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BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

FRIDAY, May 15, 1885,
1 o'clock P. M.

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

PRESENT:

Hon. Adolph L. Sanger, President;

ALDERMEN

Henry W. Jaehne, Vice-President,	Anthony Hartman, Bartholomew F. Kenney, Patrick H. Kerwin, Peter B. Masterson, Bankston T. Morgan, Joseph Murray, Owen McGinnis,	Arthur J. McQuade, Patrick N. Oakley, John Quinn, Charles H. Reilly, Thomas Rothman, James T. Van Rensselaer, Thomas P. Walsh.
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The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

REPORTS.

(G. O. 169.)

The Committee on Streets, to whom was referred the annexed resolution in favor of laying a crosswalk across Grand street, corner of Willett street, respectfully

REPORT:

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

Resolved, That a crosswalk be laid across Grand street at or near the westerly intersection of Willett street, within the lines of the sidewalk of said Willett street, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, the expense to be charged to the appropriation for "Repairs and Renewal of Pavements and Regrading."

ARTHUR J. McQUADE,
CHARLES H. REILLY,
PETER B. MASTERTSON,
THOS. P. WALSH,
JOS. MURRAY, } Committee
on
Streets.

Which was laid over.

The Committee on Salaries and Offices respectfully

REPORT

for adoption the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the following-named persons be and they are hereby respectively reappointed to the office of Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, to date from the expiration of their present terms of office, viz.:

Emil S. Arnold.	Charles Dahl.
Augustus T. Docharty.	Frank R. Haughton.
George Finck.	Edward J. Harding.
Maurice F. Harris.	George W. Lush.
William N. Loew.	James McLoughlin.
John H. Loos.	Albert Miller.
Thomas J. McGuire.	Theodore F. Van Zandt.
Henry Schoen.	Edgar Williams.
George J. Wood.	Henry Adler.
John W. Crump.	

Resolved, That the following-named persons be and they are hereby appointed Commissioners of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in the places respectively of those whose names appear opposite, and whose terms of office have expired, viz.:

Abraham Boehm, in place of.....	Christian Closson.
Jacob H. Valentine, ".....	James S. Clark.
Hugh Douglas, ".....	John R. Farrington.
Henry H. Snyder, ".....	Edward J. Hancy.
Henry V. Steers, ".....	Joseph McCann.
John O'Dwyer, ".....	George W. McAdam.
James Demarest, ".....	William M. Negus.
John H. McCarty, ".....	Peter Washington Salmon.
Philip Emrich, ".....	John B. Christie.
Philip J. Joachimsen, ".....	Thomas Cunningham.
Charles N. Morgan, ".....	Jacob Fleischhauer.
John Gilchrist, ".....	Frank Forrester.
Hugo Cohn, ".....	Christopher Foster.
Joel Marks, ".....	James Forrester.
Gilbert J. Burnet, ".....	Edward Grosse.
Albert L. Phillips, ".....	Francis J. Gallagher.
George C. Austin, ".....	George C. Knapp, Jr.
Simon Rosenthal, ".....	Louis Kneisel.
Charles A. L. Goldey, ".....	Simon Loeb.
Moritz Pfrenger, ".....	Daniel P. O'Connor.
Francis V. Dowley, ".....	Charles Putzel.
Abraham Bernard, ".....	H. F. Repper.
Charles D. Brooks, ".....	Henry J. Schumacher.
Jacob Goldschmidt, ".....	Simon Steingut.
John J. Hayes, ".....	Rudolph L. Scharf.
James O. Farrell, ".....	Charles Ullmann.
Alexander Humboldt Roemer, in place of.....	George H. Wyckoff.
John M. Kyle, ".....	Henry E. Wallace.
Wm. A. F. P. Mulford, ".....	Frank Wolff.
James W. Ross, ".....	Hermann Wiesner.
William F. Erving, ".....	Noah Wood.
Frank R. Brady, ".....	Stephen Whitehorne.

Resolved, That the following-named persons be and they are hereby appointed Commissioners of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in the places, respectively, of those whose names appear opposite, who were recently appointed but failed to qualify:

Lewis C. Cohn, in place of.....	Thomas F. Casey.
Herman Schmidt, ".....	Haydn C. Kelly.
Felix S. Falk, ".....	Thomas J. Kenny.
Matthew F. Neville, ".....	David S. Updyke.

Resolved, That the name of Thomas J. Kenny, recently appointed a Commissioner of Deeds, be corrected so as to read George J. Kenny.

Resolved, That the following-named persons be and they are hereby appointed Commissioners of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, as follows: William E. Haws, in place of the term of office of Thomas J. Crombie, which expired October 13, 1884; and Howard E. Sands, in place of the term of office of William Henry Gardiner, which expired November 23, 1884.

JAMES T. VAN RENSSELAER, } Committee
PATRICK H. KERWIN, } on
PETER B. MASTERTSON, } Salaries and Offices.
ROBERT HALL, }

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

Which was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

Affirmative—The President, Vice-President Jaehne, Aldermen Cleary, Finck, Hall, Hartman, Kenney, Kerwin, Masterson, Morgan, Murray, McGinnis, McQuade, Oakley, Quinn, Reilly, Rothman, Van Rensselaer, and Walsh—19.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

By the President—

Resolved, That the Commissioners of the Department of Police be and they are hereby directed to co-operate with the Commissioners of the Fire Department in securing the inspection of tenements, as provided in the resolution adopted by the Board May 4, 1885, by requiring the policemen in the several police precincts to report to the said Police Commissioners the number and location of tenements and apartment-houses in their several precincts which have not yet complied with the law relating to fire-escapes, and that said Police Commissioners report thereupon such information to said Fire Commissioners, in order to secure prompt action in the premises.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

By Alderman Cleary—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Fred. Scheidler to retain a barber-pole during the day-time on the curb-line in front of No. 135 Liberty street; 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 Mulry—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Bernard Dooley to retain the coal-box at the curb-line in front of No. 311 Madison street; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

By the same—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Bischoff & Mulry to erect and keep an awning of tin in front of their premises, No. 2199 Third avenue, corner of One Hundred and Twentieth street, the work to be done at their own expense, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

By Alderman Reilly—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to J. A. O'Connor & Co. to place and keep a canvas awning in front of their premises, Nos. 1464 and 1466 Third 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 Walsh—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Teresa Volpe to place and keep a movable stand for the sale of flowers on the square near the lamp-post opposite the southerly portion of the Post-office building, provided such stand shall not be an obstruction to the free use of the street by the public, nor exceed three feet long by two feet wide; 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 permission be and the same is hereby given to Giacomo Lauria to place and keep a stand for the sale of fruit on the sidewalk, near the curb, in front of No. 260 East Third street, provided such stand shall not be an obstruction to the free use of the street by the public, nor exceed nine feet long by three wide; 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 Cleary—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to George Charles to erect a booth three by five feet, inside the stoop-line, at No. 29 Walker street; 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.

(G. O. 170.)

By Alderman Hartman—

Resolved, That water-pipes be laid in Anthony avenue, from Waverly to Ash street; also in Ash street, from Anthony avenue five hundred feet easterly, as provided in chapter 381, Laws of 1879.

Which was laid over.

By the same—

Resolved, That an improved iron drinking-fountain (for man and beast) be placed in Courtland avenue, near the northeast corner of One Hundred and Fifty-fourth street and Courtland avenue, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Works.

(G. O. 171.)

By Alderman Reilly—

Resolved, That a boulevard lamp be substituted for the ordinary street-lamp on the lamp-post now in front of No. 1622 First avenue, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

Which was laid over.

By Alderman Masterson—

Resolved, That One Hundred and Sixty-third street, from Edgcomb to Tenth avenue, be regulated and graded, curb-stones set and sidewalks flagged four feet wide, where not already done, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Works.

By the same—

Resolved, That Ninety-first street, from Tenth avenue to Riverside Drive, be regulated and graded, curb-stones set and sidewalks flagged four feet wide, where not already done, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Works.

By the same—

Resolved, That Claremont avenue, from One Hundred and Sixteenth to One Hundred and Twenty-second street, be regulated and graded, curb-stones set and sidewalks flagged four feet wide, where not already done, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Works.

By the same—

Resolved, That gas-mains be laid, lamp-posts erected and street-lamps lighted in One Hundred and Fifty-seventh street, from Tenth avenue to Avenue St. Nicholas, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

Which was referred to the Committee on Lamps and Gas.

By the same—

Resolved, That gas-mains be laid, lamp-post erected and street-lamps lighted in One Hundred and Thirty-fourth street, from Eighth avenue to Avenue St. Nicholas, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

Which was referred to the Committee on Lamps and Gas.

Alderman Hartman moved that the Committee on Lamps and Gas be discharged from the further consideration of the following resolutions:

(G. O. 172.)

Resolved, That gas-mains be laid and lamp-posts erected and street-lamps lighted in Fulton avenue, from One Hundred and Seventy-fifth to One Hundred and Seventy-seventh street, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

(G. O. 173.)

Resolved, That gas-mains be laid, lamp-posts erected and street-lamps placed thereon and lighted in One Hundred and Forty-eighth street, from Third to Brook avenue, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

(G. O. 174.)

Resolved, That gas-mains be laid, lamp-posts erected and street-lamps placed thereon and lighted in Washington avenue, from One Hundred and Eightieth street to Fordham avenue or Kingsbridge road.

(G. O. 175.)

Resolved, That gas-mains be laid, lamp-posts erected and street-lamps lighted in One Hundred and Sixty-eighth street, from North Third avenue to Fulton avenue, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

(G. O. 176.)

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

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

Alderman Hartman then moved that the said resolutions be severally laid over.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

By Alderman Masterson—

Resolved, That his Honor the Mayor be and he is hereby respectfully requested to return to this Board for amendment a resolution passed May 4, 1885, permitting the Mutual Benefit Ice Company to place and keep a platform-scale in One Hundred and Thirty-first street, north side, between the Twelfth avenue and the Hudson River Railroad.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

PAPERS RETURNED FROM HIS HONOR THE MAYOR.

The President laid before the Board the following resolution, returned by request, from his Honor the Mayor:

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to the Mutual Benefit Ice Company to place and keep a platform-scale and small weigh-office on the south side of One Hundred and Thirty-first street, between Twelfth avenue and the North river, the said scale to be constructed flush with the surface of the street, and to be no obstruction or impediment to the free use of the street by the public, the work to be done at their own expense, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

Alderman Masterson moved a reconsideration of the vote by which said resolution was adopted.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

Alderman Masterson then moved to amend the resolution by striking out the word "south" before the word "side," and inserting in lieu thereof the word "north."

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS RESUMED.

By Alderman Oakley—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Edward Vernam to place an ornamental lamp-post and lamp in front of his premises on the southeast corner of Broadway and Fourteenth street, the work to be done and gas supplied at his expense, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

By Alderman Masterson—

Resignation of Eugene Sweeney as a Commissioner of Deeds.

Which was accepted.

By the same—

Resolved, That George P. H. McVay be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place of Eugene Sweeney, who has resigned.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

Affirmative—The President, Vice-President Jaehne, Aldermen Brown, Cleary, Cowie, De Lacy, Finck, Hall, Hartman, Kenney, Kerwin, Masterson, Morgan, Murray, McGinnis, McQuade, Oakley, Quinn, Reilly, Rothman, Van Rensselaer, and Walsh—22.

By Alderman Cleary—

Resolved, That William Shimer 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 Cowie—

Resolved, That Edward J. Harding be and he is hereby reappointed 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 Hall—

Resolved, That Alfred Everiss be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place of Alfred Everiss, whose term of office has expired.

Which was referred to the Committee on Salaries and Offices.

By Alderman Walsh—

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

Which was referred to the Committee on Salaries and Offices.

By Alderman Oakley—

Resolved, That Thomas J. Blessing 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 Murray—

Resolved, That Jacob Samuels 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 Kerwin—

Resolved, That Calvin G. Doig be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place of Calvin G. Doig, whose term of office expires May 23, 1885.

Which was referred to the Committee on Salaries and Offices.

By Alderman McQuade—

Resolved, That Mark Cohn 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 the same—

Resolved, That William Hughes 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 Cowie—

Resolved, That J. George Flammer be and he is hereby reappointed Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, whose term of office expires May 16, 1885.

Which was referred to the Committee on Salaries and Offices.

By Alderman Masterson—

Resolved, That Henry Adler be and he is hereby reappointed 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 Quinn—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby granted to D. Schnepel to place and retain a watering-trough in front of No. 468 Greenwich street, the water to be supplied and work done at his own expense under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

Which was referred to the Committee on Salaries and Offices.

MESSAGES FROM HIS HONOR THE MAYOR.

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

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, May 15, 1885.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen:

I return, without my approval, the resolution of the Board of Aldermen, adopted May 1, 1885, permitting Louis Schwartz to place and keep a wire banner-sign in front of his premises, No. 323 Hudson street.

This sign is intended to be three feet wide, and to extend from the house, across the sidewalk, to the curb, there to be supported by a post. Section 86, sub. 4, of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882 prohibits the authorization of obstructions of this character upon the streets or sidewalks of the city.

W. R. GRACE, Mayor.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Louis Schwartz to place and keep a wire banner-sign in front of his premises, No. 323 Hudson street, the work to be done at his own expense; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

Which was laid 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, May 15, 1885.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen:

I return, without my approval, the resolution of the Board of Aldermen, adopted May 1, 1885, permitting Thomas Dobby to place a watering-trough in front of his premises, northwest corner of Fifty-first street and Tenth avenue.

There are already two watering-troughs in the immediate vicinity and there is, therefore, no necessity for one at this place.

W. R. GRACE, Mayor.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Thomas Dobby to place a watering-trough in front of his premises, northwest corner of Fifty-first street and Tenth avenue, the water to be supplied and the work done at his own expense, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

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, May 15, 1885.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen:

I return, without my approval, the resolution of the Board of Aldermen, adopted May 4, 1885, directing the Commissioner of Public Works to substitute boulevard lamps for the two ordinary street-lamps on the lamp-posts on the south side of Grand street, between Allen and Orchard streets.

All the lamps in Grand street are of the ordinary pattern, and there is no good reason why the lamps on this particular block should be changed, especially as the adjoining blocks are devoted to business of the same general character as this one.

W. R. GRACE, Mayor.

Resolved, That the Commissioner of Public Works be and he is hereby authorized and directed to substitute boulevard lamps for the two ordinary street-lamps on the lamp-posts on the south side of Grand street, between Allen and Orchard streets.

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, May 15, 1885.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen:

I return, without my approval, the resolution of the Board of Aldermen, adopted May 1, 1885, permitting John Rosioi to exhibit goods on the sidewalk in front of No. 661 Eighth avenue.

Section 86, sub. 4, of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882 prohibits the authorization of obstructions of this character upon the streets or sidewalks of the city.

W. R. GRACE, Mayor.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to John Rosioi to make, in front of his premises, No. 661 Eighth avenue, an exhibition of his goods within two and a half feet from the line of the curb, said exhibition not to be more than four feet high and five feet in length; 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, May 15, 1885.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen:

I return, without my approval, the resolution of the Board of Aldermen, adopted May 1, 1885, permitting St. Patrick's Alliance Branch 26 to drive an advertising wagon through the streets of the City until June 16, 1885.

A general ordinance of the Board of Aldermen, approved June 19, 1882, provides that no advertising trucks, vans or wagons shall be allowed in the streets of the city.

W. R. GRACE, Mayor.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to St. Patrick's Alliance Branch 26 to drive an advertising wagon through the streets of the city; such permission to continue until the date of their excursion, which takes place June 16, 1885.

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, May 15, 1885.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen:

I return, without my approval, the resolution of the Board of Aldermen, adopted May 4, 1885, permitting Louis Jackson to place and keep a watering-trough in front of Nos. 252 and 254 Broome street.

There is already a watering-trough in the immediate vicinity, and there is, therefore, no necessity for one at this point.

W. R. GRACE, Mayor.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Louis Jackson to place and keep a watering-trough in front of Nos. 252 and 254 Broome 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, May 15, 1885.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen :

I return, without my approval, the resolution of the Board of Aldermen, adopted May 4, 1885, providing that Eighty-second street, from the Boulevard to Eleventh avenue, be paved with trap-block pavement.

This street has not been regulated or graded, and a sewer has not yet been built; the resolution is, therefore, premature.

W. R. GRACE, Mayor.

Resolved, That Eighty-second street, from Boulevard to Eleventh avenue, be paved with trap-block pavement, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

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, May 15, 1885.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen :

I return, without my approval, the resolution of the Board of Aldermen, adopted May 1, 1885, permitting Aug. Erdmann to erect and keep a storm-door in front of his premises, No. 36 Centre street.

This storm-door, so-called, will be 20 feet long and will project 3 feet from the building. Section 86, sub-section 3, prohibits the authorization of the extension of building-fronts and house-fronts beyond the house-line.

W. R. GRACE, Mayor.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Aug. Erdmann to erect and keep a storm-door in front of his premises, No. 36 Centre street, the work to be done at his own expense, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

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, May 15, 1885.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen :

I return, without my approval, the resolution of the Board of Aldermen, adopted May 4, 1885, permitting John Branagan to stand with his milk wagon in front of No. 61 Exchange place, and sell milk, between the hours of 10 A. M. and 4 P. M., during the months of May, June, July and August, 1885.

Section 86, sub. 4, of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882 prohibits the authorization of obstructions of this character upon the streets or sidewalks of the city.

W. R. GRACE, Mayor.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to John Branagan to stand with his milk wagon in front of No. 61 Exchange place and sell milk, between the hours of 10 A. M. and 4 P. M., during the months of May, June, July and August, 1885.

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, May 15, 1885.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen :

I return, without my approval, the resolution of the Board of Aldermen, adopted May 4, 1885, permitting John Cawood to erect a flag-pole near the curb-line in front of his premises, Seventh avenue and One Hundred and Thirty-first street.

Section 86, sub. 4, of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882 prohibits the authorization of obstructions of this character upon the streets or sidewalks of the city.

W. R. GRACE, Mayor.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to John Cawood to erect a flag-pole near the curb-line in front of his premises, Seventh avenue and One Hundred and Thirty-first street, the pole not to exceed two feet in diameter, to remain only during the pleasure of the Common Council and under direction of 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, May 15, 1885.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen :

I return, without my approval, the resolution of the Board of Aldermen, adopted May 1, 1885, directing the Commissioner of Public Works to remove the two posts placed in the centre of the carriageway of Exchange alley, at Broadway and at Greenwich street.

Exchange alley extends only from Broadway to Trinity place. A search of the records of the Department of Public Works shows that it is not a public highway, according to law, and the city has, therefore, no power to prevent it being closed at the option of the owners.

W. R. GRACE, Mayor.

Resolved, That the Commissioner of Public Works be and he is hereby directed to remove or cause to be removed the two posts placed in the centre of the carriageway of Exchange alley, at the junction of Broadway and the junction of Greenwich street, as they are placed there evidently with the intention of preventing the use of the street by the public.

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

The President called up G. O. 126, being a resolution, as follows :

Resolved, That the Commissioner of Public Works be and he is hereby authorized to lay water-pipes in Ninth avenue, between Ninety-third and Ninety-fourth streets, pursuant to the New York City 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, Vice-President Jaehne, Aldermen Brown, Cleary, Cowie, De Lacy, Finck, Hall, Hartman, Kenney, Kerwin, Masterson, Morgan, Murray, McGinnis, McQuade, Oakley, Quinn, Reilly, Rothman, Van Rensselaer, and Walsh—23.

The President called up G. O. 141, being a resolution and ordinance, as follows :

Resolved, That One Hundred and Sixteenth street, from the Boulevard to Riverside Drive, be regulated, graded, curbed and sidewalks flagged a space four feet wide through the centre thereof, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote :

Affirmative—The President, Vice-President Jaehne, Aldermen Brown, Cleary, Cowie, De Lacy, Finck, Hall, Hartman, Kenney, Kerwin, Masterson, Morgan, Murray, McGinnis, McQuade, Oakley, Quinn, Reilly, Rothman, Van Rensselaer, and Walsh—22.

Alderman De Lacy called up G. O. 163, being a resolution, as follows :

Resolved, That the first new avenue east of Ninth avenue, commencing at the junction of Avenue St. Nicholas and One Hundred and Thirty-fifth street, and terminating at One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street, be and the same is hereby designated as "Edgecomb avenue."

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

Alderman De Lacy called up G. O. 91, being a resolution and ordinance, as follows :

Resolved, That East One Hundred and Fifty-sixth street, from the easterly curb-line of North Third avenue to the westerly curb-line of St. Ann's avenue, be regulated and graded upon the established lines and grades, and that the curb-stones be set and flag-stones, four feet in width, be laid on each sidewalk; and that a bridge be constructed to carry said East One Hundred and Fifty-sixth street over the Port Morris Branch of the New York and Harlem Railroad, under the direction of the Commissioners of the Department of Public Parks; 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, Vice-President Jaehne, Aldermen Brown, Cleary, Cowie, De Lacy, Finck, Hall, Hartman, Kenney, Kerwin, Masterson, Morgan, Murray, McGinnis, McQuade, Oakley, Quinn, Reilly, Rothman, Van Rensselaer, and Walsh—22.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS AGAIN RESUMED.

Alderman McQuade moved that the Board do now adjourn.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

And the President announced that the Board stood adjourned until Monday, the 18th inst., at 1 o'clock P. M.

FRANCIS J. TWOMEY, Clerk.

COMMISSIONERS OF THE SINKING FUND.

Proceedings of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund at the Meeting held May 13th, 1885.

Present—William R. Grace, Mayor; Frederick Smyth, Recorder; Edward V. Loew, Comptroller; William M. Ivins, Chamberlain; and Charles H. Reilly, Chairman of the Finance Committee of the Board of Aldermen.

William M. Ivins, Esq., was introduced as Chamberlain, and took his seat in the Board.

The minutes of the meeting held May 4th, 1885, were read and approved.

The Comptroller submitted the following preambles and resolutions, viz. :

1. Whereas, An order was made by the Hon. Charles Donohue, Justice, at a Special Term of the Supreme Court, held at Chambers at the County Court-house in the City of New York, on the 18th day of July, 1879, vacating an assessment and canceling the liens on certain lots known by the Ward Nos. 25 and 26, and by the Map Nos. 27 and 28, in the Fifth Ward of the City of New York, for setting curb, gutter and flagging in West and intersecting streets between Chambers and Canal streets, confirmed March 9th, 1868; and

Whereas, The said lots were sold at a sale held for unpaid assessments on the 26th day of October, 1875; and

Whereas, Under said order of vacation the purchase money paid on said sale of said lots must be refunded to the purchaser;

Resolved, That the Comptroller be and is hereby authorized and directed to make such entries upon the books of the Finance Department for the adjustment of the accounts between the City Treasury and the Sinking Fund for the Redemption of the City Debt, as may be required to refund the amount of said assessment, vacated by said order of the Supreme Court.

On motion, the resolution was unanimously adopted, all the Commissioners voting in the affirmative.

2. Whereas, A sale made in October, 1875, for non-payment of an assessment upon certain lots situated in the Nineteenth Ward of the City of New York, for regulating and grading, etc., the First avenue, from Thirty-sixth to Sixty-first street, confirmed September 29th, 1870, was vacated by an order issued by the Hon. Charles H. Van Brunt, Justice, Supreme Court, at a Special Term held at Chambers at the County Court-house, in the City of New York, on the 16th day of March, 1885; and

Whereas, Under the said order of the Supreme Court, the amount of the purchase money paid on the sale made for said assessment must be refunded to the purchaser;

Resolved, That the Comptroller be and is hereby authorized and directed to make such entries upon the books of the Finance Department for the adjustment of the accounts between the City Treasury and the Sinking Fund for the Redemption of the City Debt, as may be required to refund the amount of the said assessment, the sale of which has been vacated by said order of the Supreme Court.

On motion, the resolution was unanimously adopted, all the Commissioners voting in the affirmative.

The Comptroller submitted the following reports, viz. :

I.

CITY OF NEW YORK—FINANCE DEPARTMENT,
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
May 12th, 1885.

To the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund :

GENTLEMEN—The Comptroller, to whom was referred, February 25th, 1885, the petition of Charles L. Guilleaume for a confirmatory deed, respectfully submits the following

REPORT :

The petitioner asks for a confirmatory deed of certain premises on the southerly side of Seventy-sixth street, one hundred feet west of Fourth avenue, fifty feet in width and one-half the block in depth. His title is derived through George C. Miller and Joseph H. Coates, who received a deed of premises including the said premises from the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, dated December 31st, 1869, which, as alleged, was not signed by the Mayor. It is alleged that in this respect said deed is defective, notwithstanding the provisions of the act, chapter 231 of the Laws of 1882, which was enacted to remedy such defect in deeds from the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty, for the reason that special circumstances render that act inapplicable in this case, the deed to Miller and Coates having been made by the city in pursuance of an order of the Supreme Court, directing the deed to be made upon the payment of certain moneys to the city, which moneys were paid in full, as appears by the records in the Comptroller's office.

The question whether the legal points involved entitled the petitioner to a confirmatory deed in view of the act of 1882 validating deeds from the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty not signed by the Mayor, was submitted to the Counsel to the Corporation for his opinion, which is herewith presented.

The Counsel to the Corporation says, "There is in my opinion sufficient difference between "this case and other like cases involving the Miller and Coates deed on the one hand, and other "cases resting upon more simple instances of sales of city lots on the other, to make it somewhat "doubtful whether the defect in that deed was cured by the act of 1882, and to justify you in making "a distinction between them, having in view, of course, that it would by no means be advisable to "give confirmatory deeds in every case, where it was asked, or in any case unless it were made "doubtful whether the act of 1882 was applicable."

In view of this opinion and the peculiar circumstances attending the original deed made by the city to Miller and Coates, through whom the petitioner derives his title, I recommend that his petition be granted and a confirmatory deed to him be made from the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty.

Respectfully,

EDWARD V. LOEW, Comptroller.

Resolved, That the petition of Charles L. Guilleaume for a confirmatory deed from the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, of certain premises situated on the southerly side of Seventy-sixth street, one hundred feet west of Fourth avenue, fifty feet in width and one-half the block in depth, which premises were included in the premises for which a deed dated December 31st, 1869, was made to George C. Miller and Joseph H. Coates, in pursuance of an order of the Supreme Court, be and is hereby granted, and that the Mayor and Clerk of the Common Council be authorized and directed to execute such proper deed as the facts of the case may warrant and require and as shall be approved by the Counsel to the Corporation, and that the Comptroller be authorized to deliver the same when duly executed and recorded in his office, to the petitioner or his attorney.

The report was accepted, and, on motion, the resolution was unanimously adopted, all the Commissioners voting in the affirmative.

Opinion of the Counsel to the Corporation submitted with the report, viz. :

LAW DEPARTMENT,
OFFICE OF THE COUNSEL TO THE CORPORATION,
NEW YORK, May 1st, 1885.

Hon. EDWARD V. LOEW, Comptroller :

SIR—I am in receipt of your communication of March 19th, 1885, transmitting an application to the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund by Charles L. Guillaume, dated February 20th, 1885, for a confirmatory deed of certain premises on East Seventy-sixth street for which a deed from the city was made on December 31st, 1869, which it is alleged was not signed by the Mayor.

Reference is made by you to the provisions of chapter 231 of the Laws of 1882, to the fact that the property in question was sold at a regular sale, in 1852, of property of the corporation and to the final decree of the court after litigation that a deed should be given upon the payment to the city of the purchase money which was done in 1869. You also enclose and refer to a communication from A. B. Thacher, Esq., attorney, accompanying Mr. Guillaume's application and dated March 6th, 1885, and request my advice whether, in my opinion, the legal point involved entitled the petitioner to a confirmatory deed from the city.

Mr. Thacher has also procured and furnished me for my examination the following papers, which he informs me he had previously left with you, viz. :

1. Certified copy of record of deed from the Mayor, etc., to George C. Miller and Joseph H. Coates, bearing date December 31st, 1869, and recorded on the same day in the office of the Register of the City and County of New York, in Liber 1134 of Conveyances, page 162.

This is the deed containing the alleged defect, to cure which the petitioner asks a confirmatory deed.

2. Certified copy of the record of a deed from the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York to Matilda Leventritt, bearing date May 11th, 1882, and recorded in the same office on May 16th, 1882, in Liber 1653 of Conveyances, page 402.

This is a confirmatory deed given by the city of a lot of land embraced in the deed to Miller and Coates, which was on the 4th day of May, 1882, approved as to form by my predecessor, Hon. William C. Whitney, Counsel to the Corporation, and transmitted by him to your predecessor, Hon. Allan Campbell, pursuant to a resolution of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund authorizing the same bearing date the 18th day of April, 1882.

3. A draft of a proposed confirmatory deed to the petitioner, Mr. Charles L. Guillaume, which I find to be in exactly the same form as the deed to Matilda Leventritt before mentioned, the description and necessary changes excepted.

The defect existing in the original deed to Miller and Coates and also existing in a large number of other deeds from the city to various persons for parcels of land purchased by them caused by the lack of the signature of the Mayor, is of sufficient gravity to have induced the execution by the city of a large number of confirmatory deeds or deeds of correction upon the recommendation of my predecessors, and to the adoption of the act constituting chapter 231 of the Laws of 1882, before referred to.

This act purports to confirm and validate deeds previously executed by the city, presenting the defect in question, provided among other things that the terms of sale of the property sold had been fully complied with, and that the proceeds of said sale were fully paid or deposited to the credit of the Sinking Fund of the City of New York, or secured to such fund by mortgage on the real property so sold.

Mr. Thacher claims that in the case of Mr. Guillaume there are special circumstances which tend to make it doubtful whether the defect in the deed to Miller and Coates, under which he claims, is made good by that act.

He insists that it does not clearly appear whether the terms of sale had been complied with in that case, and that the judgment, ordering the execution of the deed, may have been based upon estoppel or some agreement or concession on the part of the city after the time when the sales should have been closed.

He suggests that special difficulty arises peculiar to that case in connection with examining the books of your office by any person who shall at any time examine the title to the property to ascertain the fact of payment of the consideration money, it having been made so many years afterward.

Also, that the peculiar terms of the decree requiring the city to give a deed, which in itself should be complete and perfect to convey the property, distinguishes this from other cases.

Without attempting to pass definitely upon the weight and validity of these several points, I feel inclined to advise the execution of the deed submitted by Mr. Thacher.

There is, in my opinion, sufficient difference between this case and other like cases involving the Miller and Coates deed on the one hand, and other cases resting upon more simple instances of sales of city lots on the other, to make it somewhat doubtful whether the defect in that deed was cured by the act of 1882, and to justify you in making a distinction between them, having in view, of course, that it would by no means be advisable to give confirmatory deeds in every case where it was asked, or in any case unless it were made doubtful whether the act of 1882 was applicable.

I have no fault to find with the deed submitted by Mr. Thacher, it being in precisely the same form as the Leventritt deed heretofore approved by my predecessor, and herewith return it to you approved as to form. I also return the copies of deeds to Miller and Coates and Leventritt, the petition of Charles L. Guillaume, and the letter of Alfred B. Thacher, Esq., before referred to.

Very respectfully yours,

E. HENRY LACOMBE, Counsel to the Corporation.

II.

CITY OF NEW YORK—FINANCE DEPARTMENT,
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
May 13th, 1885.

To the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund :

GENTLEMEN—The Comptroller, to whom was referred, May 4th, an application from the Commissioner of Public Works for authority to lease certain premises at Yonkers for the use of his Department, respectfully

REPORTS :

That the Commissioner of Public Works requests the renewal of a lease for one year of rooms on the third floor of the Acker Building in Yonkers, hitherto occupied by the Engineer and assistants having charge of the Croton Aqueduct, and still required for the purpose, on the same terms as those of the old lease, which expired September 30th, 1884, earlier application for a lease having been inadvertently omitted by the Department.

The annual rent is \$425, which is deemed fair and reasonable, and as it is for the interest of the city that such lease should be made, I submit a resolution to authorize the same.

Respectfully,

EDWARD V. LOEW, Comptroller.

Resolved, That the Counsel to the Corporation be requested to prepare a lease of the rooms on the third floor of the Acker Building, in the City of Yonkers, for the use of the Department of Public Works, for the term of one year from October 1st, 1884, at the yearly rent of four hundred and twenty-five dollars (\$425), with the same covenants and conditions contained in the lease of the same premises which expired September 30th, 1884, the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund deeming the rental fair and reasonable, and that it would be for the interest of the city that such lease should be made ; and the Comptroller is hereby authorized and directed to execute such lease when prepared and approved by the Counsel to the Corporation, as provided by sections 123 and 181 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882.

The report was accepted, and, on motion, the resolution was unanimously adopted, all the Commissioners voting in the affirmative.

The following communication from the Department of Docks was received, which, together with the "plans" submitted with the communication, were, on motion, referred to the Comptroller :

CITY OF NEW YORK—DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS,
NEW YORK, May 2d, 1885.

Hon. WILLIAM R. GRACE, Mayor and Chairman of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund of the City of New York :

SIR—At a meeting of the Board governing this Department, held April 27th, ultimo, the following resolutions were adopted :

"Resolved, That the plans for the water-front on the westerly side of the East and Harlem rivers, extending from the northerly side of Eighty-sixth street, East river, to the easterly side of the Third avenue, Harlem river, made and prepared pursuant to the provisions of chapter 517, Laws of 1884, be and the same are hereby approved, adopted, and declared to be the sole plans determined upon by the Department of Docks for the section of territory embraced therein, subject to the approval of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, as required by law.

"Resolved, That the Secretary be and hereby is directed to transmit the said plans to the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, and to respectfully request their approval and adoption of the same, in accordance with the requirements of chapter 517 of the Laws of 1884."

In accordance with the foregoing resolutions, I beg leave to transmit herewith the plans referred to therein to the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund for their action. The plans submitted are contained in four sheets.

The first extending from the northerly side of Eighty-sixth street to the northerly side of Ninety-eighth street.

The second, from the northerly side of Ninety-eighth street to the northerly side of One Hundred and Eleventh street.

The third, from the northerly side of One Hundred and Eleventh street to the northerly side of One Hundred and Twenty-third street.

And the fourth, from the northerly side of One Hundred and Twenty-third street to the easterly line of Third avenue.

These plans show in black lines, with a blue shading, the existing water-front and the present established lines of bulkheads and pierheads of 1857, and the line of the water grant to the city of 1871.

In red there are shown the proposed improvements, consisting of a new bulkhead-line and a new pierhead-line, and also the lines of forty (40) new piers.

A marginal street 125 feet in width and parallel to the bulkhead-line is shown upon the plans, its westerly line being drawn in red, except where it would come upon a street already laid out ; it is proposed that the outer fifty feet of the width of this street next to and adjoining the proposed bulkhead-line shall be reserved for bulkhead and wharfage purposes.

The depth of water at mean low tide, and the depth from mean low water to rock or other hard bottom, as obtained by borings and test-piles are also shown, expressed in feet.

In general the bulkhead-line has been kept as far inshore as practicable, while the pierhead-line has been placed as far outshore as practicable.

Beginning at the northerly side of Eighty-sixth street, the bulkhead and pierhead lines are coincident as far as the southerly line of Eighty-ninth street, and the line being 730 feet long, has been placed where there is about 20 feet depth of water at mean low water.

Thence the line extends to a point on a line 75 feet north of the northerly line of Eighty-ninth street, as shown on the map or plan.

At the point 75 feet northerly of the northerly line of Eighty-ninth street, the lines diverge, the bulkhead-line running westerly and parallel to Eighty-ninth street, and distant 75 feet northerly from it until a depth of ten feet at mean low water to the rock is reached ; thence, having regard to the depth of the rock below mean low water in a straight line to the southerly line of Ninety-first street, and thence to the existing bulkhead at Ninety-third street, and along the existing bulkhead to Ninety-fourth street.

The bulkhead-line is placed along the existing line of solid filling between Ninety-fifth and Ninety-sixth streets.

Following similar general methods and principles the bulkhead-line is similarly placed throughout the entire distance to the Third Avenue Bridge, as is shown on the map.

The pierhead-line, as stated above, separates from the bulkhead-line at a point 75 feet northerly of the north side of Eighty-ninth street, and is laid out as shown on the map, it being generally in from about 30 to 50 feet depth of water (beyond which depth it is very expensive to build piers and consequently inadvisable to do so), to One Hundred and Fourth street, keeping on or inside the line of the water grant to the city ; but between One Hundred Fourth street and One Hundred and Fifteenth street, it has been placed, as will be seen by the map, outside the line of the said water grant in order to obtain room for length of piers and wharfage room.

In doing this, it has been assumed that whenever it is necessary to build the piers outside the line of the water grant of 1871, that the State would convey the land under water to the city or in some other way authorize the erection of the piers.

See section 720, Consolidation Act, and section 712 of same, as amended by chapter 517, Laws of 1884.

The channel between the existing bulkhead and pierhead lines between One Hundred and Fourth and One Hundred and Fourteenth streets, as laid out by the Harbor Commissioners in 1857, is from 700 to 900 feet wide, but the clear channel width is reduced by this proposed pierhead-line and the line of 1857 along Ward's Island to an uniform width of about 600 feet, which it is considered sufficient for passageway of vessels and also for the movement of the tides. The bulkhead-lines remain as they were or are further apart than before.

Between One Hundred and Seventeenth street and One Hundred and Twenty-second street, in order to give room for small piers, the pierhead-line is placed outside the existing bulkhead and pierhead line of 1857 as far as the water-grant line of 1871, and in order to do this and maintain the width of channel at about 420 feet, the bulkhead and pierhead lines on Randall's Island, opposite, have been placed further to the eastward and nearer the shore of Randall's Island, as shown on the map. While it is not certain that the Board of Docks is vested with authority to make or propose this change of the line on Randall's Island, it has the control of any filling to be done about Randall's Island and can limit it to the line proposed so that the channel would not be improperly narrowed.

Randall's Island is owned by the City of New York and no records of any water grants about it have been found.

It is proper to further state that the Board of Docks, in 1871, determined and sent plans for the improvement of this portion of the water-front of the city to the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund for adoption, but these plans have never been acted upon, and it would seem that under chapter 517, Laws of 1884, it is not necessary to act upon them.

The wharfage room upon the lines as now established within the district embraced in these plans is about 14,000 feet, while upon the plan proposed it is about 30,000 feet.

As it is very desirable to have the lines for the permanent improvement of this section established as soon as possible, in order to enable private owners, as well as the city, to improve the wharf property within the territory embraced therein, this Board would respectfully request your Honorable Body to take action upon the same as soon as practicable ; and should any further information be desired in reference to the matter, or additional explanations of the advantages to be derived by the adoption of the plans submitted, the Commissioners will be pleased to promptly furnish the same.

Very respectfully,

JOHN T. CUMING, Secretary.

The Recorder moved a reconsideration of the resolution adopted at the last meeting appropriating and setting apart a plot of ground for the use of the Police Department and the erection thereon of a station-house, etc., on Sixty-seventh street, between Third and Lexington avenues ; which was unanimously adopted, all the Commissioners voting in the affirmative.

After a brief discussion, in which Commissioner Purroy, President of the Fire Department, participated, the Recorder submitted the following resolution, viz. :

Whereas, The Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, at a meeting held February 25th, 1885, adopted a resolution appropriating and setting apart a certain plot of ground, situated on the south side of East Sixty-eighth street, between Lexington and Third avenues, for the use of the Police Department of the City of New York, as a site for a station-house, lodging-house and prison for the Twenty-eighth Police Precinct ; and

Whereas, The Board of Police, on the 17th day of April, 1885, adopted a resolution requesting the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund to rescind the resolution adopted by them February 25th, 1885, appropriating said plot of ground on East Sixty-eighth street for the use of the Police Department for the purposes therein stated, and also requesting said Commissioners to appropriate and set apart for the use of said Department, for the same purposes, another plot of ground of the same dimensions, situated on the north side of West Sixty-seventh street, and abutting in the rear against the said plot situated on Sixty-eighth street ; therefore

Resolved, That the resolution, adopted February 25th, 1885, appropriating and setting apart for the use of the Police Department of the City of New York, of a plot of ground situated on the south side of East Sixty-eighth street, between Lexington and Third avenues, seventy-five feet front by one hundred feet five inches deep, for the erection thereon of a station-house, lodging-house and prison for the Twenty-eighth Police Precinct, be and the same is hereby rescinded and declared to be null and void, and in pursuance of the authority conferred upon the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund by chapter 200 of the Laws of 1884, the following-described plot of ground belonging to the Corporation of the City of New York, which is not already appropriated to some other public use, is hereby appropriated and set apart for the use of said Police Department and the erection thereon of a station-house, lodging-house and prison for the Twenty-eighth Police Precinct, to wit : "The plot of ground situate on the north side of East Sixty-seventh street, beginning at a point one hundred and twenty-five feet easterly from the northeast corner of Lexington avenue and the said street, running thence easterly along the northerly side of said street seventy-five feet ; thence northerly on a line parallel with Lexington avenue to the centre line of the block, between Sixty-seventh and Sixty-eighth streets, one hundred feet five inches ; thence westerly along the said centre line of the block seventy-five feet, thence southerly in a line parallel with Lexington avenue one hundred

"feet five inches, to the place of beginning;" provided, however, that a sufficient space (not less than fifteen feet) be reserved on the easterly side of said plot of ground last above mentioned, to admit the necessary light and air to the interior of a building now in the course of construction by and for the use of the Fire Department of the City of New York, upon the plot of ground adjoining and fronting on the north side of East Sixty-seventh street, heretofore appropriated and set apart for the use of the Fire Department.

On motion, the resolution was laid over for consideration.

Edward Patterson, Esq., addressed the Commissioners in relation to supplying "fresh water for fire purposes in the City of New York;" and submitted the following proposal of the New York City Water Company "to furnish an adequate supply of fresh water for the protection of Dry Goods and the adjoining districts," viz.:

To the Honorable the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund of the City of New York:

GENTLEMEN—The New York City Water Company, a corporation organized under chapter 386 of the Laws of 1854, authorized to supply, with your approval and under contract with you, fresh water for fire purposes in the City of New York, beg leave to submit to your consideration the following proposal to furnish an adequate supply of fresh water for the protection of Dry Goods and the adjoining districts:

In calling attention to the earnest demand and immediate necessity for fire protection in said localities, it is sufficient to refer to the recent agitations and discussions of the subject, which have come to your notice through the press, underwriters, dry goods merchants and property-owners in the district.

To meet this demand we will undertake to furnish an ample, sure and reliable protection, adequate to meet the most exact requirements of the service, within a shorter time and at less cost than can be furnished by any other plan heretofore suggested.

Other plans have had features more or less objectionable, either in respect to cost, time necessary for completion, or practicability, which ours entirely obviates.

We propose—

1. To draw the water supply from wells and storage tanks or reservoirs in a locality near the Dry Goods District; we have secured land upon which is found, after thorough and satisfactory examination and tests (confirmed by geological charts of the locality), a water-bearing stratum at a moderate depth below the surface, from which can be secured now and permanently, an abundant supply of about 5,000,000 gallons daily of fresh clear water. We invite your consideration upon this point to the statement herewith submitted by the well-known engineer, Wm. Sooy Smith.

2. We propose to sink a sufficient number of wells upon said land to utilize and insure the yield aforesaid. The supply so furnished directly from said wells will be sufficient for the demands of a fire requiring ten (10) good streams for several hours.

To provide for requirements of a heavy conflagration, wrought-iron tanks, enclosed in an ornamental brick building, will be erected over the wells shown in plan herewith submitted, in which a surplus of at least 5,000,000 gallons will be kept constantly in reserve for use should the wells become exhausted by the heavy and continuous drafts made upon them in the early stages of a conflagration.

When it is remembered that the annual consumption of water for fire purposes in this city is only about 50,000,000 gallons, and that 20 fire-engines do not use in ten hours to exceed 3,600,000 gallons, the adequacy of the proposed supply of from 8,000,000 to 10,000,000 gallons will be seen to be more than ample for the requirements of the service.

3. We propose to lay an independent system of mains through the Dry Goods District for the service proposed, auxiliary to and independent of the Croton supply.

The mains will vary in diameter from 30 to 8 inches, and will be strong enough to stand a pressure of 300 pounds to the square inch, a pressure more than 100 pounds greater than need be put upon them, to throw the streams hereinafter provided for.

The work of laying mains can be properly done, as certified to by J. W. Rutherford, an experienced engineer in this work, within eight months, and such work can be done mainly at night, so that traffic in this busy locality will not be interfered with during business hours.

5. It is proposed to throw the water from hydrants to be placed in sufficient number throughout the district bounded by Chambers, Centre, Bleecker and West Broadway, and through the southerly and easterly adjoining districts if desired, without the use of fire-engines, in order that the latter may be used as at present for an additional protection.

To throw the water the necessary height (say 150 feet) from hose and nozzle of the size now used by the Fire Department, a pressure of 125 pounds to the square inch may be necessary at the nozzles. When proper, permanent stand-pipes or water towers, now extensively in use, are adjusted to any building, the streams may be thrown from roofs upon fires in adjoining buildings.

6. The pressure will be furnished by powerful, approved and suitable machinery of great strength and durable construction, so arranged as to admit of a constant pressure upon the pipes of about 80 pounds to the square inch, which may be increased to 200 pounds to the square inch upon a moment's notice by a fire-alarm connected with the pumping station.

Boiler fires at the reservoir will be kept constantly banked and the pressure instantly secured by opening the throttle-valve of the engines upon receipt of alarm.

Four engines will be so furnished, any two of which will be of sufficient capacity to deliver the maximum amount of water.

By thus duplicating the machinery the possibility of the efficiency of the service becoming impaired is wholly removed.

We append the guaranty of the well-known manufacturer, Henry R. Worthington, whose pumping machinery is in use in several hundred water-works throughout the country. In the City of Boston their machinery is used to pump 30,000,000 gallons per day, a service six times as great as will be required by the proposed plans, and at the high-service stations at Ninety-eighth street and High Bridge, in this city, where their engines of much greater capacity than are required by this plan, are in use and have proved wholly reliable and satisfactory.

7. We annex and submit herewith plans of the proposed wells, storage tanks, and pumping machinery with the enclosing building.

8. We propose to furnish the aforesaid plan including real estate, and lay about ten miles of mains for the service at our own cost, and will agree that the same shall be completed within one year from the date of signing a contract with us, to the satisfaction of any engineers you may see fit to designate to inspect and approve the work.

It is proper to add that the outline of the foregoing plan was approved by the dry goods merchants generally, in connection with their written petition asking for the legislation under which this company is formed, and also by the Fire Underwriters.

We will furnish the aforesaid supply to the city in the method and with the results aforesaid, and guarantee a constant and reliable protection for twenty years to the extent above stated, for a fixed price per hydrant, aggregating not less than the sum of \$150,000 per year.

In submitting the foregoing proposition we desire to invite the closest investigation by your Board or a committee thereof, or of such engineers as you may appoint of the following topics:

1. The necessity for the protection proposed.
2. The practicability of the plan, the source, character and quantity of the water supply proposed, and the feasibility of the engineering plans.
3. The financial ability of the company and its promoters to carry out these plans.

It is believed that you can be fully satisfied that the plan is practical, and that there is great public necessity for its adoption. It involves no risk to the city; no outlay of capital or rental on its part is asked until the work is completed by the use of the company's capital, and it is demonstrated to the satisfaction of such engineers as you may wish to appoint that the whole structure—wells, storage reservoirs, mains, hydrants, equipments, and an available and suitable water supply—can be surely furnished as proposed; should the supply fail, the payments by the city will stop, notwithstanding the company's permanent investment of its capital.

NEW YORK, April 17th, 1885.

NEW YORK CITY WATER CO.,
by ED. S. HODDEN, President.

MARCH 8TH, 1885.

WM. L. BULL, Esq., Treasurer, etc.:

DEAR SIR—In reply to your inquiries, I would say that, from my own personal knowledge and experience, I am entirely confident that an abundant supply of clear, fresh water can be procured from wells sunk in locations known to me within convenient distance from the Dry Goods District of the City of New York for use in that district for fire purposes.

These wells can be sunk, storage supplied for a sufficient reserve of water for any emergency, pumps provided, pipes for distribution laid, and all appurtenances of every kind completed to make the water available for the purpose stated, within eight months from the commencement of work.

So confident am I of the truth of these statements, that I am entirely willing that you should make such use of them as will fix the responsibility upon me publicly if they should be found to be at variance with the facts.

Very truly yours,
WM. SOOY SMITH.

HENRY R. WORTHINGTON,
Nos. 86 AND 88 LIBERTY STREET AND No. 145 BROADWAY,
NEW YORK, March 8th, 1885.

New York City Water Company, New York, N. Y.:

GENTLEMEN—We have considered carefully the propositions in the written proposal from your company to the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund of the City of New York, concerning a supply of water to be stored in wells and reservoirs and to be furnished under such pressure as is necessary to accomplish the proposed results, and have made ourselves familiar with the engineering details of the plan.

We are prepared to furnish, under guarantee as to satisfactory performance, suitable Worthington Pumping Engines at your proposed pumping-station, of such capacity and number as to ensure the constant delivery throughout the district of an adequate and unfailing supply of water under the required pressure.

The service to be performed by the pumping machinery presents no especial difficulties. The conditions, both as regards volume of water and pressure to be maintained, are much less severe than those under which over two hundred (200) of our engines are working daily throughout the country.

If you desire you are at liberty to make public use of these statements and guarantee.

Yours truly,

HENRY R. WORTHINGTON.

On motion, the application was referred to the Comptroller, Recorder and Chamberlain.

W. H. DIKEMAN, Secretary.

BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND APPORTIONMENT

BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND APPORTIONMENT—CITY OF NEW YORK,
MAYOR'S OFFICE, CITY HALL,
FRIDAY, May 15, 1885—12 o'clock M.

The Board met in pursuance of the following call:

OFFICE OF THE MAYORALTY,
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT—CITY HALL,
NEW YORK, May 14, 1885.

In pursuance of the authority contained in the 187th section of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882, a meeting is hereby called of the Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, and the President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments, constituting a Board of Estimate and Apportionment, to be held at the office of the Mayor, on Friday, May 15, 1885, at 12 o'clock M., for the purposes specified in request of the Comptroller, dated May 13, 1885.

W. R. GRACE, Mayor.

CITY OF NEW YORK,
FINANCE DEPARTMENT—COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
May 13, 1885.

Hon. WILLIAM R. GRACE, Mayor:

DEAR SIR—You are respectfully requested to call a meeting of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment for Friday, May 15, 1885, at 12 o'clock M., for the following purposes, viz.:

First—To provide for the payment of the bill of John McClave, Police Commissioner, for professional services, etc., of Messrs. Stickney and Shepard and other counsel, in suit of Joel W. Mason against John McClave.

Second—To authorize the transfer of \$202.50 from the appropriation made to the Park Department for the year 1884, entitled "Maintenance—Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards," to the appropriation made to the same Department for 1884, entitled "Harlem River Bridges—Repairs, Improvements and Maintenance," as requested in a resolution of the Commissioners of the Department of Public Parks adopted April 22, 1885.

Third—To consider the estimates of the Board of Excise for the year 1885-86, transmitted by the Commissioners of said Board, with communication dated May 9, 1885.

Fourth—To authorize the transfer of \$3,663.97 from the appropriation made to the Board of Education for the year 1883, entitled "Public Instruction," to the appropriation made to said Board for 1883, entitled "Public Instruction—For Purchasing and Procuring Sites for and Erecting New Buildings, and for Fitting up the Same, etc.," as requested in a resolution of the Board of Education, adopted May 6, 1885.

Fifth—To authorize the payment of sums due to various charitable institutions for support of children committed by Police Magistrates, and also for the transaction of such other business as may be brought before the Board.

Very respectfully,

EDWARD V. LOEW, Comptroller.

INDORSED:

We hereby consent that the rule adopted February 2, 1885, relating to calls of meetings, be suspended for this meeting.

Admission of a copy of the within as served upon us this 14th day of May, 1885.

W. R. GRACE,

Mayor;

EDWARD V. LOEW,

Comptroller;

ADOLPH L. SANGER,

President of the Board of Aldermen;

MICHAEL COLEMAN,

President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments.

Present—All the members, viz.:

William R. Grace, the Mayor; Edward V. Loew, the Comptroller; Adolph L. Sanger, the President of the Board of Aldermen; Michael Coleman, the President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments.

Mr. Michael Coleman, recently appointed President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments in place of Mr. Thomas B. Asten, appeared and took his seat in the Board.

The minutes of the meeting held April 23, 1885, were read and approved.

The Comptroller moved that Mr. Michael Coleman, President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments, act as Secretary of the Board.

Which was unanimously agreed to.

The Comptroller presented the following:

HEADQUARTERS FIRE DEPARTMENT—CITY OF NEW YORK,
Nos. 155 AND 157 MERCER STREET,
NEW YORK, May 13, 1885.

Hon. WILLIAM R. GRACE, Mayor, and Chairman Board of Estimate and Apportionment:

SIR—I have the honor to inform you of the adoption of the following resolution at the meeting of the Board held this day, and respectfully request that it be laid before the Board of Estimate and Apportionment at its next meeting:

"Resolved, That the Board of Estimate and Apportionment be and is hereby requested to authorize the transfer of the sum of six thousand dollars (\$6,000) from the appropriation 'For Salaries—Engine and Hook and Ladder Companies Pay-rolls' for this Department for the current year, the same being in excess of the amount now required therefor, to an appropriation to be entitled 'For Salaries of Seventy Uniformed Firemen, serving on probation for a term of thirty days each,' for the current year, for which there is no appropriation, and for which the said sum is required to carry out the Civil Service regulations."

Very respectfully,

HENRY D. PURROY, President.

Mr. Henry D. Purroy, President of the Fire Department, appeared before the Board and made a statement relative to the above request.

By unanimous consent, the Comptroller offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the sum of six thousand dollars (\$6,000) be and is hereby transferred from the appropriation to the Fire Department Fund "For Salaries—Engine and Hook and Ladder Companies Pay-rolls," 1885, the same being in excess of the amount required for the purposes and objects thereof, to an appropriation to be entitled "Fire Department Fund—For Salaries of Seventy Uniformed Firemen, serving on probation for a term of thirty days each," for 1885, for which no appropriation was made and for which said sum is required to carry out the Civil Service regulations, as requested by a resolution adopted May 13, 1885, by the Board of Commissioners of the Fire Department.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, and President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments—4.

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 March, 1885, committed by magistrates to the institutions named, pursuant to law:

NAME.	NUMBER OF CHILDREN.	DAYS.	RATE.	AMOUNT.
Institution of Mercy	957	28,903	\$2 per week.	\$8,124 00
St. Stephen's Home for Children	415	12,550	"	3,488 71
Mission of the Immaculate Virgin	903	26,893	"	7,458 71
Missionary Sisters, Third Order of St. Francis.....	411	12,651	"	3,614 57
Asylum Sisters of St. Dominic.....	369	11,402	"	3,112 71
Dominican Convent of Our Lady of the Rosary.....	301	9,120	"	2,601 13
Association for the Benefit of Colored Orphans	113	3,452	"	986 29
St. James' Home.....	139	4,188	"	1,196 57
Association for Befriending Children and Young Girls.....	26	781	"	199 14
St. Ann's Home.....	33	1,004	"	286 86
American Female Guardian Society and Home for the Friendless.....	109	2,958	"	719 14
Asylum of St. Vincent de Paul.....	59	1,829	"	474 57
St. Agatha's Home for Children.....	108	2,944	"	793 14
St. Michael's Home.....	30	929	"	265 43
Hebrew Sheltering Guardian Society.....	320	9,752	"	2,752 79
Ladies' Deborah Nursery and Child's Protocory	343	10,731	"	3,066 00
Total.....				\$39,139 76

Which was adopted by the following vote :
Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, and President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments—4.

The Comptroller offered the following resolution :
Resolved, That the sum of two hundred and fifty-eight dollars and forty-nine cents (\$258.49) be and hereby is appropriated from the "Excise Fund" to the "Home for Fallen and Friendless Girls," for the support of thirty inmates in the month of March, 1885, aggregating six hundred and twenty-nine 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, President of the Board of Aldermen and President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments—4.

The Comptroller presented the following :

CITY OF NEW YORK—DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS, }
No. 36 UNION SQUARE, April 23, 1885. }

To the Board of Estimate and Apportionment :

GENTLEMEN—At a meeting of the Board governing this Department, held on 22d instant, it was

Resolved, That the Board of Estimate and Apportionment be respectfully requested to transfer the sum of \$292.50 from the unexpended balance of the appropriation "Maintenance—Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards," 1884, for which it is not required, to the appropriation "Harlem River Bridges," 1884, which is insufficient.

Very respectfully,
E. P. BARKER, Secretary D. P. P.

And offered the following resolution :
Resolved, That the sum of two hundred and ninety-two dollars and fifty cents (\$292.50) be and is hereby transferred from the appropriation entitled "Maintenance—Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards," 1884, for which the same is in excess of the amount required for the purposes and objects thereof, to the appropriation for "Harlem River Bridges—Repairs, Improvements and Maintenance," 1884, which is insufficient, as requested by a resolution adopted April 22, 1885, by the Board of Commissioners of the Department of Public Parks.

Which was adopted by the following vote :
Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen and President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments—4.

The Comptroller offered the following preamble and resolution :

Whereas, In making the appropriation for the Hudson River State Hospital in the Final Estimate for 1885, as provided by chapter 446, Laws of 1874, the words "and expenses" were omitted;
Resolved, That said appropriation be and is hereby amended so as to read as follows :

HUDSON RIVER STATE HOSPITAL :
(Chapter 446, Laws of 1874.)

Estimated average number of inmates, 17, at \$4.50 each per week and expenses, say	\$4,000 00
For deficiency of 1883.....	517 81
For deficiency of 1884.....	1,500 00
Total.....	\$6,017 81

Which was adopted by the following vote :
Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, and President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments—4.

The Comptroller presented the following :

CITY OF NEW YORK—FINANCE DEPARTMENT, }
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, 1885. }

To the Board of Estimate and Apportionment :

At a meeting of this Board held December 24, 1884, the Hon. John McClave, Police Commissioner of the City of New York, presented a charge against the city for costs, counsel fees and expenses paid or incurred by him in a proceeding brought by the Hon. Joel W. Mason, formerly Police Commissioner, before the Attorney-General of the State, to remove said McClave from the office of Police Commissioner or to obtain possession of said office, which charge was referred to the Comptroller for investigation and report. The following report is respectfully submitted :

REPORT :

The bill presented by Mr. McClave is for professional services and disbursements of Messrs. Stickney & Shepard, his counsel in said proceeding, and other counsel employed in the case, amounting to the sum of \$1,790.15, which is a charge against the city under the provisions of section 211 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882, payable to Mr. McClave as the prevailing party in said proceeding to remove him from the office of Police Commissioner.

The papers accompanying the bill show that the requirements of said section 211 of the Consolidation Act have been complied with, by the written certificates of Chief Justice Charles P. Daly of the Court of Common Pleas, and the Hon. E. Lacombe, Counsel to the Corporation, that the charges of counsel in the said case "are not in excess of the reasonable value of services of the character rendered," as appears by the briefs and papers submitted to them.

In the Final Estimate for 1885, an appropriation of the sum of \$1,790.15 was included, "For Costs, Counsel Fees and Expenses" paid or incurred by Mr. McClave in said proceeding.

The papers presented to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment have also been submitted by me to the Counsel to the Corporation for his opinion whether the claim is in proper form with the proof required by law, and upon its audit and allowance by the Board is a lawful charge upon said appropriation for the amount allowed by the court.

His opinion is herewith presented, that "the claim is in proper form and the proof submitted with it is that which the statute requires, and I advise that the claim is a lawful charge upon the appropriation for the amount allowed."

A resolution is therefore submitted to audit and allow the bill of Mr. McClave for the amount.

Respectfully,
EDWARD V. LOEW, Comptroller.

LAW DEPARTMENT, }
OFFICE OF THE COUNSEL TO THE CORPORATION, }
NEW YORK, April 27, 1885. }

Hon. EDWARD V. LOEW, Comptroller :

SIR—I am in receipt of your communication under date of April 22, 1885, inclosing bill of John McClave, Police Commissioner, for professional services, etc., of Messrs. Stickney & Shepard

and other counsel, amounting to \$1,790.15, with request for information. The claim is made upon a report of Mr. William M. Pritchard, referee, which is duly certified by the Chief Justice of the Court of Common Pleas and the Counsel to the Corporation as required by section 211 of chapter 410 of the Laws of 1882.

Mr. McClave, whose counsel has presented the claim, is the successful party in a proceeding to remove from office, referred to in the papers.

In the Final Estimate of 1885 there is included the same amount "For Costs, Counsel Fees and Expenses paid or incurred in a proceeding before the Attorney-General of the State of New York, to remove John McClave from the office of Police Commissioner, or to obtain possession of said office, brought by Joel W. Mason, formerly a Police Commissioner."

You ask me to advise you whether the claim is in proper form, with the proof required by law, to be presented to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, and upon its audit and allowance by that Board is a lawful charge upon the said appropriation for the amount allowed for these charges and services.

In my opinion, the claim is in proper form, and the proof submitted with it is that which the statute requires, and I advise that the claim is a lawful charge upon the said appropriation for the amount allowed.

I am, sir, yours respectfully,
E. HENRY LACOMBE, Counsel to the Corporation.

And offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That, as provided by section 211 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882, the Board of Estimate and Apportionment hereby audit and allow the charges for costs, counsel fees and expenses, in the matter of "The proceeding before the Attorney-General of the State of New York to remove John McClave from the office of Police Commissioner of the City of New York, or to obtain possession of said office, brought by Joel W. Mason, formerly a Police Commissioner," at the sum of one thousand seven hundred and ninety dollars and fifteen cents (\$1,790.15) to be paid to John McClave, Police Commissioner of the City of New York, from an appropriation made therefor in the Final Estimate for the year 1885.

Which was adopted by the following vote :
Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, and President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments—4.

The Comptroller presented the following :

CITY OF NEW YORK—FINANCE DEPARTMENT, }
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, 1885. }

To the Board of Estimate and Apportionment :

Herewith I present a resolution of the Board of Education requesting the transfer of the sum of \$3,663.97 from the general appropriation made to that Board for the year 1883, for "Public Instruction," to pay certain claims for extra work performed in the erection of school buildings in that year, to the appropriation made for the same year, "For Purchasing and Procuring Sites for and Erecting New Buildings, and for Fitting up the Same, under the charge of the Board of Education," which is exhausted.

An opinion of the Counsel to the Corporation is also submitted to the effect that such transfer may and should be made to meet the payment of said claims against the Board of Education.

A resolution to authorize the transfer as requested by the Board of Education is herewith submitted for the action of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment.

Respectfully,
EDWARD V. LOEW, Comptroller.

BOARD OF EDUCATION, }
No. 146 GRAND STREET, NEW YORK, May 7, 1885. }

Hon. WM. R. GRACE, President Board of Estimate and Apportionment :

DEAR SIR—I send herewith a certified copy of a resolution adopted by this Board at a meeting held May 6, requesting the Board of Estimate and Apportionment to transfer certain school moneys. Will you please present the same to the Board of Estimate at its next meeting.

Very respectfully,
L. D. KIERNAN, Clerk.

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, }
CORNER OF GRAND AND ELM STREETS, }
NEW YORK, May 7, 1885. }

In Board of Education, May 6, 1885.

Whereas, The Comptroller declines to pay the bills incurred for extra work in the erection of Grammar School Buildings Nos. 76, 77 and 78, from the general fund of 1883, the year in which the contracts for said work were entered into, deeming that said payments should be from a special fund apportioned for such purposes; and therefore

Resolved, That the Board of Estimate and Apportionment be and they hereby are requested to transfer from the amount of school moneys, \$3,300,000, apportioned for the year 1883, to be used for general purposes as stated in their Final Estimate, adopted at a meeting of said Board, held the 29th of December, 1882, to the sum of \$450,000, apportioned by them on the same date as above given, "For Purchasing and Procuring Sites for and Erecting New Buildings and for Fitting up the Same, under the charge of the Board of Education," the sum of three thousand six hundred and sixty-three dollars and ninety-seven cents (\$3,663.97) for the payment of the following claims for which appropriation was made by this Board, per pages 846 and 879 of the Journal of 1884, from the said fund apportioned for the general purposes of 1883, viz. :

For Joseph Spears' bill for extra work in erecting new building No. 78, corner of One Hundred and Nineteenth street and Avenue A, in Twelfth Ward.....	\$1,379 26
For John P. Schweikert's bill for extra work in erecting new building No. 76, corner of Sixty-eighth street and Lexington avenue, in Nineteenth Ward.....	1,003 00
For Theodore Dieterlein, bill for extra work in erecting new building No. 77, on First avenue, between Eighty-fifth and Eighty-sixth streets, in Nineteenth Ward.....	1,281 71

—and that upon said transfer being made by the said Board of Estimate and Apportionment, the sum so transferred be and the same is hereby appropriated for the payment of the claims herein enumerated, instead of the appropriation heretofore made by this Board for this purpose.

Extract from the minutes.

LAW. D. KIERNAN, Clerk.

And offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the sum of three thousand six hundred and sixty-three dollars and ninety-seven cents (\$3,663.97) be and is hereby transferred from the appropriation made to the Board of Education for the year 1883, entitled "For Public Instruction—For Salaries of Teachers, Janitors, Superintendents, Clerks," etc., which is in excess of the amount required for the purposes and objects thereof, to the appropriation made for the same year "For Purchasing and Procuring Sites for and Erecting New Buildings and for Fitting up the Same, under the charge of the Board of Education," for which purposes and objects the appropriation is insufficient.

Which was adopted by the following vote :
Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, and President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments—4.

The Comptroller presented the following :

OFFICE OF BOARD OF EXCISE, }
No. 54 BOND STREET, CORNER BOWERY, }
NEW YORK, May 9, 1885. }

Hon. EDWARD V. LOEW, Comptroller :

DEAR SIR—I am directed by the Excise Commissioners to transmit the enclosed copy of estimate and statement to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, relative to the appropriation asked for by them for the year 1885-86.

Yours respectfully, etc.,
JOHN K. PERLEY, Secretary.

The Revenues, Expenditures, and Business Methods of the Excise Department.

ESTIMATES FOR 1885-86.

EXCISE DEPARTMENT, NEW YORK, May —, 1885.

To the Honorable the Board of Estimate and Apportionment :

GENTLEMEN—The Board of Commissioners of Excise hereby present their estimate for an appropriation to defray the expenses of the Excise Board during the year 1885-86.

The Board deems the sum of eighty-two thousand three hundred dollars necessary for that purpose.

The amounts hereby asked for are as follows :

Three Commissioners.....	\$15,000 00
Counsel.....	5,000 00
Secretary and Chief Clerk.....	2,500 00
Cashier.....	2,000 00
Bookkeeper and Stenographer.....	2,000 00
Treasurer's, License, Precinct, Application, Record, and General Clerks, \$1,500 each.....	9,000 00
Three General Inspectors, \$1,500 each.....	4,500 00
Thirty-four District Inspectors, \$1,000 each.....	34,000 00
Two Messengers, \$800 each.....	1,600 00
Janitress.....	600 00
Rent, as per lease.....	2,100 00
Stationery and printing.....	2,500 00
Contingencies, including purchase of new furniture and repairs of old.....	1,500 00
	\$82,300 00

DUTIES OF THE BOARD.

The working of the Excise Department has been so persistently misrepresented, and consequently so much misunderstood, owing to the agitation constantly going on in reference to the liquor traffic, that the Commissioners deem it proper to enter into a brief explanation of the system upon which the business is conducted, and to show how largely the revenues have been increased by the present Board, in order to justify your Honorable Board in granting the slight increase of appropriation asked for in the estimates submitted for the coming year.

The duties devolving upon the Excise Commissioners, as clearly defined in the last annual message of his Honor the Mayor, are of a two-fold character—to increase the revenues as far as the law will permit, and at the same time to control the liquor traffic within the proper limits. The present Board of Commissioners, since assuming charge of the Department in May, 1883, has kept these two objects distinctly in view, and has succeeded in raising the revenues during the past two years to the extent of over \$146,000, without increasing the number of licensed houses in the city; while at the same time a vigorous and persistent crusade has been carried on by the Board against houses of a disreputable character, thereby materially decreasing their number.

The first and most important duty of a public department is to place such safeguards around the funds entrusted to its care as must render losses or defalcations impossible through either the negligence or dishonesty of the employees. How carefully the revenues of the Excise Department have been guarded by the present Board will be seen from a glance at the system of accounting adopted, which is so perfect that out of the entire sum collected since it was established, not a single dollar has been lost to the city.

THE SYSTEM OF ACCOUNTING.

At the close of each day's business the money received for licenses is deposited in bank by the cashier, who is the only person connected with the Department authorized to receive money, and a receipt from the bank for the amount so deposited, together with the cashier's statement of the number of licenses issued and the amount received therefor, is immediately filed with the secretary of the Board, who is the executive head of the Department. As the cashier receives the license fees during the day he hands receipts to the dealers for the amount paid; and on the presentation of these receipts to the license clerk the certificates of licenses are filled up, stamped and delivered.

The license clerk also files a daily report of the number of licenses issued by him with the secretary before leaving the Department, showing the number of each grade taken out and the gross amount received by the cashier. The secretary then compares the cashier's report with the return made by the license clerk, and also with the receipt from the bank for the amount deposited, and before leaving the office enters the day's receipts on the minutes.

The Department meets daily at ten o'clock A. M., and the first business of the Commissioners is to examine the reports of the cashier and the license clerk, and see that the gross receipts for the day previous corresponds with the amount lodged in bank to the credit of the Department. This examination is made each day before the minutes of the previous day's proceedings are read and approved, or any other business is taken up by the Board.

The treasurer's clerk receives the receipts given to the dealers by the cashier from the license clerk, and charges each amount received for licenses against the treasurer's account with the City Chamberlain, to whom all moneys collected by the Department are paid over regularly twice a month. Meanwhile the bookkeeper makes another set of entries, not from the reports and papers already examined, but from the original application papers on which the licenses were issued, which bear the signature of the Commissioners, as well as of the application clerk, the applicant and his bondsmen, and contain the sworn reports of the inspectors with an indorsement showing the grade of license issued and the fee paid therefor.

SAFETY OF THE FUNDS.

It will be seen, therefore, that the system under which the business of the Department is conducted is one of the most complete and perfect that can be devised. The adoption of this method by the Board renders it impossible for a single dollar to be misappropriated without collusion between five of the most responsible employees of the Department—the cashier, who is bound under heavy bonds for the faithful performance of his duties, the license clerk, the treasurer's clerk, the bookkeeper and the secretary.

In every other department of the Board the same strict system of supervision and discipline is enforced. This is especially the case in reference to the staff of inspectors employed, upon whose efficiency and promptitude in the discharge of their duties the revenues of the Department in a great measure depend. The same care is exercised by the Commissioners in the grading and granting of licenses, as must appear evident from the fact that the receipts have been so largely increased during the past two years by reducing the number of ale and beer licenses, for which the fee is \$30, and increasing the number of saloon licenses, for which the fee is \$75, while at the same time ten per cent. of the applications made for licenses during the past twelve months were rejected.

INCREASE OF REVENUE.

Such is the efficiency of the system adopted by the present Board, that the revenues for the past year, as well as for the year preceding it, were about 200 per cent. over the receipts of the Department for the year ending April 30, 1878, the present annual income from licenses being three times as large as it was seven years ago. For the year 1877-78 the revenues amounted to \$206,235. The receipts for the past year amounted to \$663,205, or \$456,970 in excess of the revenue for that year.

The receipts for the year ending April 30, 1883, the year preceding the organization of the present Board, were the largest recorded for the previous seven years, amounting to \$517,195. Yet, in the face of this creditable showing, the present Board of Commissioners, by increased vigilance, raised the receipts to the extent of nearly \$100,000, the revenue for the year ending April 30, 1884, amounting to \$616,650.

At the close of the last fiscal year on the 30th of April, the receipts for the past twelve months have still further exceeded this amount to the extent of \$46,555; and if the duties of the Commissioners were confined exclusively to increasing the revenue of the Department, over \$60,000 more could have been added to the receipts, thus increasing the gross revenue for the past year over the preceding year to the extent of over \$100,000, the Board having rejected the applications of 898 persons, after careful investigation of the character of the applicants, on the ground that the granting of licenses to them would be "a menace to the peace and welfare of the community."

These results have been accomplished at a time when the Department has been hampered and obstructed on every side by well-meaning, but over-zealous and ill-informed citizens, who seem to regard the Excise Department as the source of all the ills and misfortunes that afflict humanity, in the face of the fact that it contributes over half a million dollars annually to the support of the charitable institutions of this city, and that the proceedings of the Commissioners, as shown by the records of the Department, clearly demonstrate that they have done more to suppress improper places of resort during the past two years than all other agencies in the city combined.

ECONOMY OF THE BOARD.

While the revenues of the Department have been steadily increasing there has been no increase in the appropriation during the past four years. The enormous increase in the business of the Board renders it necessary to ask for an appropriation of \$82,300 to defray the expenses of the coming year. This sum is lower than the amount appropriated for the year 1880-81, when the revenue was over \$200,000 less than at present. The estimates for the ensuing year are ten per cent. less in proportion to the gross receipts of the Department than the appropriation for the year ending April 30, 1878, and are lower, as compared with the collections, than on any previous occasion during the past seven years.

At no previous period was the business of the Board conducted more systematically, the provisions of the Excise laws so rigorously enforced, or the revenues of the Department so large. This is due mainly to increased vigilance on the part of the Commissioners, and to the efficiency of the employees of the Department; and it is for the purpose of maintaining this efficiency, and to enable the Commissioners to prosecute those measures of reform which they have so successfully inaugurated that the increased appropriation asked for is required.

ESTIMATES FOR 1885-86.

Among the items by which the estimates are increased is \$1,500 for an additional clerk in the office. As an illustration of the economy practised by the Board in the clerical department it may be stated that during the past two years the amount of judicial work, aside from the regular business, performed by the Commissioners in the trial of liquor dealers for violation of the Excise laws,

exceeded the business of several of the District Civil Courts, in the number and extent of the investigations. The only additional expense incurred by these trials was the employment of a stenographer who also acts as bookkeeper, in either of which capacities his services are worth the salary paid.

The rest of the clerical work attendant upon these investigations devolved upon the secretary, and other employees of the Board, who received no compensation for the extra labor imposed upon them. To relieve this pressure of office work an additional clerk is required. The clerical force of the Department is at present so inadequate that the secretary of the Board is obliged during the busy seasons to remain in the office from half-past eight o'clock in the morning until six in the evening, and often as late as ten o'clock.

The salaries of four clerks filling responsible positions are increased from \$1,200 to \$1,500. These clerks perform onerous and responsible duties; and the Commissioners believe it to be for the best interests of the Department that the employees who have contributed by their efficiency to increase the revenues should receive fair compensation.

The salaries of the three general inspectors are increased from \$1,200 to \$1,500, and the salaries of the district inspectors are increased from \$900 to \$1,000. This is the principal item of increase in the estimates submitted, but in view of the extent to which the revenues have been increased by the efficiency of the inspectors' department, it cannot be regarded as any more than a trifling consideration.

Out of the \$146,000 added to the revenues since the organization of the present Board, a large amount is to be credited to the efficiency of this branch of the service. In proportion to the services rendered to the city the Excise Inspectors are the poorest paid officials in the public service, and should be allowed a salary of \$1,200 a year.

THE GRADING OF LICENSES.

The figures of the Department are so constantly misapplied through lack of sufficient knowledge of their intimate relation to other figures and results, that it is deemed necessary to give an illustration of the money value of the Excise Inspectors' work to the City Treasury. During the year ending April 30, 1883, the number of saloon-keepers' licenses issued was 5,004, and the number of ale and beer licenses 3,281. The following year the saloon-keepers' licenses were increased to 6,461, and the ale and beer licenses decreased to 2,271. The number of the first and second class hotel and wholesale dealers' licenses were also increased. By this change of grade, which was made on the basis of the sworn information contained in the inspectors' reports, the receipts were increased in a single year over \$73,000, or nearly twice the salary list for the inspectors' department as given in the estimates for the ensuing year.

This system of grading has been continued during the past year, when the number of saloon-keepers' licenses was still further increased to 7,733, and the ale and beer licenses decreased to 1,062, making a total increase in the number of saloon-keepers' licenses during the past two years of 2,729, and a total decrease in the number of ale and beer licenses issued during the same period of 2,119.

The estimate of \$2,500 for printing and stationery is the lowest that can be made consistent with the needs and increased business of the Department. This includes the cost of a set of books and the necessary blanks and stationery with which to begin the business of the following year.

The contingent fund of \$1,500 asked for is required for incidental expenses in prosecuting the work of reforming abuses in the liquor traffic, in which the present Board has been engaged since its organization; and also for new furniture and repair and repairs of old.

Every item of expense incurred by the Excise Commissioners, including rent, gas, fixtures, furniture, repairs, office supplies, stationery and printing, must be paid out of the annual appropriation made by this Board from the funds collected by the Department. Not a dollar is asked for in the estimates which can be dispensed with except by impairing the efficiency of the Department and entailing a loss in the revenues.

REFORMS EFFECTED.

The liquor traffic of this city was never before so effectually under the control of the Excise Board. Unlicensed traffic, except in cases where the Commissioners cannot grant licenses, has almost entirely disappeared, the number of unlicensed houses, as shown by the last reports of the district inspectors, being only 86. The total number of licenses issued and paid for during the year ending April 30, 1884, was 9,507; the actual number of licenses in force at that time was 8,557. The number of licenses issued during the past year was 9,402, being 105 less than for the preceding year, while the actual number of licensed houses in the city remains about the same.

An important portion of the work of the Department since the Board was organized, consisted in weeding out houses of a disreputable character. Several of the worst dens in the city have been entirely broken up, and the Commissioners are steadily pursuing the task they have undertaken of protecting the legitimate dealers, and suppressing those resorts which have brought disgrace upon all engaged in the business.

The Commissioners, therefore, believe that your Honorable Board will be acting in the best interests of reform and good government, as well as for the welfare of the charitable institutions of the city, by strengthening a Department which, under the most adverse circumstances, has furnished such unmistakable proof of its ability and efficiency by accomplishing the difficult task of increasing the revenues threefold, while at the same time curbing and controlling the liquor traffic more successfully than has ever been done at any previous period in the history of the city government.

Very respectfully,
N. HAUGHTON,
WILLIAM P. MITCHELL,
Commissioners.

The President of the Board of Aldermen moved that the communication be received and laid over for further consideration.
Which was agreed to.

The Comptroller presented the following :

LAW DEPARTMENT,
OFFICE OF THE COUNSEL TO THE CORPORATION,
NEW YORK, April 25, 1885.

CHARLES V. ADEE, Esq., Clerk Board of Estimate and Apportionment :

SIR—I am in receipt of your communication under date of April 23, 1885, enclosing copy of resolutions adopted by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment on said day, requesting my opinion as to whether the Board has power to make a transfer from the appropriation for "Central Park Construction" to the appropriation "Madison Square, Improvement of," both appropriations being for the year 1884. The amount which is sought to be transferred is certified to be in excess of the amount required for the purposes and objects of the first appropriation, and the second appropriation is insufficient.

Under the provisions of section 207 of the New York City Consolidation Act, the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, in my opinion, has ample power to make such transfer if, in its judgment, such action is desirable.

Yours respectfully,
E. HENRY LACOMBE, Counsel to the Corporation.

Which was received and placed on file.

The Comptroller presented the following :

LAW DEPARTMENT,
OFFICE OF THE COUNSEL TO THE CORPORATION,
NEW YORK, April 25, 1885.

CHARLES V. ADEE, Esq., Clerk Board of Estimate and Apportionment :

SIR—I am in receipt of your communication under date of April 23, 1885, enclosing copy of resolution passed by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment on that day, requesting me to report whether, in my opinion, said Board had the power to make the transfer therein recited.

The application pending before the Board, as I gather from the resolution, is to transfer the sum of \$30,000 from the appropriation to the Police Department for the year 1884, entitled "Police Fund—Salaries, etc.," which is in excess of the amount required for the purposes and objects thereof to an appropriation made to the same Department in the same year, entitled "For the Construction of a Station-house, Lodging-house and Prison for the Twenty-eighth Precinct," for which purpose the appropriation is insufficient.

The provisions of section 207 of the New York Consolidation Act, in my opinion, confer ample power upon the Board of Estimate and Apportionment to make such transfer if, in their judgment, such action is desirable.

I am, sir, yours respectfully,
E. HENRY LACOMBE, Counsel to the Corporation.

Which was received and placed on file.

The Chairman presented the following :

STATE OF NEW YORK—THE STATE BOARD OF CHARITIES,
WEST NEW BRIGHTON, STATEN ISLAND,
April 27, 1885.

To the Board of Estimate and Apportionment :

GENTLEMEN—I enclose a letter to the Commissioners of Public Charities and Correction which explains itself, and which I send to you for your information, and with the request that you will make an appropriation for "city coal" for next year, even should it be included in their estimate.

Respectfully yours,
JOSEPHINE SHAW LOWELL, Commissioner, etc.

STATE OF NEW YORK—THE STATE BOARD OF CHARITIES, WEST NEW BRIGHTON, STATEN ISLAND, April 27, 1885.

To the Commissioners of Public Charities and Correction:

GENTLEMEN—As you are aware, I have for several years endeavored to prevent the distribution of "city coal" to the poor of the city, on the ground that it is an injury to the poor themselves, leading them to rely on outside help instead of supplying their own wants, and also on the ground that the money so expended is greatly needed for the proper care of the poor in the institutions of your Department.

I now respectfully repeat my annual request that you will not include the item for "city coal" in your estimate for next year, and I shall send a copy of this letter to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment.

The reason for bringing the matter to your attention so early is that those who have heretofore depended on the city for their winter's supply of coal may be warned in time to save during the summer for that purpose, should you decide not to make the customary distribution.

Respectfully yours, JOSEPHINE SHAW LOWELL, Commissioner, etc.

(Signed) Which was received and placed on file. On motion, the Board adjourned.

MICHAEL COLEMAN, Secretary.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION.

Minutes of Stated Meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners, held at their office, No. 209 Stewart Building, Wednesday, May 6, 1885, at 3 o'clock P.M.

Commissioners present—The Comptroller, Commissioner of Public Works, Commissioners James C. Spencer and C. C. Baldwin.

Also, Chief Engineer Church, Assistant Chief Engineer Fteley; and Chief Engineer Birdsall and Consulting Engineer Adams of the Department of Public Works.

On motion of Commissioner Baldwin, Commissioner Spencer was elected Chairman.

Chairman Spencer then declared the meeting open for public hearing, in relation to the proposed modifications to be made upon that part of the line of the New Aqueduct between a point near Shaft No. 24, on the easterly side of the Harlem river, and a point near One Hundred and Thirty-fifth street and Convent avenue in the City of New York, as set forth in the public notice.

Mr. John D. Crimmins was then heard on behalf of the Convent of the Sacred Heart, owning lands at and near the southern terminus of the proposed modifications, and, after receiving from the Commissioners explanation of the proposed mode of locating and constructing the New Aqueduct to that point, he stated that the owners of the above-named property had no objection to offer thereto, but that they were greatly interested in its mode of construction from that point southward, and desired full opportunity to be heard when that matter was to be determined by the Commissioners.

Mr. Edward Morrison, of No. 13 West Thirty-ninth street, the owner of Lots Nos. 15, 16 and 17, in Block 1076, north side of One Hundred and Forty-ninth street, under which the New Aqueduct will pass, was next heard, and explanations given him of the plan under consideration and mode of obtaining his compensation for the easement required for the construction of the Aqueduct.

No one else appearing, the public hearing was then adjourned until Wednesday next, at 3 o'clock P. M., and the Secretary directed to give public notice thereof.

The regular order of business was then taken up, and the minutes of the stated meeting of the 29th ultimo were read and approved.

The Committee on Finance and Audit reported the examination and audit of bills included in Vouchers Nos. 704 to 716, which vouchers were, on motion of Commissioner Spencer, approved and ordered to be certified to the Comptroller for payment.

The Committee on Construction presented a report, dated May 4, 1885, viz.:

1st. Concurring in the recommendation of the Chief Engineer, for the promotion of Robert E. Morris from Transmittan to Assistant Engineer, with compensation at the rate of \$1,800 per annum; and of George Endicott, from Chairman to Rodman, with compensation at the rate of \$75 per month; and the appointment of Charles Percy Brown, as laborer, at \$2 per day.

On motion of Commissioner Spencer, the above-named recommendations were approved by the Commissioners, and the promotions and appointment made, to date from the entrance of the parties upon the discharge of the duties to which they are now assigned.

2d. Recommending that the Chief Engineer, with the approval of a majority of the Committee on Construction, be authorized to grant permits for the removal, by owners of property along the line of the New Aqueduct, of stone excavated from the shafts or tunnel of the Aqueduct, for use in building walls, foundations, and making other improvements upon adjacent property.

On motion of Commissioner Baldwin, this recommendation was approved by the Commissioners, and authority given to grant permits for the purposes above named.

A letter was received from the Mayor, inclosing a communication from the President of the Department of Public Parks, in relation to the proposed route of the New Aqueduct through Central Park, and the damage to be inflicted upon the Park grounds by the construction of the Aqueduct in the manner proposed by this Commission.

The communications were read, and President Crimmins being present, he was heard in relation to the changes proposed by him; and upon motion of Commissioner Spencer, the matter was referred to the Committee on Construction for investigation and report.

The Secretary next presented a letter from Cyrus W. Field, Esq., dated May 2, 1885, requesting the appointment, by the Aqueduct Commissioners, of watchmen or policemen to protect private property along the line of the New Aqueduct from depreddation by the laborers employed by the contractors.

The letter was read, and referred to the Counsel to the Corporation for his opinion as to the power of the Commissioners to make such appointments, and as to the liability of the City in such cases.

By direction of the Committees of Finance and Audit, and Construction, the Auditor then presented a schedule showing the name, kind and place of occupation, and rate of pay of all persons in the Engineering Department of the Commission on the 1st instant.

On motion of Commissioner Spencer, said schedule was referred to the Secretary, with directions to have it revised to date of printing, and printed simultaneously with the rules and regulations now under consideration for the Engineering Department.

On motion of Commissioner Spencer, all matters of unfinished business were laid over for future consideration by the full Board; and the Commissioners then adjourned.

JAMES W. McCULLOH, Secretary.

APPROVED PAPERS.

Resignation of James T. McMahon as a Commissioner of Deeds.

Resolved, That Louis Knoppel be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place of James T. McMahon, who has resigned.

Resignation accepted and resolution adopted by the Board of Aldermen, May 4, 1885.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to E. Dickerman to erect and maintain an awning, of tin or other light material, in front of his premises, No. 2289 Third avenue; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, April 27, 1885.

Received from his Honor the Mayor, May 8, 1885, without his approval or objections thereto; therefore, as provided in section 75, chapter 410, Laws of 1882, the same became adopted.

Resolved, That permission be and is hereby given to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows to place two canvas transparencies, advertising their Fair, on the street-lamps in front of the Germania Assembly Rooms, No. 295 Bowery; said permission to continue during the pleasure of the Common Council.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, May 1, 1885.

Received from his Honor the Mayor, May 8, 1885, without his approval or objections thereto; therefore, as provided in section 75, chapter 410, Laws of 1882, the same became adopted.

Resignation of N. L. R. Edgar as a Commissioner of Deeds.

Resolved, That William H. Lees be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds for the City and County of New York, in the place of Newbold Leroy Edgar, resigned.

Resignation accepted and resolution adopted by the Board of Aldermen, May 8, 1885.

Resolved, That William H. De Lacy be and he is hereby reappointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, May 8, 1885.

METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATORY

OF THE

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS, CENTRAL PARK, NEW YORK.

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

ABSTRACT OF REGISTERS FROM SELF-RECORDING INSTRUMENTS, For the Week ending May 9, 1885.

Barometer.

Table with columns: DATE, 7 A.M., 2 P.M., 9 P.M., MEAN FOR THE DAY, MAXIMUM, MINIMUM. Rows for days of the week from Sunday to Saturday.

Mean for the week... 29.750 inches. Maximum... 29.924. Minimum... 29.508. Range... .416.

Thermometers.

Table with columns: DATE, 7 A.M., 2 P.M., 9 P.M., MEAN, MAXIMUM, MINIMUM, MAXIMUM. Includes sub-columns for Dry Bulb, Wet Bulb, and In Sun.

Dry Bulb. Mean for the week... 51.0 degrees. Wet Bulb. Mean for the week... 43.6 degrees. Maximum for the week... 60. Minimum... 42. Range... 18.

Wind.

Table with columns: DATE, DIRECTION, VELOCITY IN MILES, FORCE IN POUNDS PER SQUARE FOOT. Includes sub-columns for 7 A.M., 2 P.M., 9 P.M., Max, Time.

Distance traveled during the week... 1,281 miles. Maximum force... 6 1/2 pounds.

Hygrometer, Clouds, Rain and Snow, Ozone.

Table with columns: DATE, FORCE OF VAPOUR, RELATIVE HUMIDITY, CLEAR, OVERCAST, DEPTH OF RAIN AND SNOW IN INCHES. Includes sub-columns for 7 A.M., 2 P.M., 9 P.M., Time of Beginning, Time of Ending, Duration, Amount of Water, Depth of Snow.

Total amount of water for the week... .73 inch. Duration for the week... 1 day, 2 hours, 00 minutes.

DANIEL DRAPER, Ph. D., Director.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, May 7, 1885.

Appointment by the Mayor.

May 1, 1885—Seligman Manheimer, Clerk to the Secretary and Executive Officer of the Civil Service Supervisory and Examining Boards, at a salary at the rate of twelve hundred dollars per annum.

RICHARD J. MORRISON, 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. WILLIAM R. GRACE, Mayor; RICHARD J. MORRISON, Secretary; WILLIAM L. TURNER, Chief Clerk.

Mayor's Marshal's Office. No. 1 City Hall, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. THOMAS W. BYRNES, First Marshal. GEORGE W. BROWN, JR., Second Marshal. Permit Bureau Office. No. 13 City Hall, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. HENRY WOOD, Registrar.

COMMISSIONERS OF ACCOUNTS.

Rooms 114 and 115 Stewart Building, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. WM. PITT SHEARMAN, J. B. ADAMSON.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSIONERS.

Room 209, Stewart Building, 5th floor, 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. ADOLPH L. SANGER, 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. ROLLIN M. SQUIRE, Commissioner; DAVID LOWBER SMITH, Deputy Commissioner.

Bureau of Chief Engineer. No. 31 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. GEORGE W. BIRDSALL, 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. STEVENSON 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. ALSTON CULVER, 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. GEO. E. BARCOCK, 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. KRESS, City Hall.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT.

Comptroller's Office. No. 15 Stewart Building, Chambers street and Broadway, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. EDWARD V. LOEW, Comptroller; RICHARD A. STORRS, Deputy Comptroller.

Auditing Bureau. Nos. 19, 21, 23 Stewart Building, Chambers street and Broadway, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. WM. J. LYON, Auditor of Accounts. DAVID E. AUSTEN, Deputy Auditor.

Bureau for the Collection of Assessments and Arrears of Taxes and Assessments and of Water Rents. Nos. 31, 33, 35, 37, 39 Stewart Building, Chambers street and Broadway, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. ARTEMAS S. CADY, Collector of Assessments and Clerk of Arrears.

Bureau for the Collection of City Revenue and of Markets. Nos. 1 and 3 Stewart Building, Chambers street and Broadway, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. Collector of the City Revenue and Superintendent of Markets.

Bureau for the Collection of Taxes. First floor, Brown-stone Building, City Hall Park. MARTIN T. McMAHON, Receiver of Taxes; ALFRED VREDEBURG, Deputy Receiver of Taxes.

Bureau of the City Chamberlain. Nos. 25, 27 Stewart Building, Chambers street and Broadway, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. WM. M. IVINS, City Chamberlain.

Office of the City Paymaster. No. 33 Reade street, Stewart Building. 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. E. HENRY LACOMBE, 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; WILLIAM H. KIPP, 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. THOMAS S. BRENNAN, 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. HENRY D. PURROY, President; CARL JUSSEN, Secretary.

Bureau of Chief of Department. CHARLES O. SHAY, Chief of Department.

Bureau of Inspector of Combustibles. PETER SEERY, Inspector of Combustibles.

Bureau of Fire Marshal. GEORGE H. SHELDON, Fire Marshal.

Bureau of Inspection of Buildings. ALBERT F. D'ONCH, 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 CASTLES, Foreman-in-Charge, 8 A. M. to 5 P. M.

Hospital Stables. Ninety-ninth street, between Ninth and Tenth avenues. JOSEPH SHEA, Foreman-in-Charge. Open at all hours.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

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

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

No. 36 Union Square, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. JOHN D. CRIMMINS, President; EDWARD P. BARKER, Secretary.

Civil and Topographical Office. Arsenal, Sixty-fourth street and Fifth avenue, 9 A. M. to 5 P. M.

Office of Superintendent of 23d and 24th Wards. One Hundred and Forty-sixth street and Third avenue, 9 A. M. to 5 P. M.

DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS.

Nos. 117 and 119 Duane street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. LUCIUS J. N. STARK, President; JOHN T. CUMING, Secretary.

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

DEPARTMENT OF TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS

Staats Zeitung Building, Tryon Row, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. Saturdays, 3 P. M. MICHAEL COLEMAN, President; FLOYD T. SMITH, Secretary.

Office Bureau Collection of Arrears of Personal Taxes. Brown-stone Building, City Hall Park, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. CHARLES S. BEARDSLEY, Attorney; WILLIAM COMBERFORD, Clerk.

DEPARTMENT OF STREET CLEANING.

Nos. 31 and 32 Park Row, "World" Building, Rooms 8 and 9, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. JAMES S. COLEMAN, Commissioner; JACOB SRABOLD, Deputy Commissioner; M. J. MORRISON, Chief Clerk.

CIVIL SERVICE SUPERVISORY AND EXAMINING BOARDS.

Room No. 11, City Hall. EVERETT P. WHEELER, Chairman of the Advisory Board; CHARLES H. WOODMAN, Secretary and Executive Officer.

BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND APPORTIONMENT.

Office of Clerk, Staats Zeitung Building, Room 5. THE MAYOR, Chairman; CHARLES V. ADEE, Clerk.

BOARD OF ASSESSORS.

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

BOARD OF EXCISE.

Corner Bond street and Bowery, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. NICHOLAS HAUGHTON, President; JOHN K. PERLEY, 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; ARON ARONS, 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.

Room 127, Stewart Building, Chambers street and Broadway, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. CHARLES REILLY, Commissioner; JAMES E. CONNER, Deputy Commissioner.

COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE.

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

DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE.

Second floor, Brown-stone Building, City Hall Park, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. RANDOLPH B. MARTINE, District Attorney; JOHN M. COMAN, 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 LOSTIGAN, Supervisor; R. P. H. ABELL, Book-keeper.

CORONERS' OFFICE.

Nos. 13 and 15 Chatham street, 8 A. M. to 5 P. M. Sundays and holidays, 8 A. M. to 12.30 P. M. MICHAEL J. B. MESSEMER, FERDINAND LEVY, BERNARD F. MARTIN and WILLIAM H. KENNEDY, Coroners; JOHN T. TOAL, Clerk of the Board of Coroners.

SUPREME COURT.

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

SUPERIOR COURT.

Third floor, New County Court-house, 11 A. M. General Term, Room No. 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, 11 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, corner 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. 61 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 opens 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. GEDNEY, Justice.

Ninth District—Twelfth Ward, No. 225 East One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street. HENRY P. MCGOWAN, 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. Office hours, from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. Court opens at 9 A. M. JAMES R. ANGELL, Justice.

Eleventh District—No. 919 Eighth avenue; Twenty-second Ward, and all that part of the Twelfth Ward lying south of One Hundred and Tenth street and west of Sixth avenue. Court open daily (Sundays and legal holidays excepted) from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. LEO C. DESSAR, Justice.

POLICE COURTS.

Judges—MAURICE J. POWER, J. HENRY FORD, JACOB PATTERSON, JR., JAMES T. KILBRETH, JOHN J. GORMAN, 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.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION.

COMMISSIONERS OF APPRAISAL OF REAL ESTATE TO BE TAKEN FOR THE NEW AQUEDUCT WITHIN THE COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

EVERY OWNER OR PERSON IN ANY WAY interested in any real estate between the Harlem river and the northern boundary of the City and County of New York, intended to be taken or entered upon and used and occupied for the purposes of the new Aqueduct; also any owner or person interested in any real estate contiguous thereto, and which may be affected by the construction and maintenance of said aqueduct, or of any of the works connected therewith, is hereby required to present his claim to the Commissioners of Appraisal appointed for the purpose of appraising such lands and easements, or ascertaining such damages, at the offices of said Commissioners, Room 803, in the Mutual Life Insurance Building, No. 32 Nassau street, in the City of New York.

All said claims may be filed on and after the first day of October, 1884. The maps showing the location of the Aqueduct, and the lands and interests to be acquired will be on file at the said offices on and after that date.

E. ELLERY ANDERSON, HENRY F. SPAULDING, ROBERT MURRAY, Commissioners

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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION.

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

TO CONTRACTORS.

PROPOSALS FOR THOROUGH REPAIRS TO CONNECTING SEWERS AND ENTIRE PLUMBING SYSTEM OF BELLEVUE HOSPITAL.

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, May 29, 1885. The person or persons making any bid or estimate shall furnish the same in a sealed envelope, indorsed "Bid or Estimate for THOROUGH REPAIRS TO CONNECTING SEWERS AND ENTIRE PLUMBING SYSTEM OF BELLEVUE HOSPITAL," for which there is one separate 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 the Board 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 FIVE THOUSAND (\$5,000) 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 in the supplies or work to which it relates, or in any portion of the profits thereof. The bid or estimate must be verified by the oath, in writing, of the party or parties making the estimate that the several matters stated

therein are in all respects true. Where more than one person is interested it is requisite that the verification be made and subscribed by all the parties interested.

Each bid or estimate shall be accompanied by the consent, in writing, of two householders or freeholders in the City of New York, with their respective places of business or residence, to the effect that if the contract be awarded to the person making the estimate, they will, on its being so awarded, become bound as his sureties for its faithful performance; and that if he shall omit or refuse to execute the same, they shall pay to the Corporation any difference between the sum to which he would be entitled on its completion, and that which the Corporation may be obliged to pay to the person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded at any subsequent letting; the amount in each case to be calculated upon the estimated amount of the work by which the bids are tested. The consent above mentioned shall be accompanied by the oath or affirmation, in writing, of each of the persons signing the same, that he is a householder or freeholder in the City of New York, and is worth the amount of the security required for the completion of 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 bond 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 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 lowest formal estimate be accepted by the Board of Public Charities and Correction, due notice of this fact will be given forthwith upon the receipt of the Comptroller's approval of the sureties, presented by the bidder as consenting to be bound for the faithful execution of this contract if awarded. Thereupon, if the Board shall not deem it for the best interests to reject all the proposals, the contract for this aforesaid work shall be awarded to this lowest bidder, who shall execute the contract and bond of even date therewith in due form, to the satisfaction of said Board, within five days after the award aforesaid. If the party or parties to whom said contract is awarded neglect or refuse to execute the same as aforesaid, the said contract shall be regarded as having been abandoned, the party or parties notified as in default to the Corporation of the City of New York, and the work will be re-advertised as provided in section 64, chapter 410, Laws of 1882.

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.

Dated New York, May 14, 1885.

THOMAS S. BRENNAN, President, HENRY H. PORTER, Commissioner, CHARLES E. SIMMONS, Commissioner, Public Charities and Correction.

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

TO CONTRACTORS.

PROPOSALS FOR BUILDING A NEW GAS-HOLDER AND BENCH FOR THE GAS-WORKS ON RANDALL'S ISLAND.

THE SPECIFICATIONS 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, May 29, 1885. The person or persons making any bid or estimate shall furnish the same in a sealed envelope, indorsed "Bid or Estimate for Building a New Gas-holder and Bench for the Gas-works on Randall's Island, for which there is one separate 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 the Board 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 ONE THOUSAND \$1,000 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 in the supplies or work to which it relates, or in any portion of the profits thereof. The bid or estimate must be verified by the oath, in writing, of the party or parties making the estimate, that the several matters stated therein are in all respects true. Where more than one person is interested, it is requisite that the verification be made and subscribed by all the parties interested.

Each bid or estimate shall be accompanied by the consent, in writing, of two householders or freeholders in the City of New York, with their respective places of business or residence, to the effect that if the contract be awarded to the person making the estimate, they will, on its being so awarded, become bound as his sureties for its faithful performance; and that if he shall omit or refuse to execute the same, they shall pay to the Corporation any difference between the sum to which he would be entitled

on its completion, and that which the Corporation may be obliged to pay to the person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded at any subsequent letting; the amount, in each case, to be calculated upon the estimated amount of the work by which the bids are tested. The consent above mentioned shall be accompanied by the oath or affirmation, in writing, of each of the persons signing the same, that he is a householder or freeholder in the City of New York, and is worth the amount of the security required for the completion of 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 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 BOND 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 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 lowest formal estimate be accepted by the Board of Public Charities and Correction, due notice of the fact will be given forthwith upon the receipt of the Comptroller's approval of the sureties, presented by the bidder as consenting to be bound for the faithful execution of this contract if awarded. Thereupon, if the Board shall not deem it for the best interests to reject all the proposals, the contract for this aforesaid work shall be awarded to this lowest bidder, who shall execute the contract and bond of even date therewith in due form, to the satisfaction of said Board, within five days after the award aforesaid. If the party or parties to whom said contract is awarded neglect or refuse to execute the same as aforesaid, the said contract shall be regarded as having been abandoned, the party or parties notified as in default to the Corporation of the City of New York, and the work will be re-advertised as provided in section 64, chapter 410, Laws of 1882.

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.

Dated New York, May 14, 1885.

THOMAS S. BRENNAN, President, HENRY H. PORTER, Commissioner, CHARLES E. SIMMONS, Commissioner, Public Charities and Correction.

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

TO CONTRACTORS.

PROPOSALS FOR GROCERIES, DRY GOODS, IRON, PAINTS, LUMBER, DRAIN PIPE, ETC.

SEALED BIDS OR ESTIMATES FOR FURNISHING GROCERIES.

- 6,500 pounds Dairy Butter; sample on exhibition Thursday, May 21, 1885.
1,500 pounds Dried Apples.
1,000 pounds Cheese.
1,000 pounds Black Pepper (whole).
4,000 pounds Prunes.
40,000 pounds Brown Soap.
10 boxes Castile Soap (imported).
100 bushels Peas, including packages.
25 dozen Canned Tomatoes.
500 barrels good sound Irish Potatoes, to weigh 168 pounds net per barrel, to be delivered at Blackwell's Island.
10 casks prime quality Sal Soda, about 240 pounds per cask, in original packages.
500 bales long bright Rye Straw, tare not to exceed three pounds per bale and weight charged as received at Blackwell's Island.
100 bags Br. n (50 pounds each).
100 bags Coarse Meal (100 pounds each).
2,800 dozen Fresh Eggs, all to be candled.

DRY GOODS.

- 6,000 yards Cotton Jeans.
100 gross Pantaloon Buckles.

PAINTS AND OILS.

- 10,000 pounds pure White Lead, ground in oil and equal to Atlantic Mills, 75 100s, 40 50s, 20 25s.
5 barrels prime quality Boiled Linseed Oil.
5 barrels prime quality Raw Linseed Oil.

LUMBER.

- 3,000 feet extra clear Pine, 1 1/2 by 10 to 16 inches by 13 to 16 feet, dressed one side.
3,000 feet extra clear Pine, 1 1/2 by 10 to 16 inches by 13 to 16 feet, dressed one side.
3,000 feet extra clear Pine, 2 by 10 to 16 inches by 13 to 16 feet, dressed one side.
700 good Merchantable Pine Boards, tongued and grooved, free from loose and black knots, 1 x 10 inches by 13 feet.
100 pieces clear White Pine, 3/4 by 3 1/2 inches by 12 feet, tongued and grooved, dressed one side.
250 first quality Hemlock Joists, 3 x 4 x 13 feet.
150 first quality Hemlock Wall Strips, 2 x 4 x 13 feet.
2 pieces first quality Spruce, 4 by 14 inches by 25 feet.
4 pieces first quality Spruce, 2 by 12 inches by 22 feet.
40 pieces first quality Spruce, 3 by 4 inches by 13 feet.
4 pieces first quality Spruce, 3 by 10 inches by 14 feet.
4 pieces first quality Spruce, 3 by 8 inches by 21 feet.
4 pieces first quality Spruce, 3 by 6 inches by 15 feet.
2 pieces first quality Oak Joists, 6 by 4 1/2 inches by 14 feet.
1 piece first quality Oak Joist, 5 by 4 inches by 14 feet.
250 feet extra clear White Pine, 2 1/2 in. by 20 to 22 inches by 16 feet, for Wash Tubs.
150 feet extra clear White Pine, 3 inches by 20 to 22 inches by 16 feet, for Wash Tubs.
All lumber to be delivered at Blackwell's Island.

IRON, ETC.

- (Bidders requested to bid for the entire lot.)
68 sheets B.B. Galvanized Iron No. 26, 24 by 84 inches
130 " " " " No. 24, 24 by 84 "
53 " " " " No. 24, 30 by 84 "
575 feet refined Iron Rods, 3/8 inch.
2 papers roundhead Stove Bolts, 1/4 by 3/4 inch.
2 bundles B. B. galvanized Band Iron, 3/8 by 1 inch.
17 Simond's Mfg. Co. round black Registers, 2 feet outside diameter, for ceiling.

EARTHEN DRAIN-PIPE, ETC.

- (Bidders requested to bid for the entire lot.)
2,200 feet best quality earthen Drain-Pipe, 8-inch.
4 reducing L's best quality, 8 x 6 inches.
4 Bends, best quality, 8-inch.
2 Y's best quality, 8-inch.
2 Reducing Y's best quality, 12 by 8 inches.
5 barrels Portland Cement.

—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, May 22, 1885. 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, Iron, Paints, Lumber, Drain-pipe, etc." with his or their name or names, and the date of presentation, to the head of said Department, at the said office, on or before the day and hour above named, at which time and place the bids or estimates received will be publicly opened by the President of said Department and read.

The Board of Public Charities and Correction reserves the right to reject all bids or estimates if deemed to be for the public interest, as provided in section 64, chapter 410, Laws of 1882.

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

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

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

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

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

Each bid or estimate shall be accompanied by the consent, in writing, of two householders or freeholders in the City of New York, with their respective places of business or residence, to the effect that if the contract be awarded to the person making the estimate, they will, on its being so awarded, become bound as 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 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.

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

Dated New York, May 11, 1885.

THOMAS S. BRENNAN, HENRY H. PORTER, JACOB HESS, Commissioners of the Department of Public Charities and Correction.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION, No. 66 THIRD AVENUE, NEW YORK, May 6, 1885.

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

At Charity Hospital, Blackwell's Island—Mark Sarroni; aged 22 years; 5 feet 2 inches high; dark hair and eyes. Had on when admitted brown coat, gray vest, blue pants, white shirt, cap, shoes.

At Workhouse, Blackwell's Island—Charles Johnson; committed January 22, 1885.

Clara Gilbert; committed February 17, 1885.

At Lunatic Asylum, Blackwell's Island—Charles Regan; aged 29 years; 4 feet 11 inches high; brown hair, blue eyes.

At Homoeopathic Hospital, Ward's Island—John Gedick; aged 35 years; 5 feet four inches high; gray eyes; brown hair. Had on when admitted black overcoat, dark mixed suit of clothes, black derby hat.

At Branch Insane Asylum, Randall's Island—W. H. Dempster; aged 26 years; 5 feet 5 inches high; gray hair; blue eyes.

At Hart's Island Hospital—Mary Smith; aged 39 years.

Nothing known of their friends or relatives.

By order, G. F. BRITTON, Secretary.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

HEADQUARTERS FIRE DEPARTMENT, CITY OF NEW YORK, 155 & 157 MERCER STREET, NEW YORK, May 12, 1885.

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 HENRY D. PURROY, President, RICHARD CROKER, ELWARD SMITH, Commissioners.

CARL JUSSEN, Secretary.

JURORS.

NOTICE IN RELATION TO JURORS FOR STATE COURTS.

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER OF JURORS, ROOM 127, STEWART BUILDING, CHAMBERS STREET AND BROADWAY, NEW YORK, June 1, 1885.

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.

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

POLICE DEPARTMENT—CITY OF NEW YORK, OFFICE OF THE PROPERTY CLERK (ROOM NO. 39), No. 300 MULBERRY STREET, NEW YORK, 1884.

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.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, ROOM 6, NO. 31 CHAMBERS STREET, NEW YORK, MAY 15, 1885.

PROPOSALS FOR STOP-COCKS, STOP-COCK BOXES AND HYDRANTS.

BIDS OR ESTIMATES, ENCLOSED IN A SEALED envelope, with the title of the work and the name of the bidder indorsed thereon, also the number of the work as in the advertisement, will be received at this office until Thursday, May 28, 1885, at 12 o'clock M., at which place and hour they will be publicly opened by the head of the Department and read—

No. 1. FURNISHING AND DELIVERING STOP-COCKS, STOP-COCK BOXES AND HYDRANTS.

No. 2. FURNISHING AND DELIVERING STOP-COCKS, HYDRANTS, AND STOP-COCK BOXES AND COVERS.

Bidders for the above contracts must be regularly engaged in the business and well prepared for furnishing the materials they propose for; and no contract will be made with any bidder who is not prepared to furnish satisfactory evidence to that effect.

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 of the Croton Aqueduct, Room 10, No. 31 Chambers street.

ROLLIN M. SQUIRE, Commissioner of Public Works.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, ROOM 6, NO. 31 CHAMBERS STREET, NEW YORK, MAY 6, 1885.

TO CONTRACTORS.

BIDS OR ESTIMATES, INCLOSED IN A SEALED envelope, with the title of the work and the name of the bidder endorsed thereon, also the number of the work as in the advertisement, will be received at this office until Tuesday, May 19, 1885, 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. REPAIRS TO SEWER IN CANAL STREET, AT WEST STREET.

No. 2. REPAIRS TO SEWER IN NINETY-EIGHTH STREET, BETWEEN SECOND AND THIRD AVENUES.

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 Engineer in Charge of Sewers, Room 8, No. 31 Chambers street.

ROLLIN M. SQUIRE, Commissioner of Public Works.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, NO. 31 CHAMBERS STREET, NEW YORK, NOV. 1, 1884.

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: "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 Arrears, with the amount due on each lot.

HUBERT O. THOMPSON, Commissioner of Public Works.

DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS.

DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS, 117 AND 119 DUANE STREET, NEW YORK CITY.

NOTICE TO MARINERS IN THE PORT OF NEW YORK, PILOTS, AND ALL OTHERS TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT THIS DEPARTMENT has placed off the Battery and south of Pier, new 1, North river, two wooden floats or buoys, cubical in shape, six feet on each side, painted black, and anchored on a line bearing S. 7 1/2° E. east from southwest corner of Pier, new 1, North river, the first float being anchored about 209 feet and the second about 335 feet distant therefrom.

By order of the Board. JOHN T. CUMING, Secretary.

CORPORATION NOTICE.

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

List 1760, No. 1. Regulating and grading Fourth avenue, from Ninety-sixth to One Hundred and Second street.

List 1935, No. 2. Regulating, grading, setting curbstones and flagging in First avenue, from Ninety-second to One Hundred and Ninth street.

The limits embraced by such assessments include all the several houses and lots of ground, vacant lots, pieces and parcels of land situated on—

No. 1. Both sides of Fourth avenue, from Ninety-sixth to One Hundred and Second street, and to the extent of half the block at the intersecting streets.

No. 2. Both sides of First avenue, from Ninety-second to One Hundred and Ninth street, and to the extent of half the block at the intersecting streets.

All persons whose interests are affected by the above-named assessments, and who are opposed to the same, or either of them, are requested to present their objections in writing to the Board of Assessors, at their office, No. 11 1/2 City Hall, within thirty days from the date of this notice.

The above-described lists will be transmitted, as provided by law, to the Board of Revision and Correction of Assessments for confirmation, on the 2d day of June ensuing.

JOHN R. LYDECKER, JOHN W. JACOBUS, JOHN MULLALLY, HENRY A. GUMBLETON, Board of Assessors.

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS, NO. 11 1/2 CITY HALL, NEW YORK, APRIL 30, 1885.

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

List 2119, No. 1. Flagging the sidewalks and setting curb and gutter stones in One Hundred and Forty-fourth street, between Willis and St. Ann's avenues.

List 2168, No. 2. Paving Sixty-ninth street, from Ninth to Eleventh avenues.

The limits embraced by such assessments include all the several houses and lots of ground, vacant lots, pieces and parcels of land situated on—

No. 1. Both sides of One Hundred and Forty-fourth street, from Willis to St. Ann's avenues.

No. 2. Both sides of Sixty-ninth street, from Ninth to Eleventh avenues, and to the extent of half the block at the intersecting streets.

All persons whose interests are affected by the above-named assessments, and who are opposed to the same, or either of them, are requested to present their objections in writing to the Board of Assessors, at their office, No. 11 1/2 City Hall, within thirty days from the date of this notice.

The above-described lists will be transmitted, as provided by law, to the Board of Revision and Correction of Assessments for confirmation, on the 23d day of May ensuing.

JOHN R. LYDECKER, JOHN W. JACOBUS, JOHN MULLALLY, HENRY A. GUMBLETON, Board of Assessors.

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS, NO. 11 1/2 CITY HALL, NEW YORK, APRIL 22, 1885.

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

List 1996, No. 1. Regulating, grading, curb, gutter and flagging Madison avenue, from Ninety-ninth to One Hundred and Fifth street.

List 2043, No. 2. Paving One Hundred and Twenty-ninth street, between the Boulevard and Twelfth avenue, with granite-block pavement.

List 2048, No. 3. Drain in One Hundred and Forty-seventh street, between Eighth avenue and first new avenue west of Eighth avenue.

List 2057, No. 4. Paving One Hundred and Twentieth street, from Third to Sixth avenues, with granite-block pavement.

The limits embraced by such assessments include all the several houses and lots of ground, vacant lots, pieces and parcels of land situated on—

No. 1. Both sides of Madison avenue, from Ninety-ninth to One Hundred and Fifth street, and to the extent of half the block at the intersecting streets.

No. 2. Both sides of One Hundred and Twenty-ninth street, from Boulevard to Twelfth avenue, and to the extent of half the block at the intersecting streets.

No. 3. Property bounded by One Hundred and Forty-fifth and One Hundred and Fifty-first streets, Eighth avenue and second new avenue west of Eighth avenue.

No. 4. Both sides of One Hundred and Twentieth street, from Third to Sixth avenue, and to the extent of half the block at the intersecting streets.

All persons whose interests are affected by the above-named assessments, and who are opposed to the same, or either of them, are requested to present their objections in writing to the Board of Assessors, at their office, No. 11 1/2 City Hall, within thirty days from the date of this notice.

The above-described lists will be transmitted, as provided by law, to the Board of Revision and Correction of Assessments for confirmation, on the 23d day of May ensuing.

JOHN R. LYDECKER, JOHN W. JACOBUS, JOHN MULLALLY, HENRY A. GUMBLETON, Board of Assessors.

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS, NO. 11 1/2 CITY HALL, NEW YORK, APRIL 21, 1885.

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

List 1695, No. 1. Sewer in Fifth avenue, east side, between Fifty-fifth and Fifty-ninth streets.

List 1962, No. 2. Alterations and improvements to sewer in Thompson street, between Canal and Broome streets, and in Grand street, between Thompson and Wooster streets.

List 2009, No. 3. Sewer in One Hundred and Twenty-first street, between Boulevard and Tenth avenue.

List 2055, No. 4. Receiving-basins on the southwest corners of One Hundred and Sixteenth, One Hundred and Seventeenth, One Hundred and Eighteenth, One Hundred and Twentieth, and One Hundred and Twenty-second streets and Lexington avenue, and on northwest corners of One Hundred and Eighteenth, One Hundred and Nineteenth, One Hundred and Twenty-second, and One Hundred and Twenty-third streets and Lexington avenue.

List 2044, No. 5. Sewer in Bank street, between West street and Hudson river, with alterations and improvements.

List 2097, No. 6. Regulating and grading Eighty-fifth street, between Ninth and Tenth avenues.

List 2103, No. 7. Crosswalks in Alexander avenue, at One Hundred and Thirty-third, One Hundred and Thirty-fourth, One Hundred and Thirty-fifth, One Hundred and Thirty-sixth, One Hundred and Thirty-seventh and One Hundred and Thirty-eighth streets.

List 2124, No. 8. Regulating, grading, setting curb and flagging One Hundred and Eleventh street, from Sixth to Eighth avenues.

List 2127, No. 9. Regulating, grading, setting curbstones and flagging sidewalks in One Hundredth street, from Boulevard to Riverside Drive.

List 2128, No. 10. Regulating and grading, setting curbstones and flagging Ninety-ninth street, from Fourth to Fifth avenues.

List 2150, No. 11. Paving with granite-block pavement Eighth avenue from One Hundred and Twenty-fifth to One Hundred and Forty-fifth street.

List 2166, No. 12. Regulating, grading, setting curb and flagging One Hundred and First street, from Fourth to Fifth avenue.

The limits embraced by such assessments include all the several houses and lots of ground, vacant lots, pieces and parcels of land situated on—

No. 1. Both sides of Fifth avenue, from Fifty-fourth to Fifty-ninth streets, and blocks bounded by Fifth and Sixth avenues, Fifth-fourth and Fifty-ninth streets.

No. 2. Blocks bounded by Canal and Bleecker streets, Wooster and Sullivan streets, also blocks bounded by Broome and Houston streets, Macdougall and Sullivan streets.

No. 3. Both sides of One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street, between Boulevard and Tenth avenue.

No. 4. Blocks bounded by One Hundred and Fifteenth and One Hundred and Twentieth streets, Lexington and Fourth avenues; also blocks bounded by One Hundred and Twenty-first and One Hundred and Twenty-fourth streets, Lexington and Fourth avenues.

No. 5. Both sides of Bank street, from Greenwich avenue to Hudson river; also property bounded by Bank and West Eleventh streets, Greenwich avenue and Hudson river.

No. 6. Both sides of Eighty-fifth street, between Ninth and Tenth avenues.

No. 7. Property extending to half the block on each side of the intersections of One Hundred and Thirty-third, One Hundred and Thirty-fourth, One Hundred and Thirty-fifth, One Hundred and Thirty-sixth, One Hundred and Thirty-seventh, and One Hundred and Thirty-eighth streets and Alexander avenue.

No. 8. Both sides of One Hundred and Eleventh street, from Sixth to Eighth avenues.

No. 9. Both sides of One Hundredth street, from Boulevard to Riverside Drive, and to the extent of half the block at the intersecting avenue.

No. 10. Both sides of Ninety-ninth street, from Fourth to Fifth avenue.

No. 11. Both sides of Eighth avenue, from One Hundred and Twenty-fifth to One Hundred and Forty-fifth street, and to the extent of half the block at the intersecting streets.

No. 12. Both sides of One Hundred and First street, from Fourth to Fifth avenue.

All persons whose interests are affected by the above-named assessments, and who are opposed to the same, or either of them, are requested to present their objections in writing to the Board of Assessors, at their office, No. 11 1/2 City Hall, within thirty days from the date of this notice.

The above-described lists will be transmitted, as provided by law, to the Board of Revision and Correction of Assessments for confirmation, on the 19th day of May ensuing.

JOHN R. LYDECKER, JOHN W. JACOBUS, JOHN MULLALLY, HENRY A. GUMBLETON, Board of Assessors.

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS, NO. 11 1/2 CITY HALL, NEW YORK, APRIL 18, 1885.

SUPREME COURT.

In the matter of the application of the Department of Public Works for and in behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to the opening of ONE HUNDRED AND NINTH STREET, between Eighth and Riverside avenues, in the City of New York.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BILL of the costs, charges and expenses incurred by reason of the proceedings in the above-entitled matter, will be presented for taxation to one of the Justices of the Supreme Court, at the Chambers thereof, in the County Court-house at the City Hall, in the City of New York, on the 29th day of May, 1885, at 10 1/2 o'clock in the forenoon of that day, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon; and that the said bill of costs, charges and expenses has been deposited in the office of the Department of Public Works, there to remain for and during the space of ten days.

Dated New York, May 14, 1885. WILLIAM V. I. MERCER, WILLIAM H. BARKER, JOHN WHALEN, Commissioners.

ARTHUR BERRY, Clerk.

In the matter of the application of the Department of Public Works for and in behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to the opening of ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTIETH STREET, between Eleventh avenue and Kingsbridge road, in the City of New York.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BILL of the costs, charges and expenses incurred by reason of the proceedings in the above-entitled matter, will be presented for taxation to one of the Justices of the Supreme Court, at the Chambers thereof, in the County Court-house at the City Hall, in the City of New York, on the 29th day of May, 1885, at 10 1/2 o'clock in the forenoon of that day, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon; and that the said bill of costs, charges and expenses has been deposited in the office of the Department of Public Works, there to remain for and during the space of ten days.

Dated New York, May 14, 1885. JOHN WHALEN, J. DANA JONES, EDWARD HOGAN, Commissioners.

ARTHUR BERRY, Clerk.

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 EIGHTY-THIRD STREET, between Avenue A and Avenue B, 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 eleventh day of June, 1885, and that we, the said Commissioners, will hear parties so objecting within the ten week-days next after the said eleventh day of June, 1885, 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 fifteenth day of June, 1885.

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 Eighty-third and Eighty-fourth streets, easterly by the westerly side of Avenue B, southerly by the centre line of the block between Eighty-second and Eighty-third streets, and westerly by the easterly side of Avenue A, 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 twenty-sixth day of June, 1885, 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, May 2, 1885. PETER BOWE, EDWARD HOGAN, JOHN WHALEN, Commissioners.

ARTHUR BERRY, Clerk.

In the matter of the application of the Department of Public Works for and in behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to the opening of ONE HUNDRED AND FORTIETH STREET, between Seventh and Eighth 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 11th day of June, 1885, and that we, the said Commissioners, will hear parties so objecting within the ten week-days next after the said 11th day of June, 1885, 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 15th day of June, 1885.

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 One Hundred and Fortieth and One Hundred and Forty-first streets, easterly by the westerly side of Seventh avenue, southerly by the centre line of the block between One Hundred and Thirty-ninth and One Hundred and Fortieth streets, and westerly by the easterly side of Eighth 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 26th day of June, 1885, 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, May 2, 1885. GILBERT M. SPEIR, JR., JOHN T. BOYD, JOHN O'BYRNE, Commissioners.

ARTHUR BERRY, Clerk.

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 EDGECOMBE ROAD, from One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street to One Hundred and Seventy-fifth street, in the Twelfth Ward of the City of New York, as the same has been heretofore laid out and designated as a first-class street or road by the Department of Public Parks.

PURSUANT TO THE STATUTES IN SUCH cases made and provided, notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the Supreme Court of the State of New York, at a Special Term of said Court, to be held at Chambers thereof, in the County Court-house, in the City of New York, on Friday, the 23d day of May, 1885, at the opening of the Court on that day, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon, for the appointment of Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment in the above-entitled matter. The nature and extent of the improvement hereby intended is the acquisition of title, in the name and on behalf of the

Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, for the use of the public, to all the lands and premises, with the buildings thereon and the appurtenances thereto belonging, required for the opening of a certain street or avenue known as Edgcombe road, from One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street to One Hundred and Seventy-fifth street, in the Twelfth Ward of the City of New York, as the same has been heretofore laid out and designated as a first-class street or road by the Department of Public Parks, being the following-described lots or parcels of land, viz.:

Beginning at a point in the northerly line of One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street, distant 725 feet easterly from the easterly line of Tenth avenue; thence northerly in a straight line, at an angle of 59 degrees, 50 minutes and 55 seconds, with said northerly line of One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street, distance 127 feet; thence in a curved line to the right, radius 245 feet, distance 226 feet; thence in a reversed curved line to the left, radius 200 feet, distance 200 feet; thence northerly and tangent thereto, distance 134 feet; thence in a curved line to the right, radius 355 feet, distance 299 feet; thence northeasterly and tangent thereto, distance 500 feet; thence in a curved line to the left, radius 400 feet, distance 158 feet; thence northerly and tangent thereto, distance 1,217 feet; thence in a curved line to the right, radius 500 feet, distance 478 feet; thence in a reversed curved line to the left, radius 400 feet, distance 478 feet; thence northerly and tangent thereto, distance 295 feet; thence westerly and parallel with One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street, distance 96 feet; thence to the easterly line of Tenth avenue; thence northerly and along said easterly line of Tenth avenue to the northerly line of One Hundred and Seventy-fifth street, extended, distance 1,409 feet; thence easterly and along the northerly line of One Hundred and Seventy-fifth street, extended, distance 10 feet; thence southerly and parallel with the easterly line of Tenth avenue, and 10 feet easterly therefrom, distance 1,159 feet; thence in a curved line, to the left, radius 100 feet, distance 87 feet; thence southeasterly and tangent thereto, distance 445 feet; thence in a curved line to the right, radius 500 feet, distance 617 feet; thence in a reversed curved line, to the left, radius 500 feet, distance 425 feet; thence southerly and tangent thereto, distance 1,217 feet; thence in a curved line to the right, radius 500 feet, distance 198 feet; thence southwesterly and tangent thereto, distance 500 feet; thence in a curved line, to the left, radius 255 feet, distance 214 feet; thence southerly and tangent thereto, distance 300 feet; thence in a curved line, to the right, radius 300 feet, distance 300 feet; thence in a reversed curved line, to the left, radius 148 feet, distance 135 feet; thence southerly and tangent thereto, distance 154 feet; thence in a curved line, to the right, radius 550 feet, distance 30 feet; to the northerly line of One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street; thence westerly and along said northerly line of One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street, distance 114 feet, to the point or place of beginning.

Dated New York, April 22, 1885.
E. HENRY LACOMBE,
Counsel to the Corporation,
Tryon Row, New York City.

In the matter of the application of the Commissioners of the Department of Public Parks for and on behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title wherever the same has not been heretofore acquired, to that part of EAST ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTY-FIFTH STREET (although not yet named by proper authority, extending from Union avenue to Westchester avenue, in the Twenty-third Ward of the City of New York, as the same has been heretofore laid out and designated as a first-class street or road by said Department.

PURSUANT TO THE STATUTES IN SUCH cases made and provided, notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the Supreme Court of the State of New York, at a Special Term of said Court, to be held at Chambers thereof, in the County Court-house, in the City of New York, on Friday, the twenty-second day of May, 1885, at the opening of the Court on that day, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon, for the appointment of Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment in the above-entitled matter. The nature and extent of the improvement hereby intended is the acquisition of title in the name and on behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, for the use of the public, to all the lands and premises, with the buildings thereon and the appurtenances thereto belonging, required for the opening of a certain street or avenue known as East One Hundred and Sixty-fifth street, extending from Union avenue to Westchester avenue, in the Twenty-third Ward of the City of New York, as the same has been heretofore laid out and designated as a first-class street or road by said Department of Public Parks, being the following-described lots, pieces or parcels of land, viz.:

- Beginning at the southeastern extremity of the lands acquired for opening East One Hundred and Sixty-fifth street, from Boston avenue to Union avenue.
- Thence northerly along the most eastern course of said East One Hundred and Sixty-fifth street for 54 feet.
- Thence deflecting to the right 90° 00' 24" south easterly for 663 feet.
- Thence deflecting to the left 16° 27' 18" easterly for 128 feet to a point of curve.
- Thence curving to the left northerly on the arc of a circle, tangent to the preceding course, whose radius is 10 feet, for 13 feet.
- Thence northerly on a line tangent to the preceding course for 123 feet to a point of curve.
- Thence curving to the right northeasterly on the arc of a circle tangent to the preceding course, whose radius is 110 feet for 186 feet to a point of compound curve.
- Thence curving to the right southerly on the arc of a circle whose radius is 150 feet for 200 feet to a point of reverse curve.
- Thence curving to the left easterly on the arc of a circle whose radius is 50 feet for 82 feet.
- Thence easterly on a line forming an angle of 89° 35' 07" with the radius of the preceding course, drawn through its eastern extremity for 100 feet.
- Thence deflecting to the left 3° 35' 07" easterly for 922 feet to the northern side of Westchester avenue.
- Thence southwesterly along the northern side of Westchester avenue for 117 feet.
- Thence deflecting to the right 30° 38' 15" westerly for 825 feet.
- Thence deflecting to the right 3° 40' 10" westerly for 100 feet.
- Thence curving to the right northwesterly on the arc of a circle, whose radius drawn through the western extremity of the preceding course forms an angle of 89° 40' 10" with the preceding course, and is 110 feet for 181 feet to a point of reverse curve.
- Thence curving to the left northwesterly on the arc of a circle, whose radius is 90 feet for 120 feet to a point of compound curve.
- Thence curving to the left southwesterly on the arc of a circle, whose radius is 50 feet for 84 feet.
- Thence southerly on a line tangent to the preceding course for 123 feet to a point of curve.
- Thence curving to the right southwesterly on the arc of a circle tangent to the preceding course, whose radius is 70 feet for 97 feet.
- Thence southwesterly on a line tangent to the preceding course for 207 feet.
- Thence deflecting to the right 16° 27' 18" northwesterly for 672 feet.
- Thence deflecting to the right 89° 59' 36" northerly for 518 feet to the point of beginning; and as shown on certain maps, filed by the Commissioners of the Department of Public Parks in the office of the Register of the City and County of New York, in the office of the Secretary of State of the State of New York, and in the Department of Public Parks.

Dated New York, April 22, 1885.
E. HENRY LACOMBE,
Counsel to the Corporation,
Tryon Row, New York City.

In the matter of the application of the Department of Public Works, for and on behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to the opening ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-FIRST STREET, from Eleventh avenue to the Boulevard, in the City of New York.

PURSUANT TO THE STATUTES IN SUCH cases made and provided, notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the Supreme Court of the State of New York at a Special Term of said Court, to be held at Chambers thereof in the City of New York, on Friday, the 22d day of May, 1885, at the opening of the Court on that day, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon, for the appointment of Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment, in the above-entitled matter. The nature and extent of the improvement hereby intended is the acquisition of title, in the name and on behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, for the use of the public, to all the lands and premises, with the buildings thereon and the appurtenances thereto belonging, required for the opening of a certain street or avenue known as One Hundred and Eighty-first street, from Eleventh avenue to the Boulevard, in the City of New York, being the following-described lots or parcels of land, viz.:

Beginning at a point in the westerly line of Eleventh avenue, distant 6,005 feet 8 inches northerly from the southerly side of One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street, thence westerly and parallel with said street 530 feet to the easterly line of Kingsbridge road; thence northerly along said line 80 feet 9 1/2 inches; thence easterly 541 feet 1/2 inch to the westerly line of Eleventh avenue; thence southerly along said line 80 feet to the point or place of beginning.

Also, beginning at a point in the westerly line of Kingsbridge road, distant 6,005 feet 8 inches northerly from the southerly line of One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street; thence westerly 650 feet 2 1/4 inches to a point in the easterly line of Fort Washington Ridge road, said point being 6,806 feet 10 inches northerly from the southerly line of One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street; thence northerly along said line 80 feet 1 1/2 inches; thence easterly 666 feet 2 1/2 inches to the westerly line of Kingsbridge road; thence southerly along said line 76 feet 9 1/2 inches; thence still further along said westerly line of Kingsbridge road 3 feet 5 inches to the point or place of beginning.

Also, beginning at a point in the westerly line of Fort Washington Ridge road, said point being 6,794 feet 10 inches northerly from the southerly line of One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street; thence westerly 300 feet 8 1/2 inches to a point 6,749 feet 9 1/2 inches northerly from the southerly line of One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street, and 2,660 feet 4 inches westerly from the easterly line of Tenth avenue; thence westerly in a curved line, radius 560 feet, distance 233 feet 4 inches; thence westerly and tangent thereto, distance 100 feet; thence westerly and northerly in a curved line, radius 340 feet, distance 283 feet 4 1/4 inches to a point 6,573 feet 5 1/2 inches northerly from the southerly line of One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street, and 3,233 feet 8 1/4 inches westerly from the easterly line of Tenth avenue; thence northerly and tangent thereto, distance 135 feet 2 1/2 inches to the easterly line of Boulevard; thence northerly along said line 80 feet 1 1/2 inches; thence southerly 131 feet 1 1/2 inches; thence easterly and northerly in a curved line, radius 260 feet, distance 216 feet 8 1/4 inches; thence easterly and tangent thereto, distance 100 feet; thence easterly and in a curved line, radius 640 feet, distance 266 feet 8 inches; thence easterly and tangent thereto, distance 395 feet 10 1/2 inches to the westerly line of Fort Washington Ridge road; thence southerly and along said line 80 feet 1 1/2 inches to the point or place of beginning.

Said street to be 80 feet wide between the Eleventh avenue and the Boulevard.

Dated New York, April 22, 1885.
E. HENRY LACOMBE,
Counsel to the Corporation,
Tryon Row, New York City.

In the matter of the application of the Department of Public Works for and on behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to the opening ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTIETH STREET from Tenth avenue to the Kingsbridge road, in the City of New York.

PURSUANT TO THE STATUTES IN SUCH cases made and provided, notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the Supreme Court of the State of New York, at a Special Term of said Court, to be held at Chambers thereof in the County Court-house, in the City of New York, on Friday, the 22d day of May, 1885, at the opening of the Court on that day, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon, for the appointment of Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment in the above-entitled matter. The nature and extent of the improvement hereby intended is the acquisition of title, in the name and on behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, for the use of the public, to all the lands and premises with the buildings thereon and the appurtenances thereto belonging, required for the opening of a certain street or avenue, known as One Hundred and Seventieth street, from Tenth avenue to the Kingsbridge road, in the City of New York, being the following-described lots, pieces or parcels of land, viz.:

Beginning at a point in the westerly line of Tenth avenue, distant 4,047 feet 6 inches northerly from the southerly line of One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street; thence westerly and parallel with said street, distance 800 feet to the easterly line of Eleventh avenue; thence northerly and along said line 80 feet; thence easterly 800 feet to the westerly line of Tenth avenue; thence southerly along said line 80 feet to point or place of beginning.

Also, beginning at a point in the westerly line of Eleventh avenue, distant 4,047 feet 6 inches northerly from the southerly line of One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street; thence westerly and parallel with said street, distance 29 feet 3 1/2 inches to the easterly line of Kingsbridge road; thence southerly along said line 68 feet 9 1/2 inches to the westerly line of Eleventh avenue; thence northerly and along said line 61 feet 11 1/2 inches to the point or place of beginning.

Said street to be 80 feet wide between the lines of Tenth and Eleventh avenues, and to take all of the triangle of land at the junction of Kingsbridge road and Eleventh avenue, south of the northerly line of One Hundred and Seventieth street, as laid down upon the Commissioner's map of the City of New York.

Dated New York, April 22, 1885.
E. HENRY LACOMBE,
Counsel to the Corporation,
Tryon Row, New York City.

In the matter of the application of the Commissioners of the Department of Public Parks for and on behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title wherever the same has not been heretofore acquired, to that part of EAST ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY-SEVENTH STREET (although not yet named by proper authority), extending from Elton avenue to North Third avenue, in the Twenty-third Ward of the City of New York, as the same has been heretofore laid out and designated as a first-class street or road by said Department.

PURSUANT TO THE STATUTES IN SUCH cases made and provided, notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the Supreme Court of the State of New York, at a Special Term of said Court, to be held at Chambers thereof, in the County Court-house, in the City of New York, on Friday, the 22d day of May, 1885, at the opening of the Court on that day, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon, for the appointment of Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment in the above-entitled matter. The nature and extent of the improvement hereby intended is the acquisition of title, in the name and on behalf of the

Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, for the use of the public, to all the lands and premises, with the buildings thereon and the appurtenances thereto belonging, required for the opening of a certain street or avenue, known as East One Hundred and Fifty-seventh street, extending from Elton avenue to North Third avenue, as the same has been heretofore laid out and designated, as a first-class street or road by said Department of Public Parks, being the following-described lots, pieces, or parcels of land, viz.:

Beginning at a point in the westerly line of North Third avenue, distant 212.9 feet northeasterly from the intersection of the northern line of East One Hundred and Fifty-sixth street with the western line of North Third avenue; thence northeasterly along the western line of North Third avenue for 51,166 feet; thence deflecting to the left 94° 02' 20" northwesterly for 231.54 feet; thence deflecting to the left 50° southwesterly for 50 feet; thence deflecting to the left 90° southeasterly for 227.47 feet to the point of beginning; and as shown on certain maps filed by the Commissioners of the Department of Public Parks, in the Department of Public Parks, in the office of the Register of the City and County of New York, and in the office of the Secretary of State of the State of New York.

Dated New York April 20, 1885.
E. HENRY LACOMBE,
Counsel to the Corporation,
Tryon Row, New York City.

In the matter of the application of the Commissioners of the Department of Public Parks for and on behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to acquiring right and title to certain lands required for a certain public park or parks, square or squares, or place or places, at or near the intersections of Sedgwick avenue with Mott and Walton avenues, in the Twenty-third Ward of the City of New York.

CEDAR PARK.

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED COMMISSIONERS of Estimate and Assessment in the above-entitled matter, hereby give notice to all whom it may concern:

That it is our intention to present our supplemental or amended report herein to the Supreme Court of the State of New York, for confirmation 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 19th day of May, 1885, at the opening of the Court on that day, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon, and that all persons interested in these proceedings, or in any of the lands affected thereby, having objections thereto, shall file the same in writing, duly verified, with us at our office, No. 75 William street (third floor), in the said city, on or before the 4th day of May, 1885, and that we, the said Commissioners, will hear such objections within the ten weeks next after the said 4th day of May, 1885, 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.

Dated New York, April 17, 1885.
HENRY M. WHITEHEAD,
JOHN BERRY,
RICHARD V. HARNETT,
Commissioners.

ARTHUR BERRY, Clerk.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT.

CITY OF NEW YORK,
FINANCE DEPARTMENT,
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
May 15, 1885.

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 lists for the opening of—

- One Hundred and Forty-second street, between Tenth avenue and Boulevard.
- One Hundred and Sixty-first street, between Tenth and Eleventh avenues.

—which were confirmed by the Supreme Court, May 8, 1885, and entered on the 12th day of May, 1885, 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 assessment, interest will be collected thereon as provided in section 998 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 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 July 20, 1885, 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.

EDWARD V. LOEW,
Comptroller.

SCOTT & MYERS, AUCTIONEERS.

CORPORATION SALE OF REAL ESTATE ON THIRD AVENUE AND SIXTY-SEVENTH AND SIXTY-EIGHTH STREETS.

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund of the City of New York, by virtue of the powers vested in them, will offer for sale, at public auction, on Wednesday, May 27, 1885, at noon, at the Real Estate Exchange and Auction Room (limited), Nos. 59 to 65 Liberty street, in the City of New York, the following real estate belonging to the Corporation of said city, situated on Block Number 359 1/2, between Third and Lexington avenues, and Sixty-seventh and Sixty-eighth streets, in the Nineteenth Ward of said city, and shown on a map or survey drawn by Eugene E. McLean, City Surveyor, dated March 23, 1885, filed in the Comptroller's office, to wit:

- Lot No. 1. On the west side of Third avenue, corner of Sixty-seventh street, 25.5 x 100.
- Lots Nos. 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7. On the west side of Third avenue, between Sixty-seventh and Sixty-eighth streets, each 25 x 100.
- Lot No. 8. On the west side of Third avenue, corner of Sixty-eighth street, 25.5 x 100.
- Lot No. 9. On the south side of Sixty-eighth street, in the rear of the lots on Third avenue, 20 x 100.5.
- Lot No. 10. Adjoining, 25 x 100.5.
- Lot No. 11. Adjoining, 25 x 100.5.
- Lot No. 12. On the north side of Sixty-seventh street, 25 x 100.5.
- Lot No. 13. Adjoining, 25 x 100.5.
- Lot No. 14. Adjoining and in the rear of the lots on Third avenue, 20 x 100.5.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF SALE.

The highest bidders will be required to pay ten (10) per cent. of the purchase money and the auctioneer's fee

on each lot immediately after the sale; thirty (30) per cent. upon the delivery of the deeds, within thirty days from the date of sale; and the balance, sixty (60) per cent., of the purchase money, or any portion thereof, may remain, at the option of the purchaser, on bond and mortgage, for five years, with interest at the rate of six per centum per annum, payable semi-annually, the mortgages to contain the customary thirty days' interest and ninety days tax clauses.

The bond and mortgage may be paid off at any time within the term thereof on giving thirty days' notice to the Comptroller, or it may be paid by installments of not less than five hundred dollars, on any day when the interest is due, or on thirty days' notice. The bonds and mortgages will be prepared by the Counsel to the Corporation, and the sum of twelve dollars and fifty cents will be charged for drawing, acknowledging and recording each separate mortgage. If more than one lot of land is included in any mortgage, the whole mortgage must be paid off before any release can be given by the corporation, as a release of any part of the premises included in a mortgage to the corporation is forbidden by law.

The Comptroller may, at his option, resell any lot which may be struck off to the highest bidder if he fail to comply with the terms of sale and the party who may fail to comply therewith will be held liable for any deficiency that may result from any such resale.

The Comptroller is authorized and empowered to make such conditions and provisions with respect to the removal of any and all of the buildings on the premises fronting on Third avenue, and for the erection of new buildings thereon as he may consider advisable and necessary in the interest of the city.

On and after May 1st, 1885, lithographic maps of the premises may be had at the office of the Comptroller.

By order of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, under a resolution adopted April 17, 1885.

EDWARD V. LOEW,
Comptroller.

CITY OF NEW YORK—FINANCE DEPARTMENT,
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, April 20, 1885.

NOTICE OF POSTPONEMENT OF SALE OF LANDS AND TENEMENTS FOR UNPAID TAXES AND CROTON WATER RENTS IN THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

PURSUANT TO SECTION 928 OF THE NEW York City Consolidation Act of 1882, the Comptroller of the City of New York hereby gives public notice that the sale at public auction of lands and tenements in said city for unpaid taxes levied in the year 1880, and Croton water rents laid for the year 1879, and now remaining due and unpaid, which sale was advertised to be held at the County Court-house in the City Hall Park, in the City of New York, on Monday, December 22, 1884, at 12 o'clock noon, and was postponed until Monday, May 11, 1885, has been and is hereby again postponed until Wednesday, November 13, 1885, to be held on that day at the same hour and place.

A pamphlet containing a detailed statement of the property advertised for sale may be obtained at the Bureau for the Collection of Assessments and Arrears of Taxes and Assessments and of Water Rents, Room 31, Stewart Building.

EDWARD V. LOEW,
Comptroller.

CITY OF NEW YORK—FINANCE DEPARTMENT,
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, May 9, 1885.

NOTICE OF POSTPONEMENT OF SALE OF LANDS AND TENEMENTS FOR UNPAID ASSESSMENTS FOR LOCAL IMPROVEMENTS IN THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

PURSUANT TO SECTION 928 OF THE NEW York City Consolidation Act of 1882, the Comptroller of the City of New York hereby gives PUBLIC NOTICE that the sale at public auction of lands and tenements in said City for unpaid assessments laid and confirmed during the year 1879 and prior thereto, for local improvements, which sale is advertised to be held at the County Court-house, in the City Hall Park, in the City of New York, on Monday, November 24, 1884, at 12 o'clock noon, has been and is hereby postponed by him until Monday, May 25, 1885, to be held on that day at the same hour and place.

A pamphlet containing a detailed statement of the property advertised for sale may be obtained at the Bureau for the Collection of Assessments and Arrears of Taxes and Assessments and of Water Rents.

S. HASTINGS GRANT,
Comptroller.

CITY OF NEW YORK—FINANCE DEPARTMENT,
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, Nov. 15, 1884.

REAL ESTATE RECORDS.

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

- Grantors, grantees, suits in equity, insolvents' and Sheriff's sales, in 61 volumes, full bound, price \$100 00
- The same in 25 volumes, half bound, price 50 00
- Complete sets, folded, ready for binding, price 15 00
- Records of Judgments, 25 volumes, bound, price 10 00

Orders should be addressed to "Mr. Stephen Angell, Room 23, Stewart Building.

EDWARD V. LOEW,
Comptroller.

THE COLLEGE OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

A STATED MEETING OF THE BOARD OF Trustees of the College of the City of New York will be held at the Hall of the Board of Education, No. 145 Grand street, on Tuesday, May 19, 1885, at 4 o'clock P. M.

LAWRENCE D. KIERNAN,
Secretary.

Dated New York, May 12, 1885.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

CITY OF NEW YORK,
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS,
36 UNION SQUARE,
December 26, 1884.

PROPERTY-OWNERS INTERESTED IN THE proposed change of the grades of the streets and avenues intersecting and crossing the tracks of the Harlem Railroad Company, in the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, are requested to call at the office of the Topographical Engineer of the Department of Public Parks, at the Arsenal building, Sixty-fourth street and Fifth avenue, Central Park, and examine plans, as prepared by the Department of Public Parks, showing a system of proposed over grade crossings, and make known their views in relation to the same with the view of securing such legislation as may be necessary in order to secure such change of grades.

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