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BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND APPORTIONMENT.

BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND APPORTIONMENT—CITY OF NEW YORK,
MAYOR'S OFFICE, CITY HALL,
THURSDAY, March 17, 1898, 11:30 o'clock A. M.

The Board met in pursuance of the following call:

OFFICE OF THE MAYORALTY,
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, CITY HALL,
NEW YORK, March 16, 1898.

In pursuance of the authority contained in section 256, chapter 178, of the Laws of 1897, a meeting is hereby called of the Mayor, Comptroller, Corporation Council, President of the Council, and President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments, constituting a Board of Estimate and Apportionment, to be held at the office of the Mayor on Thursday, March 17, 1898, at 11:30 o'clock A. M., for the purpose of considering such business as may be brought before the Board.

ROBERT A. VAN WYCK, Mayor.

MEMORANDUM

Admission of a copy of the within as read upon in this assembly of March, 1898.

ROBERT A. VAN WYCK, Mayor.

BIRD S. COLER, Comptroller.

JOHN WHALEN, Corporation Counsel.

RANDOLPH GUGGENHEIMER, President of the Council.

THOMAS L. FEINER, President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments.

Present—Robert A. Van Wyck, the Mayor; Bird S. Coler, the Comptroller; John Whalen, the Corporation Counsel; Randolph Guggenheimer, the President of the Council; Thomas L. Feiner, the President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments.

The reading of the minutes of the meetings held January 27, 28, 31, February 1, 2, 4, 8, 11, 15, 18 and 28, 1898, was dispensed with.

The Board proceeded to the consideration of the Budget for the year 1898.

The Comptroller presented the following:

HALL OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION,
NO. 146 GRAND STREET,
NEW YORK, MARCH 16, 1898.

To the Board of Education:

The Finance Committee respectfully reports that certain correspondence has occurred with regard to the payment of salaries of all employees in the school system, for the month of February, 1898. The letters are self-explanatory and are as follows:

MARCH 8, 1898.

Hon. BIRD S. COLER, Comptroller:

DEAR SIR—The Finance Committee of the Board of Education is now engaged in the preparation and revision of the financial requirements for the support of the school system during the current year. I desire to call your attention to the fact that the proper preparation of this matter requires time and consideration in order that the various borough estimates be reduced to uniformity. In the organization of such a large system as that of the Department of Education, it is unavoidable that delays of certain kinds must ensue. In order to prevent inconvenience and hardship to the many employees of the school system, I would ask your co-operation in relation to the following proposition:

If it is within the pale of the law, I would suggest that appropriations be made by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment for the purpose of paying the salaries of Teachers, Janitors and other employees for the month of February. It is possible during the next few days to present the requirements for these particular items, but it is not possible to properly submit the entire Budget.

Will you kindly communicate your views on the subject, and oblige.

Yours truly,

HUGH KELLY, Chairman, Finance Committee of the Board of Education.

—to which the Comptroller replied as follows:

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE—CITY OF NEW YORK,
March 9, 1898.

HUGH KELLY, Esq., Chairman, Finance Committee, Board of Education, No. 146 Grand street:

DEAR SIR—I have received your communication of the 8th instant, in which you state that delay is likely to occur in properly preparing a Departmental Estimate of the Department of Education for the year 1898 for presentation to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment.

Heretofore in making appropriations for the several departments of the City Government the Board of Estimate and Apportionment has, without exception, adhered to the policy of passing only on estimates of expenditure for the whole year. While it would be desirable for many reasons to adhere to this policy, in the case of the Department of Education I appreciate the inconvenience and hardship which would result to the Teachers and employees of the school system if their pay-rolls should be long delayed.

I will gladly recommend to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, therefore, that an exception be made in this case, and I am confident, from a conversation which I have had with several members of the Board, that favorable action will be taken upon any proper estimate of expenditure which may be submitted for the payment of salaries for the month of February. This estimate, however, should deal exclusively with salaries, and not with supplies or other expenditures.

I respectfully suggest that an estimate of this character be submitted at the earliest possible date, so that the salaries and wages of the Department of Education may be paid with as little delay as possible.

Very truly yours,

BIRD S. COLER, Comptroller.

The Committee is of opinion that the proposed arrangement, if consummated, will preclude much hardship and consequent dissatisfaction.

The committee herewith presents the requirements for the month of February, on account of salaries and wages, in the form of a resolution requesting the Board of Estimate and Apportionment to apportion funds sufficient to meet such expenses.

Resolved, That the Board of Estimate and Apportionment of The City of New York be and it is hereby respectfully requested to apportion, on account of the estimate of expenditures for the year 1898 of the Department of Education (to be hereafter submitted), the sum of seven hundred and fifty-seven thousand six hundred and thirty-four dollars and twenty-six cents (\$757,634.26), said sum to be applied in payment of salaries and wages of employees for the month of February, 1898, per detailed statement, as follows:

APPROPRIATIONS.	BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN AND THE BRONX.	BOROUGH OF BROOKLYN.	BOROUGH OF QUEENS.	BOROUGH OF RICHMOND.	BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK.
Salaries of Teachers in Public Schools and of Supervisors, Special Branches.....	\$10,000 00	\$256,291 39	\$1,000 00	.....	.....
Salaries of Janitors in Public Schools.....	22,000 00	10,364 91	.....	.....	.....
Salaries of Teachers and Janitors in Evening Schools.....	3,604 60	3,604 60	.....	.....	.....
Salaries of Officers, Clerks and other Employees.....	2,897 29	2,897 29	.....	.....	.....
Salaries of School Superintendents.....	5,708 28	5,708 28	.....	.....	.....
Lectures—Salaries.....	4,000 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Compulsory Education—Salaries.....	1,176 30	.....	.....	.....	.....
Supplies—Wages, etc.....	1,000 00	976 65	.....	.....	.....
Fuel—Wages.....	163 23	100 00	.....	.....	.....
General Repairs—Wages.....	1,612 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Furniture and Repairs of—Wages.....	360 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total.....	\$440,303 61	\$280,238 74	\$30,830 00	.....	.....

SUMMARY.

Manhattan and The Bronx.....	\$440,303 61
Brooklyn.....	280,238 74
Queens.....	30,830 00
Richmond.....	.....
Board of Education.....	261 91
Total.....	\$757,634 26

—and be it further

Resolved, That, in the event of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment making a partial apportionment as indicated in the foregoing resolution, the said sums coprovided therein be and they are hereby set apart and appropriated to the use of the several School Boards, under the titles of appropriation named in the said resolution.

A true copy of report and resolutions adopted at a meeting of the Board of Education of The City of New York at a meeting held March 15, 1898.

A. EMERSON PALMER, Secretary, Board of Education.

And offered the following:

Resolved, That, pursuant to the provisions of section 10 of the Greater New York Charter, the funds received and to be received by the Chamberlain as in that section provided be and the same are hereby, in part, appropriated and apportioned as follows:

FOR PAYMENT OF SALARIES AND WAGES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY, 1898.

Salaries of Officers, Clerks and Employees of the Board of Education.....	\$461 91
BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN AND THE BRONX.	
Salaries of Teachers in Public Schools and of Supervisors, Special Branches.....	\$10,000 00
Salaries of Janitors in Public Schools.....	22,000 00
Salaries of Teachers and Janitors in Evening Schools.....	3,604 60
Salaries of Officers, Clerks and other Employees.....	2,897 29
Salaries of School Superintendents.....	5,708 28
Lectures—Salaries.....	4,000 00
Compulsory Education—Salaries.....	1,176 30
Supplies—Wages, etc.....	1,000 00
Fuel—Wages.....	163 23
General Repairs—Wages.....	1,612 00
Furniture and Repairs of—Wages.....	360 00
Total.....	\$440,303 61

BOROUGH OF BROOKLYN.

Salaries of Teachers in Public Schools and of Supervisors, Special Branches.....	\$256,291 39
Salaries of Janitors in Public Schools.....	10,364 91
Salaries of Teachers and Janitors in Evening Schools.....	3,604 60
Salaries of Officers, Clerks and other Employees.....	2,897 29
Salaries of School Superintendents.....	5,708 28
Compulsory Education—Salaries.....	1,176 30
Supplies—Wages, etc.....	976 65
Fuel—Wages.....	100 00
General Repairs—Wages.....	3,523 23
Total.....	\$280,238 74

BOROUGH OF QUEENS.

Salaries of Teachers in Public Schools and of Supervisors, Special Branches.....	\$33,000 00
Salaries of Janitors in Public Schools.....	2,900 00
Salaries of Officers, Clerks and other Employees.....	410 00
Compulsory Education—Salaries.....	520 00
Total.....	\$36,830 00

Total..... \$757,634 26

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, Corporation Counsel, President of the Council, and President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments—5.

The Comptroller presented the following:

DISTRICT COURT IN THE CITY OF NEW YORK FOR THE EIGHTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT,
NORTHWEST CORNER EIGHTH AVENUE AND TWENTY-THIRD STREET,
NEW YORK, February 23, 1898.

To the Honorable Board of Estimate and Apportionment:

GENTLEMEN—I respectfully ask you to appropriate for salaries of the Janitors of the Municipal Court of the Borough of Manhattan and such other boroughs that have janitors, who have not been paid for the month of January, 1898, the sum of \$1,200 for the payment of sixteen janitors, eleven being in the Borough of Manhattan, two in The Bronx and three in the Borough of Brooklyn, as provided in section 230, subdivision 16, of the Greater New York Charter.

Respectfully yours,

JOSEPH H. STINER, President, Board of Municipal Justices.

CITY OF NEW YORK—DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE,

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,

March 3, 1898.

To the Board of Estimate and Apportionment:

At a meeting of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment held February 28, 1898, there was referred to the Comptroller the request of the Board of Municipal Justices for an appropriation to pay the salaries of the thirteen janitors of the District Courts of the former City of New York and the three janitors of the Justices' Courts of the former City of Brooklyn for month of January, 1898.

As these courts were continued under their original organization until January 31, 1898, it would appear that these salaries should be paid.

I find, however, that it will not be necessary for an additional appropriation to be made for this purpose.

Under an opinion of the Corporation Counsel, the salaries of the seven additional Justices appointed pursuant to subsection 4 of section 1352 of the Charter, will only date from February 1, 1898, owing to which fact there will be a saving in the appropriation heretofore made by this Board for the Municipal Court more than sufficient to pay the salaries of these Justices.

The following resolution is therefore offered the adoption: Respectfully, IRVING S. COLLIER, Comptroller.

Resolved, That so much of the appropriation for the year 1898, for salaries of the Justices of the Municipal Court as may be in excess of the amount required for that purpose be and the same is hereby made applicable to the payment of the salaries for the month of January, 1898, of the Justices formerly employed by the District Courts of The City of New York and the Justices' Courts of the City of Brooklyn as constituted prior to January 1, 1898.

Which was adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, Corporation Counsel, President of the Council and President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments—5.

The Comptroller presented the following:

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER OF STREET CLEANING, No. 340 BROADWAY, BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN, NEW YORK, March 9, 1898.

Hon. ROBERT A. VAN WYCK, Chairman, Board of Estimate and Apportionment:

DEAR SIR—Upon assuming office, I found the following named men performing work for this Department in the Borough of Brooklyn:

- Benjamin V. Hendrickson, Hostler.
John D. Fuchs, Hostler.
Louis McIntirey, Laborer, acting as Hostler.
Patrick Jordan, Laborer, acting as Hostler.
James O'Donnell, Laborer, acting as Hostler.
Daniel Hyman, Laborer, acting as Hostler.
Alexander Ryder, Watchman.

Prior to January 1, 1898, they had all been employed by the Department of City Works, Bureau of Streets, in the former City of Brooklyn. I classified them in this Department on and after January 1, 1898, as hostlers, and pending the definite fixing of the amount of the appropriation for the Department for the Borough of Brooklyn, continued them on the pay-roll for the month of January and until the 31st of February, 1898, on which day I was officially notified of the action of your Board in fixing the appropriation for the Borough of Brooklyn, by a resolution passed on February 4, 1898.

In this appropriation there was set apart \$4,160 for the pay of three Hostlers. Alow (the 31st of February I can see that it was incumbent upon me to reduce the force at Manhattan to three, but up to that date and from the 1st of January I felt justified in certifying to the pay-roll of the seven men named above, and accordingly I did transmit to the Auditor of the Finance Department in the Borough of Brooklyn pay-rolls for these seven Hostlers for the month of January and five days in February to the aggregate of \$407.14, thus exceeding by \$284.08 the gross amount of the amount of \$2,160 set apart for the pay of three Hostlers.

I believe named these rolls and I was advised that the above excess of \$284.08 could be saved in the appropriation for "Administration" for the Borough of Brooklyn. I now have to request that the Board of Estimate and Apportionment authorize and direct a transfer from the appropriation of this Department for the Borough of Brooklyn and account of "Administration" of \$284.08, to the account in the same appropriation entitled "For Three Hostlers," and that the Board also authorize and direct the Comptroller to pay the seven Hostlers whose names appear on the roll from January 1, 1898, up to and including February 5, 1898, out of the appropriation set apart for Hostlers, as augmented and increased by such transfer.

Respectfully, JAMES MCCARTNEY, Commissioner.

And offered the following: Resolved, That the sum of two hundred and eighty-four dollars and eight cents (\$284.08) be and the same is hereby transferred from the appropriation made to the Department of Street Cleaning for 1898, entitled "Borough of Brooklyn—Administration," the same being in excess of the amount required for the purpose and objects thereof, to the appropriation made to said Department for said year for said Borough, entitled "For Three Hostlers," and that use of the latter appropriation by the Comptroller be and is hereby authorized to pay the wages of hostlers employed by the Commissioner of Street Cleaning in the Borough of Brooklyn, from January 1, 1898, up to and including February 5, 1898.

Which was adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, Corporation Counsel, President of the Council and President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments—5.

The Comptroller presented the following:

HEADQUARTERS SECOND BRIGADE, N. G., N. Y., HALL OF RECORDS, BROOKLYN, February 28, 1898.

Hon. IRVING S. COLLIER, Comptroller, City of New York:

SIR—I have the honor to call your attention to the fact that certificates were filed with the County Treasurer of this County at various dates during the years 1894 and 1895, showing the floor space in the several armories as ascertained by actual survey made by the Brigade Engineer and approved by me, with my certificate thereon showing the necessity for the employment of Laborers as follows:

- Thirteenth Regiment, 173,410 square feet; Laborers certified, 7.
Fourteenth Regiment, 140,387 square feet; Laborers certified, 6.
Twenty-third Regiment, 152,321 square feet; Laborers certified, 6.
Forty-seventh Regiment, 67,000 square feet; Laborers certified, 4.
Third Battery, 46,045 square feet; Laborers certified, 2.
Second Signal Corps, 12,000 square feet; Laborers certified, 1.
Troop "C," 42,703 square feet; Laborers certified, 3.

By reference to the military code as amended in 1896, you will see that the number of laborers employed is less than the number allowed by law. If the certificates filed with the County Treasurer are not available for transfer to your Department, and you so desire, I will cause measurements to be again made with the required certificates attached.

This letter is written with the hope that the figures herein given will be accepted by you as sufficient to justify the payment of salaries now due and that the question of a reserve be given consideration, and kindly advise me of your wishes in the matter.

Respectfully, JAS. MCLEER, Brig.-General.

HEADQUARTERS, SECOND BRIGADE, N. G., N. Y., BROOKLYN, N. Y., February 28, 1898.

To the Honorable the Board of Estimate and Apportionment of The City of New York:

GENTLEMEN—In the matter of an appropriation for the National Guard of the Borough of Brooklyn, I find that the Board of Estimate of the former City of Brooklyn failed to make an appropriation for the payment of the salaries of employees of the several armories, and I now respectfully ask that your Board appropriate the sum of \$55,480, as follows:

Table listing salaries for various regiments and batteries, including Thirteenth, Fourteenth, Twenty-third, and Forty-seventh Regiments, and Troop "C" and Signal Corps.

Table listing salaries for Third Battery, Troop "C", and Signal Corps, with a total of \$55,480.00.

Respectfully, JAS. MCLEER, Brigadier-General, Commanding 2d Brigade, N. G., N. Y. SECOND NAVAL BATTALION, N. Y., BROOKLYN, N. Y., March 5, 1898.

To the Honorable the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, City of New York:

GENTLEMEN—In the matter of an appropriation for the Second Naval Battalion of the Borough of Brooklyn, I find that the Board of Estimate of the former City of Brooklyn failed to make an appropriation for the payment of the salaries of employees of the Second Naval Battalion, and I now respectfully ask your Board to appropriate the sum of fifty-eight hundred and forty dollars (\$5,840) as follows:

Table listing salaries for Second Naval Battalion: One Armorer, per day; One Janitor, per day; One Engineer, per day; Two Laborers, \$2.00 per day each. Total annual per day: \$16.00.

—or for the year fifty-eight hundred and forty dollars (\$5,840). Respectfully, R. E. FORSHETT, Lieutenant-Commander in Command.

And offered the following: Resolved, That pursuant to the provisions of section 70 of the Greater New York Charter, the funds received and to be received by the Chamberlains, as in that section provided, for and of the same are hereby, in part, appropriated and apportioned, as follows:

THE NATIONAL GUARD. ARMORIES AND DRILL-ROOMS—FOR WAGES OF ARMORERS, JANITORS, ENGINEERS AND LABORERS FOR THE SEVERAL NATIONAL GUARD.

Large table listing salaries for various National Guard units: Thirteenth, Fourteenth, Twenty-third, and Forty-seventh Regiments, and Third Battery, Troop "C", and Signal Corps.

Which was adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, Corporation Counsel, President of the Council and President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments—5.

The Comptroller offered the following: Resolved, That the appropriation for the year 1898 entitled "Jurors' Fees," be and the same is hereby amended so that the title thereof shall read "Jurors' Fees, County of New York, including expenses of Jurors in Civil and Criminal Trials."

Which was adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, Corporation Counsel, President of the Council and President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments—5.

The Comptroller offered the following: Resolved, That the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) be and the same is hereby transferred to the appropriation made to the Department of Finance for the year 1898, entitled "Contingencies—Comptroller's Office," the amount of said appropriation being insufficient, from the following appropriations made to the Department of Finance, and as follows:

Table listing salaries for Department of Finance: Salaries, Borough of Manhattan; Salaries, Borough of The Bronx; Salaries, Borough of Queens; Salaries, Borough of Richmond. Total: \$25,000.00.

—the amount of said appropriations being in excess of the amounts required for the purposes and objects thereof.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, Corporation Counsel, President of the Council and President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments—5.

The Comptroller presented the following:

HEALTH DEPARTMENT, CENTRE, ELM, WHITE AND FRANKLIN STREETS, NEW YORK, March 8, 1898.

Hon. BIRD S. COLER, Comptroller of The City of New York:

Sir—At a meeting of the Board of Health of the Department of Health held this day the following preamble and resolution were adopted:

Whereas, The Board of Estimate and Apportionment at its meeting held on the second day of February, 1898, appropriated and apportioned to the Department of Health, under the designation "Hospital Fund" for the Borough of Manhattan, the sum of ninety thousand two hundred and fifty dollars, and the Borough of The Bronx the sum of five hundred dollars; and

Whereas, Riverside Hospital for the care of contagious diseases is located in the Borough of The Bronx, and the supplies purchased for said hospital and steamboat should be paid out of the fund appropriated for said Borough; therefore be it

Resolved, That the Board of Estimate and Apportionment be and is hereby respectfully requested to transfer the sum of thirty-four thousand one hundred dollars from "Hospital Fund, 1898, Borough of Manhattan," which is in excess of the amount required for the purposes thereof, to "Hospital Fund, Borough of The Bronx, 1898," which is insufficient for the purposes thereof.

A true copy.

C. GOLDBERMAN, Secretary pro tem.

And offered the following:

Resolved, That the sum of thirty-four thousand one hundred dollars (\$34,100) be and hereby is transferred from the appropriation made to the Department of Health for the year 1898, entitled "Borough of Manhattan, Hospital Fund," the same being in excess of the amount required for the purposes thereof, to the appropriation made to the said Department for 1898, entitled "Borough of The Bronx, Hospital Fund," the amount of said appropriation being insufficient.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, Corporation Counsel, President of the Council and President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments—5.

The Comptroller presented the following:

THE LAW LIBRARY IN BROOKLYN, COUNTY COURT-HOUSE, BROOKLYN, N. Y., January 1, 1898.

To the Honorable the Board of Estimate and Apportionment:

GENTLEMEN—The Board of Trustees of the Law Library in Brooklyn hereby certify that the sum of eighty-two hundred dollars will be required for the care and management of the Law Library of the Second Judicial District for the then ensuing fiscal year, pursuant to Laws of 1853, chapter 463.

Table with 2 columns: Item, Amount. Includes Librarian (\$4,200.00), Assistant Librarian (2,500.00), Incidentals—binding, stationery and boy (1,500.00). Total \$8,200.00.

Respectfully submitted, JAMES D. BELL, Chairman.

THE LAW LIBRARY IN BROOKLYN, COUNTY COURT-HOUSE, BROOKLYN, N. Y., March 8, 1898.

Honorable BIRD S. COLER, Comptroller of The City of New York:

MY DEAR MR. COLER—I received a letter from you stating that the reason the salaries of the Librarian and Assistant were not paid was because no appropriation had been made by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment for such purpose, as no such appropriation had been requested.

That no request was made to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment is due to the fact that no notice was received by the library from them to do so, together with the information received from Mr. Weems, at Room 105, Stewart Building, N. Y., in January last, to whom, and Mr. Lyons, Mr. Betts, the Librarian, was sent by the late Comptroller's office in Brooklyn for information.

Mr. Weems informed Mr. Betts that as the Law Library was provided for up to August next, we could rest until notice. How soon our matter, with others, would be called up he did not know. Upon consultation with Mr. Lyons he reiterated this to Mr. Betts. Mr. Betts had informed Mr. Weems that the library had not received a notice to attend before the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, or the estimate, but wished to conform to their regulations, and that was the object of his call. Mr. Weems said kindly, "you have made your inquiry and received your answer."

That accounts for our seeming negligence.

Inclosed please find estimate as requested.

Your faithfully, J. D. BELL.

LAW LIBRARY IN BROOKLYN.

Table with 6 columns: Item, Appropriated in detail by Board of Estimate of Brooklyn for 1898, Appropriated in one sum for all purposes by Board of Estimate of Brooklyn for 1898, Remarks by Board of Trustees of Library upon Board of Estimate of City of New York, dated January 1, 1898, Income, Recommended by the Comptroller. Total \$1,800.00.

Laws of 1853, chapter 463, section 2, provides as follows:

"Sec. 2. * * * The said trustees may make rules and regulations for the management and protection of said library and prescribe penalties for the violation thereof; they may sue for and recover such penalties, and may maintain actions for injuries to said library; they may procure proper furniture for said library, hire suitable rooms, employ a librarian, provide fuel and lights, and defray all the incidental expenses of the care and management of said library; they shall yearly ascertain the amount necessary for the aforesaid purposes, and certify it to the board of supervisors of Kings County, who shall pay the same. They shall yearly make a report to the regents of the University of the State Library the additions made to said library during the preceding year."

And offered the following:

Resolved, That, pursuant to the provisions of section 10 of the Greater New York Charter, the funds received and to be received by the Chamberlain, as in that section provided, be and the same are hereby, in part, appropriated and apportioned as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Item, Amount. Includes Salaries (\$4,800.00), Incidentals expenses (1,000.00).

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, Corporation Counsel, President of the Council and President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments—5.

The Comptroller offered the following:

Resolved, That, pursuant to the provisions of section 10 of the Greater New York Charter, the funds received and to be received by the Chamberlain, as in that section provided, be and the same are hereby, in part, appropriated and apportioned as follows:

BOARD OF CITY RECORD.

CITY RECORD—Salaries..... \$3,000 00

—such appropriation being in addition to the amount heretofore appropriated by this Board for the year 1898.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, Corporation Counsel, President of the Council and President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments—5.

The Comptroller offered the following:

Resolved, That the amounts following be and are hereby appropriated from the "Excise Taxes," under the provisions of section 210, chapter 410, Laws of 1882 (New York City Consolidation Act of 1882), chapters 112 and 225 of the Laws of 1896; chapters 312 and 378, Laws of 1897, for the support of children, in the month of January, 1898, committed to the institutions named, pursuant to law:

Table with 5 columns: Name, Number of Children, Number of Days, Rate, Amount. Lists various institutions like Mission of the Immaculate Virgin, Institution of Mercy, etc. Total \$30,000.00.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, Corporation Counsel, President of the Council and President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments—5.

The Comptroller offered the following:

Resolved, That the sum of six hundred and thirty-four dollars and eleven cents be and hereby is appropriated from the "Excise Taxes" to the "Home for Fallen and Friendless Girls," for the support of sixty-one inmates, in the month of January, 1898, aggregating one thousand five hundred and forty-three days, at the rate of one hundred and fifty dollars per annum, pursuant to section 208, chapter 410, Laws of 1882 (New York City Consolidation Act of 1882); chapter 112, Laws of 1896; chapters 312 and 378, Laws of 1897.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, Corporation Counsel, President of the Council and President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments—5.

The President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments offered the following:

Resolved, That Frank H. Sigerson be and hereby is appointed Confidential stenographer to this Board at a salary of one thousand five hundred dollars per annum.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, Corporation Counsel, President of the Council and President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments—5.

The following communication was received:

KINGS COUNTY TREASURY, February 26, 1898.

Hon. ROBT. A. VAN WYCK:

DEAR SIR—I have the honor to submit to you, as per request made by you to Judge Delmar, that the necessary expenditures of this office for 1898 will require the sum of \$18,000, being \$3,000 in excess of estimate sent to me by the Comptroller.

The amount allowed this office in the Brooklyn Budget for 1898: Salaries, \$12,500, and contingent expenses, \$1,100—\$13,600.

Deducting City Department, \$11,500, and 2 Tax Clerks, \$3,800—amounting to \$15,300—would leave a balance of \$18,200 for this office at this present time.

Allow me to say that the amount asked for under the facts and figures given in my estimate was with due regard to economy and the proper conduct of the office and avoidance of waste in same.

Leaving the matter to your able and just consideration, I have the honor to be

Respectfully yours, THOMAS W. KIMBALL.

Whereupon the Mayor offered the following:

Resolved, That, pursuant to the provisions of section 10 of the Greater New York Charter, the funds received and to be received by the Chamberlain, as in that section provided, be and the same are hereby, in part, appropriated and apportioned, as follows:

KINGS COUNTY TREASURER.

For Salaries..... \$5,000 00

—such appropriation being in addition to the amount heretofore appropriated by this Board for the year 1898.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, Corporation Counsel, President of the Council, and President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments—5.

The Corporation Counsel presented the following:

LAW DEPARTMENT, OFFICE OF THE CORPORATION COUNSEL, NEW YORK, March 17, 1898.

To the Board of Estimate and Apportionment:

SIR—I am in receipt of a communication from your Board bearing date February 8, in reference to a number of matters of which a list is given with your communication, which list is herewith returned, together with various papers referring to the matters therein mentioned. These matters are as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Item, Amount. Lists various matters like Memorial Committee, Decoration Day Observances, Burial of Veterans, etc. Total \$30,000.00.

Jurors' Fees, Richmond County (Richmond County Budget).....	\$5,000 00
County Abstract (Richmond County Budget).....	50,000 00
Printing Proceedings (Richmond County Budget).....	.....
Board of Examining Plumbers, Brooklyn (see paper).....	.....

I understand the question relating to all these items just enumerated is whether or not, to procure payment thereof, a reappropriation must be made by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment.

In answer to this I will say that in every case it will be necessary that the Board of Estimate and Apportionment make a reappropriation to procure payment of these claims.

5. Police Pensions, Brooklyn, Chapter 296 of the Laws of 1870, \$115,000.
The question seems to be, in this case, whether this amount should be reappropriated or whether the Brooklyn Police Pension Fund is to be replenished out of the Excise Fund as has been the case in the former City of New York.

The question which really underlies this subject seems to be, whether or not there is to be a separate administration of the pension funds formerly existing in the old City of New York and the City of Brooklyn, or whether the Pension Fund of the present Police force is to be administered as a single fund of the present city.

In view of the provisions of the Charter, and especially in view of the almost insuperable difficulties which would arise from an attempt to administer the funds separately under a system which allows the transfer of officers of the old cities to different boroughs, it would seem that the Pension Fund must be administered as one single fund for the entire force.

If this is so, then it will be advisable to reappropriate an amount sufficient to cover any deficiency.

4. City Auctioneer's salary, Brooklyn, \$1,200 (Brooklyn Budget, page 8).
It is supposed the question is whether this office has been abolished by the Charter.

Upon this subject I have to say I find no authority under the Charter for the employment of such an officer, and therefore this position must be regarded as abolished.

3. Street Lighting Contracts, Richmond County.
The papers attached to your communication in reference to this matter seem to present no legal question for determination.

To procure money for the purpose indicated will evidently require a reappropriation.

6. Interpreters.
The interpreters in question are three in the local and inferior courts of civil and criminal jurisdiction in the Borough of Brooklyn.

An examination of the list of names shows that the interpreters are surprisingly numerous and possess extraordinary linguistic gifts.

These persons are twelve in number, and they assert that they interpret the following languages:

Italian, Spanish, Slavonic, Polish, Hungarian, Scandinavian, Lithuanian (by which Lithuanian is presumably meant), Hebrew, Russian and German.

If it be remembered that some of the names above given represent not languages, but groups of languages, a very grave doubt arises as to the necessity of the employment of some of these learned gentlemen or their accomplishments in so many languages.

With one exception, that of Mr. Anton Braun, they claim appointment under chapter 623 of the Laws of 1875, which is as follows:

"Section 1. The common council of the city of Brooklyn shall have power to appoint (except in cases now otherwise provided by law) such interpreters as may be necessary in the magistrates' courts in said city; fix their salaries, prescribe their duties, fill all vacancies and remove any person so appointed for cause at any time. And such appointments may be made upon the requisition or recommendation of said magistrates."

Mr. Anton Braun, a German interpreter, claims to have been appointed by special act of the Legislature of the year 1869, for the various local and inferior courts of civil and criminal jurisdiction.

As I do not know of the act in question, I think it might be well to have Mr. Braun point out the act under which he claims.

There is no fixed term of these interpreters appointed under the act of 1875, but they may be removed at any time by the Municipal Assembly, as successor to the Common Council of the City of Brooklyn, for cause, and under the power to appoint "such interpreters as may be necessary," it would seem that the Municipal Assembly would have power to abolish such positions as might be unnecessary.

However that may be, it certainly has the power to fix their salaries, not only under chapter 623 of the Laws of 1875, under which they were originally appointed, but under the terms of section 50 of the present Charter.

It seems to me that this subject of interpreters in Brooklyn is well worthy of a careful inquiry, for the purpose of ascertaining how many of these persons are necessary, and how often their services are required.

As regards the interpreters in question, as they are assigned under the act of 1875 to both civil and criminal courts, so far as they claim appointment under the act of 1875 already mentioned, they are to be appointed and removed under that act, and not under section 4 of chapter 604 of the Laws of 1895, which relates to inferior courts of criminal jurisdiction exclusively, and which cannot apply to interpreters who are not attached exclusively to any criminal court, but apparently claim a roving commission to act in any inferior court of civil or criminal jurisdiction within the Borough of Brooklyn.

As I have said before, I think the subject of interpreters in the Borough of Brooklyn is one well worthy of investigation before taking any action in the premises.

7. Pushing Hospital.
I have no legal objection to reappropriation for the benefit of this hospital.

The only objection possible is the practical one of establishing a precedent which might be unwise.

8. Supreme Court, Second Appellate Division of Brooklyn.
I think in this case the expense of printing the calendars, etc., should be provided for in a separate item and not out of the appropriation made to the Supervisor of the City Record, and this is the advice I have already given upon his request to the Clerk of the Court in question.

Yours,
JOHN WHALEN, Corporation Counsel.

Whereupon the Mayor moved that it be referred to the Comptroller.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, Corporation Counsel, President of the Council and President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments—5.

A communication was received from the Maltenbauer Sugar Refining Company requesting an appropriation for dredging the slip at the foot of Division Avenue, Borough of Brooklyn.

Which was ordered on file.

A communication was received from Messrs. A. R. Whitney & Co., presenting the subject of lease steel for the New East River Bridge.

Which was ordered transmitted to the New East River Bridge Commission.

The following communications were received:

OFFICE EXAMINING BOARD OF PLUMBERS,
CITY OF NEW YORK, No. 220 FOURTH AVENUE,
NEW YORK, March 4, 1898.

To the Honorable the Board of Estimate and Apportionment:

GENTLEMEN—The Examining Board of Plumbers of the City of New York, respectfully make application for clerk hire, material, etc., as follows:

Salary of Clerk.....	\$1,000 00
Typewriting machine and copying press.....	80 00
Six (6) kits plumbing tools, at \$10.....	60 00
One (1) coil 3/4 AA lead pipe.....	5 00
One (1) coil 1 1/2 A lead pipe.....	8 00
Three (3) lengths 2-foot waste lead pipe, at \$4.40.....	7 20
Three (3) lengths 3-foot waste lead pipe, at \$3.10.....	9 30
Three (3) lengths 4-foot waste lead pipe, at \$4.80.....	14 40
Brass ferrules, \$5 per 100 pounds; solder \$10.....	15 00
Eight (8) gas burners, at \$6.25.....	50 00
Bench and vices.....	50 00
Postage and postal cards.....	75 00
Office furniture, desks, etc., oil-cloth and carpet.....	201 00
Salary 3 Examiners, 3 sittings per week, at \$5 a sitting, each.....	3,340 00
	\$3,914 90

Yours respectfully,
GEORGE B. BROWN, President.

The Corporation Counsel moved that it be referred to the Comptroller for examination and report.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, Corporation Counsel, President of the Council and President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments—5.

CITY OF NEW YORK,
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC BUILDINGS, LIGHTING AND SUPPLIES,
COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, No. 346 BROADWAY,
NEW YORK, March 2, 1898.

Board of Estimate and Apportionment, The City of New York:

DEAR SIR—In making up the budgets for the requirements of the Department of Public Buildings, Lighting and Supplies no provision was made by you or requested by myself, for janitors of the various District Courts of The City of New York. I have in the last few days received several notices from the Judges of the different District Courts notifying me that, under authority of section 1336 of the new Charter, they have assigned the Janitors of their Court Buildings to me for payment, and have designated the salaries of the said Janitors at nine hundred dollars (\$900) per year. These Courts are as follows:

- Borough of Manhattan—11 District Municipal Courts.
- Borough of Bronx—2 District Municipal Courts.
- Borough of Brooklyn—5 District Municipal Courts.
- Borough of Queens—3 District Municipal Courts.
- Borough of Richmond—2 District Municipal Courts.

I would respectfully request that provision be made for their maintenance as the appropriation for the Department of Public Buildings, Lighting and Supplies will not be sufficient to care for them.

Very truly yours,
HENRY S. KEARNY, Commissioner.

The President of the Council moved that it be referred to the Comptroller.

Which was lost by the following vote:

Affirmative—The Comptroller and President of the Council—2.

Negative—The Mayor, Corporation Counsel and President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments—3.

DEPARTMENT OF STREET CLEANING—CITY OF NEW YORK,
NEW YORK, February 23, 1898.

Hon. ROBERT A. VAN WYCK, Mayor, Chairman, Board of Estimate and Apportionment:

DEAR SIR—I have to request that an addition of \$7,250 be made to the appropriation of this Department for the Boroughs of Manhattan and The Bronx, for the year 1898, account of "Rents and Contingencies," to cover the amount of rental for the main offices of the Department in the New York Life Insurance Company's Building, No. 346 Broadway, for which office there is a lease with the New York Life Insurance Company, dated November 1, 1897, and to run for a term of three (3) years from that date.

No requisition was made for this rent for the year 1898 in my estimate because of the fact that my predecessor stated that it was clearly understood by and between himself, Mr. Fitch as Comptroller and Mr. Seal as Corporation Counsel, that the rent would be paid by the Department of Public Works.

I am now informed by the Finance Department that they know of no provision having been made for the rent, and the consequence is that there is no fund available for the payment of it. The amount allowed this Department, not only under the head of "Rents and Contingencies," but throughout the other subdivisions of the appropriation, will all be necessary for the regular work of the Department.

I beg to inclose herewith a letter from Colonel Waring confirming his statements made to me orally.

Respectfully,
JAMES MCCARTNEY, Commissioner.

New York, February 23, 1898.

Hon. JAMES MCCARTNEY, Commissioner of Street Cleaning:

DEAR SIR—Replying to your inquiry with regard to the rent of the offices occupied by your Department at No. 346 Broadway, and confirming my statements made to you orally on this subject, I beg to say that when I first assumed charge of the Department the offices were located in the New Criminal Court Building for which no rental was paid by the Department of Street Cleaning. From there the Department offices were removed to the old General Sessions Building at No. 32 Chambers street, which quarters they assumed without paying rent. Last fall I was informed that the offices at No. 32 Chambers street were required for the courts and that the Department of Street Cleaning must be removed to new quarters. Therefore we did remove to the New York Life Building, with the explicit understanding that the Department of Public Works was to pay the rent. I therefore made no requisition for the rent in my estimate for 1898.

Respectfully,
GEO. E. WARING, Jr.

Ordered on file.

HEADQUARTERS FIRE DEPARTMENT,
Nos. 157 AND 159 EAST SIXTY-SEVENTH STREET,
NEW YORK, March 7, 1898.

The Honorable Board of Estimate and Apportionment:

GENTLEMEN—I have the honor to request that you will authorize the issue of bonds, under the provisions of chapter 76, Laws of 1894, as amended by chapter 750, Laws of 1896, for the year 1898, as follows:

For New Buildings—	
For Engine 8, at No. 7 Thames street, site now in process of acquisition by condemnation proceedings.....	\$18,000 00
For Engine 4, at No. 119 Maiden lane.....	30,000 00
For a new company on south side of Twelfth street, west of University place.....	30,000 00
For a new company on northwest corner of Prospect avenue and Kelly street, Borough of The Bronx.....	25,000 00
For a new company at Nos. 115 and 117 West Thirty-third street, site now in process of acquisition by condemnation proceedings.....	50,000 00
	\$133,000 00
For New Sites—	
For a company in the vicinity of Ninety-second street and Amsterdam avenue, Borough of Manhattan.....	\$18,000 00
For a company in the vicinity of One Hundred and Fourth street and Amsterdam avenue, Borough of Manhattan.....	25,000 00
For a company in the vicinity of One Hundred and Ninetieth street and Eleventh avenue, Borough of Manhattan.....	13,000 00
For a company in the vicinity of Aqueduct avenue and Hampton street, University Heights, Borough of The Bronx.....	5,000 00
For a company in the vicinity of Burnside avenue and the Concourse, Mount Hope, Borough of The Bronx.....	10,000 00
For a company in the vicinity of Intervale avenue and One Hundred and Sixty-ninth street, Borough of The Bronx.....	6,000 00
For a company in the vicinity of Southern Boulevard and Anthony avenue, Bedford Park, Borough of The Bronx.....	5,000 00
For a company in Wakefield, Borough of The Bronx.....	6,000 00
For a company in Williamsbridge, Borough of The Bronx.....	6,000 00
For a company in Eastchester, Borough of The Bronx.....	3,000 00
For a company in Westchester, Borough of The Bronx.....	2,000 00
	120,000 00
For surveys.....	2,000 00
For placing wires and conduits of telegraph system underground.....	25,000 00
	\$307,000 00

In the case of the above requests for new sites and new buildings it would be desirable if the appropriation were made by your Honorable Board for each of the two items in bulk, the detailed amounts being merely estimated, which may obviate the future necessity of a request for transfer from or to either of the sub-items specified.

Yours respectfully,
JOHN J. SCANNELL, Fire Commissioner.

The Corporation Counsel moved that it be referred to the Comptroller.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, Corporation Counsel, President of the Council, and President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments—5.

New York, March 2, 1898.

To the Honorable the Board of Estimate of The City of New York:

GENTLEMEN—I herewith transmit to you a certified copy of a resolution adopted by the Executive Committee of the Board of Managers of the Home for Fallen and Friendless Girls, and I hope that you may be able and willing to comply with the request made therein.

The annex mentioned in the enclosed communication can accommodate fifteen mothers and infants, and it is under the rulings of the State Board of Charities, and we have that Board's approval for the retention of infants.

JULIA W. L. SYMINGTON. (Mrs. Chas.) No. 228 East Eleventh street, 1898.

Whereas, Certain sums of money are granted by the Board of Estimate of The City of New York out of the Excise Fund for the following-named institutions for the support of infants, to wit:

- The New York Infant Asylum (non-sectarian); The Nursery and Childs Hospital (non-sectarian); and The New York Foundling Hospital (Roman Catholic); and

Whereas, We, the managers of the Home for Fallen and Friendless Girls (non-sectarian), at No. 49 South Washington Square, have, for about four years, maintained and are now maintaining an annex to said Home at No. 141 West Fourth street, in this city, in which we are now caring for, on an average, about ten destitute mothers and their infants under two years of age; and

Whereas, While said Board of Estimate does now grant us certain sums for the support of the mothers of such infants, it does not grant any money for the maintenance of the infants; and

Whereas, We are advised that said service performed by us in said annex comes within the provision of chapter 604 of the Charter of said City, and that it is in the power of the said Board of Estimate to grant, under the provision of chapter 240 of said Charter, certain aid to us for the support of the infants in said annex; and that we are, in law, as much entitled to pecuniary aid from said city for the support of infants as are the other institutions above mentioned; therefore

Resolved, That we hereby respectfully request the honorable Board of Estimate of The City of New York to grant to the Home for Fallen and Friendless Girls such pecuniary aid and at the same rate per capita out of said Excise Fund as is granted to the above-mentioned institutions for each of the infants in their care.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the preamble and resolution passed at a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Board of Managers of the Home for Fallen and Friendless Girls, on the 2d day of March, 1898.

Dated New York, March 2, 1898. JULIA W. L. SYMINGTON, Secretary of Executive Committee. (Mrs. Chas.) No. 228 East Eleventh street.

The Corporation Counsel moved that it be referred to the Comptroller. Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, Corporation Counsel, President of the Council and President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments—5.

To the Hon. the Board of Estimate and Apportionment of The City of New York:

GENTLEMEN—I, the undersigned, Italian Interpreter for the County Court, Grand Jury and Surrogate Court, of the County of Kings, New York, appointed under the Law of 1864, chapter 510, page 1148, and amended by the Laws of 1869, chapter 249, page 462, respectfully ask your honorable body to insert in the budget \$1,200, as my salary for the year 1898.

Very respectfully, LORENZO CRISCOLLO.

The Corporation Counsel moved that it be referred to the Comptroller. Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, Corporation Counsel, President of the Council and President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments—5.

HEADQUARTERS FIFTH BRIGADE, N. G., N. Y., PARK AVENUE AND THIRTY-FOURTH STREET, NEW YORK, March 8, 1898.

CHAS. V. ADRE, Esq., Capt., etc., New York City: Sir—I have the honor to notify you that I have assumed command of the Fifth Brigade, N. G., N. Y., and have reappointed the Armorer of the old First Brigade as Armorer of the Fifth Brigade, the headquarters of which are located at Park Avenue and Thirty-fourth street, and which will be the headquarters of the new Fifth Brigade. The salary of Armorer LeBlone was provided for in the estimates adopted by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment in the budget for the year 1898, and I have the honor to request that the said amount be transferred to the Fifth Brigade to meet the salary of Armorer Charles W. LeBlone.

Respectfully, GEORGE MOORE SMITH, Brigadier-General.

Whereupon the Mayor offered the following:

Resolved, That the appropriation for the year 1898, made for an Armorer for the First Brigade, N. G., S. N. Y., be and the same is hereby made applicable for the payment of wages of an Armorer for the Fifth Brigade, N. G., S. N. Y.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, Corporation Counsel, President of the Council, and President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments—5.

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER OF STREET CLEANING, No. 346 BROADWAY, BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN, NEW YORK, March 11, 1898.

Hon. ROBERT A. VAN WYCK, Mayor, Chairman, Board of Estimate and Apportionment: Sir—I desire the approval of your Board, pursuant to section 546 of the Greater New York Charter, of the purchase by me of stock, consisting of horses, for the use of the Department of Street Cleaning, to an estimated amount not to exceed thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000), to be paid for by the issue and sale of bonds, the Comptroller to issue such bonds as may be necessary for such purpose.

On the 10th instant, in relation to this matter, and pursuant to the above cited section of the Greater New York Charter, the Board of Public Improvements adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, That, in pursuance of section 546 of the Greater New York Charter, the Commissioner of Street Cleaning may, with the approval of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, purchase stock consisting of horses for the use of the Department of Street Cleaning to an estimated amount not to exceed thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000), to be paid for by the issue and sale of bonds, the Comptroller to issue such bonds as may be necessary for such purchase.

Respectfully, JAMES McCARTNEY, Commissioner.

The Corporation Counsel moved that it be referred to the Comptroller. Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, Corporation Counsel, President of the Council and President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments—5.

POLICE DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK, No. 300 MULBERRY STREET, NEW YORK, March 9, 1898.

To the Board of Estimate, New York City:

GENTLEMEN—I am requested by the Board of Police Commissioners to call your attention to the fact that the Commissioner of Police and Excise of the late City of Brooklyn paid to the Board of Police Commissioners of the present City of New York, as Trustees of the Police Pension Fund, the sum of \$17,556.21. There is due and owing to the pensioners appearing on the roll of the Police Department's pension list of the late City of Brooklyn, for pensions prior to the first day of January, 1898, \$25,956.04; therefor requiring the sum of \$8,400.73 to enable this Board to pay such pensions in full. The Board of Estimate of the late City of Brooklyn included in the estimate so made up by it in August 1897, the sum of \$115,000 for the Police Pension Fund of the late City of Brooklyn.

The Board doubts its right to pay from the consolidated pension fund of the present City of New York, pensions which were due and owing prior to the first day of January, 1898, in boroughs where the amount paid in to the consolidated pension fund was less than the amount of pensions due and owing prior to January 1, in such Borough.

The Board of Police, as Trustees of the Police Pension Fund, request that your honorable body allow to the pension fund of The City of New York the sum of \$8,400.73 to meet the deficiency in the pension fund of the late City of Brooklyn as shown above.

In behalf of the Board of Police, Very truly yours, BERNARD J. YORK, President.

The Corporation Counsel moved that it be referred to the Comptroller. Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, Corporation Counsel, President of the Council and President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments—5.

MARCH 10, 1898.

Hon. ROBERT A. VAN WYCK, Mayor, President of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment: DEAR SIR—An appropriation of \$10,000 was made late in December last, if my memory serves me, for the decoration of the Municipal Assembly Chamber. The plan at the time was for a competition to be held under the auspices of the Municipal Art Society. That society was to

pay all the expenses of the competition, including second and third prizes for the unsuccessful competitors, the idea being that the best talent of New York would come into the competition and the result would be a fitting decoration of this Chamber. This is very much in the line of the recent decorative work done for the City, notably in the new building for the Appellate Division and the decoration done by Mr. Simmons in one of the new Court-rooms. As the work to be done in the most interesting building historically in New York, and in the room that is the Legislative meeting place of all the boroughs, it seems a fitting place for the best work of our artists. In fact, \$10,000 is hardly a sufficient sum; \$15,000 would be better. But I recognize the need for economy for the present, and need your Honor has emphasized. If it meets your approval, the Municipal Art Society would like the appropriation made.

Very truly yours, HENRY K. HOWLAND.

The Mayor moved that it be referred to the Comptroller. Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, Corporation Counsel, President of the Council and President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments—5.

CITY OF NEW YORK—DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS, ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK, March 11, 1898.

To the Board of Estimate and Apportionment:

GENTLEMEN—At a meeting of the Park Board, held March 10, 1898, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the Board of Estimate and Apportionment be and hereby is respectfully requested to transfer and make applicable to the work of erecting greenhouses in the Central Park the sum of nineteen thousand two hundred and fifty-nine dollars and fifty-two cents, aggregated by amounts and balances of funds heretofore provided for the following-named park improvements under chapter 194 of the Laws of 1896, and chapter 647, Laws of 1897, for which improvements said amounts and balances will not be required:

Table with 2 columns: Item description and Amount. Includes Chapter 194, Laws of 1896: Improvement, Mount Morris Park (\$4,091.22), Asphalt walks, Tompkins, Stuyvesant and Washington Squares (10.52), Inclosing walls, posts, posts, etc., for entrances to Central Park (3,772.46), Rip-rapping shores of Pool, Central Park (892.24), Paving walks, Central Park (810.06), Repairs to Madison Avenue Bridge (2,306.00), Paving sidewalks of Manhattan Square (521.18), Repairing walk adjoining Battery sea-wall (695.83).

Table with 2 columns: Item description and Amount. Includes Chapter 647, Laws of 1897: Cleaning Terrace, Central Park (5,000.00), Rebuilding Fifth Avenue inclosing-wall (Ninety-sixth to Ninety-sixth street) (5,000.00). Total: \$19,093.16.

With reference to this request, I beg to state that plans for new greenhouses, of which the parks of this borough have the greatest need, are now prepared and other work preliminary to the erection of the houses is about completed. It is estimated that the cost will be about \$40,000. The sum of \$50,000 was set apart for this purpose in the year 1896, under the provisions of chapter 194 of the laws of that year, but, being insufficient to accomplish what is desired and necessary, no further progress was made in the matter.

With the additional funds to be secured by the proposed transfers it is proposed to proceed with the erection of greenhouses which will at once meet the park needs and provide a suitable structure.

Respectfully, WILLIS HOLLY, Secretary.

The Mayor moved that it be referred to the Comptroller. Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, Corporation Counsel, President of the Council and President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments—5.

CITY OF NEW YORK—DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS, ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK, March 11, 1898.

To the Board of Estimate and Apportionment:

GENTLEMEN—At a meeting of the Park Board, held March 10, 1898, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the Board of Estimate and Apportionment be and hereby is respectfully requested to amend the resolution adopted by said Board October 12, 1897, authorizing an issue of bonds to the amount of twenty-five thousand dollars, under chapter 606 of the Laws of 1897, for the improvement of Riverside Park, east of the westerly wall of the drive, between Seventy-ninth and One Hundred and Fourth streets, so as to extend the northerly limit of such improvement to One Hundred and Twentieth street, instead of One Hundred and Fourth street.

In explanation of the request contained in the above resolution, I beg to state that it appears that in the language of the resolution whose amendment is desired, One Hundred and Fourth street was erroneously mentioned, when the contemplated work really extended to One Hundred and Twentieth street.

In order to properly proceed with this work and include all that is and was intended the desired amendment of the resolution appears requisite.

Respectfully, WILLIS HOLLY, Secretary.

The Mayor moved that it be referred to the Comptroller. Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, Corporation Counsel, President of the Council and President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments—5.

CITY OF NEW YORK—DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, THE ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK, March 11, 1898.

To the Board of Estimate and Apportionment:

GENTLEMEN—At a meeting of the Park Board held March 10, 1898, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the Board of Estimate and Apportionment be and hereby is respectfully requested to transfer and make available to the work of fencing and protecting park laws in the Borough of Manhattan the sum of five thousand dollars heretofore provided, under chapter 643 of the Laws of 1897, for rearranging and improving the entrance to Central Park, at Fifty-ninth street and Eighth avenue, for which latter purpose the said sum will not be required.

After careful consideration, it has been decided not to make the proposed changes at the park entrance at Fifty-ninth street and Eighth avenue, the present Board not being fully convinced of the expediency of the plan.

As the erection and renewal of lawn fences are urgently needed for the proper protection of the lawns, it is felt that the sum intended for the first-named purpose could be more advantageously expended for the latter, and the transfer of the amount is therefore asked.

Respectfully, WILLIS HOLLY, Secretary.

The Mayor moved that it be referred to the Comptroller. Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, Corporation Counsel, President of the Council and President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments—5.

MADISON CO-OPERATIVE B. & L. ASSOCIATION, No. 397 GATES AVENUE, BOROUGH OF BROOKLYN, N. Y., February 23, 1898.

To all whom it may concern:

Know ye, that the Board of Trustees of this Association, in meeting assembled this 23d day of February, 1898, did unanimously adopt the following resolutions:

Whereas, It has come to the knowledge of the members of this Association that it is proposed to levy a special tax upon real estate in the Borough of Brooklyn; and

Whereas, The said members of this Association have, by frugality, saved and invested over \$75,000 in homes; therefore,

Resolved, That we, in the name of this Association, emphatically protest against the passage of any and all bills, either by the State or municipal legislative bodies, seeking to impose a special tax in the year 1898 upon real estate in said Borough of Brooklyn.

Resolved, That any arrearages that may have existed in the City of Brooklyn at the time of its consolidation with The City of New York, should be met by the issuing of bonds or by being

included in the general tax levy for 1899, and that same be assessed in accordance with the provisions of the Charter covering all the territory in The City of New York as then constituted.

Resolved, That the levying of any special tax upon real estate in said Borough of Brooklyn during the year 1898, to pay prior arrearages, is in violation of good faith and an injustice to all Brooklyn property-owners, and also in violation of the provisions of the Charter, and such a levy would result in distress and hardship; and

Resolved, That the Secretary be authorized and directed to send a copy of these resolutions, signed by the President, and duly attested to, to the Mayor, Comptroller, Corporation Council and Board of Estimate of New York, also to the Assemblyman of the district.

E. O. BRAGDON, President.

CHAS. F. WILCOX, Secretary.
Cycled placed on file.

DEPARTMENT OF WATER SUPPLY—COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE,
No. 150 NASSAU STREET,
NEW YORK, March 12, 1898.

Hon. ROBERT A. VAN WYCK, Mayor, Chairman, Board of Estimate and Apportionment:

DEAR SIR—The funds heretofore provided by the Comptroller by the issue of bonds known as "Additional Water Fund," pursuant to chapter 189 of the Laws of 1893, have been exhausted in the payment of awards for lands acquired and expenses in legal proceedings for the acquisition of said lands.

There are eight separate Commissioners of Appraisal still engaged in appraising lands along the Bear Gulch Creek and Ryans Pond; at Mt. Kisco and vicinity; along the west branch of the Croton river; along the middle branch of the Croton river; along the Muscoot branch of the Croton river; around Lake Glenside; at White Pond and vicinity; in the villages of Tarrytown and Patterson, and along the east branch of the Croton river.

The Board of Public Improvements have by resolution approved the further issue of said bonds to the amount of \$500,000, and I now respectfully ask your Board to authorize and direct the Comptroller to make such further issue.

Very respectfully,
WM. DALTON, Commissioner of Water Supply.

The Mayor moved that it be referred to the Comptroller.

Which was adopted by the following vote:
Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, Corporation Council, President of the Council and President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments—5.

DEPARTMENT OF WATER SUPPLY—COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE,
No. 150 NASSAU STREET,
NEW YORK, March 12, 1898.

Hon. ROBERT A. VAN WYCK, Mayor, Chairman, Board of Estimate and Apportionment:

DEAR SIR—Chapter 110 of the Laws of 1894 provides for the issue of Fire-hydrant Stock of The City of New York to the amount of \$50,000 in each of the years 1894 to 1896 inclusive, to be expended in placing fire-hydrants and laying the necessary mains in connection therewith, where called for by the Fire Department.

Of the bonds issued and amount appropriated for the year 1897, there remains an unexpended balance of \$4,024.56, which I respectfully ask your Board to transfer to the same account for the year 1898.

I further ask your Board to appropriate and authorize the issue of bonds to the amount of \$50,000 for said purpose for the year 1898, which is the last year in which the work can be prosecuted under said act.

The necessities of the Fire Department for additional fire-hydrants amount to several times the limit of the appropriation fixed by the act.

This issue of bonds has been approved by resolution of the Board of Public Improvements.

Very respectfully,
WM. DALTON, Commissioner of Water Supply.

The Mayor moved that it be referred to the Comptroller.

Which was adopted by the following vote:
Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, Corporation Council, President of the Council and President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments—5.

PUBLIC LIBRARY, LONG ISLAND CITY, N. Y.
March 11, 1898.

Mrs. BIRD S. COLLE, Stewart Building, New York:

DEAR SIR—I take the liberty of addressing you on behalf of the Trustees of the Long Island City Public Library, of which I am President.

In common with all other city employees, the young ladies in the library have received no pay since last August or September, and I am informed they will be obliged to bring suit against The City of New York in order to obtain the money due them for salaries. Can you tell me whether or not this is true? Another matter which has been occupying the attention of the Trustees very seriously is the fact that as yet no appropriation has been made by the City for the maintenance of this institution. With the exception of a few hundred dollars of State money which must be expended for books, the library has been entirely dependent upon the City appropriation for its support, and unless a suitable appropriation be made very soon, we shall be obliged to close its doors to the public, which would be a very unfortunate proceeding, for it is doing much excellent and useful work throughout the entire of the city.

Last year \$4,000 was appropriated, but on account of the increase in the cost of its maintenance due to our increasing the Steinerway library as a gift upon the death of Mr. William Steinerway, together with an increase in the circulation of books, we asked for \$8,000 for the coming year, but as yet we have not heard whether or not we are to receive this sum.

We are very anxious to print a catalogue of the books, but do not feel justified in increasing the expense of the library until we learn what amount of money will be at our disposal during the present year.

If you can give me any information upon these points, I shall feel greatly indebted to you.

Trusting that you will pardon my intrusion upon your very valuable time, I am

Very respectfully,
WALTER C. GREY,
No. 116 Third Street, Long Island City.

The Mayor moved that it be referred to the Comptroller.

Which was adopted by the following vote:
Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, Corporation Council, President of the Council and President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments—5.

NEW YORK, March 11, 1898.

Hon. BIRD S. COLLE, Comptroller, Greater New York:

DEAR SIR—A short time ago I made a request on the Honorable Board of Estimate and Apportionment for an appropriation for the payment of the salary, at \$1,000 per annum, of the Special Game and Fish Protector for Kings County, for the five months ending December 31, 1898, thinking that the sum appropriated last year by the Brooklyn Board of Estimate would carry me over until August 1, 1898.

I find that the action taken by the latter Board, of last year, is not to be recognized. I therefore respectfully make a request on your Honorable Body for an appropriation of \$1,000 to pay the salary of the Special Game and Fish Protector for Kings County for the year 1898, and submit the following facts as to my appointment:

The Game and Fish Laws of the State of New York allow of the appointment of Special Protectors on the recommendation of any Board of Supervisors of any county; and in conformity with this law of 1892, the Kings County Board of Supervisors recommended to the State Board of Fish Commissioners my appointment (see minutes of Board of Supervisors of February 26, 1894), and on March 11, 1894, I received my appointment at the hands of the State Board.

This appointment has never been revoked and I have enjoyed the salary of said position until the present year, and have performed the duties pertaining thereto up to the present time.

I have done good work in protecting the waters of Kings County from net fishing, and feel that I am entitled to the salary until removed.

Yours, very respectfully,
EDWARD L. LABDON, Special Game and Fish Protector for Kings County.

The Mayor moved that it be referred to the Comptroller.

Which was adopted by the following vote:
Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, Corporation Council, President of the Council and President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments—5.

A copy of an act, dated April 7, 1897, entitled "An Act for the erection of a monument and statue of the late General Edward B. Fowler, in the City of Brooklyn, New York, and providing for payments thereof," was received.

The Mayor moved that it be referred to the Comptroller.

Which was adopted by the following vote:
Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, Corporation Council, President of the Council and President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments—5.

Sylvanus Lyon, representing the Moderation Society, appeared before the Board and requested an appropriation from the Theatrical License Fund.

The following communication was received:

CITY OF NEW YORK—DEPARTMENT OF PARKS,
THE ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK,
March 7, 1898.

To the Board of Estimate and Apportionment:

GENTLEMEN—At a meeting of the Park Board held March 3, 1898, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the Board of Estimate and Apportionment be respectfully requested to authorize an issue of bonds to the amount of thirty-two thousand five hundred dollars, as provided by chapter 643 of the Laws of 1897, for the purpose of paving with asphalt the Plaza at Fifty-ninth street and Fifth avenue, where not already paved with that material, and also a bicycle path crossing the Plaza at Fifth avenue and One Hundred and Tenth street; also for paving and repaving the walks in the Central and other parks in the Borough of Manhattan.

Herewith I beg to forward plans showing asphalt work on the Fifth avenue plazas as contemplated in the foregoing resolution.

Respectfully,
WILLIS HOLLY, Secretary.

Which, on motion, was referred to the Comptroller.

The Corporation Council moved that this Board do now adjourn.

Which was adopted by the following vote:
Affirmative—The Mayor, Comptroller, Corporation Council, President of the Council and President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments—5.

THOS. L. FEITNER, Secretary.

BOARDS OF LOCAL IMPROVEMENTS.

TWENTY-FIRST AND TWENTY-SECOND DISTRICTS, BOROUGH OF THE BRONX.

Minutes of the Twelfth Meeting of the Local Board of the Twenty-first and Twenty-second Districts of the Borough of The Bronx.

Pursuant to call by President Haffen, the members of the Local Board, Twenty-first District, met at 7 o. c., April 14, 1898, at the office of the President of the Borough of The Bronx, Municipal Building, Crotona Park.

Present—President Haffen, Councilman Hottelroth, Councilman Murray, Alderman McGrath and Alderman Geiger.

Minutes of meeting held April 7 read and adopted.

HEARINGS.

That One Hundred and Thirty-fifth Street, Having with Gravelly Blocks, between Exterior Street and Third Avenue.

Petition of Buena Vista Realty Company, dated March 25, 1898, was read and, on motion of Alderman McGrath, it was

Resolved, That this Board recommend to the Board of Public Improvements and the Municipal Assembly that the work be done.

Adopted.

Third Avenue, Regulating and Grading, from Pelham Avenue, north for a distance of about 225 feet.

Petition of Thomas Kearns and others was read and, on motion of Alderman Geiger, was read by Councilman Hottelroth, it was

Resolved, That this Board recommend to the Board of Public Improvements and the Municipal Assembly that the work be done.

Adopted.

Two Hundred and Sixty-first Street, Regulating and Grading, between Broadway and Riverdale Avenue.

Petition of Charles Payne and others, dated March 25, 1898, was read and, on motion of Alderman McGrath, seconded by Councilman Murray, it was

Resolved, That this Board recommend to the Board of Public Improvements and the Municipal Assembly that the work be done.

Adopted.

Manhasset Road, Change of Grade, between its junction with Fordham Road and Webster Avenue.

Petition of Patrick J. Keary and others dated March 23, 1898, was read. Mr. Charles Keary and General William H. Morris appeared in favor of the grade as suggested by President Haffen, and in accordance with the tracing submitted showing proposed changes of grades on Kingsbridge road, Marion avenue and Fordham road, dated April 7, 1898, and initialed J. A. B.

On motion of Councilman Hottelroth, seconded by Alderman Geiger, it was

Resolved, That the proposed change of grade as shown upon the tracing submitted be recommended to the Board of Public Improvements, the Municipal Assembly and the Department of Highways.

Adopted.

Prospect Avenue, Paving with Volcanic Masses between Southern Boulevard and Watchman Avenue.

Petition of Thos. E. Mary and others was read, and no one appearing for or against, the matter was laid over until April 21 next.

Adopted.

American Avenue, Legal Opening, from Jerome to Myrtle Avenue.

Petition of Albert L. Lowenstein and others, which was laid over from meeting of April 7, was called up.

Mr. Henry A. Gumbleton appeared for the petitioners and asked for further time so that he might be able to present the matter with more satisfaction to himself and his clients. Mr. Du Bois and Mr. J. Schuyler Anderson, interested property owners, said they thought that the matter ought to be disposed of at once. After some discussion of the merits of the petition, it was laid over until the 28th instant.

Complaint of West Morrisania Property Owners' Association as to Condition of Morris Avenue.

Referred to Deputy Commissioner of Highways, Borough of The Bronx, with recommendation that the contractor be urged to hasten the regulating and grading of this thoroughfare between One Hundred and Sixty-second and One Hundred and Sixty-fourth streets.

Adjournment.

JOSEPH P. HENNESSY, Secretary.

LOCAL BOARD, TWENTY-SECOND DISTRICT.

APRIL 14, 1898.

Present—President Haffen, Councilman Hyland, and Alderman Gass. Minutes of previous meeting read and adopted.

Railroad Extension, Eastchester.

A delegation from the Board of Trade, Eastchester, appeared, with Mr. William Allen as spokesman. The latter stated that the locality in which he lived in Eastchester, Twenty-fourth Ward, was very much in need of the extension of the trolley service to that point, as the people affected had to depend upon horse car service. It was irregular, infrequent, and, practically speaking, was no service at all. Mr. Allen was requested to make a formal application in writing for such relief as was deemed necessary and Messrs. Hyland and Gass were appointed a committee of investigation.

Filling in of Avenue A, Between Sixth and Seventh Streets, Eastchester.

Complaint was made by Alderman Gass as to the condition of this thoroughfare, and the matter was referred to the Deputy Commissioner of Highways with the recommendation that immediate action be taken toward having it placed in a passable condition.

Adjournment.

JOSEPH P. HENNESSY, Secretary.

JOINT SESSION OF LOCAL BOARDS OF THE TWENTY-FIRST AND TWENTY-SECOND DISTRICTS.

APRIL 14, 1898.

Office Room for Finance Department.

The following communication was received from the Comptroller:

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE,
April 13, 1898.

To the Board of Local Improvements of the Borough of The Bronx:

GENTLEMEN—I have the honor to transmit herewith a statement of the ground space necessary for the use of the branches in the Borough of The Bronx of the Bureau for the Collection of Assessments, the Auditing Bureau and the Bureau for the Collection of Taxes.

I cannot too strongly urge upon your Honorable Body the requirements of these branches of this Department for the proper transaction of the public business and the accommodation of the taxpayers and citizens of the Borough of The Bronx.

Special care has been taken by this Department to limit each bureau to the space necessary, and I feel that you likewise will fully appreciate the importance of providing therefor, as requested in the resolution as originally submitted.

Respectfully, (Signed) BIRD S. COLER, Comptroller.

Accompanying the above was a diagram of the room space of the second floor of the new wing of the Municipal Building and the following letter:

BUREAU FOR THE COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS AND ARREARS, ROOMS 31 TO 35, No. 280 BROADWAY, BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN, April 13, 1898.

Hon. BIRD S. COLER, Comptroller:

SIR—I have the honor respectfully to state that I have given due consideration to the question of the amount of space that will be necessary for the use of the branch office of this "bureau" about to be established in the Borough of The Bronx, and beg to report that it will require at least thirty-seven hundred and fifty (3,750) square feet of floor surface for this purpose.

I herewith transmit a rough sketch of the second floor in the new wing of the borough hall, situate in Crotona Park, and have marked thereon with an "X" the rooms that, for the present, would suffice to transact the business of this bureau in that borough.

Very respectfully, (Signed) EDWARD GILON, Collector of Assessments and Arrears.

Colonel David E. Austin, Receiver of Taxes, presented a diagram of the first floor, which the Comptroller also desired, he said, for the use of the Finance Department. The Comptroller's representative pointed out the desirability of affording adequate room for his branch of the Finance Department. He said that the total space (lineal feet) now occupied by his office in the Borough of Manhattan was 439.9, and that the floor space in the new building in Crotona Park would give only 150 feet, or 34 per cent. of the space occupied by the Receiver of Taxes in Manhattan Borough.

President Haffen inquired what the area in square feet is of the space occupied by the Receiver of Taxes now. Colonel Austin said he had not ascertained this measurement. He added that the assessment rolls for 1898 for Manhattan were 41 and of The Bronx 22. Bronx Borough, he said, had 53 per cent. of the books which Manhattan has, and only 34 per cent. of the desk room, while the apportionment of property in The Bronx is increasing 3 to 1 over Manhattan.

Mr. Edward J. Connell, Auditor of the Borough of The Bronx, and Chief Contract Clerk William J. Ellis also spoke as to the necessity of the Finance Department having adequate office room for the transaction of its business. The convenience of having a fully equipped branch of the office, he thought, was apparent.

President Haffen remarked that he thought the Comptroller should be accommodated. He thought, he said, that in accommodating the Finance Department, the people of the Borough were being accommodated also.

Councilman Hyland said it seemed to him to be a question as to which department should go outside. Councilman Hottenroth desired to know if the Finance Department had not an appropriation available for renting outside space, and Mr. Ellis said that he was uncertain as to that, but that if an appropriation were absolutely necessary it could no doubt be had.

After further discussion, Alderman Geiger moved and Councilman Hyland seconded, that the consideration of the whole matter be laid over for a week.

In the affirmative—Councilman Murray, Alderman McGrath, Alderman Geiger, Alderman Gass, Councilman Hyland.

Negative—Councilman Hottenroth.

On motion of Alderman McGrath, it was resolved that the members of the two boxes form a committee to make an investigation so as to be prepared for final action at the next meeting, April 21.

APRIL 15, 1898.

At a special meeting on this date of the Local Boards of the Twenty-first and Twenty-second Districts, called by President Haffen, and at which meeting were present, President Haffen, Alderman Geiger, Alderman McGrath and Alderman Gass, the following preamble and resolution were submitted by Alderman McGrath, and having been read were seconded by Alderman Gass:

Whereas, The Comptroller has made application to the Local Boards of the Twenty-first and Twenty-second Districts, Borough of The Bronx, for their endorsement of his application for the assignment to the Finance Department of the first and second floors of the new wing of the Municipal Building in Crotona Park, and

Whereas, The Comptroller has submitted statements going to show that it will be necessary for the Finance Department to have office space equal to the area embraced within the first and second floors of the Municipal Building Annex; and

Whereas, We, the members of the Local Boards of the Twenty-first and Twenty-second Districts find upon investigation that the Finance Department will need for the transaction of its business all the space requested to the building mentioned by the Comptroller; and

Whereas, The relations of the Finance Department to the people generally and the other City Departments are of such an important nature that we deem it most essential that the Comptroller have every facility for carrying on the business of his office in the Borough of The Bronx, as elsewhere; and

Whereas, We regard the establishment of a fully equipped branch of the Finance Department in the Borough of The Bronx as a matter of great convenience to the people; we hereby rescind the recommendation made on April 7th to the Municipal Assembly for one floor for the use of the Comptroller, and in its stead we hereby recommend to the Municipal Assembly the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That all of the first and second floors of the Crotona Park Municipal Building Annex, in the Borough of The Bronx, be assigned to the Department of Finance, for the use of the Auditing Bureau, the Bureau for the Collection of Assessments and Arrears and the Bureau for the Collection of Taxes of said Department, for office purposes.

The roll was called with the following result: Affirmative—Alderman McGrath, Alderman Gass and Alderman Geiger.

Negative—None.

President Haffen requested to be noted in the minutes as favoring the Comptroller's application.

Adjournment.

JOSEPH P. HENNESSY, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS.

THE CITY OF NEW YORK—DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, OFFICE OF COMMISSIONER FOR THE BOROUGH OF THE BRONX, ZEBIWERI MANSION, CLAREMONT PARK, April 16, 1898.

Supervisor of the City Record:

DEAR SIR—Pursuant to section 1546, chapter 378, Laws of 1897, I hereby notify you, for publication in the CITY RECORD, that the following persons have been transferred from the Department of Highways, Borough of The Bronx, to the Department of Parks, Borough of The Bronx:

- John Egan, No. 465 Robblins avenue.
Frank Denny, No. 2673 Third avenue.
Thomas H. Keelon, No. 630 East One Hundred and Forty-third street.
Daniel M. Ryan, One Hundred and Forty-first street and St. Ann's avenue.
Hugh J. Ward, No. 524 East One Hundred and Thirty-fifth street.
Charles Gank, No. 750 East One Hundred and Forty-ninth street.
Edward White, No. 147 Brook avenue.
Michael Moran, No. 497 East One Hundred and Thirty-fifth street.
Geo. Scherburn, No. 555 East One Hundred and Thirty-sixth street.
Patrick Harrett, No. 1010 East One Hundred and Thirty-fourth street.
Jacob Grouse, No. 596 Morris avenue.
P. Jordan, No. 554 East One Hundred and Thirty-sixth street.
John Rudy, No. 608 East One Hundred and Forty-sixth street.
John H. Provost, No. 671 East One Hundred and Forty-seventh street.
Charles H. Dunlon, No. 707 East One Hundred and Thirty-fourth street.
Denis Maher, No. 564 East One Hundred and Thirty-fifth street.
William Clark, No. 700 East One Hundred and Forty-seventh street.
Frank G. Gantz, No. 590 East One Hundred and Thirty-seventh street.
James Jordan, No. 554 East One Hundred and Thirty-sixth street.
The following persons have been appointed Teamsters with teams:
Daniel O'Sullivan, No. 1211 Tremont avenue.
Thomas Hughes, One Hundred and Thirty-seventh street and Southern Boulevard.
Hugh Lennon, One Hundred and Thirty-seventh street and Trinity avenue.
Francis Leslie, No. 782 East One Hundred and Forty-sixth street.
Frank Baker, No. 1010 Stebbins avenue.

Respectfully, MAX K. KAHN, Private Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF SEWERS.

DEPARTMENT OF SEWERS—COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, April 13, 1898.

Supervisor City Record:

DEAR SIR—In accordance with section 1546, Chapter 378, Laws of 1897, I herewith transmit, for publication in the CITY RECORD, a statement of the transactions of the Department of Sewers for the week ending April 9, 1898.

JAS. KANE, Commissioner of Sewers.

Table with columns: Quantity, Amount, Assessments, Funds. Includes sections for Money Received and Laboring Force Employed during the Week.

Laboring Force Employed during the Week.

Table with columns: Inspector of Sewer Connections, Estimates, Assistant Foremen, Mechanics, Laborers, Horses and Cattle.

Appointments.

BOROUGH OF THE BRONX.

George S. Butler, No. 165 East One Hundred and Thirty-fifth street, Superintendent of Construction.
John H. Moore, No. 701 East One Hundred and Thirty-fifth street, General Inspector of Sewers.

BOROUGH OF QUEENS.

2 Assistant Foremen.

BOROUGH OF RICHMOND.

John Witt, New Brighton, S. I., Private Secretary.

Dist.

BOROUGH OF BROOKLYN.

James Wakefield, Inspector of Sewer Connections.

DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS.

DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS, No. 220 Fourth Avenue, Borough of Manhattan, New York City, April 11, 1898.

OPERATIONS FOR THE WEEK ENDING APRIL 9, 1898.

BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN AND THE BRONX.

Table with columns: Plans filed for new buildings, main office (estimated cost, \$1,502,500), Plans filed for new buildings, branch office (estimated cost, \$254,750), Plans filed for alterations, main office (estimated cost, \$61,000), etc.

BOROUGH OF BROOKLYN.

Table with columns: Permits issued for new buildings (estimated cost, \$240,210), Brick (estimated cost, \$67,300), Frame (estimated cost, \$162,910), Steel (estimated cost, \$10,000), etc.

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T. J. BRADY, President of the Board of Buildings.

A. J. JARVIS, Secretary to the Board of Buildings.

DEPARTMENT OF STREET CLEANING.

DEPARTMENT OF STREET CLEANING,
OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER,
BOROUGH OF BROOKLYN,
April 16, 1898.

Supervisor, City Board:
DEAR SIR—I beg to advise you that Owen Durison has been appointed a Hoster, temporarily, in the Department Stable, Borough of Brooklyn. The salary to be at the rate of \$720 per year.

Very respectfully,
PATRICK H. QUINN,
Deputy Commissioner, Department of Street Cleaning.

DEPARTMENT OF BRIDGES.

DEPARTMENT OF BRIDGES,
CITY OF NEW YORK,
COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE,
STEWART BUILDING,
MANHATTAN, NEW YORK CITY, N. Y.,
April 18, 1898.

Supervisor of the City Board:
SIR—You are respectfully notified that John Lynch has been transferred from the Department of Highways to the Department of Bridges, Borough of the Bronx, in connection with the Board of Assessors and Collectors.

Respectfully,
JOHN L. STELA,
Commissioner of Bridges.

LAW DEPARTMENT.

LAW DEPARTMENT,
OFFICE OF THE CORPORATION COUNSEL,
NEW YORK, April 18, 1898.

Supervisor of the City Board:
DEAR SIR—I hereby notify you that I have appointed the following named an Assistant in this Department, at a yearly salary of \$1,500, to take effect on the 1st day of April, 1898, and I have assigned them to the Bureau of Street Cleaning.

John E. A. Mulhally, No. 148 West One Hundred and Thirtieth Street,
Francis Kelly, No. 348 Manhattan Avenue.

Very respectfully,
JOHN WHELAN,
Corporation Counsel.

LAW DEPARTMENT,
OFFICE OF THE CORPORATION COUNSEL,
NEW YORK, April 18, 1898.

Supervisor of the City Board:
SIR—Please advise the increased rates of appointment of Mr. Arthur Swamy, to be Assistant in the Corporation Counsel, published in the CITY RECORD.

Respectfully yours,
JOHN WHELAN,
Corporation Counsel.

LAW DEPARTMENT,
OFFICE OF THE CORPORATION COUNSEL,
NEW YORK, April 18, 1898.

The Corporation Counsel has appointed Mr. Arthur Swamy, No. 41 East Sixty-eighth Street, to be Assistant in the Corporation Counsel of the City of New York, at the yearly salary of three thousand dollars, which appointment took effect April 14, 1898.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

Pursuant to statutory requirement, notice is hereby given that an act has been passed by both branches of the Legislature, entitled AN ACT to amend chapter five hundred and fifty-three of the Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, entitled "An act in relation to the supreme court in the first judicial district and the appellate division thereof in the first department," as amended by chapter nine hundred and fifty-nine of the Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five, chapter three hundred and sixty-two of the Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-six and chapter six hundred and fifty-six of the Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-seven.

Further notice is hereby given that a public hearing upon such bill will be held in the office of the Mayor, in the City Hall, in The City of New York, on Thursday, April 22, 1898, at 10:30 A. M.

Dated CITY HALL, NEW YORK, April 18, 1898.

ROBERT A. VAN WYCK,
Mayor.

Pursuant to statutory requirement, notice is hereby given that an act has been passed by both branches of the Legislature, entitled AN ACT in relation to the keeper of the hall of records in the county of Kings.

Further notice is hereby given that a public hearing upon such bill will be held in the office of the Mayor, in the City Hall, in The City of New York, on Wednesday, April 20, 1898, at 10:30 A. M.

Dated CITY HALL, NEW YORK, April 15, 1898.

ROBERT A. VAN WYCK,
Mayor.

Pursuant to statutory requirement, notice is hereby given that an act has been passed by both branches of the Legislature, entitled AN ACT further to provide for the office of inspector of construction, alteration and repairs of public buildings in the county of Kings and to define certain powers and duties.

Further notice is hereby given that a public hearing upon such bill will be held in the office of the Mayor, in the City Hall, in The City of New York, on Wednesday, April 20, 1898, at 10:30 A. M.

Dated CITY HALL, NEW YORK, April 15, 1898.

ROBERT A. VAN WYCK,
Mayor.

OFFICIAL DIRECTORY.

STATEMENT OF THE HOURS DURING WHICH THE PUBLIC OFFICES IN THE CITY ARE OPEN FOR BUSINESS, AND AT WHICH THE COURTS REGULARLY OPEN AND ADJOURN, AT EACH OF THE PLACES WHERE SUCH OFFICES ARE KEPT, AND WHERE COURTS ARE HELD, TOGETHER WITH THE HEADS OF DEPARTMENTS AND OFFICES:

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.
Mayor's Office.
No. 6 City Hall, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.; Saturdays, 9 A. M. to 12 M.
ROBERT A. VAN WYCK, Mayor.
WILLIAM M. HAYES, Private Secretary.
Bureau of Elections.
No. 4 City Hall, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
David J. Brown, Clerk.
Samuel W. Hayes, Jr., Deputy.

ADJUDICATE COMMISSIONERS.
Room 207, Stewart Building, 4th floor, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
EDWARD J. FERRISS, MARSHALL J. BROWN, WILLIAM H. LEE, JOHN J. GARDNER, H. M. SEELY, and TROY MAYOR, all Commissioners, Commissioners; HARRY W. WALKER, Secretary, A. Frazer, Chief Engineer.

COMMISSIONERS OF ACCOUNTS.
Room 211 and 212, Stewart Building, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
JOHN L. MERRILL and LEONARD COHEN.

BOARD OF ARMY AND NAVY COMMISSIONERS.
The Mayor's Commission, Department of Department of Taxes and Assessments, Secretary.
Address: THOMAS L. FORTSON, Stewart Building, Office Hours, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.; Saturdays, 9 A. M. to 12 M.

MUNICIPAL ASSEMBLY.
The Council.
THOMAS J. BRADY, President of the Council.
J. J. STELA, City Clerk.
Office hours open from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.; Saturdays, 9 A. M. to 12 M.

BOARD OF ASSESSORS.
THOMAS L. FORTSON, President.
MERRILL J. BROWN, Clerk.

BOROUGH PRESIDENTS.
Borough of Manhattan.
Office of the President of the Borough of Manhattan, No. 101 and 102 City Hall, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.; Saturdays, 9 A. M. to 12 M.
ARTHUR W. PERRY, President.
JESSE EDGAR BROWN, Secretary.

Borough of the Bronx.
Office of the President of the Borough of the Bronx, corner Third Avenue and One Hundred and Seventy-ninth Street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.; Saturdays, 9 A. M. to 12 M.
LEONARD COHEN, President.

Borough of Brooklyn.
President's Office, No. 4 Borough Hall, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.; Saturdays, 9 A. M. to 12 M.
EDWARD J. FERRISS, President.

Borough of Queens.
Executive Bureau, President.
Office, Long Island City, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.; Saturdays, 9 A. M. to 12 M.

Borough of Richmond.
Office of the President of the Borough of the Bronx, corner Third Avenue and One Hundred and Seventy-ninth Street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.; Saturdays, 9 A. M. to 12 M.
LEONARD COHEN, President.

BOARD OF PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS.
No. 247 Broadway, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.; Saturdays, 9 A. M. to 12 M.
MERRILL J. BROWN, President.
JOHN H. MOONEY, Secretary.

Department of Highways.
No. 120 Nassau Street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
JAMES P. KEATING, Commissioner of Highways.
WILLIAM N. BRADY, Deputy for Manhattan.
THOMAS R. FARRER, Deputy for Brooklyn.
JAMES H. MALONEY, Deputy for Queens.
JOHN P. MURPHY, Deputy for Queens.
HENRY P. MURPHY, Deputy and Chief Engineer for Richmond, Office, "Richmond Building," corner Richmond Terrace and York Avenue, New Brighton, S. I.

Department of Street Cleaning.
No. 247 Broadway, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
JAMES M. CANNON, Commissioner of Street Cleaning.
PATRICK H. QUINN, Deputy Commissioner for Brooklyn.
Room 27 Municipal Building.

Department of Buildings, Lighting and Supplies.
No. 34 Broadway, Room 142, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
HENRY S. KEANEV, Commissioner of Public Buildings, Lighting and Supplies.
JOHN J. KEANEV, Deputy Commissioner for Manhattan.
WILLIAM WALTON, Deputy Commissioner for Brooklyn.
HENRY SCHEIDT, Deputy Commissioner for Queens.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE.
Comptroller's Office.
Stewart Building, Chambers Street and Broadway, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
BANK S. COLLIER, Comptroller.
MICHAEL T. DALY, Deputy Comptroller.
EDWARD J. LEVY, Assistant Deputy Comptroller.
EDWARD GILPIN, Collector of Assessments and Arrears.
DAVID O'NEILL, Collector of City Revenue and Superintendent of Markets, Borough of Manhattan.
DAVID E. ANDERSON, Receiver of Taxes, Borough of Manhattan.
JAMES E. BULLOCK, Deputy Receiver of Taxes, Borough of Brooklyn.
JOHN F. GORRISON, First Auditor of Accounts, Borough of Manhattan.
WILLIAM MCKISSON, First Auditor of Accounts, Borough of Brooklyn.
MERRILL O'KEEFE, Deputy Director of Assessments and Arrears, Borough of Brooklyn.
WALTER H. HOVEY, Auditor, Borough of Richmond.
JOHN J. FORTSON, Deputy Receiver of Taxes, Borough of Richmond.
GEORGE BEASLEY, Deputy Collector of Assessments and Arrears, Borough of Richmond.
EDWARD J. CONNELL, Auditor, Borough of the Bronx.
EDWARD W. BLACKWELL, Deputy Receiver of Taxes, Borough of Queens.
FRANCIS B. CLARK, Auditor, Borough of Queens.

Mayor of the City Chamberlain.
Nos. 42 and 44 Stewart Building, Chambers Street and Broadway, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
PATRICK KEENEV, City Chamberlain.

Office of the City Paymaster.
No. 32 Rector Street, Stewart Building, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
JOHN H. TIMMONS, City Paymaster.

PUBLIC ADMINISTRATOR.
No. 119 Nassau Street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
WILLIAM M. HORN, Public Administrator.

LAW DEPARTMENT.
Office of Corporation Counsel.
Space-Setting Building, 3d and 4th Streets, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.; Saturdays, 9 A. M. to 12 M.
JOHN WHELAN, Corporation Counsel.
Attorneys: GEORGE W. W. JAMES, JR., CHARLES BLAUVELT, Associates.
ALFRED F. JONES, Assistant Corporation Counsel for Brooklyn.

Bureau for the Secretary of Societies.
Nos. 109 and 111 Nassau Street.
ARTHUR T. KIRWAN, Assistant Corporation Counsel.
Bureau of Street Opening.
Nos. 2 and 4 West Broadway.
JOHN P. DUNN, Assistant to Corporation Counsel.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES.
Central Office.
No. 32 Third Avenue, corner Eleventh Street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
JOHN W. KELTAN, President of the Board; Commissioner for the Manhattan and Bronx.
THOMAS S. DEAN, Deputy Commissioner.
ARTHUR STONE, Jr., Commissioner for the Boroughs of Queens and Richmond.
JAMES F. QUINN, Deputy Commissioner.
Plans and specifications, Contracts, Proposals and Estimates for Work and Materials for Building, Repairs and Supplies, Bills and Accounts, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.; Saturdays, 12 M.

Department of Police.
Central Office.
No. 200 Mulberry Street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
BERNARD J. YOUNG, President of the Board; THOMAS L. HARRINGTON, Secretary; JOHN B. SEKEL, WILLIAM H. PERRY, Commissioners.

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION.
Central Office.
No. 121 East Twentieth Street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
FRANCIS J. DUNN, Commissioner.
N. O. FARRER, Deputy Commissioner.
JAMES J. KIRWAN, Deputy Commissioner for Boroughs of Brooklyn and Queens.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.
Office hours for all, except where otherwise noted, from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.; Saturdays, 12 M.
Headquarters.
Nos. 219 and 221 East Sixty-seventh Street.
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JAMES H. TULLY, Deputy Commissioner, Boroughs of Brooklyn and Queens.
ARTHUR T. DUNN, Secretary.
Home Bureau, Chief of Department, and in Charge of Fire Alarm Telegraph.
JAMES DALE, Deputy Chief, in Charge of Boroughs of Brooklyn and Queens.
GEORGE E. MURPHY, Inspector of Combustibles.
FRANK STREY, Fire Marshal, Boroughs of Manhattan, the Bronx and Richmond.
JOHN M. GOAT, Fire Marshal, Boroughs of Brooklyn and Queens.
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Board of Education.
No. 146 Grand Street, Borough of Manhattan.
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School Board for the Boroughs of Manhattan and the Bronx.
No. 40 Grand Street, Borough of Manhattan.
CHARLES BRUCE HERRICK, President; ARTHUR McMELEN, Secretary.
School Board for the Borough of Brooklyn.
No. 121 Livingston Street, Brooklyn.
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School Board for the Borough of Queens.
Flushing, L. I.
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School Board for the Borough of Richmond.
Seaford, Staten Island.
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THOMAS J. BRADY, President of the Board of Buildings and Commissioner for the Boroughs of Manhattan and the Bronx.
DAVID RYAN, Commissioner for the Borough of Brooklyn.
DAVID CAMPBELL, Commissioner for the Boroughs of Queens and Richmond.
A. J. JARVIS, Secretary.
Office of the Department for the Boroughs of Manhattan and the Bronx, No. 120 Fourth Avenue, Borough of Manhattan.
Office of the Department for the Borough of Brooklyn, Borough Hall, Borough of Brooklyn.
Office of the Department for the Boroughs of Queens and Richmond, No. 25 Broadway, West New Brighton, Staten Island, Borough of Richmond; Branch office, Room 1, second floor, Town Hall, Jamaica, Long Island, Borough of Queens.

DEPARTMENT OF TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS.
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THOMAS L. FORTSON, THOMAS A. WILSON, JOHN DELMAR, EDWARD McLEOD and PATRICK M. HAYES, Board of Assessors.

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The quality of the material supplied must conform to the specifications and samples, and bidders are cautioned to examine both specifications and samples of the articles required before making their estimates.

Bidders will state the price for each article, by which the bids will be sealed.

The Board of Public Charities reserves the right to reject all bids or to accept the lowest or to accept the bids of any bidder, as provided in section 24, chapter 415, Laws of 1882.

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

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

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

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. on the bid for each article.

Each bid or estimate shall contain and state the name and place of residence of each of the persons making the same, the names of all persons interested with him or them therein, and if no other person be so interested it shall distinctly state that fact; also that it is made without any connection with any other person making an estimate for the same purpose, and is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud, and that no member of the Municipal Assembly, head of a department, chief of a bureau, deputy thereof or clerk therein, or other officer of the Corporation is directly or indirectly interested therein, or in the supplies or work to which it relates, or in any portion of the profits thereof. The bid or estimate must be verified by the oath, in writing, of each of the persons 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 by 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 a surety in good faith and with the intention to execute the bond required by section 22 of chapter 7 of the Revised Ordinances of the City of New York, if the contract shall be awarded to the person or persons for whom he consents to become surety. The adequacy and sufficiency of the security offered is 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 deposited in the sealed envelope containing the estimate, but must be handed to the officer or clerk of the Department who has charge of the estimates, and no estimate can be deposited in said box until such check or money has been examined by said officer or clerk and found to be correct. All such deposits, except that of the successful bidder, will be returned to the persons making the same within three days after the contract is awarded. If the successful bidder shall refuse or neglect, within five days after notice that the contract has been awarded to him, to execute the same, the amount of the deposit made by him shall be forfeited to and retained by the City of New York as liquidated damages for such neglect or refusal; but if he shall execute the contract within the time aforesaid, the amount of his deposit will be returned to him.

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

Payment will be made by a requisition on the Comptroller, in accordance with the terms of the contract, or from time to time, as the Commissioners may determine.

The form of the contract, including specifications, and showing the manner of payment, can be obtained at the office of the General Bookkeeper and Auditor, No. 10 Third Avenue, and bidders are cautioned to examine each and all of its provisions carefully, as the Board of Public Charities will insist upon its absolute enforcement in every particular.

JOHN W. KELLER, President, ADOLPH SIMS, Jr., Commissioner, JAMES FEENEY, Commissioner, Department of Public Charities.

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS. City of New York—Department of Parks, Boroughs of Manhattan and Richmond, Avenue, Central Park, April 14, 1898.

AUCTION SALE. THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS (BOROUGHS of Manhattan and Richmond) will sell at public auction, by James McManly, Auctioneer, at the Nursery, in Central Park (entrance from Sixty-sixth Street Transverse Road), on TUESDAY, APRIL 25, 1898, at 10:30 A. M., sundries, tools and material comprising—

Hay cutter, deersaw, light wagon, harness, horse, rope, white glass sills, circular stram radiators, tools, etc., and one lot of scrap-iron.

TERMS OF SALE. The purchase money must be paid in bankable funds at the time of sale, and the purchases must be removed from the Park as soon as possible thereafter.

By order of the Commissioner of Parks for the Boroughs of Manhattan and Richmond, WILLIS HOLLY, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF STREET CLEANING. PERSONS HAVING BULKHEADS TO FILL, IN the vicinity of New York Bay, can procure material for that purpose—ashes, street sweepings, etc., such as is collected by the Department of Street Cleaning—free of charge, by applying to the Commissioner of Street Cleaning, 346 Broadway, Borough of Manhattan.

JAMES MCCARTNEY, Commissioner of Street Cleaning.

BOROUGH OF BROOKLYN.

I HAVE RECEIVED THE FOLLOWING petitions, which are now on file in my office for inspection, and will submit them to the Local Board of the Seventh District on Friday, April 29, 1898, at 2:30 P. M., at the office of the President of the Borough, Room 4, Borough Hall:

- Greene street, paving, from Oakland street to Whale creek.
Driggs avenue, paving from Grand street to North Thirteenth street, with granite blocks.
North Eighth street, paving, from Wythe avenue to Union avenue, with granite blocks.
Humboldt street, grading and paving between Macker avenue and Enclart avenue.
Provincetown street, opening street and constructing sewers from Greenpoint avenue to Prolog avenue.
Prolog street, acquiring title to street for sewerage purposes, between Greenpoint avenue and Prolog avenue.
Fushwick place, repairing crosswalk at corner of Macker street and Fushwick place.
Sutton street, flagging sidewalk, where not already done, between Nassau avenue and Driggs avenue.
Manhattan avenue, flagging sidewalk in front of No. 122 Manhattan avenue.
Huron street, flagging sidewalk extending 120 feet on Huron street, from southwest corner of Franklin street to Huron street.
Sutton street, electric light between Driggs avenue and Nassau avenue.
Devoe street, electric light at northeast corner of Devoe street and Larimer street.
Bushwick avenue, electric light in front of main entrance to St. Catherine's Hospital.
Ten Eyck street, electric light at the ambulance entrance to St. Catherine's Hospital.
Cook street, electric light midway between Bushwick avenue and Broadway.
Munn street, electric light midway between Bushwick avenue and Broadway.
Stegel street, electric light midway between Bushwick avenue and Broadway.

EDWARD M. GROUT, President, Borough of Brooklyn.

BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN.

OFFICE PRESIDENT OF THE BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN, New York, April 16, 1898.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, IN ACCORDANCE with section 404 of the Charter of the City of New York, that petitions signed by residents of the Twentieth District for Local Improvements, to consider an ordinance to provide for paving East One Hundred and First street, from First avenue to the East river, with granite-block pavement, have been filed in this office, and are now ready for public inspection, and that a meeting of the Local Board of the Twentieth District for Local Improvements will be held in the Borough Office, City Hall, on the 26th day of April, 1898, at 12:30 P. M., at which meeting said petitions will be submitted to the Board.

AUGUSTUS W. PETERS, President.

I. E. RIMER, Secretary.

OFFICE PRESIDENT OF THE BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN, New York, April 18, 1898.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, IN ACCORDANCE with section 404 of the Charter of the City of New York, that petitions signed by residents of the Twentieth District for Local Improvements, to consider an ordinance to provide for paving East One Hundred and First street, from First avenue to the East river, with granite-block pavement, have been filed in this office, and are now ready for public inspection, and that a meeting of the Local Board of the Twentieth District for Local Improvements will be held in the Borough Office, City Hall, on the 26th day of April, 1898, at 12:30 P. M., at which meeting said petitions will be submitted to the Board.

AUGUSTUS W. PETERS, President.

I. E. RIMER, Secretary.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

New York, April 14, 1898. SEALED PROPOSALS FOR FURNISHING this Department with the articles below specified will be received by the Fire Commissioner, at the office of the Fire Department, Nos. 137 and 139 East Thirty-seventh street, in the Borough of Manhattan, City of New York, until 12:30 o'clock A. M., WEDNESDAY, APRIL 27, 1898, at which time and place they will be publicly opened by the head of said Department and read.

100,000 pounds No. 1 Hay.
100,000 pounds No. 1 Rye Straw.
40,000 pounds, net weight, No. 2 white clipped Oats, to weigh not less than 34 pounds to the measured bushel.
30,000 pounds, net weight, fresh, clean, sweet Bran.

To be delivered at all of the various houses of the Department, in the Boroughs of Manhattan and The Bronx at such times and in such quantities as may be required. The articles to be inspected and weighed at the several places of delivery by the officer or other employee in charge. The weightings to be upon beam scales furnished by the Department and transported by the contractor.

All of the hay, straw and oats shall be subject to inspection by a Produce Exchange Inspector at any time requested by the Department, not exceeding three times during the delivery under this contract, the expense of which inspections shall be borne by the contractors.

No estimate will be received or considered after the hour named. The form of the agreement, with specifications, showing the manner of payment for the articles, and list showing locations and places of delivery, may be seen and forms of proposals may be obtained at the office of the Department.

Proposals must include all the items, specifying the price per cwt. for Hay, Straw, Oats and Bran. Bidders must write out the amount of their estimate in addition to inscribing the same in figures.

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

The Fire Department reserves the right to decline any and all bids or estimates, as may be deemed to be for the public interest.

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

Each bid or estimate shall contain and state the name and place of residence of each of the persons making the same, the names of all persons interested with him or them therein, and if no other person be so interested it shall distinctly state that fact; that it is made without any connection with any other person making an estimate for the same purpose, and is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud, and that no member of the Municipal Assembly, head of a department, chief of a bureau, deputy thereof or clerk therein, or other

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

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

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

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

JOHN J. SCANNELL, Commissioner.

THOMAS A. KERRIGAN, AUCTIONEER, ON behalf of the Fire Department, will offer for sale at public auction, at the Fire Headquarters, Nos. 137 and 139 East Thirty-seventh street, in the Borough of Manhattan, City of New York, on TUESDAY, APRIL 20, 1898, at 2 o'clock P. M., the following-named property belonging to the Fire Department of the late City of Brooklyn:

- Lot No. 1—103 pieces 2 1/2 inch rubber hose.
Lot No. 2—143 pieces 2 1/2 inch canvas hose.
Lot No. 3—100 pieces 3 1/2 inch rubber hose.
Lot No. 4—25 pieces 3 1/2 inch canvas hose.
Lot No. 5—34 pieces 2 1/2 inch canvas hose.
Lot No. 6—100 pieces 4 1/2 inch canvas hose.
Lot No. 7—About 6,000 pounds old fire iron.
Lot No. 8—100 pieces 1 1/2 inch pump (Chester).
Lot No. 9—100 pieces 1 1/2 inch wire.
Lot No. 10—2 1/2 inch old wire.
Lot No. 11—2 1/2 inch old wire.
Lot No. 12—2 1/2 inch old wire.
Lot No. 13—2 1/2 inch old wire.
Lot No. 14—2 1/2 inch old wire.
Lot No. 15—2 1/2 inch old wire.
Lot No. 16—2 1/2 inch old wire.
Lot No. 17—2 1/2 inch old wire.
Lot No. 18—2 1/2 inch old wire.
Lot No. 19—2 1/2 inch old wire.
Lot No. 20—2 1/2 inch old wire.

The right to reject all bids is reserved. The highest bidder for each lot, in case the bids are accepted, will be required to pay for the same in cash at the time of sale, and must remove the articles within twenty-four hours thereafter.

The articles may be seen at any time before the day of sale, at the place above specified.

JOHN J. SCANNELL, Fire Commissioner.

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- Horses and for use in the Department.
Grey, No. 43.
Chester, No. 236.
Brown, No. 24.
Bay, No. 147.
Black, No. 409.
Grey, No. 4.
Black, No. 420.
Brown, No. 270.
Lot No. 1—About 7,000 pounds old fire iron.
Lot No. 2—About 5,000 pounds old scrap iron.
Lot No. 3—About 2,000 pounds old cast iron.
Lot No. 4—About 100 pieces old brass.
Lot No. 5—200 pieces old wheels of various kinds.
Lot No. 6—48 old oil barrels.
Lot No. 7—40 old bedsteads, in parts.
Lot No. 8—100 two-wheel horse carts.
Lot No. 9—200 rubber sections without couplings.
Each lot will be sold separately.

The right to reject all bids is reserved. The highest bidder for each lot, in case the bids are accepted, will be required to pay for the same in cash at the time of sale, and must remove the articles within twenty-four hours thereafter.

The articles may be seen at any time before the day of sale at the place above specified.

JOHN J. SCANNELL, Fire Commissioner.

HEADQUARTERS FIRE DEPARTMENT, New York, April 18, 1898.

SEALED PROPOSALS FOR FURNISHING THE articles and work required in making alterations to two hundred (200) fire-alarm boxes and furnishing one keyless alarm for fire-alarm boxes, will be received by the Fire Commissioner, at the office of the Fire Department, Nos. 137 and 139 East Thirty-seventh street, in the Borough of Manhattan in the City of New York, until 12:30 o'clock A. M., Wednesday, April 20, 1898, at which time and place they will be publicly opened by the head of said Department and read.

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

For information as to the description of the articles to be furnished, bidders are referred to the specifications which form part of these proposals, and to samples of the boxes to be altered which may be seen at the office of the Fire Alarm Telegraph, at these Headquarters.

The form of agreement, with specifications, showing the manner of payment for the articles, and list showing locations and places of delivery, may be seen and forms of proposals may be obtained at the office of the Department.

Bidders must write out the amount of their estimate in addition to inscribing the same in figures.

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

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

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

Each bid or estimate shall contain and state the name and place of residence of each of the persons making the same, the names of all persons interested with him or them therein, and if no other person be so interested, it shall distinctly state that fact; that it is made without any connection with any other person making an estimate for the same purpose, and is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud, and that no member of the Municipal Assembly, head of a department, chief of a bureau, deputy thereof or clerk therein, or other officer of the Corporation, is directly or indirectly interested therein, or in the supplies or work to which it relates, or in any portion of the profits thereof. The bid or estimate must be verified by the oath, in writing, of each of the persons signing the same, that he is a householder or freeholder in the City of New York, and is worth the amount of the security required for the completion of this contract, over and above all his debts of every nature, and over and above his liabilities as bail, surety or otherwise, and that he has offered himself as a surety in good faith and with the intention to execute the bond required by law. The adequacy and sufficiency of the security offered is to be approved by the Comptroller of the City of New York before the award is made and prior to the signing of the contract.

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

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

JOHN J. SCANNELL, Commissioner.

THOMAS A. KERRIGAN, AUCTIONEER, ON behalf of the Fire Department, will offer for sale at public auction, at the Fire Headquarters, Nos. 137 and 139 East Thirty-seventh street, in the Borough of Manhattan, City of New York, on TUESDAY, APRIL 20, 1898, at 2 o'clock P. M., the following-named property belonging to the Fire Department of the late City of Brooklyn:

- Lot No. 1—103 pieces 2 1/2 inch rubber hose.
Lot No. 2—143 pieces 2 1/2 inch canvas hose.
Lot No. 3—100 pieces 3 1/2 inch rubber hose.
Lot No. 4—25 pieces 3 1/2 inch canvas hose.
Lot No. 5—34 pieces 2 1/2 inch canvas hose.
Lot No. 6—100 pieces 4 1/2 inch canvas hose.
Lot No. 7—About 6,000 pounds old fire iron.
Lot No. 8—100 pieces 1 1/2 inch pump (Chester).
Lot No. 9—100 pieces 1 1/2 inch wire.
Lot No. 10—2 1/2 inch old wire.
Lot No. 11—2 1/2 inch old wire.
Lot No. 12—2 1/2 inch old wire.
Lot No. 13—2 1/2 inch old wire.
Lot No. 14—2 1/2 inch old wire.
Lot No. 15—2 1/2 inch old wire.
Lot No. 16—2 1/2 inch old wire.
Lot No. 17—2 1/2 inch old wire.
Lot No. 18—2 1/2 inch old wire.
Lot No. 19—2 1/2 inch old wire.
Lot No. 20—2 1/2 inch old wire.

The right to reject all bids is reserved. The highest bidder for each lot, in case the bids are accepted, will be required to pay for the same in cash at the time of sale, and must remove the articles within twenty-four hours thereafter.

The articles may be seen at any time before the day of sale, at the place above specified.

JOHN J. SCANNELL, Commissioner.

DAMAGE COMM.—23-24 WARDS. PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS IN CHAPTER 127 of the Laws of 1897, entitled "An Act to provide for ascertaining and paying the amount of damages to lands and buildings suffered by reason of changes of grade of streets or avenues, more pursuant to chapter 127 of the Laws of 1885, providing for the depression of railroad tracks in the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, in the City of New York, or otherwise," and the acts amendatory thereof and supplemental thereto, notice is hereby given that public meetings of the Commissioners appointed pursuant to said acts, will be held at Room 38, Schermerhorn Building, No. 60 Broadway, in the City of New York, on Monday, Wednesday and Friday of each week, at 2 o'clock P. M., until further notice.

Dated New York, October 20, 1897. DANIEL LOBB, JAMES M. VARNUM, WILLIAM E. STALLING, Commissioners. LAMONT McLEOD, Clerk.

BOARD OF EDUCATION. OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, No. 140 GRAND STREET, NEW YORK CITY.

SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED at the office of the Board of Education, corner of Grand and Elm streets, until APRIL 27, 1898, at 11 P. M., for supplying Coal and Wood required for the Public Schools in the City, and also for the office of the Board of Education, and of the several 25,000 Board for the year ending May 31, 1899, as follows: Fifty-two thousand eight hundred (52,800) tons of coal, more or less, and thirty-five (35) cords of oak, and fifteen hundred and fifteen (1,515) cords of pine wood, more or less. The coal must be of the best quality of white ash—bituminous, soft and nut size—clean and in good order, two thousand two hundred and thirty (2,230) pounds to the ton, and must be delivered in the lots of the several school buildings of the several boroughs at such times and in such quantities as may be required by the Committee on Supplies.

The proposals must state the mines from which it is proposed to supply the coal (to be furnished from the mines named, if accepted), and must state the price per ton at two thousand two hundred and thirty (2,230) pounds.

The quantities of the various sizes of coal and wood required for use in the several boroughs will be about as follows, viz: For the Boroughs of Manhattan and The Bronx: Twenty-five thousand (25,000) tons of anthracite coal. Fifty-five hundred (5,500) tons of egg coal. Five hundred (500) tons of nut size. Five hundred (500) tons of nut size. Fifteen (15) cords of oak wood, 12 inches long.

For the Borough of Manhattan and The Bronx: Twenty-five thousand (25,000) tons of anthracite coal. Fifty-five hundred (5,500) tons of egg coal. Five hundred (500) tons of nut size. Five hundred (500) tons of nut size. Fifteen (15) cords of oak wood, 12 inches long.

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