

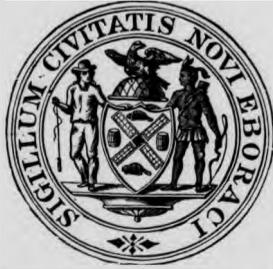
# THE CITY RECORD.

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CITY RECORD.

## Supervisor's Monthly Report.

In relation to the printing and publication of the CITY RECORD, and advertising, and the supplies of printing, stationery and blank books for the City.

OFFICE OF THE CITY RECORD,  
No. 2 CITY HALL, NEW YORK, May 10, 1887.

Hon. ABRAM S. HEWITT, Mayor; Hon. E. HENRY LACOMBE, Counsel to the Corporation;  
Hon. JOHN NEWTON, Commissioner of Public Works:

GENTLEMEN—I beg to lay before you, for your information, the following tabulated report of the transactions of this Bureau for the month ended April 30, 1887.

Very respectfully,  
THOMAS COSTIGAN,  
Supervisor of the City Record.

Vouchers Transmitted to the Comptroller for Examination and Payment.

### PUBLICATION OF THE CITY RECORD, 1887.

| DATE OF TRANSMITTAL, 1887. | NAME OF PAYEE.   | FOR WHAT PURPOSE.  | AMOUNT.    |
|----------------------------|------------------|--|------------|
| April 3.....               | M. B. Brown..... | Paper, composition, press-work, etc., in publication of CITY RECORD—March, 1887..... | \$4,991 28 |

### CITY RECORD—SALARIES AND CONTINGENCIES, 1887.

| DATE OF TRANSMITTAL, 1887. | NAME OF PAYEE.        | FOR WHAT PURPOSE.          | AMOUNT.  |
|----------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|----------|
| April 30.....              | Monthly pay-roll..... | Salaries and services..... | \$583 33 |
| " 30.....                  | R. P. H. Abell.....   | Contingencies.....         | 51 17    |

### ADVERTISING, 1887.

| DATE OF TRANSMITTAL, 1887. | NAME OF PAYEE.       | FOR WHAT PURPOSE.  | AMOUNT. |
|----------------------------|----------------------|--|---------|
| April 30.....              | " Evening Post"..... | Advertising sale of wharfage rights at certain piers; proposal to build Gansevoort Market; proclamation by the Mayor.... | \$38 00 |
| " 30.....                  | " .....              | Repairs to pier at West Thirty-fourth street.  | 20 00   |

### PRINTING, STATIONERY AND BLANK BOOKS, 1887.

| DATE OF TRANSMITTAL, 1887. | NAME OF PAYEE.   | FOR WHAT PURPOSE.                           | AMOUNT.    |
|----------------------------|--|---|------------|
| April 1.....               | W. P. Mitchell.....  | Blank Books and printing.....               | \$1,181 41 |
| " 1.....                   | " .....  | Printing.....                               | 192 60     |
| " 1.....                   | J. H. Travis.....  | Printing and stationery.....                | 308 28     |
| " 1.....                   | " Daily Register".....                                     | Chapter 656, Laws of 1874.....              | 500 00     |
| " 1.....                   | Maverick & Wissinger.....                                  | Lithographing, printing and stationery..... | 1,016 44   |
| " 1.....                   | M. B. Brown.....   | Books and printing.....                     | 1,501 59   |
| " 16.....                  | { The L. W. Ahrens' Stationery and }<br>{ Printing Co..... | Stationery.....                             | 81 97      |
| " 16.....                  | G. W. & C. B. Colton & Co.....                             | Maps.....                                   | 270 00     |
| " 16.....                  | The Evening Post Job Printing Office                       | Printing.....                               | 627 09     |
| " 16.....                  | Maverick & Wissinger.....                                  | Lithographing and printing.....             | 1,260 03   |
| " 16.....                  | W. P. Mitchell.....  | Printing and books.....                     | 1,818 37   |
| " 16.....                  | M. B. Brown.....   | Printing specifications and books.....      | 1,623 93   |
| " 27.....                  | W. P. Mitchell.....  | Printing and books.....                     | 1,539 93   |
| " 27.....                  | M. B. Brown.....   | Printing, books, etc.....                   | 2,507 52   |
| " 27.....                  | Maverick & Wissinger.....                                  | Printing, lithographing, etc.....           | 1,566 98   |
| " 27.....                  | L. S. Streep.....  | Printing.....                               | 282 62     |
| " 30.....                  | A. Boettger.....   | Bookbinder.....                             | 100 00     |
| " 30.....                  | Peter Laethem.....   | " .....                                     | 100 00     |
| " 30.....                  | John McMahon.....  | " .....                                     | 100 00     |
| " 30.....                  | H. J. Goggins.....   | " .....                                     | 100 00     |
| " 30.....                  | P. De'any.....   | Storekeeper, etc.....                       | 104 00     |
| " 30.....                  | M. McDonald.....   | Express.....                                | 100 00     |

### AMOUNTS CERTIFIED CHARGEABLE AGAINST THE SEVERAL DEPARTMENTS, COURTS AND BUREAUS.

| DEPARTMENT, COURT, BUREAU, ETC.                           | AMOUNT CERTIFIED IN APRIL, 1887. | PREVIOUSLY CERTIFIED. | TOTAL TO APRIL 30, 1887. |
|---|----------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|
| Finance.....  | \$1,202 08                       | \$4,441 15            | \$5,643 23               |
| Public Works.....   | 2,070 99                         | 3,501 71              | 5,572 70                 |
| Law.....  | 1,210 51                         | 2,304 37              | 3,514 88                 |
| Charities and Correction.....                             | 1,756 37                         | 4,831 10              | 6,587 67                 |
| Health.....   | 486 94                           | 467 90                | 954 84                   |
| Public Parks.....   | 1,740 41                         | 1,745 14              | 3,485 25                 |
| Taxes and Assessments.....                                | 244 30                           | 325 60                | 570 90                   |
| Mayor.....  | 234 24                           | 744 36                | 978 60                   |
| Estimate and Appropriation.....                           | .....                            | 273 99                | 273 99                   |
| Fire.....   | 1,467 02                         | 341 59                | 1,808 61                 |
| Superior Court.....                                       | 67 50                            | 1,444 38              | 1,511 88                 |
| Supreme Court.....  | .....                            | 1,095 63              | 1,095 63                 |
| City Court.....   | 3 74                             | 1,175 43              | 1,179 17                 |
| Special Sessions.....                                     | 136 67                           | 222 22                | 358 89                   |
| General Sessions.....                                     | 63 89                            | 77 44                 | 141 33                   |
| District Attorney.....                                    | 598 25                           | 347 98                | 946 23                   |
| Surrogate.....  | 26 60                            | 1,463 54              | 1,490 14                 |
| Commissioner of Accounts.....                             | 78 95                            | 372 94                | 451 89                   |
| City Record.....  | 155 14                           | 534 78                | 689 92                   |
| Coroner.....  | 97 20                            | 130 53                | 227 73                   |
| First District Court.....                                 | 174 21                           | .....                 | 174 21                   |
| Second ".....   | 150 36                           | 91 52                 | 241 88                   |
| Third ".....  | 30 91                            | 46 36                 | 77 27                    |
| Fourth ".....   | 17 70                            | .....                 | 17 70                    |
| Fifth ".....  | 32 89                            | .....                 | 32 89                    |
| Eighth ".....   | .....                            | 189 66                | 189 66                   |
| Ninth ".....  | 65 57                            | 102 08                | 167 65                   |
| Tenth ".....  | .....                            | 28 46                 | 28 46                    |
| Eleventh ".....   | .....                            | 111 63                | 111 63                   |
| Board of Police Justices.....                             | 518 40                           | 1,960 52              | 2,478 92                 |
| County Clerk.....   | 727 78                           | 1,536 41              | 2,264 19                 |
| Register.....   | 102 88                           | 1,358 79              | 1,461 67                 |
| Civil Service.....  | 79 93                            | 192 13                | 272 06                   |
| The Daily Register.....                                   | 500 00                           | 1,000 00              | 1,500 00                 |
| Express.....  | 100 00                           | 300 00                | 400 00                   |
| Street Cleaning.....                                      | 535 78                           | 912 65                | 1,448 43                 |
| Aldermen.....   | 1,846 53                         | 1,789 33              | 3,635 86                 |
| Public Administrator.....                                 | 78 59                            | 40 38                 | 118 97                   |
| Recorder.....   | .....                            | 118 27                | 118 27                   |
| Court Common Pleas.....                                   | 33 44                            | 679 86                | 713 30                   |
| Attorney for Collection of Arrears of Personal Taxes..... | 127 00                           | .....                 | 127 00                   |
| Total.....  | \$16,762 77                      | \$36,311 73           | \$53,074 50              |

## LAW DEPARTMENT.

LAW DEPARTMENT,  
OFFICE OF THE COUNSEL TO THE CORPORATION,  
NEW YORK, May 13, 1887.

Hon. EDWARD V. LOEW, Comptroller:

SIR—I am in due receipt of your communication of March 11, 1887, requesting my opinion on behalf of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, as to the authority vested in them and in the Board of Docks to establish lines of bulkhead and to provide for the improvement of the water-front from Eighty-sixth street, East river, to the Third avenue, Harlem river, without making any reservation or provision for an exterior street.

You call to my attention certain matters bearing upon your request for this opinion, which are as follows:

On May 13, 1885, a communication from the Department of Docks was presented to the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund with plans for the improvement of the water-front, and establishing bulkhead and pier lines from Eighty-sixth street, East river, to Third avenue, Harlem river, and providing for an exterior or marginal street, one hundred and twenty-five feet in width and parallel to the bulkhead line as shown on such plans, which were therewith submitted for the approval of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund. A copy of this communication is transmitted to me with your letter.

It is stated by you that this communication was referred by the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund to the Comptroller for his report thereon, but that no action has been since taken with respect thereto.

On March 10, 1886, the Board of Docks adopted a resolution, a copy of which is also enclosed, requesting the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund to return the plans in question for the purpose of re-examination, and, if upon a proper examination it should be deemed necessary, for correction, modification and amendment thereof. On April 16, 1886, pursuant to resolution of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund on that day adopted, the said plans were returned to the Board of Docks.

On December 28, 1886, a communication from the Board of Docks, dated October 14, 1886, a copy of which you enclose, was presented to the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, submitting new plans for the improvement of the water-front from Eighty-sixth street, East river, to the Third avenue, Harlem river, and stating that the expunging of the marginal street was the only change, excepting some minor details, from the old plans, which were withdrawn by the Dock Commissioners and returned to them by direction of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, April 16, 1886.

The new plans thus submitted were reported on by the Comptroller at a meeting of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, held March 4, 1887, a copy of which proceedings you enclose. A resolution then submitted approving of the said plans as adopted, was laid over to obtain the opinion of the Counsel to the Corporation upon the question of providing for an exterior street, and you were directed to obtain my opinion upon this question.

It is stated by you in your communication with respect to the general scheme of these plans, that they do not provide for an exterior street, and that the only public access to the water-front will be at the foot of each street running to the river or to the pier which may be constructed there by

the Department of Docks. That, as explained by the Engineer-in-Chief of the Department of Docks, at the meeting of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, the design of the plans was that the bulkhead and wharf between cross streets and piers, will not be a highway and thoroughfare for the use of the public, but will be occupied by and used exclusively for the private benefit of the owners of the land under grants of land under water which have been made by the City.

You call to my attention the fact that in all grants of lands under water that have been made by the City within the limits of the territory in question, provision has been made for the construction of an exterior, public street of a defined width, by the grantees, the soil of which has been excepted and reserved to the City, and you refer to length to various provisions of the grants in question (all of which have long been familiar to me), to chapter 285 of the Laws of 1852, providing for an exterior street along the shore of the Harlem river, and to the general policy of the City to lay out a belt of public streets or wharves surrounding it.

The improvements comprised in the plan in question are understood to be wholly outside of the line of original high-water mark. They will, therefore, when built, be located wholly upon land belonging to the City, and included within the limits of the grant of 400 feet from low-water mark granted to the City of New York by the People of the State of New York, pursuant to the provisions of chapter 58 of 1826, or under the provisions of chapter 285 of 1852, to which you refer in your letter. The authority for the plans in question and for building the wharves according to that provision, is contained in chapter 517 of the Laws of 1884, amending sections 712 and 716 of the Consolidation Act of 1882. Sections 712 and 716, together with sections from 711 to 720 of the Consolidation Act, are a re-enactment of section 6 of chapter 574 of the Act of 1871, the general provisions of which are familiar to both of us, and which constitute the fundamental law governing the organization and proceedings of the Board or Department of Docks in this city. The Act of 1884 was simply intended to specially adapt the provisions of this fundamental law to the East and Harlem river water-front between Eighty-sixth street and Third avenue.

Section 712 as so amended, provides that the plan or plans for that part of the water-front in question, to be determined upon by the Department of Docks and adopted and certified by the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund and filed as provided by law, should be and continue to be the sole plan for building wharf structures or superstructures within the territory in question, and the sole authority for solid filling in the waters surrounding said city—all other inconsistent laws being repealed—and the building of the wharves, etc., except according to that plan, is forbidden.

The third section of the Act of 1884, amends section 716 by requiring the Department of Docks: "to build such suitable bulkheads, wharves, piers or slips in that portion of the territory aforesaid " that lies within the bounds of Eighty-sixth street and One Hundred and Ninth street, on the East " river, Hell Gate Bay, and Harlem river, as they may deem that the wants of commerce for that " section of the city shall require, and to acquire the necessary lands therefor in the manner pro- " vided in section 715 of this Act, and they shall, on or before the expiration of six months after the " plan for said water-front shall be adopted and certified to by the Commissioners of the Sinking " Fund and filed as provided in section 712 of this Act, commence proceedings to acquire the " necessary lands to build one or more wharves, piers, or slips within said district between Ninety- " second street and One Hundred and Ninth street."

Certain provisions follow providing for the building of bulkheads, piers or slips by the owners of adjacent lands, in case the Department of Docks do not proceed as required by the Act. These provisions are not, however, applicable or necessary to be considered in the present case, as the contingency upon which they rest has not occurred.

Pursuant to the authority of this Act the plans in question have been prepared under the direction of the Board of Docks, and submitted to you for your approval. The question is, therefore, as to the power intended to be conferred by the Act in question, upon the municipal authorities.

It is exceedingly clear that the wharves, piers and bulkheads which it is intended shall be laid out under the provisions of this Act, are to be public wharves, piers and bulkheads. Abundant evidence exists that such is the case. For more than two hundred years the power has existed in some portion of the municipal government to lay out public wharves and piers. This power is analogous to the power to lay out streets, and is found coupled with it through the whole history of colonial and state legislation with respect to the city. In fact, a wharf or pier laid out under the provisions of these acts is in its nature simply an exterior street having buildings on one side only, and the harbor on the other. The power thus conferred, and its product in the shape of the various exterior streets or wharves, West street, South street, Tompkins street, Thirteenth avenue, etc., and the various piers projecting from them, is analogous to and harmonious with that which occurs in all great sea and inland ports throughout the world, almost without exception. Every important city upon the Mississippi river, the Lakes, the Gulf of Mexico, and the Pacific and Atlantic coasts, with slight and inconsiderable exceptions, presents the feature of continuous exterior public wharf, street, levee, batture or public place of some kind for wharfage and general public purposes adjacent to the water. The same appears in the great maritime cities of the Old World. We find it in Liverpool, London, Glasgow, Hamburg, Amsterdam, Antwerp, Havre, Marseilles, Leghorn and Naples. Various public statutes or fundamental laws create, protect and secure the permanency of this feature in all the cases cited. Its object is analogous to and in harmony with those provisions both of the Common and Civil Law which make the use of navigable waters common and public to all having occasion to resort thereto. The necessity to secure and effectuate this public use, requires that the shores or landing places should also be common and public as to their use, to such an extent as will enable the public use of the water highways to be enjoyed and realized to its fullest extent. It is very obvious that where the right of common and public landing and access to the interior of a city is not preserved, it is a mockery and a delusion to talk of the value and the benefit of the right of navigation being public. It is requisite that the navigator by water should not only have a free and unrestricted right to navigate, but also to load and unload his ship at the wharves along the shore. The fact that a trifling charge is made against him for the use of the wharf or pier does not impair this right, provided the public or common use of the wharf is preserved. The object of all charges for wharfage is to provide a fund to keep the wharf in repair. The statutes of this State fixed the amounts of such charges at very low rates, little, if any, more than is adequate to properly preserve and maintain the wharves, and this is as it should be.

In the city of New York, from the earliest times, the practice has prevailed of grants being made by the City government out of lands the title to which was conferred upon the City by the State. Such grants have been made conformable to and harmonious with exterior streets or wharves that have been from time to time laid out. The general scheme and object is the establishment and preservation of the street or wharf, the securing of it as a public place for public use, and the assumption by the grantee, in consideration of the authority to collect the wharfage rates or fees arising from such public use, of the obligation to maintain it and keep it in good repair. Where the feature occurred, as quite frequently did occur, of strips of land remaining between the high-water line and such exterior wharves or slips, they were granted to such grantee for private use in order to give him the advantage of adjacency to the public wharf, on the land side.

Much confusion has arisen in the minds of the public and of the grantees in these grants, and their successors, and, I am sorry to say, occasionally in the minds of judges and lawyers, concerning the nature of these rights; but these difficulties need not arise, or if they have arisen they will vanish, when we consider that the object and intent of all the schemes for exterior improvement has been not the making of private, but of public wharves or exterior streets. If the point be clearly kept in mind that these wharves are not intended to be made and kept for the private or exclusive use of individuals, but for the use of the public, and that the private interest in them does not extend to the possession or use of the wharf or street or pier, but only to the right to collect the wharfage or emoluments, we shall find no confusion, but clearness and certainty.

The intent of the Legislature with respect to the district between Eighty-sixth street and Third avenue, as expressed and intended by the Act of 1884, is precisely that which actuated it with respect to the structures around the rest of the City water-front to be built pursuant to the general provisions of the Act of 1871 and the Consolidation Act before recited, namely, the establishment of a new and amended system of public, exterior streets, wharves and piers. Many authorities of all the courts, from the highest to the lowest, establish this, both as a general principle, and especially with respect to these wharves and piers. If nothing more appeared, the presence of the power, authority and direction to the City to acquire private property for the purposes of this improvement by condemnation, indicates that the structures to be built are to be public, and that the purpose is a public one. It is a fundamental axiom in the constitutional law of our State, and of all others, that private property can be taken for no use except a public use. The Department of Docks, like all other branches of the City government, exercises its powers only for public purposes. Any wharf, pier or bulkhead that it should build would necessarily be a wharf, pier or bulkhead for the use of the public.

Turning now to the features of the plan in question, it is obvious that if the only public wharves or places are the terminations of the streets that abut upon the river and the piers that project from them, and if the proprietors who own land somewhere inside of the intervening spaces are permitted to build bulkheads along these spaces, the scheme and object of the act will only be partially carried out, because public wharves will only exist upon a part of the water-front. It seems to me, therefore, that a scheme or plan which makes such provisions as this does not at all follow the direction of the law upon which it purports to be based, or if of any value at all, is to be treated as a plan merely for those places where public streets are laid out, namely, the spaces between the lines of the streets abutting upon the river. The spaces between the streets and within the blocks are, of course, not public wharves at all. No vessel navigating the river would have a right to land there without the consent of the proprietors. They would come exactly within the definition of private wharves, such as line the Brooklyn or Long Island shore of the harbor, where no exterior or marginal streets or wharves have ever been laid out, and where the whole water-front is, to all intents and purposes, in private hands. Obviously then, exterior streets, wharves or bulkheads, laid out in connection with a scheme for improving the water-front, by the municipal authorities, power being given to acquire private property for such purpose by purchase or condemnation, must be public in their nature and use.

And it is a necessary feature of such structures that not only must the right of access to them by water be public, but also the surface of them, so as to secure right of access by land, and the result of this is necessarily a marginal street.

It is not essential that this surface should constitute a regular parallel-lined street, though its continuity necessarily follows from the requirement that the whole front be public.

It may appropriately, and having regard for the variations in the public need, be irregular as to its inner or outer line or both, recessed, crenelated, having piers or projections extending from it also partaking of the same public nature.

The object to be borne in mind is to secure continuous right of public landing and passage along the water-front, thus making the marginal street, and to connect the same with cross streets abutting thereon at frequent intervals.

I am thoroughly aware of the arguments which are advanced in favor of the necessity for private wharves or enclosures, subject to the exclusive use of particular corporations or individuals along the water-front. While I am aware that in many cases such a necessity exists, I believe that such necessity has been largely exaggerated, or rather, that what is merely a desirable thing has come to be looked on as a necessity, and that much of the supposed necessity is due to a desire to monopolize and exclude others from the enjoyment of public rights and privileges.

Such necessity as does exist, however, can be met by the proper distribution of privileges, either temporary and revocable in their nature, or for certain fixed and definite periods of time, in the shape of leases, for the exclusive use of those requiring them, of certain definite spaces upon the water-front forming the outer portion of such public wharf or street, or the piers projecting therefrom—care being taken to judiciously distribute the spaces so to be enclosed and monopolized so as to alternate with them the public wharf spaces and to provide a sufficient supply of the latter. And all such privileges of exclusive use should be strictly within the control of some branch of the municipal government. Impartiality in their distribution should be secured by selling the privileges at public auction. The rentals to be imposed should be proportioned to the value of the exclusive privilege conferred, and not, as in the case of wharfages, fixed at such a sum as would little more than provide for the maintenance and repair of the wharves.

The discretion thus conferred of determining what portions of the wharf should be temporarily made private and exclusive, and what portions should remain public, is obviously one of great importance. If deemed to be too much so to remain with one department without check or power of revision, provision should be made for such revision or co-operative action by some other department.

Some two or three months ago I had occasion in the course of my official duties to draft certain amendments to Assembly Bill No. 20, before the Legislature now in session—an act to lay out and establish an exterior street along the East river, from Sixty-fourth to Eighty-sixth streets. The amendments to that bill, drafted by me, include a scheme providing for the setting apart of the outer portion of the exterior street thereby laid out, one hundred and fifty feet in width, and leasing portions of the same for private and exclusive use in a manner that would, I think, be generally applicable to an exterior street to be laid out under the Act of 1884 here in question. But I have no doubt that either that or some similar scheme could be provided for, by which an exterior street or wharf, generally for public use upon the payment of wharfage, could be laid out, and provision made for the appropriation of parts thereof for private and exclusive use temporarily, or for short periods, under the control and direction of the municipal authorities, in such a manner as would satisfy all reasonable and proper requirements in that direction.

At all events, I should advise you that under the existing powers of the Board of Docks, under the provisions of law to which I have referred, power does not exist to establish a system of improvements of the water-front which shall not include an exterior public wharf, street or place adjoining the water, to its whole extent.

I am, sir, very respectfully yours.

E. HENRY LACOMBE, Counsel to the Corporation.

## AQUEDUCT COMMISSION

Minutes of Adjourned Meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners, held at their office, No. 209 Stewart Building, on Monday, May 9, 1887, at 3 o'clock P. M.

Present—Commissioners Spencer, Dowd, the Commissioner of Public Works, and Commissioners Baldwin, Barnes, Ridgway, and Fish.

Also, Chief Engineer Church.

The minutes of the stated meeting, and of the executive session of May 4, were read and approved.

The Committee of Finance and Audit, through its Chairman, William Dowd, reported their examination and audit of bills contained in vouchers Nos. 2593 to 2612, inclusive; and on his motion the same were approved, and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment.

The Committee on Construction, through its Chairman, Oliver W. Barnes, recommended the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the following persons, having passed the Civil Service examination, and being eligible for promotion, be and they are hereby promoted as follows:

W. S. Humbert, Rodman to Assistant Engineer.  
H. C. Alcen, Rodman to Assistant Engineer.  
Langdon C. Easton, Rodman to Transitman.  
William T. Ross, Rodman to Transitman.  
Andrew J. Lamb, Rodman to Transitman.  
C. P. Bennett, Rodman to Transitman.  
Frank N. Speyer, Rodman to Transitman.  
R. C. Nichols, Rodman to Leveler.  
J. H. Fitch, Rodman to Leveler.  
George Edicott, Rodman to Leveler.  
Robert A. McKim, Rodman to Leveler.  
Frederick W. Carpenter, Rodman to Leveler.  
E. S. Larned, Rodman to Leveler.  
Arther B. Satterlee, Rodman to Leveler.  
Richard Baldwin, Jr., Rodman to Leveler.  
W. S. Page, Rodman to Leveler.  
Edward E. Delancy, Rodman to Leveler.  
Albert H. Porter, Jr., Rodman to Leveler.  
C. V. V. Powers, Rodman to Leveler.  
David O'Shea, Chainman to Rodman.  
J. N. Hayward Cornell, Chainman to Rodman.  
Maurice A. Viele, Chainman to Rodman.  
Edward Whitehouse, Chainman to Rodman.

Adopted.

The President reported to the Commissioners an opinion of the Counsel to the Corporation, bearing date May 6, in regard to the matters presented to him by the Special Committee composed of the President and the Chairman of the Committee on Construction, and the opinion was read; the concluding clause of which is as follows:

"Second—The Aqueduct Act (section 28) provides that the Commissioners may select the bid or proposal, the acceptance of which will, in their judgment, best secure the efficient performance of the work.

"You are under no obligation, therefore, to accept the bid of the lowest bidder. Whether or not the higher one shall be selected, however, is a matter resting in the discretion of the Commission, and to be determined by them after a full consideration of the question from every point of view. You are entitled to take into consideration the likelihood of delay or embarrassment in the completion of the work by reason of the carrying on of engineering operations at the same place by different contractors, or any other administrative difficulties which may be worthy of consideration.

"Such consideration and determination, however, are for the Aqueduct Commissioners and not for the Counsel to the Corporation."

Whereupon Commissioner Barnes offered the following resolution, and moved its adoption: Whereas, It is the opinion of the Chief Engineer, and also of the Consulting Engineer of this Commission, that delay and embarrassment in the completion of the work on Section 7 would ensue if engineering operations by other parties than O'Brien & Clark should be put upon their Section No. 7 to perform the work of excavation of Shaft No. 13½; therefore

Resolved, That the contract for said Shaft No. 13½ be awarded to said O'Brien & Clark, according to their bid for the same.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Spencer, Baldwin, Barnes, Ridgway, and Fish—5.

Negative—Commissioner Dowd and the Commissioner of Public Works—2.

The Commissioners then adjourned.

JOHN C. SHEEHAN, Secretary.

Minutes of Stated Meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners, held at their office, No. 209 Stewart Building, on Wednesday, May 4, 1887, at 3 o'clock P. M.

Present—Commissioners Spencer, Dowd, the Commissioner of Public Works, and Commissioners Baldwin, Barnes, Ridgway, and Fish.

Also, Chief Engineer Church and Chief Engineer Birdsall, of the Department of Public Works.

The minutes of the stated meeting of April 27, and of the adjourned meeting of May 2 were read and approved.

Commissioner Fish stated that he was unavoidably absent from the meeting of April 27, and that if he had been present he would have voted in favor of the report of the Committee on Construction, adopted by the Commissioners on that day, on the subject of allowances for excavation; as he had always been of opinion that it was a matter for the Chief Engineer to determine according to the contract.

On motion, the Secretary was directed to record Mr. Fish as voting in favor of the adoption of said report.

Commissioner Dowd then moved that a copy of the communications received from O'Brien & Clark and Brown, Howard & Co., and referred to in the minutes of May 2, be transmitted to the Comptroller. Carried.

The Committee of Finance and Audit, through its chairman, William Dowd, reported their examination and audit of bills contained in vouchers Nos. 2,593 to 2,612, inclusive; and on his motion the same were approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment.

A communication was received from the Chief Engineer of this date, recommending that an appropriation of \$165 be made for the purpose of purchasing 10,000 horse-shoe dose-diagrams for the use of the division engineers; also that an appropriation of \$150 be made for the purpose of purchasing one Buff & Berger level for use on the Third Division.

On motion of Commissioner Barnes, the communication was received and the appropriation made.

The Comptroller, under date of April 30, gave notice of the issue of warrants for the payment of vouchers not certified to by the Aqueduct Commissioners, in favor of Martin B. Brown, Westchester County Section, \$54.90; The Democratic Register, Westchester County Section, \$383.25, which was ordered entered upon the books of the Commission and filed.

A communication was received from the Secretary of the Civil Service Supervisory and Examining Boards, of this date, stating that the next examination for Inspectors of Masonry would take place at their office on Tuesday next, May 10, and that he had notified Chief Engineer Church of the fact.

The communication was read and referred to the Special Committee on Appointments.

The Commissioners then adjourned, to meet on Monday next, May 9, at 3 o'clock P. M.  
 JOHN C. SHEEHAN, Secretary.

APPROVED PAPERS

Resolved, That the vacant lots on the block bounded by One Hundred and Twenty-third and One Hundred and Twenty-fourth streets, Manhattan avenue and Ninth avenue, be fenced in, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, April 19, 1887.  
 Approved by the Mayor, April 29, 1887.

Resolved, That the vacant lots in block bounded by One Hundred and Eighteenth to One Hundred and Nineteenth street, St. Nicholas to Eighth avenue, be fenced in, where not already done, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, April 19, 1887.  
 Approved by the Mayor, April 29, 1887.

Resolved, That the vacant lots in block bounded by One Hundred and Twenty-second to One Hundred and Twenty-third street, St. Nicholas to Manhattan avenue, be fenced in, where not already done, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, April 19, 1887.  
 Approved by the Mayor, April 29, 1887.

Resolved, That Lexington avenue, from Ninety-fifth to Ninety-seventh street, be paved with trap-block pavement, and that crosswalks be laid at the intersecting and terminating streets, where not already laid, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, April 19, 1887.  
 Approved by the Mayor, April 29, 1887.

Resolved, That the name of the highway known and designated as Naegle or Neagle avenue be and is hereby changed so as to read "Nagle avenue."

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, April 19, 1887.  
 Approved by the Mayor, April 29, 1887.

Resolved, That the carriage-way of Seventy-first street, from the Boulevard to West End avenue be paved with trap-block pavement, and that crosswalks be laid at the terminating avenues, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, April 19, 1887.  
 Approved by the Mayor, May 2, 1887.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to H. M. Vermilyea to pave the driveway with Belgian or trap-block pavement and lay two courses of blue stone across the sidewalk in front of the entrance to the premises No. 642 First avenue, between Thirty-sixth and Thirty-seventh streets, 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.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, April 19, 1887.  
 Approved by the Mayor, May 2, 1887.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to the Twenty-fourth Ward Real Estate Association of the City of New York to regulate and grade Bainbridge avenue in front of their premises, between the Southern Boulevard and Suburban street, at Bedford Park, in the Twenty-fourth Ward, the work done at their own expense, under the direction of the Commissioners of the Department of Public Parks; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, April 19, 1887.  
 Approved by the Mayor, May 2, 1887.

Resolved, That the resolution adopted by this Board, March 22, 1887, and approved by the Mayor, March 29, 1887, in reference to repairs to be made on the public baths under the charge of the Department of Public Works, be and the same is hereby amended, so as to limit the expense to be incurred for such repairs, under authority of the resolution, to the sum of seven thousand five hundred dollars (\$7,500) instead of the sum of six thousand dollars (\$6,000) as now provided.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, April 26, 1887.  
 Approved by the Mayor, May 2, 1887.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Archibald Scott & Sons to place and keep a platform-scale, not to exceed eight by fourteen feet, on Thirteenth avenue, near corner of Twenty-second street, about twenty feet from the bulkhead-line, 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, also a small weigh office, four by six, about ten feet from the bulkhead-line, the work to be done at their own expense, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, April 5, 1887.  
 Received from his Honor the Mayor, April 19, 1887, with his objections thereto.  
 In Board of Aldermen, May 3, 1887, taken up, reconsidered, as provided in section 75, chapter 410, Laws of 1882, and adopted, notwithstanding the objections of his Honor the Mayor, three-fourths of all the members elected voting in favor thereof.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Nickerson & Jones to place and keep drop awnings over the two windows on the first story and doorway at No. 31 South street, the work done at their own expense; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, April 19, 1887.  
 Received from his Honor the Mayor, May 2, 1887, without his approval or objections thereto; therefore, as provided in section 75, chapter 410, Laws of 1882, the same became adopted.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

MAYOR'S OFFICE,  
 NEW YORK, March 12, 1887.

Pursuant to section 9 of chapter 339 of the Laws of 1883, I hereby designate "The Star" and the "Daily News," two of the daily newspapers printed in the City of New York, in which notice of each sale of unredeemed pawn or pledges by public auction in said City by pawnbrokers shall be published for at least six days previous thereto, until otherwise ordered.

ABRAM S. HEWITT, Mayor.

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.  
 ABRAM S. HEWITT, Mayor; ARTHUR BERRY, Secretary and 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.

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.  
 JAMES C. SPENCER, President; JOHN C. SHEEHAN, Secretary; BENJAMIN S. CHURCH, Chief Engineer; J. C. LULLY, Auditor.

BOARD OF ARMORY COMMISSIONERS.

THE MAYOR, Chairman; PRESIDENT OF DEPARTMENT OF TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS, Secretary.  
 Address M. COLEMAN, Staats Zeitung Building, Tryon Row. Office hours, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.; Saturdays, 9 A. M. to 12 M.

LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT.

Office of Clerk of Common Council.  
 No. 8 City Hall, 10 A. M. to 4 P. M.  
 HENRY R. BEEMAN, President Board of Aldermen.  
 FRANCIS J. TWOMEY, Clerk Common Council.

City Library.  
 No. 12 City Hall, 10 A. M. to 4 P. M.  
 BERNARD JACOBS, City Librarian.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS.

Commissioner's Office.  
 No. 31 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.  
 JOHN NEWTON, Commissioner; D. LOWBER SMITH, Deputy Commissioner.

Bureau of Chief Engineer.  
 No. 31 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.  
 GEORGE W. BIKSDALL, 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.  
 WM. M. DEAN, Superintendent.

Engineer-in-Charge of Sewers.  
 No. 31 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.  
 HORACE LOOMIS, Engineer-in-Charge.

Bureau of Repairs and Supplies.  
 No. 31 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.  
 WILLIAM G. BERGEN, 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.  
 JOHN RICHARDSON, Superintendent.

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

FINANCE DEPARTMENT.

Comptroller's Office.  
 No. 15 Stewart Building, Chambers street and Broadway, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.  
 EDWARD V. LORW, 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.  
 WILLIAM J. LYON, First Auditor.  
 DAVID E. AUSTEN, Second 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.  
 JAMES J. KELSO, Collector of the City Revenue and Superintendent of Markets.  
 GRAHAM McADAM, Chief Clerk.

Bureau for the Collection of Taxes.  
 First floor, Brown-stone Building, City Hall Park.  
 GEORGE W. McLEAN, Receiver of Taxes; ALFRED VREDENBURG, 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.  
 JOHN H. TIMMERMAN, 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 LACROIX, 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.  
 RICHARD J. MORRISON, Public Administrator.

Office of the Corporation Attorney.  
 No. 49 Beekman street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.  
 WILLIAM A. BOVD, Corporation Attorney.

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

Central Office.  
 No. 300 Mulberry street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.  
 STEPHEN H. FUERNBERG, 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, 9 A. M. to 4:30 P. M.  
 HENRY H. PORTER, President; GEORGE F. BRITTON, Secretary.

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

Headquarters.  
 Nos. 157 and 159 East Sixty-seventh 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 SEEBY, Inspector of Combustibles.

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

Bureau of Inspection of Buildings.  
 ALBERT F. D'ONCHI, Superintendent of Buildings.  
 WM. L. FINDLEY.

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.  
 JAMES C. BAYLES, President; EMMONS CLARK, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.  
 Emigrant Industrial Savings Bank Building, Nos. 49 and 51 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.  
 M. C. D. BORDEN, President; CHARLES DE F. BURNS, Secretary.

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

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

DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS.  
 Battery, Pier A, North River, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.  
 L. J. N. STARK, President; B. W. ELLISON, Secretary.

Office hours from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. daily, except Saturdays on Saturdays as follows: from October 1 to June 1, from 9 A. M. to 3 P. M.; from June 1 to September 30, 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 CONFERDOR, 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 SEABOLD, Deputy Commissioner; R. W. HORNER, Chief Clerk.

CIVIL SERVICE SUPERVISORY AND EXAMINING BOARDS.  
 Room No. 11, City Hall.  
 EVERETT P. WHEELER, Chairman of the Supervisory Board; LEE PHILLIPS, 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.  
 EDWARD GHOS, Chairman; WM. H. JASPER, Secretary.

BOARD OF EXCISE.  
 No. 54 Bond street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.  
 CHARLES H. WOODMAN, President; DAVID S. WHITE, Secretary and Chief Clerk.

SHERIFF'S OFFICE.  
 Nos. 3 and 4 New County Court-house, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.  
 HUGH J. GRANT, Sheriff; JOHN B. SEXTON, Under Sheriff; BERNARD F. MARTIN, Order Arrest Clerk.

REGISTER'S OFFICE.  
 East side City Hall Park, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.  
 JAMES J. SLEVIN, Register; JAMES J. MARTIN, 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.  
 JAMES A. FLACK, County Clerk; THOMAS F. GILROY, Deputy County Clerk.



taining 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 received by said officer or clerk and found to be correct. All such deposits, except that of the successful bidder, will be returned to the persons making the same within three days after the contract is awarded. If the successful bidder shall refuse or neglect, within five days after notice that the contract has been awarded to him, to execute the same, the amount of the deposit made by him shall be forfeited to and retained by the City of New York as liquidated damages for such neglect or refusal; but if he shall execute the contract within the time aforesaid, the amount of his deposit will be returned to him.

THE 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 enclose the same, the specifications and agreements, and any further information desired, can be obtained at Rooms 12, 13 and 10, No. 31 Chambers street.

JOHN NEWTON, Commissioner of Public Works.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, ROOM 6, NO. 31 CHAMBERS ST., NEW YORK, May 11, 1887.

TO CONTRACTORS.

BIDS OR ESTIMATES, INCLOSED IN A SEALED envelope, with the title of the work and the name of the bidder indorsed thereon, also the number of the work as in the advertisement, will be received at this office, until 12 o'clock m., Thursday May 26, 1887, at which place and hour they will be publicly opened by the head of the Department.

- No. 1. FOR REGULATING AND GRADING ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY-FIFTH STREET, from the east line of first new avenue west of Eighth avenue, to the west line of the first new avenue west of Eighth avenue, and SETTING CURBS AND FLAGGING SIDEWALKS THEREIN.
No. 2. FOR REGULATING AND PAVING WITH TRAP-BLOCK PAVEMENT THE ROADWAY OF SIXTY-SEVENTH STREET, from Tenth to Eleventh avenue.
No. 3. FOR REGULATING AND PAVING WITH TRAP-BLOCK PAVEMENT THE ROADWAY OF SIXTY-EIGHTH STREET, from Tenth to Eleventh avenue.
No. 4. FOR REGULATING AND PAVING WITH TRAP-BLOCK PAVEMENT THE ROADWAY OF SIXTY-NINTH STREET, from Eighth avenue to the Boulevard.
No. 5. FOR REGULATING AND PAVING WITH TRAP-BLOCK PAVEMENT THE ROADWAY OF EIGHTIETH STREET, from Ninth to Tenth avenue.
No. 6. FOR REGULATING AND PAVING WITH GRANITE-BLOCK PAVEMENT, THE ROADWAY OF EIGHTY-FIRST STREET, from Eighth to Ninth avenue.
No. 7. FOR REGULATING AND PAVING WITH TRAP-BLOCK PAVEMENT THE ROADWAY OF EIGHTY-FOURTH STREET, from Avenue A to Avenue B.
No. 8. FOR REGULATING AND PAVING WITH TRAP-BLOCK PAVEMENT THE ROADWAY OF NINETY-FIFTH STREET, from Ninth to Tenth avenue.

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 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 is awarded, or to the sureties, in good faith, 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 State or 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 refuse or neglect, within five days after notice that the contract has been awarded to him, to execute the same, the amount of the deposit made by him shall be forfeited to and retained by the City of New York, as liquidated damages for such neglect or refusal; but if he shall execute the contract within the time aforesaid the amount of his deposit will be returned to him.

THE 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 enclose the same, the specifications and agreements, and any further information desired, can be obtained at Rooms 12, 13 and 10, No. 31 Chambers street.

JOHN NEWTON, Commissioner of Public Works.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, ROOM 6, NO. 31 CHAMBERS ST., NEW YORK, May 4, 1887.

TO CONTRACTORS.

BIDS OR ESTIMATES, INCLOSED IN A SEALED envelope, with the title of the work and the name of the bidder indorsed thereon, also the number of the work as in the advertisement, will be received at this office, until 12 o'clock m., Thursday, May 19, 1887, at which place and hour they will be publicly opened by the head of the Department.

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Blank forms of bid or estimate, the proper envelopes in which to enclose the same, the specifications and agreements, and any further information desired, can be obtained at Rooms 12, 13 and 10, No. 31 Chambers street.

- No. 1. FOR REGULATING AND PAVING WITH TRAP-BLOCK PAVEMENT THE ROADWAY OF WILLIAM STREET, from Duane street to North William street.
No. 2. SEWER IN AVENUE B, between Fifteenth and Sixteenth streets, and between Seventeenth and Eighteenth streets.

No. 3. SEWER IN ATTORNEY STREET, between Broome and Delancey Streets.

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 the estimate of the person making the same, and if any other person making an estimate for the same work, and if 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 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 is awarded, or to the sureties, in good faith, 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 State or 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 refuse or neglect, within five days after notice that the contract has been awarded to him, to execute the same, the amount of the deposit made by him shall be forfeited to and retained by the City of New York, as liquidated damages for such neglect or refusal; but if he shall execute the contract within the time aforesaid, the amount of his deposit will be returned to him.

THE 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 enclose the same, the specifications and agreements, and any further information desired, can be obtained for paving at Room 1, for sewers at Room 9, No. 31 Chambers street.

D. LOWBER SMITH, Deputy and Acting Commissioner of Public Works.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, NO. 31 CHAMBERS STREET, NEW YORK, November 10, 1886.

NOTICE TO CROTON WATER CONSUMERS.

NUMEROUS APPLICATIONS HAVE BEEN made to this Department by citizens claiming reductions or rebates on bills for water supplied through meters. On the alleged ground of leakage caused by defective plumbing and worn-out service pipes, or by willful waste of water by tenants allowing the faucets to be turned on in full force in water-closets, sinks, etc., without the knowledge or consent of the owners of the premises.

The main object of the use of water-meters is to enable this Department to detect and check the useless and unwarrantable waste of an element so valuable and essential to the health and comfort of all the citizens, and this object can only be accomplished by enforcing payment for the water used.

Under the law all charges for water supplied through meters are a lien against the respective premises, and the law therefore holds the owner of the premises responsible for the amount of water used or wasted. No ice is therefore given to all householders that, in all further applications for reduction of water rents, no allowance will be made on account of waste of water occurring through leaks, from defective service pipes or plumbing, or wasteful use of water by tenants or occupants of buildings, though such leakage or waste may have occurred without the knowledge or consent of the owners of the buildings.

House-owners are further notified that whenever their premises become vacant, and are likely to remain vacant, they must notify this Department in writing, and that unless this requirement is complied with no deductions in extra water rents will be allowed for any portion of one year.

JOHN NEWTON, Commissioner of Public Works.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, NO. 31 CHAMBERS STREET, NEW YORK, September 29, 1886.

PUBLIC NOTICE.

PERSONS HAVING ANY BUSINESS IN THIS Department which requires the signature of the Commissioner, or of any Bureau in the Department, and which should come under the immediate notice of the Commissioner of Public Works, are requested to communicate directly in person, or by letter, with the Commissioner.

JOHN NEWTON, Commissioner of Public Works.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION.

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

TO CONTRACTORS.

PROPOSALS FOR GROCERIES, DRY GOODS, HARDWARE, AND TIN, LEATHER, PAINTS, LUMBER, PIPE, FITTINGS, ETC.

SEALED BIDS OR ESTIMATES FOR FURNISHING GROCERIES. 7,000 pounds Dairy Butter, sample on exhibition Thursday, May 19, 1887. 1,000 pounds Cheese. 1,000 pounds Dried Apples. 5,000 pounds Granulated Sugar. 4,000 pounds Coffee Sugar. 4,000 pounds Cut Loaf Sugar.

- 1,000 pounds Maracaino Coffee, roasted. 10,000 pounds Oatmeal, price to include packages. 10,000 pounds Rice. 1,500 pounds Chicory. 500 dozen Macaroni. 2,500 dozen Fresh Eggs, all to be candled. 50 pieces prime quality City Cured Bacon, to average about 6 pounds each. 50 prime quality City Cured Smoked Hams, to average about 14 pounds each. 25 prime quality City Cured Smoked Tongues, to average about 6 pounds each. 100 barrels prime quality American Salt, 350 pounds net each, to be delivered at Blackwell's Island. 600 barrels good, sound Irish Potatoes, to weigh 168 pounds net per barrel. 50 barrels prime Red Onions, 150 pounds net per barrel. 100 barrels prime Carrots, 130 pounds net per barrel. 100 barrels prime Russia Turnips, 135 pounds net per barrel. 200 bags Fine Meal, 100 pounds net each. 100 bushels Dried Peas. 1,000 bushels Oats, 32 pounds net per bushel. 100 barrels prime quality Charcoal, 3 bushels each. 100 pieces Old Tin. 10 gross L. Jacket Buttons. 600 gross Suspendor Buttons. 50 gross Dress Whites. 25 dozen White Spool Cotton, No. 50. 60 dozen Bow Socks. 150 Toilet Quilts.

CROCKERY, HARDWARE AND TIN. 1 gross Ewers. 20 kegs Presidency Cut Nails, 8d. 6 gross best quality Black Tin.

LEATHER AND FINDINGS. 200 sides prime quality Waxed Upper Leather, to average about 17 feet. 1,000 pounds Old Leather. 12 dozen Sho Ink.

PAINTS AND OILS. 50 pounds first quality Venetian Red in oil, 1 pound each. 150 pounds first quality Chrome Green in oil, 15. 2 28, 63 18. 3 barrels first quality Raw Linseed Oil. 10,000 pounds pure White and Lead ground in oil, free from all adulteration and any added impurities of color or nature, and for the purpose of painting, to be analyzed, if necessary, 50 100s, 50 50s, 100 25s.

LUMBER. 500 first quality good sound rough Spruce Plank, 500 feet Chestnut Moulding.

PIPE AND FITTINGS. Sundry Pipe and Fittings as per Specifications.

will be received at the Department of Public Charities and Correction, in the City of New York, until 9:30 o'clock a. m., Friday, May 29, 1887. The person or persons making any bid or estimate shall furnish the same in a sealed envelope, indorsed "Bid or Estimate for Groceries, Dry Goods, Hardware, Tin, Lumber, Leather, Paints, Sizing-fittings, Pipe, etc.," with his or their name or names, and the name of the person or persons at 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 the President of the Board of Public Charities and Correction. RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REJECT ALL BIDS OR ESTIMATES IF DEEMED TO BE FOR THE PUBLIC INTEREST, AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 64, CHAPTER 410, LAWS OF 1882.

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

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

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

Any bidder for this contract must be known to be engaged in, and well prepared for the business, and must have satisfactory testimonials to that effect; and the person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded will be required to give security for the performance of the contract by his or their bond, with two sufficient sureties, each in the penal amount of fifty (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 work, and that it is made without any 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 supply of 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 in the result of the contract to 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, 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 omit or refuse to execute the same, they shall 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 or persons to whom the contract may be awarded at any subsequent letting.

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, and 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 State or 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 refuse

or neglect, within five days after notice that the contract has been awarded to him, to execute the same, the amount of the deposit made by him shall be forfeited to and retained by the City of New York, as liquidated damages for such neglect or refusal; but if he shall execute the contract within the time aforesaid, the amount of his deposit will be returned to him.

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

The quality of the articles, supplies, goods, wares, and merchandise must conform in every respect to the samples shown on exhibition as in 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 price 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, in accordance with the terms of the contract, 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 mode of payment, can be obtained at the office of the Department.

Dated NEW YORK, May 18, 1887.

HENRY H. PORTER, President. CHARLES S. BAYLOR, S. B. WOOD, S. B. WOOD, Commissioners. CHARLES E. SIMMONS, Commissioner of Public Charities and Correction.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION, NO. 66 THIRD AVENUE, NEW YORK, May 7, 1887.

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 Morgue, Bellevue Hospital, from Pier 22, East river.—Unknown man; aged about 35 years; 5 feet 7 inches high; dark hair, brown moustache. Had on brown coat, dark vest and pants, blue flannel shirt, white knit undershirt, red flannel drawers, rubber boots.

Unknown man, from Pier 49, East river; aged about 35 years; 5 feet 7 inches high; brown hair. Had on blue flannel shirt, red flannel drawers, brown ribbed socks, dark diagonal coat, dark cheviot vest and pants, red woolen socks, gaiters.

Unknown man, from foot of Sixteenth street, North river; dark hair, full beard. Had on dark ribbed vest, brown striped pants, white shirt, lawns, white knit shirt, gray socks, laced shoes.

At Charly Hospital, Blackwell's Island—Mary Roberts; aged 75 years; 5 feet high; dark hair, dark brown eyes. Had on when admitted dark calico wrapper, dark plain shirt, blue pants, brown shoes.

At Lunatic Asylum, Blackwell's Island—Ann Ahearne; aged 30 years; 5 feet 1 1/2 inches high; brown hair and eyes. Had on when admitted black shawl, brown dress, blue calico waist, flannel petticoat.

At Homeopathic Hospital, Ward's Island—Andrew Burns; aged about 35 years; 5 feet 9 inches high. Had on when admitted black overcoat, dark mixed coat, brown pants and vest, brogan shoes, black derby hat.

Nothing known of his friends or relatives.

By order, G. F. BRITTON, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION, NO. 66 THIRD AVENUE, NEW YORK, May 2, 1887.

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 Morgue, Bellevue Hospital, from Pier 49, North river.—Unknown man, aged about 45 years; 5 feet 6 inches high; body in advanced state of decomposition. Had on dark cardigan jacket, dark diagonal vest, dark white shirt, white flannel undershirt and drawers, red woolen socks, gaiters.

Unknown man from One Hundred and Thirtieth street and Hudson river, aged about 40 years; 5 feet 6 inches high; hair washed from body. Had on blue hickory jacket, brown cardigan jacket, blue and white shirt, red flannel shirt, dark pants, white knit drawers, gaiters, black barred socks.

At Workhouse, Blackwell's Island—Mary Sing, aged 63 years. Committed April 23, 1887.

At Homeopathic Hospital, Ward's Island—Mary Cunningham, aged 45 years; 5 feet 3 inches high; blue eyes, brown hair. Had on when admitted black fur trimmed cloak, brown alpaca sacque and skirt, laced slippers, brown velvet bonnet.

Nothing known of his friends or relatives.

By order, G. F. BRITTON, 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 extension of interest, viz.:

List 2343, No. 1. Sewers in Lexington avenue, between Ninety-fifth and Ninety-sixth streets, and in Ninety-fifth and Ninety-sixth streets, between Lexington and Fourth avenues, with alterations and improvements to existing sewers in Broadway, between Ninety-seventh and Ninety-eighth streets.

List 2366, No. 2. Regulating and grading William street, from Duane street to the intersection of North William street.

List 2374, No. 3. Regulating, grading, curbing and flagging One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street, from Eighth avenue to McComb's Dam Lane.

List 2387, No. 4. Regulating and grading, curbing and flagging One Hundred and Thirtieth street, from Old Broadway to the Broadway.

List 2390, No. 5. Paving One Hundred and Ninth street, from Madison to Fourth avenue, with Belgian or trap-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. Property bounded by Ninety-third and Ninety-eighth streets, Third and Fourth avenues, including both sides of Third avenue. No. 2. Both sides of William street, from Duane street to North William street. No. 3. Both sides of One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street, from Eighth avenue to McComb's Dam Lane. No. 4. Both sides of One Hundred and Thirtieth street, from Old Broadway to the Broadway. No. 5. Both sides of One Hundred and Ninth street, from Madison to Fourth avenues, and to the extent of half the block at the intersecting avenues.



FINANCE DEPARTMENT.

CITY OF NEW YORK, FINANCE DEPARTMENT, COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, May 13, 1887.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY-OWNERS.

IN PURSUANCE OF SECTION 97 OF THE "New York City Consolidation Act of 1882," the Comptroller of the City of New York hereby gives public notice to all persons, owners of property affected by the assessment list for the opening of One Hundred and Sixty-second street, between Brook avenue and Elton avenue, in the Twenty-third Ward.

Section 97 of the said act provides that, "If any such assessment shall remain unpaid for the period of sixty days after the date of entry thereof in the said Record of Titles of Assessments, it shall be the duty of the officer authorized to collect and receive the amount of such assessment to charge, collect, and receive interest thereon, at the rate of seven per centum per annum, to be calculated from the date of such entry to the date of payment."

The above assessment is payable to the Collector of Assessments and Clerk of Arrears at the "Bureau for the Collection of Assessments and Arrears of Taxes and Assessments and of Water Rents," Room 31, Stewart Building, between the hours of 9 A. M. and 2 P. M., and all payments made thereon, on or before July 20, 1887, 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.

CITY OF NEW YORK, FINANCE DEPARTMENT, COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, April 4, 1887.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY-OWNERS.

IN PURSUANCE OF SECTION 97 OF THE "New York City Consolidation Act of 1882," the Comptroller of the City of New York hereby gives public notice to all persons, owners of property affected by the following assessment lists, viz.:

Madison avenue regulating, grading, curbing and flagging, from One Hundred and Thirty-fifth to One Hundred and Thirty-seventh street.

Sixty-fourth street regulating, curbing and flagging, from First avenue to East River.

Ninety-first street regulating, grading, curbing and flagging, from Third to Fourth avenue.

Ninety-fourth street regulating, grading, curbing and flagging, from Second to Third avenue.

One Hundred and Third street regulating, grading, curbing and flagging, between Ninth and Tenth avenues.

One Hundred and Twelfth street regulating, grading, curbing and flagging, from Second to Third avenue.

One Hundred and Forty-first street regulating, grading, setting curb and gutter-stones, flagging and laying crosswalks, between North Third and Rider avenues.

One Hundred and Forty-second street regulating, grading and setting curb-stones, from Avenue St. Nicholas to the Boulevard.

One Hundred and Fifty-seventh street regulating, grading, setting curb-stones and flagging, from Tenth avenue to the Boulevard.

Washington avenue crosswalks, at intersections of East One Hundred and Sixty-sixth, One Hundred and Sixty-seventh, One Hundred and Sixty-eighth, One Hundred and Sixty-ninth, One Hundred and Seventy-second, One Hundred and Seventy-third and One Hundred and Seventy-fifth streets.

Willis avenue crosswalks, between Southern Boulevard and North Third street.

Eighty-fifth street sewer, between Ninth and Tenth avenues.

One Hundred and Forty-ninth street sewer, between Brook and Robbins avenues.

—which were confirmed by the Board of Revision and Correction of Assessments March 23, 1887, and entered on the same date in the Record of Titles of Assessments, kept in the "Bureau for the Collection of Assessments and Arrears of Taxes and Assessments and of Water Rents," that unless the amount assessed for benefit on any person or property shall be paid within sixty days after the date of entry of the assessments, interest will be collected thereon as provided in section 97 of said "New York City Consolidation Act of 1882."

Section 97 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."

EDWARD V. LOEW, Comptroller.

CITY OF NEW YORK, FINANCE DEPARTMENT, COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, March 14, 1887.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY-OWNERS.

IN PURSUANCE OF SECTION 97 OF THE "New York City Consolidation Act of 1882," the Comptroller of the City of New York hereby gives public notice to all persons, owners of property affected by the assessment list for the opening of Bailey avenue, between Sedgwick and Boston avenues, in the Twenty-fourth Ward, which was confirmed by the Board of Revision and Correction of Assessments and Arrears of Taxes and Assessments and of Water Rents, March 4, 1887, and entered on the 10th day of March, 1887, 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 entry of the assessment, interest will be collected thereon as provided in section 97 of said "New York City Consolidation Act of 1882."

Section 97 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."

EDWARD V. LOEW, Comptroller.

assessment, to charge, collect, and receive interest thereon at the rate of seven per centum per annum, to be calculated from the date of such entry to the date of payment."

The above assessment is payable to the Collector of Assessments and Clerk of Arrears, at the "Bureau for the Collection of Assessments and Arrears of Taxes and Assessments and of Water Rents," Room 31, Stewart Building, between the hours of 9 A. M. and 2 P. M., and all payments made thereon, on or before May 20, 1887, 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.

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 this city, from 1852 to 1887, prepared under the direction of the Commissioners of Records.

Grants, grantees, suits in equity, inventors' and Sheriffs' sales, full bound..... \$100 00  
Price in 25 volumes, half bound..... 50 00  
Complete sets, folded, ready for binding..... 15 00  
Records of Judgments, 25 volumes, bound..... 10 00  
Orders should be addressed to Mr. Stephen Angell, Room 23, Stewart Building.

EDWARD V. LOEW, Comptroller.

BOARD OF EDUCATION.

SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED BY the School Trustees for the Twentieth Ward, at the Hall of the Board of Education, No. 146 Grand street, until Friday, May 27, 1887, and until 9.30 o'clock A. M., for repairing Walks, Coping, etc., of Grammar School No. 26, located at No. 122 West Twelfth street, for making a passage to boilers, coping, etc., in Grammar School No. 32, located at No. 357 West Thirty-fifth street; for painting, etc., Grammar School No. 33, located at No. 418 East Twenty-eighth street, for First Floor Stairs, new Floors, etc., in Grammar School No. 48, located at No. 124 West Twenty-eighth street; and for General Repairs, New Closets, etc., in Primary School No. 27, located at Nos. 515 and 517 West Thirtieth street.

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

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

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

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

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

CHARLES CONLEY, JOSEPH MOSS, JESLEY SMITH, JOHN H. TILLEN, J. GEORGE FLAMMER, Board of School Trustees, Twentieth Ward.

SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED BY the Board of School Trustees for the Seventeenth Ward, at the Hall of the Board of Education, No. 146 Grand street, until Thursday, May 26, 1887, at 9.30 o'clock A. M., for Steam Heating Apparatus for Primary School No. 25, located at No. 536 East Twelfth street.

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

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HIRAM MERRITT, GEO. H. BEYER, HENRY H. HAIGHT, CHARLES MIEHLING, HENRY ALLEN, Board of School Trustees, Seventeenth Ward.

SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED BY the School Trustees of the Fourteenth Ward, at the Hall of the Board of Education, No. 146 Grand street, until 4 o'clock P. M., on Friday, May 20, 1887, for a steam heating apparatus for Grammar School No. 27, located at No. 55 Marion street.

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

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

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CHARLES M. CLANCY, HENRY IDEN, JR., ERNEST SMITH, JOHN WAUSE, Board of School Trustees, Fourteenth Ward.

SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED BY the School Trustees for the Ninth Ward, at the Hall of the Board of Education, until Monday, May 23, 1887, and until 9.30 o'clock A. M., on said day, for New Furniture required for Grammar School No. 47, located at Nos. 6-20 Greenwich avenue; also for New Furniture and Repairs of Furniture for Grammar School No. 16, located at Nos. 208-212 West Thirteenth street.

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

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

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

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

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

E. M. L. EHLERS, JAMES A. SEAMAN, F. H. BENDSAL, CHARLES B. BENEDICT, Board of School Trustees, Ninth Ward.

SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED AT the Hall of the Board of Education, No. 146 Grand street, by the School Trustees for the Eighth Ward, until 4 o'clock P. M., on Friday, May 20, 1887, for a steam-heating apparatus for the new school building in course of erection at Nos. 29, 31, 33 and 35 King street.

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

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

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

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

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

C. WESLEY BAUM, GEORGE F. VETTER, O. ROCKEFELLER, CHARLES H. HOUSLEY, WILLIAM BRANDON, Board of School Trustees, Eighth Ward.

SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED BY the School Trustees of the Seventh Ward, at the Hall of the Board of Education, No. 146 Grand street, until Friday, May 20, 1887, and until 9.30 o'clock A. M., on said day, for the Plumbing, etc., for a new School-house in course of erection on Henry street, near Pike.

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

Proposals will be received for the entire work and materials, to be completed by the end of the month of June.

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

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

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

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

WM. H. TOWNLEY, JAMES W. MCBARRON, JAMES B. MURPHY, JOHN W. GREEN, THOMAS GARR, Board of School Trustees, Seventh Ward.

SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED BY the Board of School Trustees of the Seventeenth Ward, at the Hall of the Board of Education, No. 146 Grand street, until Monday, May 16, 1887, and until 9.30 o'clock P. M., on Friday, May 20, 1887, for repairs to Grammar School Building No. 25, on Fifth street near First avenue; for repairs to Primary School Building No. 22, at No. 150 First avenue, corner of Ninth street; also for repairing and painting Primary School Building No. 26, at No. 536 East Twelfth street.

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

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

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

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

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

HIRAM MERRITT, Chairman, CHARLES MIEHLING, Secretary, Board of School Trustees, Seventeenth Ward.

SEALED PROPOSALS will also be received by the School Trustees of the Eighteenth Ward, until 4 o'clock P. M., on the same day and at the same place, for new ceilings, floor, painting, etc., at Grammar School building No. 40, Nos. 223 and 225 West Twenty-third street; also for general repairs to Grammar School Building No. 50, at Nos. 211-217 East Twelfth street; also for repairing and painting Primary School Building No. 4, at No. 413 East Sixteenth street; also for repairing and painting Primary School Building No. 28, at No. 322 East Twentieth street; also, for general repairs and flooring at Primary School No. 29, at No. 433 East Nineteenth street.

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

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

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

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

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

AUGUSTUS G. VANDERPOEL, Chairman, DAVID MCCLURE, Secretary, Board of School Trustees, Eighteenth Ward.

SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED AT the Hall of the Board of Education, No. 146 Grand street, by the School Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, until 4 o'clock P. M., on Friday, May 20, 1887, for general repairs and flooring in Grammar School No. 18, located at No. 121 East Fifty-first street; for general overhauling of Grammar School No. 27, located at Nos. 208 and 210 East Forty-second street; for general overhauling of Grammar School No. 53, located at No. 207 East Seventy-ninth street; for painting, etc., Grammar School No. 73, located at No. 200 East Forty-sixth street; for painting, etc., Grammar School No. 74, located at No. 222 East Forty-third street; and for altering closets, etc., in Grammar School No. 76, located corner Sixty-eighth street and Lexington avenue.

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

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

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

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SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED AT the Hall of the Board of Education, No. 146 Grand street, by the School Trustees of the Twentieth Ward, until 4 o'clock P. M., on Friday, May 20, 1887, for general repairs and flooring in Grammar School No. 18, located at No. 121 East Fifty-first street; for general overhauling of Grammar School No. 27, located at Nos. 208 and 210 East Forty-second street; for general overhauling of Grammar School No. 53, located at No. 207 East Seventy-ninth street; for painting, etc., Grammar School No. 73, located at No. 200 East Forty-sixth street; for painting, etc., Grammar School No. 74, located at No. 222 East Forty-third street; and for altering closets, etc., in Grammar School No. 76, located corner Sixty-eighth street and Lexington avenue.

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

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

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

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County Court-house, at the City Hall, in the City of New York, on the twenty-third day of May, 1887, at 10.15 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 13, 1887. EMANUEL HART, JOHN A. WELCH, JOHN JEROLMAN, Commissioners.

CARROLL BERRY, Clerk.

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 to that certain street or avenue called RAILROAD AVENUE, east from the Harlem River, 10 One Hundred and sixty-first street, in the Twenty-third Ward, 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 nineteenth day of May, 1887, at 10.15 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 5, 1887. HENRY M. WHITEHEAD, JOHN WHALEN, ROBERT A. VAN WYCK, Commissioners.

CARROLL BERRY, Clerk.

In the matter of the application of the Board of Street Opening and Improvement of the City of New York, 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-FOURTH STREET (although not yet named by proper authority, extending from Railroad Avenue East to Third Avenue, in the City of New York, in 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 Chamber; thereof, in the County Court-house in the City of New York, on Friday, the 10th day of June, 1887, at the opening of 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 that part of the premises, including 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-fourth street, extending from Railroad Avenue East to Third Avenue, in the City of New York, in 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, pieces or parcels of land, viz.:

- PARCEL A. Beginning at a point in the western line of Morris avenue distant 1,277 1/2 feet northerly from the north-western intersection of Morris avenue and East One Hundred and Forty-ninth street. 1st. Thence northerly along the western line of Morris Avenue for fifty feet. 2d. Thence westerly deflecting 90° 0' to the left for 141 3/4 feet; 3d. Thence southerly deflecting 60° 45' to the left for 9 1/2 feet; 4th. Thence southerly deflecting 2° 50' 20" to the left for 45 3/4 feet; 5th. Thence easterly deflecting 116° 21' 40" to the left for 166 1/2 feet to the point of beginning.

- PARCEL B. Beginning at a point in the eastern line of Morris avenue distant 4,271 1/2 feet northerly from the north-eastern intersection of Morris avenue and East One Hundred and Forty-ninth street; 1st. Thence northerly along the eastern line of Morris Avenue for 5 feet; 2d. Thence easterly deflecting 80° 53' to the right for 202 1/2 feet to the western line of Third Avenue; 3d. Thence southerly along the western line of Third Avenue for 20 feet; 4th. Thence westerly for 2,008 1/2 feet to the point of beginning.

And as shown on certain maps filed by the Commissioners of Public Parks, in the City of New York, 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, May 4, 1887. E. HENRY LACOMBE, Counsel to the Corporation, No. 2 Tryon Row, New York City.

In the matter of the application of the Board of Street Opening and Improvement of the City of New York, for and on behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to the Opening of ONE HUNDRED AND NINETEENTH STREET, from Eighth Avenue to Ninth Avenue, in the Twelfth Ward of 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, occupants, 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 all their objections, in writing, duly verified, to us at our office, No. 73 William street (third floor), in the City of New York, on or before the 4th day of June, 1887, and that we, the said Commissioners, will hear parties so objecting within the ten week-days next after the said 4th day of June, 1887, and for that purpose will be in attendance at our said office on each said ten days, at 3 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, 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 4th day of June, 1887.

Third—That the limits embraced by the assessment aforesaid are as follows: All those lots, pieces or parcels of land, situate, lying and being in the City of New York, which taken together, are bounded and described as follows, viz. northerly by the centre line of the block between One Hundred and Nineteenth street and One Hundred and Twentieth street, easterly by the westerly side of Eighth Avenue; southerly by the centre

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