; therefore, as provided in section 11, chapter 335, Laws of 1873, the same became adopted."

This ordinance is not included in the revision of the ordinances approved in December, 1880. Shortly after its passage, I had occasion to examine into the question as to how far the Board of Aldermen possessed the power to determine the qualifications of persons appointed to office or employment under the City Government. The opinion then formed by me found expression in a communication from my predecessor to Mr. Andrew H. Green, at that time Comptroller, dated May 22, 1876. As the subject was therein discussed at great length, I enclose a copy of that communication, reiterating the opinion therein expressed (which I have seen no reason to change), that:

"The ordinance of the Common Council of February, 1876, so far as it relates to persons holding positions in the executive department of the City Government, or under appointment by judicial officers, is invalid. So far as relates to heads of Departments, who may be nominated by the Mayor for full terms of office, it is, of course, still in the power of the Board of Aldermen to refuse to confirm those so nominated (if any) who shall not be citizens of the State and residents of the city. With regard to persons holding positions under appointment from the Common Council, the ordinance is undoubtedly valid."

B. The provisions of Section 34 of Article 4 of Title 6 of Chapter 5, Part I of the Revised Statutes.

That section is as follows:

"§ 34. Every office shall become vacant on the happening of either of the following events, before the expiration of the term of such office:

- "1. The death of the incumbent.
- "2. His resignation.
- "3. His removal from office.
- "4. His ceasing to be an inhabitant of the State, or if the office be local, of the district, county, town or city for which he shall have been chosen or appointed, or within which the duties of his office are required to be discharged.
- "5. His conviction of an infamous crime, or of any offense involving a violation of his oath of office.
- "6. His refusal or neglect to take the oath of office within the time required by law, or to give or renew any bond within the time prescribed by law.
- "7. The decision of a competent tribunal declaring void his election or appointment."

It would seem a sufficient answer to the claim that this section applies to officers and employees appointed or retained under the present Charter of the city, to point out the fact that it is a regulation embodied in the revision of the general statutes of the State and, as such, adopted about 1830, and long before the special and purely local provisions of that charter were enacted.

Potter's Dwaris on Statutes, page 273.

People vs. Quigg, 59 N. Y., 83.

Village of Gloversville vs. Howell, 70 N. Y., 287.

I am of the opinion, moreover, that under the decisions of the courts the provisions of the sections above quoted would not apply to such officers and employees even though their offices and employments existed when the Revised Statutes were adopted.

"The whole of the first part of the Revised Statutes, including the definitions given at the heads of the chapters, and title to the subject matter following, was a single statute. Those heads are not titles of the acts, but are parts of the statute limiting and defining their effect."

People vs. Molineux, 40 N. Y., 119.

"The inscription to chapter 5 is not in any sense a title to the statute. It forms a part of the body of the act quite as much as the section cited, and it was inserted for the purpose of controlling and limiting the scope and application of the general words used in the chapter. Part I. of the Revised Statutes was passed as one act. The title and preamble of this act are in these words: 'An Act concerning the territorial limits and divisions, the civil polity, and the internal administration of this State.'

"Whereas, It is expedient that the several statutes of this State, relating to its territorial limits and divisions, its civil polity, and its internal administration, should be consolidated and arranged in appropriate chapters, titles, and articles; that the language thereof should be simplified, and that omissions and other defects should be supplied and amended; and therefore the people of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do declare and enact as follows, etc. Then follow the chapters, titles, and articles into which the act is divided, each containing a preliminary statement of the subjects to which they respectively relate. In this form of enactment such statements are a part of the law itself, and not in any wise extrinsic to the enacting clause. Their office is solely to control, limit, and apply the succeeding provisions of the statute. To reject them, or refuse to give effect to them, according to their fair and ordinary import and understanding, would be to make the law, not to administer it."

People vs. Molineux, 53 Barb., 15.

The same rule of interpretation has been followed in the following cases:

In re Kellum, 6 Lans., 3.

People vs. Daniel, 6 Lans., 49.

Bishop vs. Barton, 2 Hun, 436.

Brinckerhoff vs. Bostwick, 23 Hun, 239.

Robinson vs. The National Bank of Newburn, 81 N. Y., 385.

The section above quoted is found in article 4 of title 6, which, under the operation of the decisions above quoted, is, by its terms restricted to "general provisions applicable to all the civil officers of this State or to certain classes of them." That title is itself contained in the fifth chapter of Part I. of the Revised Statutes, and the provisions of such fifth chapter are (in accordance with the decisions above quoted) to be construed as restricted to "the public officers of this State other than militia and town officers," and the first title of this chapter defines the number, location and classification of such public officers.

Inasmuch as the several offices and employments covered by the resolution are not included in such enumeration, are not referred to elsewhere in the chapter of the Revised Statutes above cited, I am of the opinion that the provisions of section 34 do not apply to them.

I am, sir, yours respectfully,

GEORGE P. ANDREWS,  
Counsel to the Corporation.

LAW DEPARTMENT,  
OFFICE OF THE COUNSEL TO THE CORPORATION,  
NEW YORK, May 22, 1876.

Hon. ANDREW H. GREEN, Comptroller:

SIR—I duly received your letter of the 3d instant, enclosing a copy of an ordinance adopted by the Honorable the Common Council, on the 27th of January last, and requesting my opinion "upon the question of authority vested by law in the Board of Aldermen to pass said ordinance, and as to the validity of its provisions, and the obligations they impose upon the heads of Departments and other officers of the City Government who possess appointing powers."

The ordinance in question is as follows:

"In Common Council of the City of New York.

"AN ORDINANCE to prevent non-residents from holding office in any of the Departments or branches of the Government of the City of New York.

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

"Sec. 1. No person who is not a citizen of the State of New York, and a resident of the City and County of New York, shall be eligible to appointment to any office in any or either of the departments of the city government, either as president or commissioner, chief of Bureau, clerk or officer thereof, or employee therein, whether legislative, executive or judicial; nor shall any person not a resident of this city, who may be so employed or appointed, have any valid claim against the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of said city, for any salary, wages or compensation under or by virtue of holding any office in either of such departments or branches of the city government.

"Sec. 2. Any person holding any appointment or office, or employed in any of such departments or branches of the city government, except teachers of common schools, who shall, while holding such appointment or office, or so employed, remove from within the limits of this city, shall be deemed thereby to have resigned such appointment, vacated such office, or abandoned such employment, and it shall be the duty of the head of every department or other person authorized to make appointments or give employment, to appoint or employ a resident of this city to the office made vacant or employment so surrendered by said removal from this city, as provided by section 1 of this ordinance.

"Sec. 3. All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent or conflicting with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

"Sec. 4. This ordinance shall take effect on the first day of May, 1876."

My opinion in regard to the validity of this ordinance was requested by one of the Departments of the City Government some time since. A bill was then pending in the Legislature, which contained provisions in reference to the subject matter of the ordinance, and in the press of other business I postponed giving the opinion so requested, thinking that the Legislature might take some action which would render the opinion unnecessary. As the Legislature did not adopt the provision referred to, I have, in compliance with your request, given the matter my careful consideration; and, as I have been forced to the conclusion that the ordinance in question is, for the most part, invalid, it is due to the Common Council that I should fully state the reasons which have led me to such conclusion.

The power of the Common Council of this city to pass ordinances is derived from several sources, which are as follows: (1) The so-called charter of 1873; (2) acts of the Legislature expressly or impliedly conferring the power to enact ordinances; (3) the old charters of the city; (4) the general power possessed by all municipal corporations to pass certain ordinances by virtue of their incorporation. As the powers given to the Common Council by the old charters and acts of the Legislature include and supersede such general authority, it will be unnecessary to consider this source of power in discussing the question now under consideration.

The 17th section of the Act of 1873 empowers the Common Council to pass such ordinances as may be necessary to carry into effect all the powers vested in, or by that act conferred upon, the corporation, and also to pass ordinances not inconsistent with the law or the Constitution of the State for certain specified purposes. Section 90 also contains the following provision: "Whatever provisions and regulations other than those herein specially authorized may become requisite, for the fuller organization, perfecting and carrying out of the powers and duties prescribed to any department by this act shall be provided for by ordinance of the Common Council, who are hereby authorized to enact such necessary ordinances."

It will hardly be claimed, I think, that either of said sections authorizes the Common Council to pass the ordinance in question. The power to pass such an ordinance is not expressly given in either section, and such an ordinance is certainly not "necessary to carry into effect the powers of the corporation, nor is it requisite for the fuller organization, perfecting, and carrying out of the powers and duties prescribed to any department" by the act. Moreover, the provisions of section 28, authorizing heads of departments to appoint and remove subordinates, are wholly inconsistent (as will be hereinafter more fully set forth), with any such interpretation of said sections 17 and 90. There are other acts of the Legislature, now in force, under which the Common Council is authorized to pass ordinances in regard to a variety of matters, but, after a careful examination, I am unable to find any provision in those acts which gives any color of authority to pass this ordinance.

The remaining source of power to pass ordinances is found in the old charters of the city. In view of the very extensive powers vested in the Common Council by these charters, and the mass of legislation relating to this city, it is often difficult to determine how far those powers have been taken away, abridged, modified or rendered obsolete by acts of the Legislature. And in considering whether the Common Council has rendered obsolete by the present day to pass a particular ordinance the question is rendered more difficult by the fact, that the broad powers originally possessed by that body have not been taken away or abridged at once by a single act of the Legislature, but gradually, and by a series of such acts. As the system of the city government has been gradually changed by the Legislature, the power of the Common Council over the Departments has been restricted or taken away, sometimes by express enactments, and sometimes by necessary implication, and a clear idea

of the powers of the Common Council, and a correct opinion as to the right of the Common Council to pass the particular ordinance now under consideration can be reached only by ascertaining what powers were conferred upon the Common Council by such charters, and then tracing the course of the legislation in relation to the city government from the time when the charters were granted to the present day. This fact will explain the somewhat lengthy reference to the provisions of the old charters and acts of the Legislature which I am compelled to make in this opinion.

The ancient charters granted to the City of New York conferred upon the corporation in the fullest manner the right of local self government. The Common Council, as then constituted, consisted of the Mayor, Recorder, Aldermen and Assistant Aldermen, who met together, and acted as one body, and who were invested with all the legislative, and most of the executive powers of the corporation. The fourteenth section of the Montgomery charter contained the following provision: "And further we do, of our especial grace, certain knowledge and mere motion, for us, our heirs and successors, give, grant, ratify and confirm unto the said Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonality of the City of New York, and their successors forever, that the Mayor or Recorder, with four or more Aldermen, and four or more assistants of the said city, for the time being be, and shall be forever hereafter, called the Common Council of the City of New York; and that the said Common Council of the said city, for the time being, or the major part of them, have and may, and shall have full power, authority and license to frame, constitute, ordain, make and establish, from time to time, all such laws, statutes, rights, ordinances and constitutions, which to them, or the greater part of them, shall seem to be good, useful or necessary for the good rule and government of the body corporate aforesaid; and of all officers, ministers, artificers, citizens, inhabitants and residents of the said city, within the limits thereof, and for declaring how and after what manner and order the Mayor, Aldermen and assistants of the said city, for the time being, and all and every of their officers and ministers, and all officers and ministers, and all artificers, inhabitants and residents of the same city, and their factors, servants and apprentices, in their offices, functions and business, within the said city and liberties thereof for the time being, and from time to time, shall use, carry and behave themselves; and for the further public good, common profit, trade and better government and rule of the said city, and for the better preserving, governing, disposing, letting and setting of the lands, tenements, possessions and hereditaments, goods and chattels, to the aforesaid Mayor belonging, or to them and their successors hereafter to belong, and all other things and causes whatsoever touching or concerning the said city, or the State, right and interest of the same."

It would have been difficult to confer the power to pass ordinances in broader terms than those above quoted. Beside this general provision, however, the Charter, in express terms, conferred many powers upon the Common Council, among which were the right to establish ferries, to lay out, build and repair bridges, highways, streets and alleys, to have the assay of provisions, the gauging of wines, etc., to establish markets, to make free citizens, to erect bridewells, almshouses, workhouses and jails, and to appoint numerous subordinate officers. Nearly all the governmental powers of the corporation, executive as well as legislative, in every branch and department, were thus vested in the Common Council, which, among other things, could sell the real or personal property of the city, purchase real or personal property on behalf of the city, contract debts, borrow money and carry on public improvements of every description. Moreover, important judicial duties were devolved upon the Mayor and Aldermen; they were made justices of the peace, and were also authorized to hold Courts of Sessions and Oyer and Terminer, and a court for the trial of civil causes, called the "Mayor's Court."

The officers of the Corporation provided for in the Montgomery Charter were a Mayor, Recorder, seven Aldermen, seven Assistants, a Sheriff, Coroner, Common Clerk, Chamberlain, High Constable, sixteen Assessors, seven Collectors, sixteen Constables and one Marshal, who were to be appointed and elected as follows: The Mayor, Sheriff and Coroner were to be appointed annually by the Governor and Council of the province; the Recorder and Common Clerk by the Governor of the province; the Chamberlain and high constable by the Mayor and Common Council; the Marshal by the Mayor, and the Aldermen, assistants, assessors, collectors and constables were to be elected by the electors in the different wards; and the charter required all the said officers to be free men or freeholders and inhabitants of this city. The Common Council was also specially authorized to appoint surveyors of provisions, measures of various commodities, gaugers of liquors, garblers, beadies, bell-men, watchmen, bridewell-keepers, keepers of houses of correction, almshouses and jails, criers and bell-ringers; and the Mayor was authorized to appoint one or more marshals, porters, criers, cartmen, carmen, packers, cullers, common criers and scavengers. The charter did not expressly require that the last-mentioned appointees of the Common Council and Mayor, nor other persons holding subordinate positions under the city government, should be inhabitants or residents of the city. The Common Council was, however, authorized to make free citizens, and no one but a free citizen could vote or carry on any trade or occupation, or sell or goods or merchandise in the city. The charter did not (with some few exceptions) define the duties nor fix the compensation of officers of the city government mentioned in the charter, nor did it contain any specific provision as to the appointment, qualifications or compensation of such other clerks, subordinates or employes as might be required to conduct the business of the city. The Common Council, however, under its general powers, was fully authorized to pass ordinances in regard to those matters, and there can be little doubt that it would have been competent for that body (in the cases not covered by the charter itself) to pass an ordinance requiring all persons holding positions under the city government, as then constituted, to reside in the city. The question now presented is: Has the Common Council the same power at the present day?

The system of government for the city established by the Dungan Charter (1687), and continued and perfected by the Montgomery Charter (1730) remained undisturbed in its general features for a hundred years, the first act which in terms amended the Charter having been passed in 1830. In the meantime a great number of statutes affecting the city government had been passed. The manner of appointment and tenure of office of the Mayor, Recorder, Sheriff and Coroner and the qualifications of voters had been changed. The provisions of the Charter in regard to the civil courts had been for the most part superseded. A large portion of the powers of the Common Clerk had been transferred to the Register, the Clerk of the Courts of Oyer and Terminer and General Sessions and the Clerk of the Common Council, and the powers of the corporation in regard to the gauging of liquors, measuring of provisions, and similar matters had been greatly diminished or entirely taken away. Many laws had also been passed by the Colonial and State Legislatures in regard to matters of great public importance, such as the laying out, opening, closing and improving of streets, roads and public places; in regard to wharves and piers, ferries, the Fire Department, jails and almshouses, police, health, borrowing money, elections, courts, fees of officers, taxes and assessments, markets and many other matters. Notwithstanding the Charter gave the Common Council power to pass ordinances in reference to all these matters, it was deemed necessary or advisable to procure legislation in regard to them, and laws were passed which enlarged, defined and supplemented the powers given by the Charter to the corporation and the Common Council; but though the Legislature thus made specific provisions in regard to many matters over which the Common Council had control under the Charter, the general system established by the Charter and which placed most executive and legislative powers of the corporation in the Common Council was preserved.

The amendment to the charter passed by the Legislature in 1830, made a great innovation in the old order of things; the act passed in that year, being the first of a series of statutes which have entirely changed the system of government established by the original charter of the city, and which have almost entirely taken away the executive powers, and have greatly diminished the legislative powers of the Common Council. The principal changes made by the Act of 1830, were the following: The Mayor and Recorder were no longer to be members of the Common Council; the Aldermen and Assistants, instead of meeting together, were to meet as separate and independent bodies; the Mayor was given a veto power upon the ordinances of the Common Council; no money could be drawn unless previously appropriated; the Common Council was forbidden to borrow money; and the executive business of the corporation was to be performed by distinct departments, which it was made the duty of the Common Council to organize and appoint for that purpose.

Although the executive business of the city under this act was to be performed by departments as the Common Council was to organize and appoint those departments it still retained control over the duties, compensation and qualifications of all the heads of departments, and all clerks, employees and subordinates of every description. The ordinances passed by the Common Council, pursuant to the Charter of 1830, show that the control of the Common Council over the affairs of the city still remained almost intact.

In 1849, however, the Legislature went a step further, and passed another amendment of that charter, which materially impaired the powers of the Common Council. The 9th section of that act was as follows:

"The executive power of the corporation shall be vested in the Mayor, the heads of departments and such other executive officers as shall be from time to time created by law, and neither the Common Council, nor any committee or member thereof shall perform any executive business whatever, except such as is or shall be specifically imposed on them by the laws of the State, and except that the Board of Aldermen may approve or reject the nominations made to them, as hereinafter provided."

This statute provided for and established nine executive departments, and in a general way defined their duties and powers; and it was also provided that all contracts should be made by the appropriate heads of departments; and such heads of departments, except the Crown Aqueduct Department, were to be elected by the people. The Common Council was, however, authorized to establish such other departments and bureaus as it might deem the public interest to require, and to assign to them and those created by the act, such duties as it might direct, not inconsistent with the act. It was also expressly declared that several executive departments and officers and clerks thereof, should be subject to the legislative regulation and direction of the Common Council; and, although the Common Council was no longer to appoint the heads of departments, yet all heads of bureaus and clerks were to be nominated to, and appointed by and with the consent of the Board of Aldermen. The assistants had the sole power of impeaching all city officers, and the number of clerks in the several departments were to be prescribed by the Common Council.

It will be seen from this statement that, notwithstanding the inroads made upon the powers of

the Common Council by the Acts of 1830 and 1849, that body still virtually had control of the appointment of all subordinates in the departments, and could prescribe their qualifications.

The next act amending the charter of the city was passed in 1853. Although this law did not affect the powers of the Common Council over the heads of departments and their subordinates, it entirely changed the constitution of the Common Council, and further materially limited its powers, and the history of the legislation in reference to the city government would be incomplete without some reference to its provisions, of which the most important were the following: The Common Council was to consist of a Board of Aldermen, one from each ward, and a Board of Councilmen, sixty in number; ordinances involving the expenditure of money, not imperative under the State law, could originate with the Councilmen only; a two-third vote was necessary to pass an ordinance over the Mayor's veto; Aldermen were no longer to act as Judges of the Courts of Oyer and Terminer and General and Special Sessions; all ferries, docks, piers or slips were to be leased, and all leases and sales of public property were to be made by public auction; no money was to be expended for any celebration, except by a three-fourths vote of the Common Council, and no allowance could be made beyond legal claims; officers of police and policemen were to be appointed by the Mayor, Recorder and City Judge; and all contracts involving expenditures over \$250 were to be by contract made at public auction.

The act of 1853 was followed by a further amendment of the charter, passed in 1847. This law again changed the organization of the Common Council, re-enacted many of the above-mentioned provisions of the acts of 1830, 1849, and 1853, and contained other provisions which still further abridged the powers of the Common Council. It established six departments, and enumerated the bureaus which there were to be in each department, and defined the duties and powers of such departments and bureaus. The Mayor, Comptroller and Corporation Counsel were to be elected, and were removable by the Governor; the other heads of departments and the Chamberlain were to be appointed and to be removed by the Mayor and Aldermen; the heads of departments, for the first time in the history of the city government, was authorized to appoint and remove heads of bureaus and clerks in their respective departments. It was still, however, practically in the power of the Common Council to pass ordinances in regard to the qualification of heads of departments and their subordinates, and enforce compliance with the same, for (with the three exceptions above-mentioned) the heads of departments could only be appointed with the consent of the Aldermen, and the number of clerks in every department, and their salaries, were to be fixed by the Common Council.

The powers of the Common Council were further restricted by an act passed in 1862, which enabled the heads of departments to make contracts without the assent of the Common Council, and transferred the power of confirming assessments to the Board of Revision and Correction, and many matters which were originally wholly or partially under the control of the Common Council were, from time to time, transferred to various independent departments, commissioners and officers, the most important of which were the Metropolitan Police, Health and Fire Departments, the Commissioners of Taxes and Assessments, the Commissioners of Charities and Correction, the Commissioners of the Central Park, Harbor Master and Port Wardens.

From the foregoing history of the charters and laws relating to the city it will be apparent that the power originally vested in the Common Council of appointing the heads of the departments and clerks therein, and determining their duties and compensation though restricted and modified, had not been wholly taken away by the acts above mentioned; but the limited powers in relation to the departments which had been left to the Common Council by such laws, were almost entirely swept away by the act of the Legislature commonly though inappropriately called "The Charter of 1870." The Acts of 1830, 1849, 1853 and 1857, were all passed as amendments of the Charter, but the act passed in 1870 was entitled, "An Act to reorganize the local government of the City of New York." This title well expressed the subject of the act, for it did reorganize the government of the city in a most radical manner. A purpose prominently displayed in this law was to deprive the Common Council of the powers which it still possessed, and to concentrate as much power as possible in the hands of the Mayor. The Common Council was still made to consist of the Boards of Aldermen and Assistants, though the manner of their election was changed. A great parade was made of bestowing power upon the Common Council and the twenty-seven subdivisions of the twenty-first section of the act are taken up with a detailed enumeration of powers purporting to be conferred upon the Common Council by the Legislature, many of which were of little importance, and nearly all of which had been possessed by the Common Council ever since the Montgomery charter was granted; but, among the provisions for the actual control of the government of the city, reference to the Common Council was conspicuously wanting. The act established eleven departments and conferred on those departments not only all the powers previously possessed by the departments of the city government, but also those possessed by various hitherto independent boards and commissions. The city was excepted from the operation of the laws establishing the Metropolitan Police, Health and Fire Departments, and new Departments of Police, Health and Fire were established as parts of the City Government; the Board of Education and the Central Park Commission were abolished, and their powers transferred to the new Departments of Public Parks and Public Instruction, and the Department of Public Charities and Correction was made a regular department of the City Government. It was claimed, as I understand, that this law restored to the city local self-government. This was true in one sense. It was a restoration of local self government, but it was not accomplished by giving back to the Common Council the powers which it originally possessed, but by vesting them in the Mayor and heads of departments to be appointed by him. The power of Governor and the Common Council to remove heads of departments was taken away, and, instead, the Mayor alone was authorized to impeach all heads of departments, who if so impeached, were to be tried by the full Court of Common Pleas. Moreover, the heads of departments were authorized to appoint and remove all chiefs of bureaus (except the Chamberlain) and all clerks, officers and employees and subordinates in the different departments of the City Government.

The so-called Charter of 1873 repealed the Act of 1870 and the other acts above mentioned, but (except as to the appointment and removal of heads of departments) re-enacted nearly all the provisions of said laws which had taken away, abridged or modified the powers of the Common Council, and added additional restriction upon the exercise of its legislative powers. The assent of the Aldermen was required to the appointment of heads of departments, but such heads were invested with the power to appoint and remove all heads of bureau, officers, clerks, employees and subordinates and (subject to the revision of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment) to fix their number, duties and salaries.

It seems to me that, at least since the passage of the Act of 1870, the Common Council has not had, nor has it now, the right or power, directly or indirectly, to determine what shall qualify or disqualify a person holding a position in a Department of the City Government. The possession of such power by the Common Council would be wholly inconsistent with, and might entirely nullify the provisions of the Charter authorizing the heads of Departments to appoint and remove their subordinates. If the Common Council can require that persons holding positions in the Department shall reside in the city, it may also require that they shall reside in particular localities, or that they shall be of a particular nationality, or of a certain age. Such a construction of the law is in my opinion wholly inadmissible. The heads of Departments hold the power of appointment, not from the ancient Charters of the City, nor from the Common Council, but directly from the Legislature. It is well settled that the Legislature has full and absolute control over the whole matter of the government of this and other cities, subject only to the provisions of the Constitution and to any vested rights of property. The Common Council had no vested right in regard to the making of appointments which could not be abridged or taken away. The Legislature has seen fit to confer upon the heads of Departments very many of the powers formerly possessed by the Common Council, including the power of appointing all subordinates, and I have no doubt that the right to appoint such subordinates carries with it the right to determine the qualifications of all appointees, free from any control of the Common Council.

I am, therefore, constrained to advise you that the ordinance of the Common Council transmitted with your letter, so far as it relates to persons holding positions in the executive departments of the City Government, or under appointment by judicial officers, is invalid. So far as relates to the heads of Departments who may be nominated by the Mayor for full terms of office, it is, of course, still in the power of the Board of Aldermen to refuse to confirm those so nominated (if any) who shall not be citizens of the State and residents of the city.

With regard to persons holding positions under appointment from the Common Council, the ordinance is undoubtedly valid.

I am, sir, yours respectfully,

WM. C. WHITNEY, Counsel to the Corporation.

Which was referred to the Committee on Salaries and Offices.

#### MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS RESUMED.

By Alderman Kenney—

Whereas, Extensive repairs are necessary on the public baths under the charge of the Department of Public Works, more especially on the submerged portions thereof, and it is impossible to make sufficiently approximate estimates and specifications for such repairs to form a proper basis for bids or proposals; therefore

Resolved, That authority is hereby given to the Department of Public Works to have the necessary repairs to said public baths made by one or several contracts or orders without public advertisement and letting, and in such manner as the said Department may deem for the best interests of the city, including all the labor and materials necessary for the same, provided the sum or sums so expended shall not exceed \$4,500; to be paid from the appropriation "Free Floating Baths," 1884, as provided in section 64 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882.

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Works.

#### UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

Alderman Grant called up G. O. 22, being a resolution, as follows:

Resolved, That gas-mains be laid, lamp-posts erected and street-lamps lighted in Eighty-seventh street, from Eighth to Ninth avenue, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote :

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Cleary, De Lacy, Dempsey, Duffy, Farley, Finck, Fullgraff, Grant, Jaehne, Kenney, Miller, McCabe, McQuade, O'Connor, O'Neil, Reilly, Rothman, Sayles, Sheils, and Wendel—21.

Alderman O'Neil called up G. O. 55, being a preamble and resolution, as follows :

Whereas, The Board of Estimate and Apportionment has appropriated the sum of eleven thousand dollars to enable the Commissioner of Public Works to procure two steam-rollers for the purpose of consolidating and properly preparing the foundations for stone-block pavements, and for other similar purposes ; and

Whereas, The machines are of such construction as to render it impossible to secure competition in their purchase; therefore be it

Resolved, That the Commissioner of Public Works be and he is hereby authorized to purchase two steam-rollers, known as the Aveling & Porter Steam Road Rollers, at five thousand five hundred dollars each, without public letting, as prescribed by section 64 of the New York Consolidation Act of 1882, the expense thereof to be charged to the appropriation especially provided for that purpose.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote :

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Cleary, De Lacy, Dempsey, Duffy, Farley, Finck, Fullgraff, Grant, Jaehne, Kenney, Miller, McCabe, McQuade, O'Connor, O'Neil, Pearson, Reilly, Rothman, Sayles, Sheils, and Wendel—22.

Alderman Sheils called up G. O. 37, being a preamble and resolution, as follows :

Whereas, A public drive, free from obstruction by the rails of street surface railroads, or the danger of accident from horses frightened by locomotives or the noise of passing trains on elevated railways, and extending from the business portion of the city to the Central Park is almost an absolute necessity, and that such a thoroughfare would be conceded, on all hands, to be a great advantage to the public; and

Whereas, The Fifth avenue is the only wide thoroughfare in this city that can be made available for that purpose, being entirely free from the annoyances and dangers referred to; it connects directly with the main entrance to the Central Park at Fifty-ninth street; forms the eastern boundary of that great public resort for its entire length, and extends northwardly to the Harlem river; and

Whereas, The stone pavement at present in the carriageway of Fifth avenue, south of the Central Park, is much out of repair; requires constant expense to keep in order; will ere long require to be renewed, and is totally unfitted for light vehicle travel, for which it is now mainly used; and

Whereas, The portion of the said avenue included between Fifty-ninth and One Hundred and Tenth streets is now paved with Macadam pavement, and there can be no question but the health, comfort and convenience of the public requires that the carriageway of this thoroughfare, south of Fifty-ninth street, should be paved in a like manner; and

Whereas, Allan Campbell, Esq., when Commissioner of Public Works, in a communication addressed to the Common Council, November 9, 1880, in answer to a resolution requesting him to give an estimate of the probable cost of the work, fixed the sum at \$217,000, exclusive of crosswalks; be it therefore

Resolved, That the Counsel to the Corporation be and he is hereby authorized and directed to prepare a memorial on behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, praying for the passage of an act by the Legislature of this State authorizing the Corporation of the City of New York to appropriate the sum of three hundred thousand dollars for paving the carriageway of Fifth avenue, from Washington Square to Fifty-eighth street, with Macadam pavement; the work to be done as provided in chapter 476, Laws of 1875; also, that the Counsel to the Corporation prepare the said act, and, when approved by his Honor the Mayor, transmit the memorial and act to the State Legislature.

Alderman Sayles moved to amend by striking out the words "Macadam pavement," wherever they occur in the preamble and resolution, and inserting in lieu thereof the words "granite-block pavement, similar to that now in Broadway."

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

Alderman Finck moved to amend by striking from the resolution the words "three hundred thousand dollars for paving," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "a sum sufficient to pave."

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said preamble and resolution as amended.

Which was decided in the affirmative.

Alderman Wendell called up veto message of his Honor the Mayor (No. 15), being a resolution, as follows :

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to P. Girolamo to erect a small barber-pole in front of his premises, No. 346 West Forty second street, the same to be at the curb-line; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

The Board then, as provided in section 75, chapter 410, Laws of 1882, proceeded to reconsider the same, and, upon a vote being taken thereon, was adopted, notwithstanding the objections of his Honor the Mayor, as follows :

Affirmative—Aldermen Cleary, De Lacy, Dempsey, Duffy, Farley, Finck, Fullgraff, Grant, Jaehne, Kenney, Miller, McCabe, McQuade, O'Neil, Pearson, Reilly, Rothman, Sayles, Sheils, and Wendel—20.

Negative—Alderman O'Connor—1.

Alderman De Lacy called up G. O. 42, being a resolution and ordinance, as follows :

Resolved, That the sidewalks on both sides of Seventh avenue, between One Hundred and Twenty-fifth and One Hundred and Thirty-sixth streets, be flagged full width, where not already done, and that crosswalks be laid where not already laid, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative, by the following vote :

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Cleary, De Lacy, Dempsey, Duffy, Farley, Finck, Fullgraff, Jaehne, Kenney, Miller, McCabe, McQuade, O'Connor, O'Neil, Pearson, Reilly, Rothman, Sayles, Sheils, and Wendel—21.

Alderman Farley called up G. O. 46, being a resolution and ordinance, as follows :

Resolved, That Sixtieth street, from Eighth avenue to the Boulevard, be regulated, graded, curbed and flagged, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative, by the following vote :

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Cleary, De Lacy, Dempsey, Duffy, Farley, Finck, Fullgraff, Grant, Kenney, Miller, McCabe, McQuade, O'Connor, O'Neil, Reilly, Rothman, Sayles, Sheils, and Wendel—20.

Alderman Cleary called up G. O. 49, being a resolution and ordinance, as follows :

Resolved, That One Hundred and Fortieth street, between Fifth and Sixth avenues, be regulated and graded, the curb stones be set, and the sidewalks flagged a space four feet wide, through the centre thereof, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative, by the following vote :

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Cleary, De Lacy, Dempsey, Duffy, Farley, Finck, Fullgraff, Grant, Kenney, Miller, McCabe, McQuade, O'Connor, O'Neil, Pearson, Reilly, Rothman, Sayles, Sheils, and Wendel—21.

Alderman Fullgraff called up G. O. 35, being a resolution, as follows :

Resolved, That gas-mains be laid, lamp-posts erected, and street-lamps lighted in Sedgwick avenue, from Fordham Landing road to Boston avenue, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Cleary, De Lacy, Dempsey, Duffy, Farley, Fullgraff, Grant, Kenney, Miller, McCabe, McQuade, O'Connor, O'Neil, Pearson, Reilly, Rothman, Sayles, Sheils and Wendel—20.

Alderman McQuade called up G. O. 48, being a resolution and ordinance, as follows :

Resolved, That the vacant lots on the block bounded by Eighth avenue, St. Nicholas avenue, One Hundred and Twenty-sixth and One Hundred and Twenty-seventh streets, be fenced in, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote :

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Cleary, De Lacy, Dempsey, Duffy, Farley, Finck, Fullgraff, Grant, Kenney, Miller, McCabe, McQuade, O'Neil, Pearson, Reilly, Rothman, Sayles, Sheils, and Wendel—20.

Alderman Dempsey called up G. O. 53, being a resolution and ordinance, as follows :

Resolved, That the vacant lots on west side of Boulevard, from One Hundred and Twenty-eighth to One Hundred and Thirty-fourth street, be fenced in, where not already done, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative, by the following vote :

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Cleary, De Lacy, Dempsey, Duffy, Farley, Finck, Fullgraff, Grant, Kenney, Miller, McCabe, McQuade, O'Neil, Pearson, Reilly, Rothman, Sayles, Sheils, and Wendel—20.

Alderman O'Neil called up veto message of his Honor the Mayor (No. 13), being a resolution, as follows :

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Charles S. Jost to place and keep a barber-pole on the sidewalk, near the curb-stone, on the north side of Thirteenth street, about twenty-five feet east of Broadway; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

The Board, then, as provided in section 75, chapter 410, Laws of 1882, proceeded to reconsider the same, and upon a vote being taken thereon, was adopted, notwithstanding the objections of his Honor, the Mayor, as follows :

Affirmative—Aldermen Cleary, De Lacy, Dempsey, Duffy, Farley, Finck, Fullgraff, Kenney, Miller, McCabe, McQuade, O'Neil, Pearson, Reilly, Rothman, Waite, and Wendel—17.

Alderman Duffy called up G. O. 47, being a resolution, as follows :

Resolved, That a Croton-water main be laid in Lexington avenue, north from One Hundred and Sixteenth street and to One Hundred and Seventeenth street, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, as provided in the New York Consolidation Act of 1882, sections 189 and 194.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote :

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Cleary, De Lacy, Dempsey, Duffy, Farley, Finck, Fullgraff, Grant, Kenney, Miller, McCabe, McQuade, O'Connor, O'Neil, Pearson, Reilly, Rothman, Sayles, Sheils, and Wendel—21.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS AGAIN RESUMED.

Alderman O'Connor moved that the Board do now adjourn.

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

Which was decided in the negative.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS RESUMED.

Alderman McCabe called up G. O. 41, being a resolution, as follows :

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to James Gordon Bennett to extend the vault in front of his premises, No. 28 Ann street, a distance of five feet beyond the curb-stone and extending along Ann street a distance of ten feet from the westerly line of the lot as shown on the annexed diagram, upon payment of the usual fee, provided the work be done in a safe and durable manner, and that the said James Gordon Bennett stipulates with the Commissioner of Public Works to save the city harmless from any loss or damage that may occur during the progress of or subsequent to the completion of the work, which is to be done at his own expense, and to the satisfaction of the Commissioner of Public Works; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

Alderman Reilly called up G. O. 33, being a resolution, as follows :

Resolved, That gas-mains be laid, lamp-posts erected and street-lamps lighted in Sixty-seventh street, between Third avenue and Avenue A, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative, by the following vote :

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Cleary, Dempsey, Duffy, Finck, Fullgraff, Grant, Kenney, Miller, McCabe, McQuade, O'Connor, O'Neil, Pearson, Reilly, Rothman, Sayles, Sheils, and Wendel—19.

(Alderman Grant was here called to the chair.)

Alderman Kenney called up G. O. 58, being a resolution, as follows :

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

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

Which was decided in the affirmative, by the following vote :

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Cleary, De Lacy, Dempsey, Duffy, Finck, Fullgraff, Grant, Kenney, Miller, McCabe, McQuade, O'Neil, Pearson, Reilly, Rothman, Sayles, Sheils, and Wendel—19.

Alderman Sayles called up G. O. 54, being a resolution, as follows :

Resolved, That the Commissioner of Public Works is hereby requested to relay the crosswalk on west side of Lexington avenue and Eighty-third street.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote :

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Cleary, Dempsey, Duffy, Fullgraff, Grant, Kenney, Miller, McCabe, McQuade, O'Neil, Pierson, Reilly, Rothman, Sayles, Sheils, and Wendel—18.

Alderman Pearson called up veto message of his Honor the Mayor (No. 14), being a resolution, as follows :

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Richard Piellusch to erect a barber-pole at the curb-line in front of his premises, No. 217 West Nineteenth street; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

The Board, then, as provided in section 75, chapter 410, Laws of 1882, proceeded to reconsider the same, and upon a vote being taken thereon, was adopted, notwithstanding the objections of his Honor the Mayor, as follows :

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Cleary, Dempsey, Duffy, Finck, Fullgraff, Grant, Kenney, Miller, McCabe, McQuade, O'Neil, Pearson, Reilly, Rothman, Sayles, Sheils, and Wendel—18.

Alderman Finck called up G. O. 45, being a resolution, as follows :

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Richard Holsten to erect a storm-door in front of the side entrance to his premises on Twenty-ninth street, northwest corner of Fourth avenue, to be six feet wide and four feet deep; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

Alderman Miller called up G. O. 34, being a resolution, as follows :

Resolved, That two lamp-posts be erected and Boulevard lamps lighted in front of the Dominican Convent, Lexington avenue, between Sixty-fifth and Sixty-sixth streets, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Cleary, Dempsey, Duffy, Finck, Fullgraff, Grant, Kenney, Miller, McCabe, McQuade, O'Neil, Pearson, Reilly, Rothman, Sayles, Sheils, and Wendel—18.

Alderman Grant called up G. O. 39, being a resolution as follows :

Resolved, That the Commissioner of Public Works be and he is hereby directed to connect the opposite sides of Ninth avenue, at the intersection of Seventy-third street, by crosswalks on the north and south sides of said street, of two courses of stone of the regulation width.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote :

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Cleary, Dempsey, Duffy, Finck, Fullgraff, Grant, Kenney, Miller, McCabe, McQuade, O'Neil, Pearson, Reilly, Rothman, Sayles, Sheils, and Wendel—18.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS AGAIN RESUMED.

Alderman Finck moved that the Board do now adjourn.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

And the President pro tem. announced that the Board stood adjourned until Monday next, the 3d proximo, at 1 o'clock P. M.

FRANCIS J. TWOMEY, Clerk.

APPROVED PAPERS

Resolutions, etc., approved by the Mayor during the week ending February 23, 1884.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to James E. Flagg to erect two poles not over eight feet high, at the curb-line in front of premises No. 1533 Third avenue, the said poles to be connected with a cross-bar for the hanging on of meat; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

The publication of the foregoing is an error. The resolution was vetoed by his Honor the Mayor, February 19, 1884.

The following is the resolution that became adopted February 19, 1884, and should have been published in place of the above:

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to John Hanby to erect a news-stand under the steps of the elevated railroad, northeast corner of Ninth avenue and Fourteenth street; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, February 7, 1884.

Received from his Honor the Mayor, February 19, 1884, without his approval or objections thereto; therefore, as provided in section 75, chapter 410, Laws of 1882, the same became adopted.

FRANCIS J. TWOMEY,  
Clerk of the Common Council.

BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND APPORTIONMENT

BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND APPORTIONMENT—CITY OF NEW YORK,  
MAYOR'S OFFICE, CITY HALL,  
MONDAY, February 25, 1884—12 o'clock M.

The Board met in pursuance of a resolution adopted at a meeting held February 9, 1884, fixing special dates for meetings.

Present—The following members, viz.:

Franklin Edson, the Mayor; S. Hastings Grant, the Comptroller; Wm. P. Kirk, the President of the Board of Aldermen.

Absent—Thos. B. Astor, the President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments.

The minutes of the meeting held February 18, 1884, were read and approved.

The Comptroller moved that the President of the Board of Aldermen act as Secretary pro tem. to this Board during the absence of the Secretary.

Which was agreed to.

The Comptroller presented the following:

DEPARTMENT OF STREET CLEANING, CITY OF NEW YORK,  
Nos. 31 AND 32 PARK ROW,  
NEW YORK, February 18, 1884.

To the Honorable the Board of Estimate and Apportionment:

GENTLEMEN—By authority vested in me under section 4 of chapter 367 of the Laws of 1881, I desire that the renewal or extension of the lease of Pier 12, East river, from October 31 to December 31, 1883, heretofore approved by your Honorable Board, November 8, 1883, be further extended and renewed to March 31, 1884, and for this purpose do hereby submit the inclosed memorandum of agreement for your approval.

Very respectfully,  
J. S. COLEMAN, Commissioner of Street Cleaning.

The parties to the within and foregoing contract, each in consideration of the agreement of the other party thereto, do further covenant and agree, each with the other, that said contract shall be and continue in full force and effect as to all its grants, terms and conditions except as to the date of its expiration until the 31st day of March, 1884, unless the party of the second part shall at a previous date become sole owner of the within-mentioned premises, in which event this lease shall expire when such ownership is acquired.

Witness our hands this day of February, 1884.

In presence of

—and offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the lease of Pier 12, East river, the renewal or extension of which from October 31, 1883, to December 31, 1883, was approved November 8, 1883, by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, be and the same is hereby further renewed and extended on the same terms and conditions, to March 31, 1884, as requested by the Commissioner of Street Cleaning, in pursuance of section 706 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, and President of the Board of Aldermen—3.

The Comptroller offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the amounts following be and hereby are appropriated from the Excise Fund, under the provisions of section 210, chapter 410, Laws of 1882 (New York City Consolidation Act of 1882), for the support of children in the month of January, 1884, including bill of "Ladies' Deborah Nursery and Child's Protectory" for December, 1883, committed by police magistrates to the institutions named, pursuant to law:

NAME	NUMBER OF CHILDREN	DAYS	RATE	AMOUNT
Institution of Mercy	1,037	31,430	\$2 per week	\$8,727 50
St. Stephen's Home for Children	365	11,150	"	3,185 71
St. Joseph's Asylum	310	9,415	"	2,690 00
Missionary Sisters, Third Order of St. Francis	444	13,229	"	3,643 21
Mission of the Immaculate Virgin	609	18,279	"	5,222 57
Asylum Sisters of St. Dominic	371	11,173	"	3,117 29
Dominican Convent of Our Lady of the Rosary	141	3,772	"	1,077 71
Association for the Benefit of Colored Orphans	59	3,006	"	855 86
St. James' Home	112	3,385	"	967 14
Association for Befriending Children and Young Girls	19	589	"	168 29
St. Ann's Home	39	1,116	"	318 86
American Female Guardian Society and Home for the Friendless	95	2,671	"	763 14
Asylum of St. Vincent de Paul	60	1,860	"	531 43
Hebrew Sheltering Guardian Society	245	7,455	"	2,110 00
Ladies' Deborah Nursery and Child's Protectory	278	8,416	"	2,404 57
" " " " for Dec., 1883	275	8,207	"	2,319 36
Total				\$38,102 64

Which was adopted by the following vote:  
Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, and President of the Board of Aldermen—3.

The Comptroller offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the sum of three hundred and seventy-seven dollars and five cents (\$377.05), be and hereby is appropriated from the Excise Fund to the "Home for Fallen and Friendless Girls" for the support of forty-one inmates in the month of January, 1884, aggregating nine hundred and twenty days, at the rate of \$150 per annum, pursuant to section 208, chapter 410, Laws of 1882 (New York City Consolidation Act of 1882).

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, and President of the Board of Aldermen—3.

The Comptroller offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the title of the appropriation made in the Final Estimate for the year 1882, entitled, "Refunding Interest and Charges on Lands sold for Taxes and Assessments—For amount to refund to purchasers the Interest and Charges on sales for Taxes and Assessments canceled by the Courts,"

—be amended so as to read as follows:

Refunding Interest and Charges on Lands sold for Taxes and Assessments—For amount to refund to purchasers the Interest and Charges on sales for Taxes and Assessments canceled by the Courts, or by reason of erroneous sales.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, and President of the Board of Aldermen—3.

The President of the Board of Aldermen moved that the matter of approval of contracts for cleaning the streets be laid over for one week.

Which was agreed to.

The Chairman presented the following:

No. 21 CORTLANDT STREET, February 7, 1884.

Hon. FRANKLIN EDSON, Mayor:

DEAR SIR—Mr. Moir will have the honor to submit to you the estimate of expenses prepared by the Municipal Service Examining Boards.

It had been the purpose of the Examiners under Schedule B, to await the working of the system, and be able to present some results, before asking a further appropriation, but they yield to the views of their associates.

With respect to the salary of the Secretary, I may be allowed to express the judgment of the Examiners under Schedule B, that inasmuch as the expense of a clerk is to be paid, for the present at least, by himself, the sum of \$2,000 does not seem an unreasonable compensation for his services; \$1,500, we believe, would cover the expense of stationery, etc.

It is proposed to hold an examination under Schedule B on Friday, the 15th inst., and as public attention will be particularly directed to it, we are making such careful preparation as to insure a good first impression.

Very respectfully yours,

A. R. MACDONOUGH.

At a meeting of the Municipal Service Examining Boards for the City of New York, held on the 6th day of February, 1884, at the residence of Dr. Manley, No. 302 West Fifty-third street, a quorum of seven members being present, the following estimate of expenses for conducting the business of the Examining Boards during the current year, was agreed upon and adopted; and it was directed that the same be respectfully submitted to the Mayor, to be presented, when he shall deem it expedient to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment.

For two sessions weekly, of three hours each, at \$5.00 per hour, for Schedule C, and also for the Medical Board of Schedule C:

Schedule C.....\$4,680 00  
Medical Board.....4,680 00

\$9,360 00

For two sessions monthly, of three hours each, at \$5.00 per hour, for Schedule B.....

1,080 00

\$10,440 00

Say.....\$10,500 00

For experts for Schedule C, say at a maximum of \$10 per week.....

500 00

For Secretary, say.....

1,500 00

For clerk-hire, stationery, printing and postage.....

2,000 00

For contingencies.....

500 00

\$15,000 00

The examinations to be conducted on economical business principles, no unnecessary expenses to be incurred, and all bills to be approved by an Auditing Committee of the Boards.

A. R. MACDONOUGH, Chairman of Examining Board.

Which was referred to the Comptroller.

The Chairman offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Comptroller be and he is hereby requested to prepare a statement showing the details of the increase in the appropriations in the Final Estimate for 1884, together with details respecting the objects and purposes of such increase over and above the appropriations for 1883.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, and President of the Board of Aldermen—3.

On motion, the Board adjourned.

W. P. KIRK, Secretary pro tem.

ASSESSMENT COMMISSION.

No. 27 CHAMBERS STREET,  
TUESDAY, February 19, 1884—2 o'clock P. M.

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

Present—Commissioners Daniel Lord, Jr. (Chairman), and John Kelly.

The Clerk presented copies of the CITY RECORD and "Daily Register" of February 18 and 19, 1884, showing the publication of notices of the meeting.

The minutes of the meeting held February 15, 1884, were read and approved.

The Clerk reported that he had filed in the Finance Department, on February 18, 1884, certificates reducing assessments in the cases specified in the resolution adopted on February 15, 1884.

Calendar.

No. 3995. Matter of Cornelia R. Rhoades—Assessment for Eighth avenue regulating, grading, etc., between Fifty-ninth and One Hundred and Twenty-second streets; confirmed June 16, 1876.

On motion of T. H. Baldwin, Esq., attorney for the petitioner, the decision made by the Commissioners on December 4, 1883, reducing this assessment, was made applicable to this case.

No. 3932. Matter of Gabriel Kunz, guardian, etc.—Assessment for Boulevard regulating, grading, etc., between Fifty-ninth and One Hundred and Fifty-fifth streets; confirmed December 29, 1876.

On motion of T. H. Baldwin, Esq., attorney for the petitioner, the decision made by the Commissioners on November 14, 1882, reducing this assessment, was made applicable to this case.

No. 1643. Matter of Daniel R. Kendall—Assessment for One Hundred and Twenty-second street regulating, grading, etc., between Mount Morris square and Ninth avenue; confirmed August 2, 1875.

On motion of A. B. Johnson, Esq., attorney for the petitioner, the decision made by the Commissioners on November 27, 1883, reducing this assessment, was made applicable to this case.

No. 4783. Matter of James H. Coleman—Assessment for First avenue paving, between Thirty-sixth and Sixty-first streets; confirmed March 26, 1874.

John C. Shaw, Esq., attorney, presented the evidence on behalf of the petitioner, and rested his case. The Counsel representing the City, presented a portion of the evidence on behalf of the city, after which the further hearing of the case was adjourned.

No. 4818. Matter of James R. Jesup—Assessment for Third avenue sewer, between Ninety-third and One Hundred and Seventh streets; confirmed January 3, 1873.

John C. Shaw, Esq., attorney, presented the evidence on behalf of the petitioner, and rested his case, after which the further hearing was adjourned.

No. 2108. Matter of Isaac and Simon Bernheimer—Assessment for Eighth avenue regulating, grading, etc., between Fifty-ninth and One Hundred and Twenty-second streets; confirmed June 16, 1876.

On motion of H. A. Shipman, Esq., attorney for the petitioner, the decision made by the Commissioners, on December 4, 1883, reducing this assessment, was made applicable to this case.

Decisions.

Commissioner Kelly presented the following resolution, viz.:

Resolved, That the decisions made by the Commissioners on November 14, 1882, and November 27 and December 4, 1883, reducing certain assessments for street improvements in the City of New York, be made the decisions of the Commissioners in the following similar cases, proofs of title having been furnished, viz.:

Assessment for Boulevard Regulating, Grading, etc., between Fifty-ninth and One Hundred and Fifty-fifth Streets; Confirmed December 29, 1876.

No. 3932. Gabriel Kunz, guardian, etc.....reduced from \$608 05 to \$395 23

Assessment for One Hundred and Twenty-second Street Regulating, Grading, etc., between Mount Morris Square and Ninth Avenue; Confirmed August 2, 1875.

No. 1643. Daniel R. Kendall.....reduced from \$3,805 04 to \$3,234 30

Assessment for Eighth Avenue Regulating, Grading, etc., between Fifty-ninth and One Hundred and Twenty-second Streets; Confirmed June 16, 1876.

No. 3995. Cornelia R. Rhoades.....reduced from \$1,922 68 to \$1,576 60

Which was adopted by the following vote, viz.:

Affirmative—Commissioners Lord, and Kelly—2.

Motions.

On motion of Commissioner Kelly, the Commission adjourned.

JAMES J. MARTIN, Clerk.

BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS.

REPORTED MORTALITY\* for the week ending February 16, 1884, together with the ACTUAL MORTALITY for the week ending February 9, 1884.

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

SIR—There were 694 deaths reported to have occurred in this city during the week ending Saturday, February 16, 1884, which is an increase of 67, as compared with the number reported the preceding week, and 71 more than were reported during the corresponding week of the year 1883. The actual mortality for the week ending February 9, 1884, was 663, which is 19.0 above the average for the corresponding week for the past five years, and represents an annual death-rate of 25.69 per 1,000 persons living, the population estimated at 1,341,616.

Table showing the Reported Mortality for the week ending February 16, 1884, and the Actual Number of Deaths each day, from the Principal Causes, with the Ages of Decedents, for the week ending February 9, 1884.

Main table with columns for METEOROLOGY, CAUSES OF DEATH, DATE (Feb. 3-9), ACTUAL NUMBER OF DEATHS EACH DAY DURING THE WEEK ENDING SATURDAY, FEB. 9, 1884, AGE BY YEARS (Under 1 year, 1 to 2, etc.), SEX (Male, Female), and COLORED.

\* Refers to the number of death certificates received.

DEATHS FROM ZYMOTIC DISEASES. NEW YORK.—DEATHS FROM SMALL-POX, MEASLES, SCARLATINA, DIPHThERIA, CROUP, WHOOPING COUGH, TYPHOID FEVER, TYPHUS FEVER, MALARIAL FEVERS, PUERPERAL FEVER, DIARRHOEAL MALADIES, CEREBRO-SPINAL FEVER, AND OTHER ZYMOTIC DISEASES. Actual Mortality during the Week ending Feb. 9, 1884. Table with columns for WARDS, AREA IN ACRES, and various zymotic diseases.

Very respectfully submitted,

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

Births \* reported during the week ending February 16, 1884.

Table with columns: COLOR (White, Colored), SEX (Male, Female, Not stated), NATIVITY OF PARENTS (Foreign Father only, Foreign Mother only, Native, Foreign, Not stated), NAME OF CHILD (Stated, Not stated). Total: 590.

Marriages \* reported during the week ending February 16, 1884.

Table with columns: COLOR (White, Colored, Foreign), NATIVITY (Native, Born at sea, Not stated), CONDITION (First, Second, Third, Fourth marriage, Not stated). Total: 221.

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

Nativity of those who were Married, and the Parents of the Births and Still-Births, for the week ending February 16, 1884, and those who Died (actual mortality), week ending February 9, 1884.

Table with columns: NATIVITY OF DECEASED, COUNTRY, DEATHS, BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, STILL-BIRTHS. Lists countries like Austria, British America, France, Germany, Ireland, Italy, Poland, Scotland, Switzerland, United States, Unknown or not stated, West Indies, Other countries.

Still-Births reported during the week ending February 16, 1884.

Table with columns: SEX (Male, Female, Not stated), COLOR (White, Colored), NATIVITY OF PARENTS (Father, Mother), PERIOD OF UTERO-GESTATION (Month 1-10). Total: 69.

Deaths reported during the week ending February 16, 1884.

Table with columns: PLACE OF DEATH (Institutions, Tenement-houses, etc.), RESIDENCE (New York City, Outside New York City), CONDITION (Single, Married, Widowed, Not stated). Total: 694.

† Principally children and deaths in Institutions.

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. SEAVER 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. SEAVER 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. 13 1/2 City Hall, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. HENRY WOLTMAN, Registrar.

COMMISSIONERS OF ACCOUNTS. No. 1 County Court-house, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. 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. McAVOY, 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. KEISE, 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 Arrears.

Bureau for the Collection of City Revenues and of Markets. No. 6 New County Court-house, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. FRANCIS TOMES, 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 VREDENBURG, Deputy Receiver of Taxes.

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

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

LAW DEPARTMENT.

Office of the Counsel to the Corporation. Staats Zeitung Building, third floor, 9 A. M. to 5 P. M. Saturdays, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. GEORGE P. 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; SEITH C. HAWLEY, Chief Clerk; JOHN J. O'BRIEN, Chief Bureau of Elections.

DEPARTMENT OF CHARITIES AND CORRECTION.

Central Office. No. 66 Third avenue, corner Eleventh street, 8.30 A. M. to 5.30 P. M. H. H. PORTER, President; GEORGE F. BRITTON, Secretary.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

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. SHELTON, Fire Marshal. Bureau of Inspection of Buildings. WM. 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; EMMONS CLARK, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS. No. 36 Union Square, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. EGBERT L. VIBLE, President; EDWARD P. BARKER, Secretary.

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.

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.

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. 21 1/2, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. JOHN R. LUYDECKER, 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.

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 KERNAN, 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. ABEILL, Book-keeper.

CORONERS' OFFICE. Nos. 12 and 13 Chatham street, 8 A. M. to 5 P. M. Sundays and Holidays, 8 A. M. to 12 P. M. PHILIP MERKLE, FERDINAND LEVY, BERNARD F. MARTIN and WILLIAM H. KENNEDY, Coroners; JOHN T. TOAL, Clerk of the Board of Coroners.

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

SUPERIOR COURT. Third floor, New County Court-house, 11 A. M. General Term, Room No. 35. Special Term, Room No. 33. Chambers, Room No. 33, 10 A. M. Part I, Room No. 34. Part II, Room No. 35. Part III, Room No. 36. Judges' Private Chambers, Room No. 30. Naturalization Bureau, Room No. 32. Clerk's Office, Room No. 31, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. JOHN SEDGWICK, Chief Judge; THOMAS BOESE, Chief Clerk.

COURT OF COMMON PLEAS. Third floor, New County Court-house, 11 A. M. Assignment Bureau, Room No. 23, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. Clerk's Office, Room No. 22, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. General Term, Room No. 24, 11 o'clock A. M. to adjournment. Special Term, Room No. 21, 10 o'clock A. M. to adjournment. Chambers, Room No. 21, 10 30 o'clock A. M. to adjournment. Part I, Room No. 25, 11 o'clock A. M. to adjournment. Part II, Room No. 26, 11 o'clock A. M. to adjournment. Part III, Room No. 27, 11 o'clock A. M. to adjournment. Naturalization Bureau, Room No. 23, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. CHARLES P. DALY, Chief Justice; NATHANIEL JARVIS, Jr., Chief Clerk.

COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS. No. 32 Chambers street. Parts I. and II. Court opens at 11 o'clock A. M. FREDERICK SMYTH, Recorder; HENRY A. GILDER-SLEEVE and RUFUS B. COWING, Judges of the said Court. Terms, first Monday each month. JOHN SPARKS, Clerk. Office, Room No. 11, 10 A. M. till 4 P. M.

CITY COURT—CITY HALL. General Term, Room No. 20. Trial Term, Part I, Room No. 20. Part II, Room No. 19. Part III, Room No. 15. Special Term, Chambers, Room No. 21, 10 A. M. to 4 P. M. Clerk's Office, Room No. 10, City Hall, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. DAVID McADAM, Chief Justice; JOHN REID, Clerk.

OVER AND TERMINER COURT. New County Court-house, second floor, southeast corner, Room No. 13. Court opens at 10 1/2 o'clock A. M. Clerk's Office, Brown-stone Building, City Hall Park, second floor, northwest corner, Room No. 11, 10 A. M. till 4 P. M.

COURT OF SPECIAL SESSIONS. At Tombs, corner Franklin and Centre streets, Daily at 10 30 A. M., excepting Saturday. Clerk's Office, Tombs.

DISTRICT CIVIL COURTS. First District—First, Second, Third, and Fifth Wards, southwest corner of Centre and Chambers streets. MICHAEL NORTON, Justice. Clerk's office open from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. Second District—Fourth, Sixth, and Fourteenth Wards, corner of Pearl and Centre streets, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. CHARLES M. CLANCY, Justice. Third District—Ninth and Fifteenth Wards, southwest corner Sixth avenue and West Tenth street. Court open daily (Sundays and legal holidays excepted) from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. GEORGE W. PARKER, Justice.

Fourth District—Tenth and Seventeenth Wards, No. 30 First street, cor Second avenue. Court opens, 9 A. M. daily; continues to close of business. ALFRED STECKLER, Justice.

Fifth District—Seventh, Eleventh, and Thirteenth Wards, No. 154 Clinton street. JOHN H. MCCARTHY, Justice.

Sixth District—Eighteenth and Twenty-first Wards, No. 51 Union Place, Fourth avenue, southwest corner of Eighteenth street. Court opens 9 A. M. daily; continues to close of business. WILLIAM H. KELLY, Justice.

Seventh District—Nineteenth and Twenty-second Wards, No. 151 East Fifty-seventh street. Court open every morning at 9 o'clock (except Sundays and legal holidays), and continues to the close of business. AMBROSE MONELL, Justice.

Eighth District—Sixteenth and Twentieth Wards, southwest corner of Twenty-second street and Seventh avenue. Court opens at 9 A. M. and continues to close of business. Clerk's office open from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. each court day. FREDERICK G. GEENEY, Justice.

Ninth District—Twelfth Ward, No. 225 East One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street. HENRY P. MCGOWN, Justice. Clerk's office open daily from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. Trial days Tuesdays and Fridays; Court opens at 9 1/2 A. M.

Tenth District—Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, corner of Third avenue and One Hundred and Fifty-eighth street. JAMES R. ANGELL, Justice.

POLICE COURTS. Judges—MAURICE J. POWER, J. HENRY FORD, JACOB PATTERSON, JR., JAMES T. KILBRETH, BANKSON T. MORGAN, HENRY MURRAY, SOLON B. SMITH, ANDREW J. WHITE, CHARLES WELDE, DANIEL O'REILLY, PATRICK G. DUFFY. GEORGE W. CREGIER, Secretary. Office of Secretary, Fifth District Police Court, One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street, near Fourth avenue.

First District—Tombs, Centre street.

Second District—Jefferson Market.

Third District—No. 69 Essex street.

Fourth District—Fifty-seventh street, near Lexington avenue.

Fifth District—One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street, near Fourth avenue.

Sixth District—One Hundred and Fifty-eighth street and Third avenue.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS, 36 UNION SQUARE, NEW YORK, Feb. 23, 1884.

THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS WILL sell at public auction, by Van Tassel & Kearney, Auctioneers, at the stables in the Eighty-sixth Street Transverse Road, and at the Store Yard at Eightieth street and Eighth avenue, on the Central Park, on Saturday, the 8th day of March, 1884, the following property of the Department:

- 10 Horses.
105 Summer Hats, old Police uniform.
100 Body Coats, "
100 Blouses, "
90 Overcoats, "
50 pairs Pants, "
30 tons, about, of Wrought and Cast Iron.
500 pounds, about, of Steel.
200 " " Sheet Lead.
300 " " Blacksmith Sledges.
300 feet, about, iron Roof Cresting.
A lot of old Tools.
1 Tar Mixing Machine.
3 Sand Dryers.

The sale will commence at the stables on the Eighty-sixth Street Transverse Road at ten o'clock A. M.

TERMS OF SALE.

The purchase money to be paid in bankable funds at the time of the sale. The horses to be removed immediately after the sale. The old material to be removed within forty-eight hours after the sale.

By order of the Department of Public Parks. E. P. BARKER, Secretary.

CITY OF NEW YORK, DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS, 36 UNION SQUARE, February 21, 1884.

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT all persons interested in the plan for laying out the district on Manhattan Island north of One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street, are requested to appear before the Board governing the Department of Public Parks, on Wednesday, March 5, 1884, at 10 o'clock A. M., and make known their views in relation to the same. The proposed plan for the laying out of this district may be seen at the office of the Topographical Engineer, Arsenal Building, Sixty-fourth street and Fifth avenue, Central Park, and where all information in relation to the matter may be obtained.

By order of the Department of Public Parks. E. P. BARKER, Secretary.

THE CITY RECORD.

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

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, ROOM 6, NO. 31 CHAMBERS STREET, NEW YORK, Feb. 23, 1884.

PROPOSALS FOR CAST-IRON WATER PIPE, COMPOSITION TAPPING COCKS, AND CAST-IRON TAPPING COCK BOXES.

BIDS OR ESTIMATES, INCLOSED IN A SEALED envelope, with the title of the work and the name of the bidder endorsed thereon, will be received at this office until Thursday, March 6, 1884, at 12 o'clock M., at which place and hour they will be publicly opened by the head of the Department and read, for the following:

No. 1. FOR FURNISHING AND DELIVERING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, TWENTY-TWO HUNDRED (2,200) TONS OF STRAIGHT PIPE, AND ONE HUNDRED (100) TONS OF BRANCH PIPES AND SPECIAL CASTINGS.

No. 2. FOR FURNISHING AND DELIVERING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, TWO HUNDRED AND NINETY-FOUR (294) TONS OF STRAIGHT PIPES, AND TEN (10) TONS OF BRANCH PIPES AND SPECIAL CASTINGS.

No. 3. FOR FURNISHING AND DELIVERING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, NINETEEN (19) TONS OF STRAIGHT PIPE, AND TWENTY-SIX (26) TONS OF BRANCH PIPES AND SPECIAL CASTINGS.

No. 4. FOR FURNISHING AND DELIVERING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, COMPOSITION TAPPING COCKS AND CAST-IRON TAPPING COCK BOXES.

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

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

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

No estimate will be considered unless accompanied by either a certified check upon one of the national banks of the City of New York, drawn to the order of the Comptroller, or money, to the amount of five per centum of the amount of the security required for the faithful performance of the contract. Such check or money must not be inclosed in the sealed envelope containing the estimate, but must be handed to the officer or clerk of the Department who has charge of the Estimate-box, and no estimate can be deposited in said box until such check or money has been examined by said officer or clerk and found to be correct. All such deposits, except that of the successful bidder, will be returned to the persons making the same within three days after the contract is awarded. If the successful bidder shall neglect or refuse, within five days after notice that the contract has been awarded to him, to execute the same, the amount of the deposit made by him shall be forfeited to and be 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 COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC WORKS RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REJECT ALL BIDS RECEIVED FOR ANY PARTICULAR WORK IF HE DEEMS IT FOR THE BEST INTERESTS OF THE CITY.

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

HUBERT O. THOMPSON, Commissioner of Public Works.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, ROOM 6, NO. 31 CHAMBERS STREET, NEW YORK, Feb. 23, 1884.

TO CONTRACTORS.

BIDS OR ESTIMATES, INCLOSED IN A SEALED envelope, with the title of the work and the name of the bidder endorsed thereon, will be received at this office until Thursday, March 6, 1884, at 12 o'clock M., at which place and hour they will be publicly opened by the Head of the Department and read, for the following:

LAYING WATER-MAINS IN MARION, RAILROAD, EIGHTH, SEVENTH, MORRIS, SEDGWICK AND TENTH AVENUES, AND IN MORRIS STREET, KINGSBIDGE ROAD, RIVERSIDE DRIVE, ORCHARD STREET AND ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-FIFTH STREET.

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

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

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

No estimate will be considered unless accompanied by either a certified check upon one of the national banks of the City of New York, drawn to the order of the Comptroller, or money, to the amount of five per centum of the amount of the security required for the faithful performance of the contract. Such check or money must not be inclosed in the sealed envelope containing the estimate, but must be handed to the officer or clerk of the Department who has charge of the Estimate-box, and no estimate can be deposited in said box until such check or money has been examined by said officer or clerk and found to be correct. All such deposits, except that of the successful bidder, will be returned to the persons making the same within three days after the contract is awarded. If the successful bidder shall neglect or refuse, within five days after notice that the contract has been awarded to him, to execute the same, the amount of the deposit made by him shall be forfeited to and be 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 COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC WORKS RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REJECT ALL BIDS RECEIVED FOR ANY PARTICULAR WORK IF HE DEEMS IT FOR THE BEST INTERESTS OF THE CITY.

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

HUBERT O. THOMPSON, Commissioner of Public Works.

TO COAL DEALERS AND CONTRACTORS.

BIDS OR ESTIMATES INCLOSED IN A SEALED envelope, with the title of the work and the name of the bidder endorsed thereon, will be received at this office until Thursday, March 6, 1884, at 12 o'clock M., at which place and hour they will be publicly opened by the head of the Department and read, for

FURNISHING AND DELIVERING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, THREE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED (3,800) GROSS TONS (2,340 POUNDS TO A TON) OF EGG SIZE LEHIGH AND WILKESBARRE COMPANY'S BEST WILKESBARRE COAL.

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

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

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

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

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

HUBERT O. THOMPSON, Commissioner of Public Works.

TO PAINTERS AND CONTRACTORS.

BIDS OR ESTIMATES, INCLOSED IN A SEALED envelope, with the title of the work and the name of the bidder endorsed thereon, will be received at this office until Thursday, March 6, 1884, at 12 o'clock M., at which place and hour they will be publicly opened by the head of the Department, and read, for

FURNISHING THE MATERIALS AND PAINTING THE SEVEN FREE FLOATING BATHS KNOWN AS NUMBERS THREE, FOUR, FIVE, SIX, SEVEN, EIGHT, AND NINE.

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

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

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

No estimate will be considered unless accompanied by either a certified check upon one of the national banks of the City of New York, drawn to the order of the Comptroller, or money, to the amount of five per centum of the amount of the security required for the faithful performance of the contract. Such check or money must not be inclosed in the sealed envelope containing the estimate, but must be handed to the officer or clerk of the Department who has charge of the Estimate-box, and no estimate can be deposited in said box until such check or money has been examined by said officer or clerk and found to be correct. All such deposits, except that of the successful bidder, will be returned to the persons making the same within three days after the contract is awarded. If the successful bidder shall neglect or refuse, within five days after notice that the contract has been awarded to him, to execute the same, the amount of the deposit made by him shall be forfeited 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 COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC WORKS RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REJECT ALL BIDS RECEIVED FOR ANY PARTICULAR WORK IF HE DEEMS IT FOR THE BEST INTERESTS OF THE CITY.

Blank forms of bid or estimate, the proper envelopes in which to inclose the same, the specifications and agreements, and any further information desired, can be obtained at the office of the Superintendent of Repairs and Supplies, Room 15, No. 31 Chambers street.

HUBERT O. THOMPSON, Commissioner of Public Works.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, NO. 31 CHAMBERS STREET, NEW YORK, FEB. 20, 1884.

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT a petition of property owners with map and plan for changing the grade of "Sixty-ninth street, between Eighth and Ninth avenues," is now pending before the Common Council.

All persons interested in the above change of grade, and having objections thereto, are requested to present the same in writing to the undersigned at his office on or before Wednesday, the 5th day of March, 1884. The maps showing the present and proposed grades can be seen at Room 7, No. 31 Chambers street.

HUBERT O. THOMPSON, Commissioner 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, Duties 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 Aerears, 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 hereinafter 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.

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

POLICE DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK, 300 MULBERRY STREET, NEW YORK, FEB. 21, 1884.

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT two horses, the property of this Department, will be sold at public auction on Friday, March 7, 1884, at 10 o'clock A. M., by Van Tassel & Kearney, Auctioneers, at their stables, No. 110 East Thirteenth street. By order of the Board.

S. C. HAWLEY, Chief Clerk.

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

OWNERS WANTED BY THE PROPERTY Clerk of the Police Department of the City of New York, No. 300 Mulberry street, Room No. 39, for the following property, now in his custody, without claimants: Boats, rope, iron, lead, male and female clothing, boots, shoes, wine, blankets, diamonds, canned goods, liquors, etc., also small amount money taken from prisoners and found by patrolmen of this Department.

JOHN F. HARRIOT, Property Clerk.

POLICE DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK, 300 MULBERRY STREET, NEW YORK, FEBRUARY 19, 1884.

GRAY MARE, TOP BUSINESS WAGON, AND silver-plated harness found in the street, abandoned. For particulars inquire at Twenty-eighth Precinct, Captain Gunner.

JOHN F. HARRIOT, Property Clerk.

POLICE DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK, 300 MULBERRY STREET, NEW YORK, FEBRUARY 13, 1884.

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT a horse, the property of this Department, will be sold at public auction, on Tuesday, February 26, 1884, at 10 o'clock A. M., at the stables of Van Tassel & Kearney, Auctioneers, No. 110 East Thirteenth street. By order of the Board.

S. C. HAWLEY, Chief Clerk.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

HEADQUARTERS FIRE DEPARTMENT, CITY OF NEW YORK, 155 AND 157 MERCER STREET, NEW YORK, FEBRUARY 18, 1884.

TO CONTRACTORS.

SEALED PROPOSALS FOR FURNISHING THE materials and labor, and doing the work required for constructing a house for the Fire Department, to be erected on north side of One Hundred and Fourth street, commencing 175 feet west of Third avenue, for Engine Company No. 33, 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, March 5, 1884, at which time and place they will be publicly opened by the head of said Department and read.

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

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

The house to be completed and delivered in one hundred and fifty (150) days after the date of the contract.

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 (\$20) dollars per day.

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 nine thousand dollars (\$9,000); 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 four hundred and fifty dollars (\$450). Such check or money must not be inclosed in the sealed envelope containing the estimate, but must be handed to the officer or clerk of the Department who has charge of the Estimate-box, and no estimate can be deposited in said box until such check or money has been examined by said officer or clerk and found to be correct. All such deposits, except

that of the successful bidder, will be returned to the persons making the same within three days after the contract is awarded. If the successful bidder shall 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 him 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 work, 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 & 157 MERCER STREET, NEW YORK, FEBRUARY 16, 1884.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT FORTY-FIVE (45) pounds of "Atlas Powder," in 1/2-lb. cartridges, seized under provisions of chapter 410, Laws of 1882, will be sold at the office of the Inspector of Combustibles, 157 Mercer street, on Saturday, February 23, 1884, for account of whom it may concern.

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

HEADQUARTERS FIRE DEPARTMENT, CITY OF NEW YORK, 155 & 157 MERCER STREET, NEW YORK, NOV. 21, 1883.

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

By order of CORNELIUS VAN COTT, President. HENRY D. PURROY, RICHARD CROKER, Commissioners.

CARL JUSSEN, Secretary.

ASSESSMENT COMMISSION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, THAT A MEETING of the Commissioners under the act, chapter 530 of the Laws of 1880, entitled "An Act relating to certain assessments for local improvements in the City of New York," passed June 9, 1880, will be held at their office, No. 27 Chambers street, on Tuesday, February 26, 1884, at 2 o'clock P. M.

DANIEL LORD, JR., JOHN KELLY, ALLAN CAMPBELL, Commissioners under the Act.

JAMES J. MARTIN, Clerk.

SUPREME COURT.

In the matter of the application of the Department of Public Works for and in behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to the opening of Ninety-fourth street, between Second and Third avenues, in the City of New York.

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

First.—That we have completed our estimate and assessment, and that all persons interested in these proceedings, or in any of the lands affected thereby, and who may be opposed to the same, do present their objections in writing, duly verified, to us at our office, No. 73 William street (third floor), in the said city, on or before the 18th day of March, 1884, and that we, the said Commissioners, will hear parties so objecting within the ten week-days next after the said 18th day of March, 1884, and for that purpose will be in attendance at our said office on each of said ten days at 2 1/2 o'clock P. M.

Second.—That the abstract of the said estimate and assessment, together with our maps, and also all the affidavits, estimates and other documents which were used by us in making our report, have been deposited in the office of the Department of Public Works, in the City of New York, there to remain until the 20th day of March, 1884.

Third.—That the limits embraced by the assessment aforesaid, are as follows, to wit: All those lots, pieces or parcels of land, situate, lying and being in the City of New York, which taken together are bounded northerly by the centre line of the block between Ninety-fourth street and Ninety-fifth street, easterly by the westerly side of Second avenue, southerly by the centre line of the block between Ninety-third street and Ninety-fourth street, and westerly by the easterly side of Third avenue, excepting therefrom all the land lying within the streets and avenues within said area.

Fourth.—That our report herein will be presented to the Supreme Court of the State of New York, at a Special Term thereof, to be held at the Chambers thereof, in the County Court-house, at the City Hall, in the City of New York, on the fourth day of April, 1884, at the opening of the Court on that day, and that then and there, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon, a motion will be made that the said report be confirmed.

Dated New York, February 7, 1884.

GILBERT M. SPEIR, JR., NATHANIEL JARVIS, JOHN WHALEN, Commissioners.

ARTHUR BERRY, Clerk.

DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS.

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 performance of their duties, are hereby promulgated and published:

Resolved, For the proper supervision of the waterfront 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 thereat, and the collection of the wharfage 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 Counties 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. Wannmaker, 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 Abeel, Dock Master; office, 262 South street.

District No. 4.—From north side Pier, old 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 Kenney, 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:

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 appertain 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.

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 LAIBBECK, JOHN R. VOORHIS, Commissioners of the Department of Docks.

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

BOARD OF STREET OPENING AND IMPROVEMENT.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, IN ACCORDANCE with the provisions of section 105 of chapter 335 of the Laws of 1873, entitled "An Act to reorganize the local government of the City of New York," passed April 30, 1873, and of chapter 360 of the Laws of 1883, and of all other provisions of law relating thereto that the Board of Street Opening and Improvement deem it to be for the public interest to alter the map or plan of the City of New York, by laying out, opening and extending certain new streets and avenues, described as follows, viz.:

That One Hundred and Twenty-seventh and One Hundred and Twenty-eighth streets be extended in an easterly direction and parallel with One Hundred and Twenty-sixth street, at a uniform width of sixty (60') feet, from their present termini east of Tenth avenue to the westerly line of Avenue St. Nicholas; that a new avenue, known as Cliff avenue, be sixty (60') feet wide and parallel with Eighth avenue, the easterly line of said Cliff avenue, be distant five hundred and forty (540') feet westerly therefrom.

Beginning on the northerly line of One Hundred and Thirtieth street, and running thence northerly to the new avenue known as Hamlin avenue, for a distance of one thousand and five feet and 3/4 of an inch (1,005 3/4") on the easterly line and nine hundred and twenty-eight feet and two inches (928' 2") on the westerly line; that One Hundred and Thirtieth street be extended in an easterly direction and parallel with One Hundred and Twenty-sixth street, at a uniform width of sixty (60') feet from its present terminus east of Tenth avenue to the proposed new avenue known as Cliff avenue; that a new street or place, to be known as Academy place, to be sixty (60') feet wide, between the northerly line of One Hundred and Twenty-eighth street, as extended, and the southerly line of One Hundred and Thirtieth street, as extended, the westerly line of said Academy place shall be distant easterly from Tenth avenue as follows, viz.: Beginning at a point in the southerly line of One Hundred and Thirtieth street, as extended, distance eight hundred and eighty-eight feet seven and three-quarters of an inch (888 3/4") easterly from the easterly line of Tenth avenue; thence southerly in a curved line radius one thousand four hundred and sixty-eight feet two and one-half inches (1,468' 2 1/2"), distance three hundred and thirty-six feet one and one-half inches (336' 1 1/2"); thence in a reversed curved line radius one thousand and twelve feet and one inch (1,012' 1"), distance one hundred and two feet four and one-half inches (102' 4 1/2"); thence still southerly in a curved line radius one hundred and sixty-five (165' 0") feet, distance forty-three feet two and three-eighths inches (43' 2 3/8"); thence in a southerly and easterly direction in a curved line radius four hundred and fifty-six feet four and one-quarter inches (456' 4 1/4"), distance sixteen feet one and five-eighths inches (16' 1 5/8"), to a point in the northerly line of One Hundred and Twenty-eighth street.

said point being one thousand and seventy-four feet one and one-eighth inches (1,074' 1/8") easterly from the academy place shall be as follows, viz.: Beginning at a point in the southerly line of One Hundred and Thirtieth street as extended, distance nine hundred and fifty-six feet four and one quarter inches (956' 4 1/4") easterly from the easterly line of Tenth avenue, thence southerly in a curved line radius fifteen hundred and twenty-eight feet two and one-half inches (1,528' 2 1/2"), distance three hundred and seventeen feet eight inches (317' 8"); thence in a reversed curved line radius nine hundred and fifty-two feet one inch (952' 1") distance ninety-six feet three and five-eighths inches (96' 3 5/8"); thence still southerly in a curved line radius one hundred and five feet (105' 0"), distance twenty-seven feet five and seven-eighths inches (27' 5 7/8"); thence still southerly in a curved line, radius three hundred and ninety-six feet four and one-quarter inches (396' 4 1/4"); distance forty-nine feet and one-half inch (49' 0 1/2"); thence southerly and easterly in a curved line, radius thirty-two feet one and three-quarters inches (32' 3 3/4"); distance twenty-six feet four and one-half inches (26' 4 1/2"), to a point in the northerly line of One Hundred and Twenty-eighth street, said point being eleven hundred and sixty-seven feet seven and three-quarter inches (1,167' 7 3/4") easterly from Tenth avenue; that One Hundred and Twenty-ninth street be extended in an easterly direction and parallel with One Hundred and Twenty-sixth street at a uniform width of sixty (60' 0") feet from its present terminus east of Tenth avenue, to the proposed street known as Academy place, being a distance of nine hundred and seventy-seven feet four and three-eighths inches (977' 4 3/8") on the northerly line and nine hundred and ninety-seven feet four and five-eighths inches (997' 4 5/8") on the southerly line.

That a new avenue known as Convent avenue shall be a uniform width of seventy-five (75' 0") feet between the northerly line of One Hundred and Twenty-sixth street and the southerly line of One Hundred and Thirtieth street. The westerly line thereof shall be distant easterly from Tenth avenue as follows, viz.: At One Hundred and Twenty-sixth street, eight hundred (800' 0") feet, on the southerly line of One Hundred and Twenty-seventh street, eight hundred (800' 0") feet, on the northerly line of One Hundred and Twenty-seventh street, seven hundred and sixty-eight feet eleven and one quarter inches (768' 11 1/4"); thence northerly, five hundred and forty-nine feet one and one-quarter inches (549' 1 1/4") to a point distant three hundred and sixteen feet six and five-eighths inches (316' 6 5/8") easterly from Tenth avenue; thence, still in a northerly direction, seven hundred and fifty-four feet nine and seven-eighths inches (754' 7 7/8"), to a point distant two hundred and twenty-three feet six and one-quarter inches (223' 6 1/4") easterly from Tenth avenue; thence in a curved line radius three hundred (300' 0") feet, distance one hundred and nineteen feet eight and one-quarter inches (119' 8 1/4"); thence northeasterly and tangent thereto and parallel with Tenth avenue and distant two hundred (200' 0") feet easterly therefrom, distance four hundred and forty-nine feet eleven and three-eighths inches (449' 11 3/8"); thence in a curved line, radius three hundred and seventy-five (375' 0") feet, distance one hundred and eighty-three feet seven and seven-eighths inches (183' 7 7/8") to a point two hundred and forty-four feet one inch (244' 1") easterly from Tenth avenue; thence northeasterly and tangent thereto, distance one hundred and fifty-two feet two and three-eighths inches (152' 2 3/8") to the southerly line of One Hundred and Thirtieth street, and distant three hundred and fourteen feet eight and three-quarter inches (314' 8 3/4") easterly from the easterly line of Tenth avenue; thence northeasterly in a curved line, radius three hundred (300' 0") feet, distance one hundred and forty-six feet eleven inches (146' 11"); thence northerly and parallel with Tenth avenue, distant three hundred and fifty (350' 0") feet easterly from said avenue, distance three hundred and seventy-eight feet six and one-half inches (378' 6 1/2") to the southerly line of One Hundred and Thirtieth street; that a street sixty (60' 0") feet in width and parallel with One Hundred and Thirtieth street and the southerly line thereof, to be distant four hundred and fifty-nine feet eight inches (459' 8") northerly from the northerly line of One Hundred and Thirtieth street, and to extend from the easterly line of Tenth avenue to the westerly line of proposed Convent avenue, said street to be the continuation of One Hundred and Thirtieth street, for a distance of two hundred (200' 0") feet easterly from the easterly line of the Tenth avenue to the westerly line of proposed Convent avenue.

That One Hundred and Thirty-first street be extended in an easterly direction, at a uniform width of sixty (60' 0") feet from its present terminus to a distance on the northerly line of two hundred and eighty-four feet two and one-eighth inches (284' 2 1/8"), and on the southerly line to a distance of three hundred and nine feet five and three-eighths inches (309' 5 3/8") from the easterly line of Tenth avenue to meet the new avenue known as Convent avenue.

And that they propose to alter the map or plan of said city by laying out, opening and extending said streets and avenues.

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

Dated February 12, 1884.

FRANKLIN EDSON,  
Mayor.  
HUBERT O. THOMPSON,  
Commissioner of Public Works.  
EGBERT L. VIELE,  
President of the Department  
of Public Parks.  
W. P. KIRK,  
President of the Board of  
Aldermen.  
Board of Street Opening and Improvement.  
ARTHUR BERRY, Secretary.

JURORS.

NOTICE IN RELATION TO JURORS FOR STATE COURTS.

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER OF JURORS,  
NEW COUNTY COURT-HOUSE,  
NEW YORK, JUNE 1, 1883.

APPLICATIONS FOR EXEMPTIONS WILL BE heard here, from 10 to 3 daily, from all persons hitherto liable or recently serving who have become exempt, and all needed information will be given.

Those who have not answered as to their liability, or proved permanent exemption, will receive a "jury enrollment notice," requiring them to appear before me this year. Whether liable or not, such notices must be answered (in person, if possible, and at this office only) under severe penalties. If exempt, the party must bring proof of exemption; if liable, he must also answer in person, giving full and correct name, residence, etc., etc. No attention paid to letters.

Persons "enrolled" as liable must serve when called or pay their fines. No mere excuse will be allowed or interference permitted. The fines if unpaid will be entered as judgments upon the property of the delinquents.

All good citizens will aid the course of justice, and secure reliable and respectable juries, and equalize their duty by serving promptly when summoned, allowing their clerks or subordinates to serve, reporting to me any attempt at bribery or evasion, and suggesting names for enrollment. Persons between sixty and seventy years of age, summer absentees, persons temporarily ill, and United States and District Court jurors are not exempt.

Every man must attend to his own notice. It is a misdemeanor to give any jury paper to another to answer. It is also punishable by fine or imprisonment to give or receive any present or bribe, directly or indirectly, in relation to a jury service, or to withhold any paper or make any false statement, and every case will be fully prosecuted.

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

DEPARTMENT OF TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS.

DEPARTMENT OF TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS,  
STAATZ ZEITUNG BUILDING,  
NEW YORK.

IN COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 217 OF THE City Consolidation Act of 1882, it is hereby advertised that the books of "The Annual Record of the Assessed Valuations of Real and Personal Estate" of the City and County of New York, for the year 1884, are open for examination and correction from the second Monday of January, 1884, until the first day of May, 1884.

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

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

THOMAS B. ASTEN,  
EDWARD C. DONNELLY,  
THOMAS L. FEITNER,  
Commissioners of Taxes and Assessments.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION.

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

TO CONTRACTORS.

PROPOSALS FOR REPAIRS TO BE MADE TO EAST WING OF INSANE ASYLUM ON WARD'S ISLAND.

THE SPECIFICATIONS AND PLANS FOR which are at this office—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, March 14, 1884. The person or persons making any bid or estimate shall furnish the same in a sealed envelope, indorsed "Bid or Estimate for Repairs to East Wing of Insane Asylum, Ward's Island," for which there is one set of specifications, and the work for which is to be let in one contract, and with his or their name or names, and the date of presentation, to the head of said Department, at the said office, on or before the day and hour above named, at which time and place the bids or estimates received will be publicly opened by the 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 a contract awarded to, any person who is in arrears to the Corporation upon debt or contract, or who is a defaulter, as surety or otherwise, upon any obligation to the Corporation.

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

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, each in the penal amount of THIRTY THOUSAND (\$30,000) DOLLARS.

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 to the supplies or work to which it relates, or in any portion of the profits thereof. The bid or estimate must be verified by the oath, in writing, of the party or parties making the estimate, that the several matters stated therein are in all respects true. Where more than one person is interested, it is requisite that the verification be made and subscribed by all the parties interested.

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

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

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, in accordance with the terms of the contract, as the Commissioners may determine.

Bidders are informed that no deviation from the specifications will be allowed unless under the written instructions of the Commissioners of Public Charities and Correction, AND ARE PARTICULARLY CAUTIONED TO EXAMINE WITH CARE THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE 5 OF THE PRINTED CONTRACT FORM.

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

The time for completion of this contract will be one hundred working days from the date of their notification to begin work by the Commissioners of Public Charities and Correction.

Dated, New York, February 26, 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.

TO CONTRACTORS.

PROPOSALS FOR REPAIRING THE HULL AND JOINER-WORK OF HULL OF THE STEAMBOAT "MINNAHANONCK."

FOR REPAIRS TO ENGINE OF STEAMBOAT "MINNAHANONCK."

THE SPECIFICATIONS AND PLANS FOR which are at this office—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, March 14, 1884. The person or persons making any bid or estimate shall furnish the same in a sealed envelope, indorsed "Bid or Estimate for Repairing the Hull and Joiner-work of Hull of the Steamboat 'Minnaahanonck,'" for which there are two separate sets of specifications, and the work for which is to be let in two contracts, and with his or their name or names, and the date of presentation, to the head of said Department, at the said office, on or before the day and hour above named, at which time and place the bids or estimates received will be publicly opened by the 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 a contract awarded to, any person who is in arrears to the Corporation upon debt or contract, or who is a defaulter, as surety or otherwise, upon any obligation to the Corporation.

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

The person or persons to whom the contracts may be awarded will be required to give security for the performance of the contract by his or their bond, with two sufficient sureties, each in the penal amount of SIX THOUSAND (\$6,000) DOLLARS for the "Repairs to the Hull and Joiner-work" contract, and ONE THOUSAND (\$1,000) DOLLARS for the "Repairs to the Engine, etc.," 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 to the supplies or work to which it relates, or in any portion of the profits thereof. The bid or estimate must be verified by the oath, in writing, of the party or parties making the estimate, that the several matters stated therein are in all respects true. Where more than one person is interested, it is requisite that the verification be made and subscribed by all the parties interested.

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

No bid or estimate will be considered unless accompanied by either a certified check upon one of the NATIONAL Banks of the City of New York, drawn to the order of the Comptroller, or money, to the amount of five per centum of the amount of the security required for the faithful performance of the contract. Such check or money must not be enclosed in the sealed envelope containing the 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 re-advertised and relet as provided by law.

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, in accordance with the terms of the contract, as the Commissioners may determine.

Bidders are informed that no deviation from the specifications will be allowed, unless under the written instructions of the Commissioners of Public Charities and Correction, AND ARE PARTICULARLY CAUTIONED TO EXAMINE WITH CARE THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE 5 OF THE PRINTED CONTRACT FORM.

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

The time for completion of the contract for "Repairs to Hull, etc.," will be FORTY WORKING DAYS, and for "Repairs to Engine, etc.," will be TWENTY-FIVE WORKING DAYS from the date of notification by the Commissioners of Public Charities and Correction to begin work.

Dated New York February 26, 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.

TO CONTRACTORS.

PROPOSALS FOR GROCERIES, DRY GOODS, QUININE, HARDWARE, LEATHER AND LUMBER.

SEALED BIDS OR ESTIMATES FOR FURNISHING GROCERIES.

- 50,000 pounds Brown Sugar.
- 20,000 " Rice.
- 2,000 gallons Syrup.
- 3,000 pounds Cheese.
- 6,000 pounds Dairy Butter, sample on exhibition, Thursday, February 28, 1884.
- 30,000 Fresh Eggs, all to be candled.
- 30 dozen Canned Tomatoes, 3-pound.
- 30 " Peaches, 3-pound.
- 20 " Lima Beans, 2-pound.
- 30 " Peas, 2-pound.
- 25 boxes Laundry Starch, 40 lbs. each.
- 100 prime city Smoked Tongues, average 6 lbs.
- 600 barrels good sound Irish Potatoes, to weigh 768 lbs. net, to be delivered at Blackwell's Island.
- 50 barrels prime Red Onions.
- 500 bales long, bright Rye Straw, tare not to exceed 3 lbs. per bale, and weight charged as received at Blackwell's Island.

DRY GOODS.

- 10,000 yards Cotton Jeans.
- 1,000 " Huckabuck Toweling.
- 500 " White Flannel.
- 100 G. G. suspender buttons.
- 10 gross women's thimbles, Nos. 8 and 9.
- 25 G. Gro. A 27 black bone buttons.

SULPHATE OF QUININE.

- 1,000 ounces bleached, crystallized commercial Sulphate of Quinine, in original packages (100 ozs.) of the manufacturer, the quality to conform to the tests of identity and purity prescribed by the U. S. Pharmacopoeia, sixth decennial revision, under Quinine Sulphas, pages 279 and 280.

HARDWARE AND LEATHER.

- 25 dozen pairs Narrow Cast Butts, 10 2-in., 10 3-in., 5 4-in.
- 20 gross Tinned-Iron Tablespoons.
- 12 dozen Taper Saw Files, 4 and 5 in., half each.
- 500 gross Wood Screws.
- 12 dozen shovels.
- 20 stones Broom Wire, No. 18, bright.
- 5 bundles R. G. Iron, No. 24.
- 5 bundles 3/4 inch Hoop Iron.
- 20 gross patent Peg Awhs.
- 6 dozen half-round Shoe Rasps, No. 9.
- 2,000 pounds Offal Leather.

LUMBER.

- 20,000 feet (B. M.) good shipping Box Boards, 12 to 16-in. wide, 12 to 16 feet long, dressed one side.
- 250 rough Spruce Plank, 1 1/2 inches.
- 1,000 lineal feet, 3 x 3, prime quality Maple.
- 500 prime quality Oak Boards, 1-inch.
- All lumber to be delivered at Blackwell's Island.

—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 29, 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, Quinine, Hardware, Leather and Lumber," and with his or their name or names, and the date of presentation, to the head of said Department, at the said office, on or before the day and hour above named, at which time and place the bids or estimates received will be publicly opened by the President of said Department, and read.

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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 to the supplies or work to which it relates, or in any portion of the profits thereof. The bid or estimate must be verified by the oath, in writing, of the party or parties making the estimate, that the several matters stated therein are in all respects true. Where more than one person is interested, it is requisite that the verification be made and subscribed by all the parties interested.

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

Should the person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded neglect or refuse to accept the contract within five days after written notice that the same has been awarded to his or their bid or proposal, or if he or they accept but do not execute the contract and give the proper security, he or they shall be considered as having abandoned it and as in default to the Corporation, and the contract will be re-advertised and relet 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 16, 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.

TO CONTRACTORS.

PROPOSALS FOR FLOUR.

SEALED BIDS OR ESTIMATES FOR FURNISHING and delivering free of all expense at the Bake-house dock, Blackwell's Island (east side), 4,000 barrels extra White Flour, in lots of not less than 1,000 barrels, one-half of each quality, as follows: 2,000 barrels of sample marked No. 1. 2,000 barrels of sample marked No. 2.

The flour to be equal to the samples exhibited and subject to the approval of three members of the New York Produce Exchange, to be named by the Commissioners of Public Charities and Correction, whose decision regarding the quality of the flour proposed to be delivered shall be binding upon both seller and buyer.

Contractor to furnish inspector's certificate of grade, and also certificate of weight and tare of each lot, — or any part thereof, will be received at the office of the Department of Public Charities and Correction, in the City of New York, until 9 o'clock, A. M., of Friday, February 29, 1884.

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, each in the penal amount of fifty 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 to the supplies or work to which it relates, or in any portion of the profits thereof.

The bid or estimate must be verified by the oath, in writing, of the party or parties making the estimate, that the several matters stated therein are in all respects true. Where more than one person is interested, it is requisite that the verification be made and subscribed by all the parties interested.

Each bid or estimate shall be accompanied by the consent, in writing, of two householders or freeholders in the City of New York, with their respective places of business or residence, to the effect that if the contract be awarded to the person making the estimate, they will, on its being so awarded, become bound as his sureties for its faithful performance; and that if he shall omit or refuse to execute the same, they shall pay to the Corporation any difference between the sum to which he would be entitled on its completion, and that which the Corporation may be obliged to pay to the person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded at any subsequent letting; the amount in each case to be calculated upon the estimated amount of the work by which the bids are tested. The consent above mentioned shall be accompanied by the oath or affirmation, in writing, of each of the persons signing the same, that he is a householder or freeholder in the City of New York, and is worth the amount of the security required for the completion of 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 re-advertised and relet as provided by law.

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

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

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

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

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

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

Dated New York, February 16, 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, February 19, 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 Penitentiary, Blackwell's Island—Michael McDermott, alias Martin McDermott; aged 25 years; 5 feet high; brown hair, hazel eyes. Had on when admitted black coat, brown striped pants, Kentucky jean vest, black woolen undershirt, white Canton flannel drawers, brown shoes, brown cap.

At Workhouse, Blackwell's Island—Peter Willenbeck; aged 67 years; committed January 22, 1884.

At Randall's Island Hospital—James Dalton; aged 60 years; 6 feet high; gray hair, brown eyes.

At Homeopathic Hospital, Ward's Island—Elizabeth Wagner; aged 25 years; 5 feet 7 inches high; gray eyes, brown hair. Had on when admitted brown coat and pants, black vest, gaiters, black derby hat.

Margaret Hayes; aged 42 years; 5 feet 4 inches high; gray eyes, light hair. Had on when admitted black dress, brown and gray striped shawl, gray hood.

John Lutz; aged 30 years; 5 feet 8 inches high; blue eyes, sandy hair. Had on when admitted black coat, blue overalls and jumper, boots, black derby hat.

Nathan Jones; aged 34 years; 6 feet high; light brown hair, blue eyes. Had on when admitted dark mixed suit of clothes, laced shoes, black hat.

At Hart's Island Hospital—Margaret Sullivan; aged 66 years. Nothing known of their friends or relatives.

By order, G. F. BRITTON, Secretary.

BOARD OF EDUCATION.

SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED BY the School Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, at the Hall of the Board of Education, corner of Grand and Elm streets, until Tuesday, the 4th day of March, 1884, and until 3 o'clock P. M. on said day, for the furniture for Grammar School No. 77, on First avenue.

Plans and specifications may be seen, and blanks for proposals, and all necessary information may be obtained at the office of the Superintendent of School Buildings, No. 146 Grand, corner of Elm street.

The Trustees reserve the right to reject any or all of the proposals submitted.

The party submitting a proposal, and the parties proposing to become sureties, must each write his name, and place of residence on said proposal.

Two responsible and approved sureties, residents of this city, are required in all cases.

No proposal will be considered from persons whose character and antecedent dealings with the Board of Education render their responsibility doubtful.

ABRAHAM DOWDNEY, ISAAC P. CHAMBERS, JOSEPH KOCH, C. E. SIMMONS, M. D., RICHARD KELLY, Board of School Trustees, Nineteenth Ward.

Dated New York, February 19, 1884.

SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED BY the School Trustees of the Twelfth Ward, at the Hall of the Board of Education, corner of Grand and Elm streets, until Monday, the 3d day of March, 1884, and until 4 o'clock P. M. on said day, for the Furniture for Grammar School No. 78, on Avenue A, corner of East One Hundred and Nineteenth street.

Plans and specifications may be seen, and blanks for proposals, and all necessary information may be obtained at the office of the Superintendent of School Buildings, No. 146 Grand, corner of Elm street.

The Trustees reserve the right to reject any or all of the proposals submitted.

The party submitting a proposal, and the parties proposing to become sureties, must each write his name and place of residence on said proposal.

Two responsible and approved sureties, residents of this city, are required in all cases.

No proposal will be considered from persons whose character and antecedent dealings with the Board of Education render their responsibility doubtful.

ANDREW L. SOULARD, CHARLES CRARY, JOHN W. HALEY, G. W. DEBEVOISE, DAVID H. KNAPP, Board of School Trustees, Twelfth Ward.

Dated New York, February 18, 1884.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT.

CITY OF NEW YORK, FINANCE DEPARTMENT, COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, February 21, 1884.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY-OWNERS.

IN PURSUANCE OF SECTION 997 OF THE "New York City Consolidation Act of 1882," the Comptroller of the City of New York hereby gives public notice to all persons, owners of property affected by the assessment list for the opening of One Hundred and Fourth street, between Boulevard and Riverside avenue,

which was confirmed by the Supreme Court, February 8, 1884, and entered on the 10th day of February, 1884, in the Record of Titles of Assessments, kept in the "Bureau for the Collection of Assessments, and of Arrears of Taxes and Assessments, and of Water Rents," that unless the amount assessed for benefit on any person or property, shall be paid within sixty days after the date of said entry of the assessments, interest will be collected thereon as provided in section 917 of said "New York City Consolidation Act of 1882."

Section 998 of the said act provides that, "If any such assessment shall remain unpaid for the period of sixty days after the date of entry thereof in the said Record of Titles of Assessments, it shall be the duty of the officer authorized to collect and receive the amount of such assessment, to charge, collect and receive interest thereon, at the rate of seven per centum per annum, to be calculated from the date of such entry to the date of payment."

The above assessment is payable to the Collector of Assessments, and Clerk of Arrears at the "Bureau for the Collection of Assessments, and Arrears of Taxes and Assessments, and of Water Rents," between the hours of 9 A. M. and 2 P. M., and all payments made thereon, on or before April 28, 1884, will be exempt from interest as above provided, and after that date will be subject to a charge of interest at the rate of seven per cent. per annum from the date of entry in the Record of Titles of Assessments in said Bureau to the date of payment.

S. HASTINGS GRANT, Comptroller.

CITY OF NEW YORK, FINANCE DEPARTMENT, COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, February 14, 1884.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY-OWNERS.

IN PURSUANCE OF SECTION 916 OF THE "New York City Consolidation Act of 1882," the Comptroller of the City of New York hereby gives public notice to all persons, owners of property affected by the following assessment lists, viz.:

Paving Avenue A, with granite-block pavement, from Fifty-fourth to Fifty-seventh street.

Paving Lexington avenue, from Eighty-sixth to Ninety-third street, with Belg. pavement.

Paving Lexington avenue, with trap-block pavement, from north side of Ninety-third street to north side of Ninety-fourth street, a d having crosswalk across Lexington avenue, on south side of Ninety-fourth street.

Paving Madison avenue, from One Hundred and Tenth to One Hundred and Sixteenth street, with granite-block pavement.

Paving Fifth avenue, from One Hundred and Tenth to One Hundred and Twenty-fourth street, with Telford McAdam pavement.

Paving Sixty-seventh street, from Boulevard to Tenth avenue, with Belg. pavement.

Paving Sixty-eighth street, with Belg. pavement, from Avenue A to First avenue.

Paving Eighty-first street, from Ninth avenue to the Boulevard, with Belg. pavement.

Paving Eighty-first street, at intersection of Ninth avenue, with granite-block pavement.

Paving Eighty-second street, from Ninth avenue to the Boulevard, with Belg. and granite pavement.

Paving Eighty-seventh street, from First to Second avenue, with Belg. block pavement.

Paving Ninety-fifth street, from Third to Lexington avenue, with Belg. block pavement.

Paving Ninety-ninth street, from Third avenue to Exterior street, with trap and granite pavement.

Paving One Hundred and Sixth street, from Third to Lexington avenue, with trap-block pavement.

Paving One Hundred and Twenty-third street, between First and Second avenues, with Belg. or trap-block pavement.

Paving One Hundred and Twenty-seventh street, from Sixth to Seventh avenue, with Belg. blocks.

Paving One Hundred and Thirtieth street, between Sixth and Eighth avenues, with Belg. pavement.

Regulating, grading and setting curb and gutter stones in Seventy-third street, from Third avenue to East river.

Regulating, grading, curb, gutter and flagging Seventy-first street, between Fifth avenue and the East river.

Regulating, grading, setting curb and flagging One Hundred and Fifty-second street, from St. Nicholas to Ninth avenue.

Regulating, grading, setting curb and flagging One Hundred and Fifty-third street, from St. Nicholas to Ninth avenue.

Regulating, grading, setting curb and gutter stones, and flagging sidewalks, four 4 feet wide, One Hundred and Fifty-eighth street, from Third to Railroad avenue.

Flagging eight 8 feet wide east side of Madison avenue, from One Hundred and Twenty-fifth to One Hundred and Twenty-sixth street.

Flagging east side of Fifth avenue from Seventy-second to Eighty-sixth street.

Flagging east side of Eighth avenue, between One Hundred and Twenty-fourth and One Hundred and Twenty-fifth streets.

Flagging Ninety-eighth street, between Ninth avenue and Boulevard.

Flagging Third avenue, from Ninety-third to One Hundred and First street.

Setting curb-stones and flagging Lexington avenue, from north curb of Ninety-sixth street to the south curb of Ninety-seventh street.

Laying crosswalks in the intersections of Lexington avenue and One Hundred and Fifth and One Hundred and Eleventh streets.

Fencing vacant lots opposite Nos. 349 and 351 West Eleventh street.

Fencing vacant lot s, south side Eighty-fourth street, between Third and Lexington avenues.

Fencing vacant lots, south side of One Hundred and Fourteenth street, between Second and Third avenues.

Filling in wet and sunken lots on the west side of Willis avenue, commencing 25 feet north of East One Hundred and Forty-fourth street and extending north-erly about 125 feet.

of Assessments and Arrears of Taxes and Assessments and of Water Rents," that unless the amount assessed for benefit on any person or property, shall be paid within sixty days after the date of said entry of the assessments, interest will be collected thereon as provided in section 917 of said "New York City Consolidation Act of 1882."

Section 917 of the said act provides that, "if any such assessment shall remain unpaid for the period of sixty days after the date of entry thereof in the said Record of Titles of Assessments, it shall be the duty of the officer authorized to collect and receive the amount of such assessment, to charge, collect, and receive interest thereon at the rate of seven per centum per annum, to be calculated from the date of such entry to the date of payment."

The above assessments are payable to the Collector of Assessments and Clerk of Arrears, at the "Bureau for the Collection of Assessments and Arrears of Taxes and Assessments and of Water Rents," between the hours of 9 A. M. and 2 P. M., and all payments made thereon, on or before April 21, 1884, will be exempt from interest as above provided, and after that date will be subject to a charge of interest at the rate of seven per cent. per annum from the date of entry in the Record of Titles of Assessments in said Bureau to the date of payment.

S. HASTINGS GRANT, Comptroller.

CITY OF NEW YORK, FINANCE DEPARTMENT, COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, February 16, 1884.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY-OWNERS.

IN PURSUANCE OF SECTION 916 OF THE "New York City Consolidation Act of 1882," the Comptroller of the City of New York hereby gives public notice to all persons, owners of property affected by the following assessment lists, viz.:

Paving One Hundred and Twenty-third street, from Second to Third avenue, with granite-block pavement.

Flagging Ninety-eighth street, from Eighth to Ninth avenue.

Sewer in One Hundred and Twenty-sixth street, between Ninth and St. Nicholas avenues.

Constructing sewer and appurtenances in Third avenue and One Hundred and Fifty-sixth street, from One Hundred and Fifty-eighth street to Brook avenue.

Constructing sewer and appurtenances in One Hundred and Forty-first street, from Third to Alexander avenue, with branch in Alexander avenue.

—which were confirmed by the Board of Revision and Correction of Assessments, February 13, 1884, and entered on the same date in the Record of Titles of Assessments, kept in the "Bureau for the Collection of Assessments and Arrears of Taxes and Assessments and of Water Rents," that unless the amount assessed for benefit on any person or property, shall be paid within sixty days after the date of said entry of the assessments, interest will be collected thereon as provided in section 917 of said "New York City Consolidation Act of 1882."

Section 917 of the said act provides that, "if any such assessment shall remain unpaid for the period of sixty days after the date of entry thereof in the said Record of Titles of Assessments, it shall be the duty of the officer authorized to collect and receive the amount of such assessment, to charge, collect, and receive interest thereon at the rate of seven per centum per annum, to be calculated from the date of such entry to the date of payment."

The above assessments are payable to the Collector of Assessments and Clerk of Arrears, at the "Bureau for the Collection of Assessments and Arrears of Taxes and Assessments and of Water Rents," between the hours of 9 A. M. and 2 P. M., and all payments made thereon, on or before April 25, 1884, will be exempt from interest as above provided, and after that date will be subject to a charge of interest at the rate of seven per cent. per annum from the date of entry in the Record of Titles of Assessments in said Bureau to the date of payment.

S. HASTINGS GRANT, Comptroller.

NOTICE OF SALE OF LANDS AND TENEMENTS FOR UNPAID ASSESSMENTS FOR OPENING, WIDENING, EXTENDING AND STRAIGHTENING ROADS, STREETS, AVENUES, PARKS AND PUBLIC PLACES.

CITY OF NEW YORK—FINANCE DEPARTMENT, BUREAU FOR THE COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS AND ARREARS OF TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS AND OF WATER RENTS, AND OF THE COLLECTOR OF ASSESSMENTS AND CLERK OF ARREARS, JANUARY 24, 1884.

UNDER THE DIRECTION OF S. HASTINGS GRANT, Comptroller of the City of New York, the undersigned hereby gives Public Notice, pursuant to the provisions of Section 926 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882, that the respective owners of all the lands and tenements in which assessments have been laid and confirmed during the year 1879 and prior thereto, for opening, widening, extending and straightening roads, streets, avenues, parks, and public places, upon which such assessments are now due and unpaid and have remained due and unpaid since the confirmation of said assessments, are required to pay the amount of the assessments so due and remaining unpaid to the Collector of Assessments and Clerk of Arrears, at his office in the Finance Department, in the New Court-house, in the City of New York, together with the interest thereon, at the rate of 7 per cent. per annum, to the time of payment, with the charges of this notice and advertisement.

And if default shall be made in such payment, such lands and tenements will be sold at public auction, at the New Court-house, in the City Hall Park in the City of New York, Monday, May 5, 1884, at 12 o'clock noon, for the lowest term of years at which any person shall offer to take the same in consideration of advancing the amount of the assessment so due and unpaid, and the interest thereon as aforesaid to the time of the sale, together with the charges of this notice and advertisement, and all other costs and charges accrued thereon, and that such sale will be continued from time to time until all the lands and tenements advertised for sale shall be sold.

And notice is hereby further given that a detailed statement of the assessments, the ownership of the property assessed, and on which the assessments are due and unpaid, is published in a pamphlet, and that copies of the pamphlet are deposited in the office of the Collector of Assessments and Clerk of Arrears in the Finance Department, and will be delivered to any person applying for the same.

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

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S. HASTINGS GRANT, Comptroller.