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Report for the Quarter ending March 31, 1898.

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION,
COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, NO. 148 EAST TWENTIETH STREET,
NEW YORK, April 15, 1898.

Hon. ROBERT A. VAN WYCK, Mayor of New York.

DEAR SIR—In pursuance of section 27, chapter 335, Laws of 1873, I have the honor to transmit the following report of the operations and transactions of the Department of Correction for the three months ending March 31, 1898.

Yours, very respectfully,
FRANCIS J. LANTRY, Commissioner.

DISTRICTS.	Memorized by Convicts.	Admitted.	Discharged.	Transferred.	Returned.	Deaf.	Escaped.	Wounded.	Remaining March 31.
City Prison	379	1,725	1,947	1,791	...	...	...	...	261
District Prisons	147	1,073	1,088	6,117	...	...	...	...	714
Penitentiary	978	271	375	...	...	...	...	...	658
Workhouse	1,290	6,502	4,826	1,624	...	...	...	...	1,201
Kings County Penitentiary	727	950	373	0	...	...	...	...	611
	3,571	12,044	12,379	9,522	...	...	...	...	3,558

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK,
COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, NO. 148 EAST TWENTIETH ST.,
NEW YORK, APRIL 1, 1898.

Quarterly Report ending March 31, 1898.

Salaries	\$55,352 12
Supplies	50,998 45
Repairs of buildings and apparatus	747 05
Repairs of steamboats	1,007 05
Total	\$118,085 30

Respectfully submitted,
CHAS. BENN, General Bookkeeper and Auditor.

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION—OFFICE OF CITY PRISONS,
CORNER FRANKLIN AND CENTRE STREETS,
NEW YORK, APRIL 9, 1898.

Hon. FRANCIS J. LANTRY, Commissioner, Department of Correction.

DEAR SIR—I respectfully transmit herewith quarterly report of the work done by paid and unpaid labor at this prison, ending March 31, 1898.

Yours respectfully,
JOHN FALLON, Warden.

CARPENTER.

January—36 feet spruce boards; 15 feet pine boards, ventilation, Old Prison; 2 lights glass, 16 by 13, Boys' Prison; 2 lights glass, 10 by 13, New Prison; 1 light glass, 16 by 18, Storm House; 1 8-foot window pane, New Prison; 1 closet lock, New Prison; 1 spring door in hall, New Prison; 20 feet spruce for platform, on roof; 120 feet pine for stationary closet, Female Prison; 2 feet 8-inch barrel bolts, Female Prison; 1 closet lock, Female Prison; 12 feet 1-inch oak for barber's chair, Office; 2 yards of carpet, Office; 2 lights glass, 13 by 19, Office; 4 feet 3/4-inch pine, Office; 5 feet 3/4-inch pine, cellar, Female Prison; 2 knobs and spindles, for Kitchen; 25 feet 3/4-inch pine, for medicine chest, Female Prison; 20 feet 1/2-inch pine, for medicine chest, Female Prison; 8 feet 1 1/2-inch pine, for medicine chest, Female Prison; 2 pairs 2 1/2-inch butts, for medicine chest, Female Prison; 1 closet lock, for medicine chest, Female Prison; 1 3-inch hook and eye, for medicine chest, Female Prison.

February—15 feet 4 by 6 joist, Old Prison; 14 feet 3/4-inch pine ventilation boards, 14 feet 3/4-inch pine, 1 Torrey door spring, front office; 1 ice-box handle, yard ice-box; 24 feet 3/4-inch pine shelving, front office; 2 lights, 16 by 16, 15 feet sash cord, Old Prison; 35 feet 3/4-inch pine for extension, yard roof; 4 window sash, 2 by 2 by 6, 2 window sash, 2 by 3, stock; 1 light glass, 10 by 13, 300 feet lineal yellow pine flooring, 3 1/2 inches wide, New Prison; 1 1/2-inch pine for heavy grating, 40 lineal feet 2 by 4 joist, Prison yard; 40 feet sash cord for skylight, 5 feet 3/4-inch pine; 25 feet 3/4-inch pine for brackets and shelves for Babcock's fire extinguishers, Old Prison; 12 feet piece of iron 1/2 by 2 inches, 4 by 1 1/4-inch bolts for repairing Prison gate; 2 lights glass, 10 by 13, Boys' Prison; 1 light glass, 10 by 13, New Prison; 1 pair 2-inch butts, 1 closet lock, front office; 75 feet 1 1/2-inch pine for fence, 5 feet 1/2-inch pine for fence, 1 lock, spindles and knobs, Old Prison; 160 feet spruce boards for fence, 100 lineal feet joist, 2 by 4, Prison yard; 1 perforated chair bottom, Boys' Prison; 14 feet 3/4-inch pine shelving, New Prison; 2 lights glass 10 by 13, Female Prison; 1 light glass 10 by 13, 1 light glass 6 by 15, New Prison; 1 barrel, lock and shaft, Boys' Prison; 1 closet lock, Male Dormitory; 1 spindle and knob, Female Prison; 40 feet 2 by 4 joist, 15 feet 3/4-inch spruce boards, repairing shop floor; 2 keys for chapel, Boys' Prison; 5 feet 1 1/2-inch pine, repairing yard ladders; 10 feet 3/4-inch pine ventilation boards, Old Prison; 15 feet 3/4-inch pine for desk, 2 pairs 2-inch butts, 2 closet locks, Female Prison; 70 lineal feet pine flooring for restaurant; 40 feet 3/4-inch pine for shell in pump-room, 3 feet 1/2-inch pine for chair bottoms, Female Prison; 3 feet 3/4-inch pine for counsel-room; 1 light glass 18 by 20, storm-house; 1 light glass 6 by 16, New Prison; 8 feet 3/4-inch pine snow shovels, Prison yard; 15 lineal feet joist, 2 by 4, 20 lineal feet joist, 3 by 4, Old Prison; 40 feet 7-inch for restaurant; 1 pair 4-inch butts, 1 light of glass, 18 by 20, Old Prison.

March—225 square feet 3/4-inch pine, 190 square feet 1/2-inch pine, 225 square feet 1 1/2 inch pine, 3 pairs 4-inch butts, Storm House; 1 pair 3-inch butts, 1 closet lock, Female Prison; 1 window sash 2 by 2 1/2, 6 lights glass 10 by 13, 6 window frames 2 by 2 1/2, New Prison; 8 feet 3/4-inch pine shelf, 4 clothes hooks, 12 S. hooks, 1 4-inch hook, 2 screw eyes, Female Prison; 2 feet 3/4-inch pine, 6 clothes hooks, Old Prison; 14 feet 3/4-inch pine for table, Counsel Room; 1 pole for turning on gas, Female Prison; 1 light, 6 by 17 glass, New Prison; 1 light, 6 by 16 glass, Old Prison.

PLUMBERS AND TINSMITHS.

January—3 feet 3/4-inch water pipe, 1 foot 3/4-inch brass cock, 3 feet 3/4-inch elbows, Female Prison.

February—Repairing 2 locks, 64 inch bolts, New Prison; 1 No. 21 scorching grate, Old Prison; Repairing roof over office, 5 sheets tin, 14 by 2 steam valve, New Prison; 3 pounds solder, 3 pails charcoal, Office Roof; 1 2-inch steam valve, New Prison; 1 1/2 valve boiler, Female Prison; 2 locks and 2 keys repaired, 2 1/2-inch bib-cocks, New Prison; 6 sheets tin, 14 by 20, 4 pails charcoal, 1 pound nails, repairing bridge roof; 2 1/2-inch bib-cocks, repairing water closet, Female Prison; 4 feet 2 1/2-inch steam pipe for boiler, 1 return valve, 1 gutter valve, 8 1/2 bolts, 1 2 1/2-inch T, 1 2 1/2-inch ell, 8 1/4 nipples, 4 1/4 els, 2 1 1/4 unions, New Prison; repairing 4 prison gates, Old Prison; 50 sheets tin 14 by 20, 25 feet tin gutters, 12 feet leader, 10 pounds solder, 1 bag charcoal, new roof in yard; 1 lock and key, 10 feet gas pipe, 1 3/4 ell, 1 bracket, New Prison.

March—Repairing 3 locks, 1 stair bullstop, New Prison; repairing basin and water pipe, Boys' Prison; one 1 1/2-inch valve steam boiler, New Prison; repairing cans for kitchen (6 sheets tin, 14 by 20), repairing water pails (12 new hoops), 1 grate, Payllion II Store, repairing 5 grates (15 rivets and washers), Old Prison; 1 swing bracket for yard; 12 burner tips for Prisons; repairing 1 keg, New Prison; 3 new coffee pots for kitchen; 1 new coffee pot, Female Prison; one 1 1/2-inch bib-cock, 6 water pipe hooks, 6 feet 6-inch stove pipe, Boys' Prison; altering 10 cell gates, 2 locks repaired, Old Prison; 3 sheets tin, 14 by 20, Carpenter Shop; hoops and handles on 6 wooden pails, repairing 2 water-closets, New Prison; 1 filler cock, 1 burner, Female Prison; 10 burner tips, 8 sheets tin, 14 by 20, for Prison; repairing baskets, 1 lat wire, for Druggist; repairing ice box in yard; 2 pounds solder, 1 strainer, three 1/2-inch bib-cocks, ten 1-inch hooks, New Prison; one 1/2-inch bib-cock, Boys' Prison.

February—2 pounds color, painting wardrobe, 1 pint walnut stain, wardrobe, Warden's Office; 20 pounds color, 3 men painting walls; 20 pounds color, 3 men painting walls; 20 pounds color, three men painting cells and walls; 20 pounds color, 3 men painting cells, Female Prison; 3 pounds color, 1 man painting cells; 3 pounds color, 1 man painting cells, 3 pounds color, 1 man painting cells, Old Prison Hospital; 3 pounds color, 1 man painting partition, Old Prison; 1 pound color, 1 man painting stable, Chapel, Boys' Prison; 3 gallons metallic, painting roof over Office.

March—Putty, 2 pounds, repairing storm-door; 5 pounds color, 5 pounds color, painting storm-house; 30 pounds color, 30 pounds color, 20 pounds color, 25 pounds color, Female painting Prison; 3 pounds putty, repairing storm-house; 15 pounds color, 20 pounds color, Female painting Prison; 7 pounds color, painting storm-house; 5 gallon asphaltum, painting Old Prison; 7 pounds color, painting storm-house; 1/2 gallon asphaltum, 1/2 gallon asphaltum, 1 1/2 gallons asphaltum, 9 pounds color, 1 1/2 gallons asphaltum, 1 1/2 gallons asphaltum, 1 1/2 gallons asphaltum, painting Old Prison gates; 14 gates repaired, 2 days cleaning water-pipes, repairing pails (10 hoops), repairing cans for kitchen, 10 sheets tin (14 by 20), 2 squams, Old Prison; repairing lock and 2 keys, New Prison; 1 new gas burner, Female Prison; repairing small boiler, 6 bolts, Boiler-house.

PAINTERS.

January—20 pounds color, 3 men, roof of yard shed; 6 pounds paint, 3 men painting closets; 6 pounds calcimine, 3 men calcimining; 24 pounds color, 4 men painting walls; 24 pounds color, 3 men painting walls; 21 pounds color, 3 men painting walls; 14 pounds color, 3 men painting walls, Female Prison. Sign-writer, 1 man on signs; 1 1/2 pounds color, 4 men painting walls, New Prison; 88 pounds color, 4 men painting walls, Old Prison; 6 pounds color, 3 men painting walls, Storm House; 17 pounds color, 2 men painting walls, Boys' Prison. Repairing iron-work on bridge, Repairing ice-box; repairing stairways; repairing bathroom; 6 pounds paint, painting Storm House; 10 pounds asphaltum for New Prison gates; scraping ceiling, calcimining ceiling, washing walls, New Prison.

March—2 gallons asphaltum railings, Old Prison; 10 pounds color painting, Storehouse.

MASON.

General repairing in yard, general repairing, painting walls, planing ceilings, repairing sewers, whitewashing walls of Prison.

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION—OFFICE OF DISTRICT PRISONS,
ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-FIRST STREET AND SYLVAN PLACE,
NEW YORK, APRIL 1, 1898.

Hon. FRANCIS J. LANTRY, Commissioner of Correction.

DEAR SIR—I enclose herewith quarterly report of work done by paid and unpaid labor during the quarter ending March 31, 1898, to wit:

Carpenter Work—At Seventh District Prison, by unpaid labor: Making shelves in storeroom, making towel roller, making grating in kitchen and washhouse, making plank beds in to-day house, making box for telephone; material used, 6 12-inch staving boards, 10 5-foot tongue and grooved boards, 6 3-inch by 4-inch joists, 20 pounds 10-inch nails, 10 pounds 6-inch nails, 1 compass saw, 1 1 1/2-inch trimmings chisel, 1 carpenter's compass and 1 spoke shave. At Fourth District Prison: Putting in 5 panes of glass in hall and kitchen windows.

Plumbing and Tinsmithing—At Third District Prison, by paid labor: Repairing wash tubs in laundry and closet in cell No. 12, repairing leak of tap valve in cells Nos. 16 and 12. Materials used; 6 sets of compression washers, 2 pounds putty, 1 set of Hopper valve washers and 1 candle, repair of lock leading from office to prison, also repairing key to lock. At Fourth District Prison, by unpaid labor: Putting in 4 new brass water faucets in cells; 2 new brass water faucets in prison kitchen, 10 new rubber washers in water-closets in cells, 3 new valves in water-closets in cells. By paid labor: Putting in new electric battery and repairing wire and putting in new electric bell, putting in new stop-cock and repairing leak on hot-water pipe in kitchen, putting up a new Duparcquet range and connecting Croton pipe with flue of range. Material used; 5 pounds lead pipe, 4 pounds solder, 4 boiler washers, 1 candle, 2 pounds charcoal. Fifth District Prison—Paid labor: Repair on leak in waste pipe on Male Prison, Cell No. 6, cleaning out stoppage at water-closet in to-day house; material used, 2 pounds solder, 2 pails 1 1/4-inch D lead pipe, 2 pounds charcoal, 2 3/4-inch caps and 1 bracket. Repair on leak of steam pipe, to-day house; putting in a new center piece of a Mott DeFrance range No. 7, opening and repairing locks on desk in Warden's office, making 3 new keys for same. At Sixth District Prison—By paid labor: Putting tank in good order. Plumbing and tinsmithing at Seventh District Prison, by paid labor: Repair on leak of wash trays in laundry and cleaning out sewer, repairing electric bell; material, utensils used: 1 soldering iron, 1 monkey wrench; putting in a new set of rings and fire-bricks for a Boynton-Richardson Range, "Perfect" No. 14.

The usual amount of painting and whitewashing, calcimining and cleaning in general done by unpaid labor in all the prisons.

Respectfully submitted,
JOHN E. NAGLE, Warden.

OFFICE OF NEW YORK PENITENTIARY,
BLACKWELL'S ISLAND,
NEW YORK, APRIL 1, 1898.

Hon. FRANCIS J. LANTRY, Commissioner, Department of Correction.

DEAR SIR—Annexed I beg leave to submit to you my report for the quarter ending March 31, 1898.

The number of prisoners received and discharged, the labor at which they have been employed, for the benefit of the Department of Correction, and the results accomplished.

Very respectfully,
LOUIS D. PILSBURY, Warden.

BLACKSMITHS.

Made: Penitentiary—64 chisels, 60 pitching tools, 24 bush hammer cuts, 1 saw gauge, 120 plugs, 5 window guards, 276 leathers, 24 pipe hooks, 1 lathe tool, 1 press bolt, 12 showers, 1 iron pipe hood, 6 ventilators, 8 hinges, 8 draw bolts, 3 wrenches, 22 wedges, 2 slice bars, 3 fire hoes, 1 poker, 54 drills, 3 bull picks, 68 points, 2 hasps and staples, 12 wheelbarrow clips, 12 wheelbarrow braces, 1 stove, 1 punch bar, 20 augers, 1 key, 1 groove wheel, 2 peg scrapers, 1 screw

driver, Steamer "Minnahonock"—4 hooks, 1 boat rest, 24 truck keys. Steamer "W. L. Strong"—2 ring bolts, 2 wire-bes, 1 lamp plate, 2 pipes, 1 rudder iron. City Second Street Dock—2 wheel hangers. City Prison—6 plates, 30 rivets. Fourth District Prison—1 iron hook. Workhouse—5 window guards, 2 doors, 150 straps, 200 ears, 150 standards, 150 handles, 300 rivets for buckets. Storehouse—24 oil-can handles. City Cemetery—3 stirs, 7 wheels round. Repaired: Penitentiary—627 augers, 3,214 drills, 13,197 chisels, 9,272 points, 22 wedges, 54 pushing tools, 145 axes, 15 plates, 160 bush hammer cuts, 19 stone hammers, 20 wheelbarrows, 1 pulley, 1 hook, 1 range, 6 hoes, 2 iron ballheads, 14 locks, 1 screwdriver, 1 drain, 15 men's tables, 1 stove shaker, 1 truck wheel, 14 cot frames, 5 fire hoes, 1 vise, 2 wringers, 5 coal carts, 5 hand coal carts, 1 coal barrow, 5 crowbars, 4 pairs saws, 1 oil-can cutter, 2 wheels, 3 trucks, 2 railings, 1 crate bar, 5 cell doors, 3 peg sawyers, 1 cutting machine, 1 iron bar, 1 sledge, 1 heating block, 8 chain links, 1 quarry spoon, 2 revolvers, 1 pitchfork, 12 wall scrapers, 1 coal tub, 1 stanchion, 1 stove grate, 1 stairway railing, put in new scales at coal dock. Steamer "Minnahonock"—1 dock chain, 1 gauge plank (rotted), 6 coal carts, 5 fire hoes, 1 hand truck, 2 gangplank slides. Steamer "W. L. Strong"—1 ice hoe. Blackwell's Island Stables—4 luggies, 10 coal carts, 1 survey, 1 cart wheel, 1 pair lames, 1 wagon, 1 oxcart. Central Office Stables—Van No. 3. City Prison—133 cell doors. Second District Prison—1 wringer. Storehouse—1 pair shafts, 1 truck, 1 wagon. Days' labor, 1,747.

Turnouts.

Made: Penitentiary—1 outside pump connection, 1 1/2 valve, 29 lengths stovepipe, 261 men's caps, 1 bed sheet, 100 feet leader pipe, 1 ladle, 6 dippers, 1 galvanized iron garbage can, 1 elbow, 4 2-foot galvanized iron pumps, 1 globe valve, 100 mesh pins, 1 coffee tank, 1 reducer, 2 gas burners, 2 water cans, 6 pump plugs, 1 bean warmer, 2 tea pots, 2 fanes, 3 stokers, 1 cap, 1 galvanized iron pail, 3 oil cans, 2 ventilators, 1 urinal, 1 cylinder, 24 scrapers, 1 sink squeeper, 6 washbasins, 1 tank, 2 galvanized iron ash cans, 1 dinner pail, 1 coffee boiler, 2 soup cans, 2 boxes, 1 poplin boiler, 1 tank lined. City Prison—1 coffee pot, 1 tea pot, 2 stainers, 12 20-gallon boilers, 12 15-gallon boilers, 12 10-gallon boilers, 261 with caps and handles, 12 sprindling cans. Second District Prison—12 galvanized iron ash cans, 3 10-gallon copper-bottom boilers, 3 5-gallon copper-bottom boilers. Third District Prison—5 boilers, 3 galvanized iron ash cans, 2 10-gallon boiler, 2 15-gallon boilers. Fourth District Prison—3 galvanized iron ash cans, 2 dippers, 2 boilers. Fifth District Prison—1 coffee pot, 1 tea pot, 4 galvanized iron ash cans, 1 5-gallon water boiler. Seventh District Prison—2 funnels, 2 dippers, 2 10-gallon cans, 1 water boiler, 1 coffee pot, 1 tea pot, 1 egg burner. Steamer "W. L. Strong"—1 broiler, 1 drip pan. Steamer "Minnahonock"—12 galvanized iron fire buckets. Fire Department—1 roller, 1 squeeper, 1 take lames. Blackwell's Island Bakery—6 galvanized iron pails. Workhouse—36 pot caps. Storehouse—10 22-gallon iron cans. Repaired: Penitentiary—12 24-hour pumps, 1 bath tub, 1 ladder, 2 galvanized iron ash cans, 1 lamp, roof of Penitentiary, 151 various pieces of iron and iron work. Steamer "Minnahonock"—1 stern. Third District Prison—3 10-gallon boilers. Fourth District Prison—2 boilers, 1 galvanized iron pail, 1 10-gallon boiler. Days' labor, 1,295.

Carpenters.

Made: Penitentiary—4 drain boxes, 5 water troughs, 4 dozen cell cellars, 1 mirror frame, 1 water pipe box, 6 valve wheels, 3 shelves, 4 boxes, 4 racks, 48 straight edges, 45 pump plugs, 9 pump sticks, 38 pump handles, 19 sledge handles, 4 hammer handles, 1 truck handle, 1 tray, 19 narrow wheels, 1 cutting board, 50 set sticks, 42 hip boards, 6 hand coal barrows, 1 cart box, 1 wagon pail, 1 nail barrel, 1 boat platform, 8 chisel handles, 3 stools, 1 derick, 9 tag boxes, 1 ladder, 1 sawway, 12 blocks, 13 roofing boxes, 45 pick handles, 6 water pails, 2 coffee tubs, 2 soap tubs, 4 water tubs, 11 cell buckets, 1 desk top, 2 tubs, 6 dopper handles, 1 closet—24, new shed, 15 feet frame, 2 gages for laundry building, laying new floor flooring, old poison, 2 men, 15 days, building boiler house, 5 men, 34 days. Steamer "Minnahonock"—1 boat rest, 1 gangplank with 2 slopes. Central Office—4 table legs turned, 4 hand stamp racks, 1 box, 9 ink stands. Central Office Stables—4 spring blocks, 4 wheels round. Second District Prison—2 wedge blocks. Fourth District Prison—2 dopper handles. Workhouse—100 cell buckets. Rider's Island—250 shaves. Blackwell's Island Stables—1 wagon pail, 1 pair cart shafts, 2 pair carriage shafts, 2 coal cart handles, 1 wheel round. Storehouse—16 whisk broom handles, 15 ice pick handles, 6 pump handles, 6 wheelbarrows. City Cemetery—1 cart wheel, 3 wheels round, 12 dozen pump handles. Repaired: Penitentiary—235 cell buckets, 23 coffee tubs, 26 water tubs, 12 soap tubs, 5 pails, 20 chairs, 44 seats, 2 wood boxes, 5 signs, 1 egg box, 24 hammer handles, 2 tables, 3 stools, 3 setting boards, 1 meat box, 5 coal carts, 17 wheelbarrows, 1 hand cart, 1 stone truck, 7 benches, 1 box, 1 coffee grinder stand, 5 lay boards, doors in Warden's house, skylights in old prison, keepers' closets. Steamer "Minnahonock"—5 coal carts, 5 chairs, 1 ladder. Fourth District Prison—1 table. City Cemetery—1 wheel. Blackwell's Island Stables—1 wheel. Storehouse—1 man, 7 days repairing stock. Days' labor, 1,793.

Furniture and Upholsters.

Painted and stored: Penitentiary—24 cupboards, 217 cell buckets, 12 tubs, 13 water cans, 17 signs, 7 wheelbarrows, 19 narrow wheels, 5 coal barrows, 192 pieces of glass put in Penitentiary buildings. Steamer "Minnahonock"—3 coal carts, 12 fire buckets, 1 gangplank, 1 chair, 1 boat rest. Blackwell's Island Stables—1 buggy, 1 pair shafts, 1 coal cart, 1 cart body. City Prison—11 water cans. Fourth District Prison—2 chairs. Fifth District Prison—1 water cooler. Storehouse—10 20-gallon cans, 1 covered. Workhouse—200 cell buckets. Upholstered: Penitentiary—10 hair mattresses. Days' labor, 982.

Clothes and Tailors.

Repaired: Penitentiary—400 coats, 464 coats, 1,235 pair pants, 655 vests, 103 pair mittens, 348 caps, 9 pairs of mittens.

Shoemakers and Brush Makers.

Made: Storehouse—23 dozen scrub brushes, 28 dozen brooms. Repaired: Penitentiary—1,060 pair shoes, 11 pumps. Days' labor, 4,382.

In the Cutting Room.

Cut and made: Penitentiary—1,800 shirts; 100 pillow slips; 600 pairs summer pants; 220 coats. Central Office—1 Bag; 24 hand towels; 40 collar towels. City Prison—6 suits; 12 caps, 72 pair pants; 30 shirts. Second District Prison—12 jackets; 12 pair pants. Third District Prison—25 towels; 12 pair pants. Fourth District Prison—25 towels; 12 spreads; 42 shirts; 6 vests; 10 dresses; 3 tablecloths. Fifth District Prison—20 towels; 12 pair pants; 12 vests; 14 jackets. Seventh District Prison—100 muslin pillow slips. Fire Department—4 tablecloths. Days' labor, 2,005.

In the Sewing Room.

Made: Penitentiary—10 cotton flannel undershirts; 14 brown muslin chemises; 12 aprons; 3 dresses; 63 shirt aprons; 3 men's shirts. Repaired: Penitentiary—1,787 shirts; 387 pair pants; 108 men's undershirts; 34 dresses; 617 pillow ticks; 23 chemises; 18 aprons; 5 bed ticks; 2 children bags. Days' labor, 1,245.

In the Printing Bureau.

Number of impressions, 66,955. Days' labor, 151.

In the Stone Shed.

Cut: 1,591 feet 3-inch rock-faced ashlar; 560 feet 3-inch coping; 1,013 feet 10-inch cornice; 1,766 feet ditch kerf. Days' labor, 11,337 1/2.

In the Coal Yard.

Unloading and handling coal and ice at wharf and in yard. Days' labor, 1,005.

Out-door Labor.

Men employed discharging cargoes, keeping roads in repair, etc. Days' labor, 1,021.

Summary of Day's Labor.

Blacksmiths	717	In the Sewing Room	1,213
Turnouts	1,205	In the Printing Bureau	151
Carpenters	1,793	In the Stone Shed	11,337 1/2
Painters and Upholsters	982	In the Coal Yard	1,005
Cor. Broom, Brush, and Shoe Makers and Tailors	2,382	Out-door Labor	1,021
In the Cutting Room	2,005	Total	25,393 1/2

OFFICE OF NEW YORK PENITENTIARY, }
NEW YORK, April 1, 1898. }

Hon. FRANCIS J. LANEY, Commissioner, Department of Correction.
DEAR SIR: Amosd I beg leave to submit to you my report for the quarter ending March 31, 1898, showing the labor performed for the benefit of the Department of Public Charities and the results accomplished.

Yours respectfully,
LOUIS D. PILSBURY, Warden.

Blacksmiths.

Made: Steamer "T. S. Brennan"—26 rail spikes, 6 braces, 1 pole-band. Launch "Wickham"—5 washers, 1 pipe clamp, 1 ice hoe, 1 boiler plate, 6 pipe hangers, 12 spikes. Twenty-sixth Street Dock—1 key. Male Training School—2 ice scrapers. Bellevue Hospital—1 elevator breaker. Fordham Hospital—2 bandage roller cranks. Harlem Hospital—8 angle braces. Storehouse—26 truck pins. Repaired: Steamer "T. S. Brennan"—3 fire hoes, 1 slice bar, 1 door track rail, 1 pump. Steamer "Fidelity"—2 fire hoes, 1 screwdriver, 1 coal hole plate, 1 coal cart, 1 gangplank. Launch "Wickham"—1 hook pole, Metropolitan Hospital—2 ambulances, 1 meat cart, 1 coupe. Fordham Hospital—2 bandage rollers. Gouverneur Hospital—1 truck, 1 hand truck, 6 carving knives. Bellevue Hospital—2 gas stoves, 1 coupe, 1 wagon. Randall's Island Asylum and School—1 wagon. Male Training School—1 chair. General Drug Department—1 hand cart. Almshouse—1 cart. Storehouse—1 hay cutter—Twenty-sixth Street Dock—1 tackle gear. Days' labor, 359.

Furnishers.

Made: Bellevue Hospital—24 refuse boxes, 24 three-gallon cans with covers, 24 saucepans, 24 dressing boxes, 1 meat box lined. Gouverneur Hospital—1 meat box. Metropolitan Hospital—1 three-gallon coffee pot, 2 six-gallon coffee pots, 3 four-gallon tea pots, 2 tea kettles, 6 pudding pans. Fordham Hospital—10 lengths stovepipe, 4 elbows, 2 sleeves. Steamer "T. S. Brennan"—4 roasting pans. Repaired: Gouverneur Hospital—4 coffee pots, 1 sterilizer, 3 boilers, 1 meat box, 1 ten-gallon boiler. Bellevue Hospital—1 water cooler, 2 six-gallon cans, 3 six-gallon boilers, 2 three-gallon cans, 4 ten-gallon cans, 1 sterilizer. Steamer "T. S. Brennan"—1 lantern, 1 coffee pot, 1 galvanized-iron pail. Steamer "Fidelity"—1 lantern. Days' labor, 1,292.

Carpenters.

Made: Central Office—2 packing boxes. Steamer "Fidelity"—1 coal-cart frame. Bellevue Hospital—72 pairs crutches, 1 wheelbarrow. Gouverneur Hospital—1 meat box. Male Training School—2 ice scraper handles. Hart's Island Dock—4 cleats. Storehouse—270 adult coffins. Repaired: Bellevue Hospital—1 ice box, 1 handcart. Gouverneur Hospital—1 meat box, 1 screen, 2 saws, 5 knives. City Hospital—1 wagon, 1 truck, 1 handtruck. Male Training School—1 chair. Randall's Island Stables—1 van. Steamer "T. S. Brennan"—2 gangplanks. Twenty-sixth Street Dock—1 chair. Steamer "Fidelity"—1 gangplank. Almshouse—1 meat box. Storehouse—10 men 22 days repairing stock. Days' labor, 1,292.

Painters and Upholsters.

Painted: Bellevue Hospitals—1 coupe, 1 ice box, 1 chair, 1 wheelbarrow. Gouverneur Hospital—2 meat boxes. Metropolitan Hospital—1 coupe. Randall's Island Asylum and School—1 wagon. General Drug Department—1 cart. Steamer "T. S. Brennan"—1 lamp. Storehouse—1 hand truck. Upholstered: Bellevue Hospital—37 hair pillows, 4 hair mattresses remain. Metropolitan Hospital—1 set harness. Days' labor, 112.

Dress and Brush Makers.

Made: Storehouse—91 dozen brooms. Repaired: Bellevue Hospital—1 pair anklets.

Shoemakers.

Made: Bellevue Hospital—1 pair wristlets. Storehouse—1,087 pairs men's shoes, 278 pairs women's shoes. Repaired: Bellevue Hospital—1 pair anklets.

Clothes.

Made: Storehouse—1 large tarpaulin. Repaired: Storehouse—2 mail bags. Days' labor, 4,764.

In the Cutting Room.

Cut and made: Bellevue Hospital—100 bleached muslin pillow cases. City Hospital—103 bleached muslin pillow cases, 183 brown muslin sheets. Metropolitan Hospital—200 bleached muslin pillow cases. Cut: Bellevue Hospital—369 brown muslin pillow cases. Days' labor, 225.

In the Printing Bureau.

Number of impressions, 450,635. Days' labor, 440.

In the Coal Yard.

Unloading and handling coal and ice at wharf and in yard. Days' labor, 2,811.

Out-door Labor.

Men employed discharging cargoes, keeping roads in repair, etc. Days' labor, 8,183.

Summary of Day's Labor.

Blacksmiths	359	In the Cutting Room	225
Furnishers	1,292	In the Printing Bureau	440
Carpenters	1,292	In the Coal Yard	2,811
Painters and Upholsters	112	Out-door Labor	8,183
Cor. Broom and Brush and Shoe Makers	4,764	Total	12,718

Warden's Report.

The following is the report of New York Penitentiary, Blackwell's Island, for the quarter ending March 31, 1898:

	MALES.		FEMALES.		TOTAL.	NATIVE.	FOR- EIGN.
	White.	Colored.	White.	Colored.			
Remaining at last report	181	26	95	7	299	210	89
Received	154	22	10	8	284	224	60
Discharged	1,047	78	15	45	1,215	824	391
Deceased	149	44	17	5	215	138	77
Perished	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
Escaped	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
Deceased	2	"	"	"	2	2	"
Total discharged	131	24	17	5	177	140	37
Total remaining	850	54	95	10	1,019	572	447

Increase 6
Males—Men, 910; boys, 0—total, 910. Females—Women, 48; girls, 0—total, 48. Total belonging to Penitentiary, 958.

	MALES.	FEMALES.	TOTAL.
Number of prisoners	910	48	958
Number of paid officers and employees working at Penitentiary	68	7	75
Total	978	55	1,033

LOUIS D. PILSBURY, Warden.

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION,
OFFICE OF WORKHOUSE, BLACKWELL'S ISLAND,
NEW YORK, April 11, 1898.

Hon. FRANCIS J. LANEY, Commissioner of Correction.
DEAR SIR:—Inclosed please find detailed statement of the amount and description of mechanical and miscellaneous labor performed at the Workhouse for the Departments of Correction and Public Charities for the quarter ending March 31, 1898.

Appended will also be found a tabulated statement of the admissions, discharges, etc., for the quarter, as well as the location of and the number remaining at this and other institutions at the close of business, March 31, 1898.

Very respectfully,
JOHN M. FOX, Warden.

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION.

CARPENTERS.

Made: 29 tables, 3 chairs, 6 wardrobes, 1 cupboard, 5 clothes boxes, 6 stepladders, 14 boxes, 1,000 molly sticks, 37 swab sticks, 72 peels, 150 hammer and axe handles, 8 wheelbarrows, 1 trough cover, 8 benches, 4 window sashes, 6 doors, 16 rubbers, 2 bread boards, 5 meat boxes, 3 poles, 5 crutches, 6 clotheshorses, 5 shelves, 2 signs, 9 flooring boards, 1 desk, 2 trays, 4 book-rests.

Put up: New shed for cot cleaners, 3 partitions, 2 closets, 278 sash cords in windows.
Laid: New flooring in male and female hall and on stairs, also in Keeper's quarters and stone shed.

Toogued and grooved: 340 boards.
Repaired: 104 windows, 4 sashes, 44 chairs, 53 tables, 7 desks, 12 boxes, 8 ladders, 38 doors, 19 clothesboxes, 6 gangplanks, 8 peels, 9 carts, 4 clothes wagons, 79 wheelbarrows, 24 ox carts, 6 bread wagons, 16 meat boxes, 431 cell buckets, 11 benches, 8 wardrobes, 51 bread boxes, 28 meat boxes, 2 bread shovels, 8 bread boards, 10 buckets, 16 clotheshorses, 4 clothes posts, 2 fences, 2 stretchers, row boat, boat landing for launch, skylights in Male and Female Hall, elevator in kitchen, roof on greenhouse, also repairs on coal dock landing, fences, laundry, stables and bakery. Made alterations in new oil house.

Sharpened: 22 saws, 8 axes.
Put on: 24 closet locks.
Twenty-sixth Street Dock—Put up: 1 new closet, 3 doors and locks, 2 sashes and various other alterations.

Fifty-second Street Dock—Made: 1 twelve-foot gangplank.
Sixty-fourth Street Dock—Made: 2 new gang-planks and repairs on doors and windows.
Steamboats—Made: New seats on steamboat "W. L. Strong," 4 new liars for steamboat "Miquahonock"; repairs on "Gilroy."
Riker's Island—Made: 2 boxes, 7 hammer handles, 2 pump handles.
Hart's Island—Made: 3 large boxes, 4 pump plugs, 2 handles and 2 sticks.

ITS SHOP.

Made: Ventilator for laundry boiler house, 6 by 6 feet, cone for smoke stack 9 feet square, and painting same, also 2 large galvanized iron cans, 6 laker pans, 6 boilers, 2 fire pots, 1 tube, 11 fish pans, 2 covers, 8 lanterns, 6 water cans, 12 dippers, 1 knob latch, 170 feet leader pipe, 2 lamps for Middle House entrance.

Lined: 4 meat boxes, 1 large tank for Male Prison, 10 by 5 by 6 feet, with copper, 1 ice-box.
Repaired: 235 pieces tin ware, all water leaders on Male and Female Hall, also slate roof and gutter over Mess Hall and Work Shops.
Riker's Island—Made: 1 large coffee pot and 1 cover.
Hart's Island—Repaired: 1 pump.
Steamboat "Strong"—Put up: 1 stove and made pipe for same.

BLACKSMITHS.

Made: 2 splice bars, 214 hooks, 68 spikes, 116 hold fasts, 6 scrapers, 82 braces, 2 splice bars, 1 chain with hooks and rings, 1 wrench, 6 iron plates, 8 brackets, 2 hinges, 5 levers, 11 levers, 14 bolts, 38 wall heads, 7 hoops, 46 staples, 1 screwdriver, 1 grate, 1 crowbar, 2 axes, 38 stamps, 3 iron climpings, 1 flaying bar, 6 signboards, 4 hub bands, 7 box handles, 2 stovefeet, 2 cross keys, 10 iron pad covers, 3 feet band iron, 36 rock drills, 3 pair tongues, 1 cast steel sledge.

Repaired: 40 buckets, 134 cot frames, 2 hoes, 8 hammers, 5 shoe bars, 4 big coal buckets, 12 wheelbarrows, 4 scrapers, 12 wheelbarrows, 4 scrapers, 17 hinges, 2 griddle irons, 2 clamps, 3 cell bars, 1 compass, 8 chisels, 1 ox cart, 1 iron bed, 1 screen, 1 pike pole, 1 shovel, 1 stone roller, 2 wedges, 5 cold chisels, 1 stand, 9 sign hands, 2 rasp tongues, 4 sledges.
Riker's Island—Repaired: 10 cots, 2 maulin spikes.
Hart's Island—Repaired: 25 pick heads, 16 drills.

PAINTERS.

Painted: The whole interior of Baker's residence, outside of laundry windows, 3 doors, 3 meat boxes, 4 chests, 10 wardrobes, windows in stone shed, 1 book case, 7 tables, 5 screens, 4 chairs, 3 closets, 1 dormitory, 3 rooms, Male Hospital, 2 rooms for prison, 1 partition, 2 wells, 2 radiators, 1 desk, 1 hot rack, 2 oil tanks, 22 buckets, 3 boilers, 36 wash pails, 1 wash machine, 1 bureau, 4 wheels.

Painted and lettered—1 wagon, 1 chest, 25 water pails, 30 signs, 1 chest, 3 wash baskets.
Painted and oiled: 2 floors.
Put on: 188 lights of glass; painted launch "Gilroy" interior and exterior.

COT MAKERS.

Made: 6 cushions, 2 pillows.
Put up: 780 cots and repaired 892 cot bottoms.
Spliced: 1,466 cot ropes.

ENGINEER.

Repaired: 16 steam pipes, 24 belts, 4 faucets, 3 mangles, 6 water pipes, 4 steam leaks, 1 stove, 5 water-closets, 14 valves, 2 steam traps, 6 gas stoves, 2 radiators, 2 skulls, 2 gas lamps, 1 water gauge; taking apart 1 steam pump and refitting brasses and rods and putting same together for Boiler-house.

Put in: 35 feet gas pipe, 1 gas fixture, 2 grates, 2 valves.
Cleaned: 1 range, 1 trap, 1 waste pipe.
Correction Steamhouse—Cleaned: 1 water-closet.
Put in: 20 feet gas pipe.
Engine Company No. 49—Cleaned: Stove pipe and traps.
Repaired: 1 Despool, 1 boiler and hot and cold water pipes.

MASONS, PLASTERERS, ETC.

Scraped archway under Male and Female Hall, pointed same, 4,100 square feet; also in Dormitory 1,800 square feet.
Painted: Outside of Workhouse with cement, 121 feet.
Laid: Flagging floor for garbage dock, 490 feet.
Plastered: Wall in Dormitory and general white washing.

SHOEMAKERS.

Made: 294 pair men's shoes; 25 pair women's shoes.
Repaired: 600 pair shoes.

TAILORS.

Repaired: 1,510 coats, 2,419 pants, 1,915 vests; also repaired and pressed 495 suits for discharged prisoners.

FEMALE WORKHOUSE HELP.

Made 846 dresses, 239 men's coats, 799 pants, 1,280 vests, 1,750 pair mitts, 100 clothes tags.
Repaired: 5,371 pieces of clothing and bedding.
Bellevue Hospital—Made: 86 babies' slips, 30 night gowns, 370 pillow cases, 158 men's coats, 79 pants, 71 overalls.
Metropolitan Hospital—Made: 212 men's shirts, 199 coats, 37 pants.
City Hospital—Made: 169 men's coats.
Charity Hospital—Made: 505 adults' shrouds.
Steamboat "Brennan"—Made: 15 crash towels, 2 aprons, 3 pair pants.
Washed and Laundered: 209,428 pieces of clothing and bedding for City Prison, Central Office, Boat Department and Workhouse.
Charity Department—Washed and laundered: 107,757 pieces clothing and bedding for Metropolitan Hospital, Fordham Hospital, City Cemetery, etc.

Census Report for Quarter Ending March 31, 1898.

Remaining December 31, 1897	1,290	
Admitted and returned	6,602	
Total		7,892
Discharged	8,820	
Died	12	
Transferred to other institutions	1,634	
Escaped	2	
		6,494
Remaining March 31, 1898		1,398

Number of Prisoners Remaining at Other Institutions March 31, 1898.

INSTITUTIONS.	MALES.	FEMALES.	TOTAL.
Bellevue Hospital	—	80	80
Government Hospital	—	—	—
City Hospital	40	4	44
Roosevelt's Island Asylum and School	20	80	100
Infants' Hospital	44	7	51
Hansen Hospital	—	8	8
Lunatic Asylum	8	4	12
Metropolitan Hospital	—	4	4
City Cemetery	25	3	28
First District Prison	50	17	67
Second " "	34	14	48
Third " "	7	7	14
Fourth " "	—	8	8
Fifth " "	7	7	14
Seventh " "	5	—	5
Steamboat Department	50	—	50
Total	193	143	336

Female Labor Report Ending March 31, 1898.

WORKER EMPLOYED.	NUMBER OF DAYS' LABOR.	WORKER EMPLOYED.	NUMBER OF DAYS' LABOR.
Sewing-machines	11,025	Washing-machines	2,448
Laundry	2,076	Amusement-games	7,003
Scrubbers, brushes, etc.	7,208	Washing-table machines	114
Messengers and Clerks	100	Public Kitchen machines	134
Dining-rooms	1,600	Metropolitan Hospital	1,000
In Hospital (sick)	1,000		
Kitchens	1,000	Total number of days' labor	47,074

Male Labor Report for Quarter Ending March 31, 1898.

WORKER EMPLOYED.	NUMBER OF DAYS' LABOR.	WORKER EMPLOYED.	NUMBER OF DAYS' LABOR.
Laundry	34	Kitchens and Dining Rooms	1,200
Steamboats	1,200	Fishery	7,100
Babies	1,000	Boiler-houses	1,775
Lunatic Asylum	104	Fire Department	74
Bakery	1,000	Messing, Plastering	1,000
Carpenters	1,000	Printing	31,000
Painters	1,000	Painting	1,000
Townships	100	In Hospital (sick)	1,000
Blacksmiths	100	Large range	11,000
Cot Makers	100	Metropolitan Hospital	100
Bakers and Butchers	100	Riker's Island	1,000
Shoemakers	100		
Tailors	1,000	Total number of days' labor	78,174
Cleaners	1,000		

Male and Female Labor performed by the Workhouse Help at the following Institutions during Quarter ending March 31, 1898.

INSTITUTIONS.	NUMBER OF DAYS' LABOR.		
	MALES.	FEMALES.	TOTAL.
Bellevue Hospital	11	2,724	2,735
Government Hospital	—	104	104
City Hospital	7,707	100	7,807
Roosevelt's Island Asylum and School	7,180	1,000	8,180
Infants' Hospital	4,728	80	4,808
Hansen Hospital	—	80	80
Metropolitan Hospital	—	104	104
City Cemetery	2,400	30	2,430
First District Prison	3,000	7,000	10,000
Second District Prison	1,000	1,000	2,000
Third District Prison	274	700	974
Fourth District Prison	100	600	700
Fifth District Prison	180	400	580
Seventh District Prison	80	400	480
Steamboat Department	5,100	—	5,100
Total	27,082	26,274	53,356

R. I. HARRY REPORT FOR THE QUARTER ENDING MARCH 31, 1898.

	DEPARTMENT OF CHARITIES.	DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS.
Barrels of flour received during the quarter	5,071 7/8	5,071 7/8
Barrels of flour consumed during the quarter	4,975	4,975
Barrels of flour distributed during the quarter	94 7/8	94 7/8
Total	5,166 5/8	5,166 5/8

The number of pounds of bread baked and distributed to the various institutions of the Department during the quarter:

Department of Charities	774,016
Department of Correction	395,168
Total	1,169,184

JOHN M. FOX, Warden.

BOARD OF PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS.

The Board of Public Improvements of The City of New York met at the office of the Board, No. 150 Nassau Street, on Tuesday, May 11, 1898, at 2 o'clock P. M., pursuant to notice.

The roll was called and the following members were present and answered to their names: The Commissioner of Water Supply, the Commissioner of Highways, the Commissioner of Street Cleaning, the Commissioner of Sewers, the Commissioner of Public Buildings, Lighting and Supplies, the President of the Borough of Manhattan, the President of the Borough of The Bronx, the President of the Borough of Brooklyn, the President of the Borough of Queens and the President of the Board.

The minutes of the meeting of April 27, 1898, and having been received from the printer, their approval was postponed until the next meeting.

The following communication from the President of the Borough of Manhattan was read and referred to the Commissioner of Highways:

LOCAL BOARD, TWENTY-FIFTH DISTRICT.

Meeting held in Borough office, City Hall, April 26, 1898.

Resolved, That the Board of Local Improvements of the Twenty-fifth District of the Borough of Manhattan approve the proposed ordinance to repave One Hundredth street, from the westerly crosswalk of First avenue to the easterly crosswalk of Second avenue, with asphalt pavement, and recommend its adoption. Adopted.

The following communication from the President of the Borough of Manhattan was read and referred to the Commissioner of Highways:

LOCAL BOARD, TWENTY-FIFTH DISTRICT.

Meeting held in Borough office, City Hall, April 28, 1898.

Resolved, That the Board of Local Improvements of the Twenty-fifth District of the Borough of Manhattan approve the proposed ordinance to repave One Hundred and First street, from First avenue to the East river, in the Borough of Manhattan, with granite block pavement, and recommend its adoption. Adopted.

The following communication from the President of the Borough of Manhattan was read and laid over:

LOCAL BOARD, TWENTY-FIFTH DISTRICT.

Meeting held in Borough office, City Hall, April 28, 1898.

Resolved, That the Board of Local Improvements of the Twenty-fifth District of the Borough of Manhattan recommend to the Board of Public Improvements that the roadway of Ninety-seventh street, crossing Park avenue, lying east of the railroad bridge to the east side of Park avenue, be paved. Adopted.

DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS—COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, No. 150 NASSAU STREET, NEW YORK, April 12, 1898.

Hon. ALBERT W. HENRY, President of the Borough of Manhattan.

DEAR SIR:—Replying to the letter of March 25 from your Secretary, I beg to say that the estimated cost of paving the roadway of Ninety-seventh street, crossing Park avenue, lying east of the railroad bridge to the east side of Park avenue, about 40 by 30 feet, is \$385. The assessed value of the property within the probable area of assessment is \$120,000.

Very respectfully, W. N. SHANNON, Deputy Commissioner of Highways.

The following communication from the President of the Borough of Manhattan was read:

LOCAL BOARD, TWENTY-FIFTH DISTRICT.

Meeting held in Borough office, City Hall, April 18, 1898.

Resolved, That the Board of Local Improvements of the Twenty-fifth District of the Borough of Manhattan recommend to the Board of Public Improvements that the proper department be instructed to see that the lots on the north side of Ninety-fifth street, about one hundred feet east of Second avenue, be fenced and placed in proper condition. Adopted.

On motion of President Grant, of the Borough of Brooklyn, the matter was referred to the Corporation Council for an opinion as to whether such matters could not be gone ahead with by the department having charge of same.

Alternative—Commissioners of Water Supply, Highways, Sewers, President of the Borough of The Bronx, President of the Borough of Brooklyn, President of the Borough of Manhattan, and President of the Borough of Queens.

Negative—President of the Board, Commissioner of Public Buildings, Lighting and Supplies not voting.

The following communication from the President of the Borough of Manhattan was read and referred to the Commissioner of Highways:

LOCAL BOARD—TWENTY-FIFTH DISTRICT.

Meeting held in Borough office, City Hall, April 28, 1898.

Resolved, That the Board of Local Improvements of the Twenty-fifth District of the Borough of Manhattan recommend that Ninety-seventh street, east side of Fourth avenue (dangerous place about fifteen feet by forty feet), be paved. Adopted.

The following communication from the President of the Borough of Manhattan was read and referred to the Commissioner of Highways:

LOCAL BOARD, NINETY-FIFTH DISTRICT.

Meeting held in Borough office, City Hall, April 26, 1898.

Resolved, That the Board of Local Improvements of the Ninety-fifth District of the Borough of Manhattan recommend that the proper department be instructed to lay bridge-stones for crosswalks at One Hundred and Twenty-fourth street and Columbus avenue. Adopted.

The following communication from the President of the Borough of Manhattan was read and referred to the Commissioner of Highways:

LOCAL BOARD, SEVENTEENTH AND NINETEENTH DISTRICTS.

Meeting held in Borough office, City Hall, April 25, 1898.

Resolved, That the Board of Local Improvements of the Seventeenth and Nineteenth Districts of the Borough of Manhattan, in joint session assembled, recommend to the Board of Public Improvements that West Eighty-eighth street, from Central Park, West, to the Boulevard, be repaved with asphalt block pavement. Adopted.

The following communication from the President of the Borough of Manhattan was read and referred to the Corporation Council for an opinion:

LOCAL BOARD, NINETY-FIFTH DISTRICT.

Meeting held in Borough office, City Hall, April 26, 1898.

Resolved, That the Board of Local Improvements of the Ninety-fifth District of the Borough of Manhattan recommend that the proper department see to it that vacant lot on north side of

One Hundred and Twelfth street, about two hundred feet east of Lenox avenue, be fenced; also fence inclosing vacant lot on south side of One Hundred and Thirteenth street, two hundred feet east of Lenox avenue. Adopted.

The following communication from the Commissioner of Water Supply was read and ordered on file:

DEPARTMENT OF WATER SUPPLY—COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, No. 150 NASSAU STREET, NEW YORK, April 29, 1898.

Hon. MAURICE F. HOLAHAN, President, Board of Public Improvements:

DEAR SIR:—In reference to communication addressed to you by the President of the Borough of Manhattan and the resolution pending in the Board of Aldermen to provide for an improved watering-trough (drinking-fountain) at the southwest corner of One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street and First avenue, which was referred to me for report by the letter of 28th instant from your Secretary, I have to report, as I did on several other resolutions for additional drinking-fountains, that the appropriation for public drinking hydrants for 1898 is only \$2,000, and is barely sufficient to pay the expense of properly maintaining and repairing the drinking-hydrants now in use. For that reason I recommend the disapproval of the resolution by your Board.

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

The following communication from the President of the Borough of The Bronx was read and referred to the Commissioner of Sewers:

BOROUGH OF THE BRONX, April 29, 1898.

Hon. MAURICE F. HOLAHAN, President, Board of Public Improvements:

DEAR SIR:—In accordance with section 384, chapter 378, Laws of 1897, I hereby certify that the following resolution was adopted by the Local Board, Twenty-first District, at its meeting on April 28 last, viz.:

Resolved, That on petition submitted of George A. Steinhilber and others, and hearing given thereon this the 28th day of April, 1898, the Local Board, Twenty-first District, Borough of The Bronx, hereby recommends to the Board of Public Improvements and the Municipal Assembly that a sewer be constructed in East One Hundred and Seventy-ninth street, from Jerome avenue to the Concourse, and in the Concourse, from One Hundred and Seventy-ninth street to Tremont avenue, and in Wallon avenue, from One Hundred and Seventy-ninth street to Burnside avenue, and in Morris avenue, from Tremont avenue to Burnside avenue, and in Creston avenue, from One Hundred and Seventy-eighth street to Summit street, south of Burnside avenue, and that a copy of this resolution be transmitted forthwith to the said Board of Public Improvements and the Municipal Assembly.

Respectfully, LOUIS F. HOFFEN, President.

The following communication from the President of the Borough of The Bronx was read and referred to the Commissioner of Highways:

BOROUGH OF THE BRONX, April 29, 1898.

Hon. MAURICE F. HOLAHAN, President, Board of Public Improvements:

DEAR SIR:—In accordance with section 384, chapter 378, Laws of 1897, I hereby certify that the following resolution was adopted by the Local Board, Twenty-first District, at its meeting on April 28 last, viz.:

Resolved, That on petition submitted of Joseph H. Godwin and others, and hearing given thereon this the 28th day of April, 1898, the Local Board, Twenty-first District, Borough of The Bronx, hereby recommends to the Board of Public Improvements and the Municipal Assembly that West Two Hundred and Thirtieth street, between Bailey avenue and the New York Central and Hudson River Railroad tracks be repaved and graded, curbstones set and sidewalks flagged a space four feet wide through the centre thereof and crosswalks laid where necessary, and that a copy of this resolution be transmitted forthwith to the said Board of Public Improvements and the Municipal Assembly.

Respectfully, LOUIS F. HOFFEN, President.

The following communication from the President of the Borough of The Bronx was read and referred to the Commissioner of Sewers:

BOROUGH OF THE BRONX, April 29, 1898.

Hon. MAURICE F. HOLAHAN, President, Board of Public Improvements:

DEAR SIR:—In accordance with section 384, chapter 378, Laws of 1897, I hereby certify that the following resolution was adopted by the Local Board, Twenty-first District, at its meeting on April 28 last, viz.:

Resolved, That on petition submitted of George A. Steinhilber and others and hearing given thereon this the 28th day of April, 1898, the Local Board, Twenty-first District, Borough of The Bronx, hereby recommends to the Board of Public Improvements and the Municipal Assembly that a sewer be constructed in Walton avenue, between Tremont avenue and One Hundred and Seventy-ninth street, and in Creston avenue, between Tremont avenue and One Hundred and Seventy-eighth street, and in One Hundred and Seventy-eighth street, between Creston avenue and the Concourse, and that a copy of this resolution be transmitted forthwith to the said Board of Public Improvements and the Municipal Assembly.

Respectfully, LOUIS F. HOFFEN, President.

The following communication from the Board of Aldermen was read and referred to the Commissioner of Highways:

IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN, April 26, 1898.

(No. 547.)

The Committee on Public Health, to whom was referred the aforesaid communication from the Health Department relative to unsanitary conditions of vacant lots Nos. 102 and 104 Second street, Williamsbridge, and requesting that proper measures be taken to abate the nuisance (see Minutes, February 23, 1898, page 593), respectfully

REPORT:

That, having examined the subject, they believe immediate attention be paid to this communication.

They therefore recommend that the accompanying ordinance be adopted.

As OMBUDSMAN to provide for the fencing of vacant lots Nos. 102 and 104 Second street, Williamsbridge.

Be it Ordained by the Municipal Assembly of The City of New York, as follows: That the commissioner of highways be and he hereby is authorized and directed to cause the lots known as lots Nos. 102 and 104 Second street, Williamsbridge, to be fenced with a close board fence, six (6) feet high, to abate a nuisance, the expense of the same to be charged to the owner or owners of the said lots.

EUGENE A. WISE, CHARLES H. FRANCISCO, HENRY FRENCH,

HEALTH DEPARTMENT, CENTRE, ELM, WHITE AND FRANKLIN STREETS, NEW YORK, February 10, 1898.

CHARLES F. ROBERTS, M. D., Sanitary Superintendent.

SIR:—On January 26, 1898, on complaint of a citizen, an inspection was made of the vacant lots at Nos. 102 and 104 Second street, Williamsbridge, and the same were found in a dangerous condition.

A careful search has been made to find the owner of said lots, to serve the necessary order to have them fenced, without success. I, therefore, respectfully recommend that the Municipal Assembly be requested to authorize the Department of Highways to have said lots fenced.

Respectfully,

(Signed) EUGENE MONAGHAN, M. D., Assistant Sanitary Superintendent.

A true copy. C. GOLDBERMAN, Secretary pro tem.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT, CENTRE, ELM, WHITE AND FRANKLIN STREETS, NEW YORK, February 18, 1898.

P. J. SULLY, Esq., Clerk, Municipal Assembly.

SIR:—At a meeting of the Board of Health of the Department of Health of The City of New York, held February 16, 1898, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That a copy of the report of the Assistant Sanitary Superintendent of the Borough of The Bronx in respect to the dangerous condition of vacant lots Nos. 102 and 104 Second street, Williamsbridge, be forwarded to the Honorable the Municipal Assembly, with the request that for sanitary reasons the Department of Highways be authorized and directed to have said lots fenced.

A true copy.

C. GOLDBERMAN, Secretary pro tem.

This is to certify that the above ordinance was recommended by Board of Local Improvement of the Twenty-second District, at a regular meeting held on April 24, 1898.

LOUIS F. HOFFEN, President, Borough of The Bronx.

Which was, on motion of Alderman Goodman, referred to the Board of Public Improvements.

The following communication from the Board of Aldermen was read and referred to the President of the Borough of Brooklyn:

IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN, APRIL 26, 1898.

(No. 636.)

By the same—

AN ORDINANCE to provide for repaving St. Edward's street, from Flushing avenue to Myrtle avenue, in the Borough of Brooklyn, with granite-block pavement.

Be it Ordained by the Municipal Assembly of The City of New York, as follows:

Section 1. That the carriageway of St. Edward's street, from Flushing avenue to Myrtle avenue, in the Borough of Brooklyn, be repaved with granite-block pavement, under the direction of the Commissioner of Highways.

Sec. 2. All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent or conflicting with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

Sec. 3. This ordinance shall take effect immediately.

Which was referred to the Board of Public Improvements.

The following communication from the Board of Aldermen was read:

IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN, APRIL 26, 1898.

(No. 638.)

By the same—

AN ORDINANCE to provide for repaving Hopkins street, from Nostrand avenue to Summer avenue, in the Borough of Brooklyn, with asphalt pavement, on the present pavement.

Be it Ordained by the Municipal Assembly of The City of New York, as follows:

Section 1. That the carriageway of Hopkins street, from Nostrand avenue to Summer avenue, in the Borough of Brooklyn, be repaved with asphalt pavement on the present pavement, under the direction of the commissioner of highways.

Sec. 2. All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent or conflicting with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

Sec. 3. This ordinance shall take effect immediately.

Which was referred to the Board of Public Improvements.

The matter was referred to the President of the Borough of Brooklyn. President Grant objected to this disposition of the matter and requested that the matter be referred to the Commissioner of Highways, which the Chair refused to do.

President Grant appealed from the ruling of the Chair, and a vote being taken, the ruling was sustained, President Grant being the only one to vote against it.

The following communication from the Board of Aldermen was read and referred to the Commissioner of Highways:

IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN, APRIL 26, 1898.

(No. 641.)

By the same—

AN ORDINANCE to repave West Third street, from Sixth avenue to Broadway, Borough of Manhattan, with asphalt.

Be it Ordained by the Municipal Assembly of The City of New York, as follows:

Section 1. That the carriageway of West Third street, from the westerly side of Broadway to the easterly side of Sixth avenue, Borough of Manhattan, be repaved with asphalt upon the present foundation; that crosswalks be laid at each intersecting street or avenue and curbstones set, where not already done, under the direction of the commissioner of highways.

Sec. 2. All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent or conflicting with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

Sec. 3. This ordinance shall take effect immediately.

Which was referred to the Board of Public Improvements.

The following communication from the Board of Aldermen was read and referred to the Commissioner of Highways:

IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN, APRIL 26, 1898.

(No. 647.)

By Alderman Minkley—

AN ORDINANCE to provide for repaving the carriageway of Grand street, between Ludlow and Essex streets, in front of Public School No. 137, in the Borough of Manhattan, with asphalt pavement on the present pavement.

Be it Ordained by the Municipal Assembly of The City of New York, as follows:

Section 1. That the carriageway of Grand street, between Ludlow and Essex streets, in front of Public School No. 137, in the Borough of Manhattan, be repaved with asphalt pavement on the present pavement, under the direction of the commissioner of highways.

Sec. 2. All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent or conflicting with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

Sec. 3. This ordinance shall take effect immediately.

Which was referred to the Board of Public Improvements.

The following communication from the Board of Aldermen was read and referred to the President of the Borough of Brooklyn:

IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN, APRIL 26, 1898.

(No. 662.)

By Alderman Velton—

AN ORDINANCE to repave Humboldt street, from Grand street to Flushing avenue, Borough of Brooklyn.

Be it Ordained by the Municipal Assembly of The City of New York, as follows:

Section 1. That the carriageway of Humboldt street, from Grand street to Flushing avenue, Borough of Brooklyn, be repaved with asphalt upon the present foundation, under the direction of the commissioner of highways.

Sec. 2. All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent or conflicting with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

Sec. 3. This ordinance shall take effect immediately.

Which was referred to the Board of Public Improvements.

The following communication from the Board of Aldermen was read and referred to the President of the Borough of Brooklyn:

IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN, APRIL 26, 1898.

(No. 664.)

By the same—

AN ORDINANCE to repave Siegel street, from Bushwick avenue to Broadway, Borough of Brooklyn.

Be it Ordained by the Municipal Assembly of The City of New York, as follows:

Section 1. That the carriageway of Siegel street, from Bushwick avenue to Broadway, Borough of Brooklyn, be repaved with asphalt upon the present foundation, under the direction of the commissioner of highways.

Sec. 2. All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent or conflicting with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

Sec. 3. This ordinance shall take effect immediately.

Which was referred to the Board of Public Improvements.

The following communication from the Board of Aldermen was read and referred to the President of the Borough of Brooklyn:

IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN, APRIL 26, 1898.

(No. 657.)

By Alderman Diemer—

AN ORDINANCE to provide for repaving Ellery street, from Nostrand avenue to Broadway, in the Borough of Brooklyn, with asphalt pavement on the present pavement.

Be it Ordained by the Municipal Assembly of The City of New York, as follows:

Section 1. That the carriageway of Ellery street, from Nostrand avenue to Broadway, in the Borough of Brooklyn, be repaved with asphalt pavement on the present pavement, under the direction of the commissioner of highways.

Sec. 2. All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent or conflicting with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

Sec. 3. This ordinance shall take effect immediately.

Which was referred to the Board of Public Improvements.

The following communication from the Commissioner of Public Buildings, Lighting and Supplies was read and filed:

CITY OF NEW YORK, DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC BUILDINGS, LIGHTING AND SUPPLIES, OFFICE, No. 346 BROADWAY, NEW YORK, April 30, 1898.

Hon. MAURICE F. HOLAHAN, President, Board of Public Improvements, No. 346 Broadway, City:

DEAR SIR—In answer to your communication of April 21, referring to this Department for investigation and report a communication addressed to you by the President of the Borough of Brooklyn, relative to placing lights at various points in the Eighth District, Borough of Brooklyn:

The matter has been investigated and this Department has to report that the present condition of the fund for lamps and lighting in the Borough of Brooklyn not only does not permit of the establishment of new lights, but it also does not cover the cost of lighting the public buildings in that borough under the charge of this Department.

Respectfully yours,

HENRY S. KEARNY, Commissioner.

The following communication was read and referred to the Chief Topographical Engineer:

BROOKLYN, N. Y., April 26, 1898.

MAURICE F. HOLAHAN, President, Board of Public Improvements, City of New York:

DEAR SIR—In regard to the matter of the proposed change of grades of the streets in the Thirtieth Ward of the Borough of Brooklyn, City of New York, between Sixty-seventh street and Seventy-fifth street and between Seventeenth avenue and Eighteenth avenue, I would respectfully protest against any changes being made in the grades as now established, for the following reasons:

1st. I purchased what were known as the Snydman, Bergen and Overton properties in 1890 and 1891, and after spending a large amount of money in grading the streets in conformity with the established grades, sold to a number of people with the understanding that the streets were on the established grades, and that any changes made in the then established grades will seriously affect the value of lots sold and lots which I still own.

2d. That, in June, 1897, the incorporators of a company known as the Suburban Home Company, through their engineer, Edwin C. Swezey, had a plan made for changing the established grades from Sixty-seventh to Seventy-fourth street and from Seventeenth to Eighteenth avenue; that such plan of changes in grade of the foregoing streets was passed by the Common Council of the late City of Brooklyn without any notice of hearing being served on me or on those to whom I had sold lots. That such changes seriously affected my and their interests.

3d. That, in December, 1897, a resolution was passed by the Common Council of the City of Brooklyn, and afterward approved by the Mayor of the City of Brooklyn, restoring the grades of Sixty-eighth and Sixty-ninth streets to the same lines as originally laid out by the Grade Commissioners of the Town of New Utrecht.

4th. That to change the grades of those streets as originally and finally adopted will be a serious injury, for the reason that it causes a fall to be made of two and one-half feet at the line between lands of the Suburban Home Company and lands owned by me; and further, the district which is affected is a flat country where material for filling is very expensive, and that a raise of grade on the streets will require a corresponding raise of grade on the lots and will depreciate their value to a large extent.

Therefore, I would protest against any changes being made in the grades without being given an opportunity to be heard in the matter.

Yours respectfully,

JOHN H. HANLEY, No. 541 Deane street, Brooklyn.

The report of the Commissioner of Highways, in regard to above year's guaranty, in contracts made for repaving streets, which was laid over at the meeting of the Board held on April 6, was taken up, and after some discussion was referred over to the Commissioner of Highways for the purpose of making a supplemental report.

The following communication from the Commissioner of Highways was read and laid over:

DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS—COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, No. 150 NASSAU STREET, NEW YORK, February 23, 1898.

Honorable Board of Public Improvements:

GENTLEMEN—Pursuant to the provisions of section 524, subdivision 6 of the Charter, I recommend that a raised crosswalk be placed in Long Acre Square, on south side of Forty-fourth street.

This street is one of the main thoroughfares in the city, and the improvement recommended is necessary for the safety, health and convenience of the public.

In compliance with the requirements of section 415 of the Charter, I present an estimate of the cost of the work, \$500, and also the assessed value of the probable area of assessment, \$221,000.

The cost of this work will be paid for by assessment on the property benefited. I would ask that your Honorable Board give the matter your earnest consideration and approve the accompanying ordinance, in order that the improvement may be commenced as soon as possible.

Respectfully,

JAMES P. KEATING, Commissioner of Highways.

The following communication from the Commissioner of Public Buildings, Lighting and Supplies was read and filed, and the Secretary directed to forward a copy to President of the Borough of Manhattan:

CITY OF NEW YORK, DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC BUILDINGS, LIGHTING AND SUPPLIES, OFFICE, No. 346 BROADWAY, NEW YORK, April 26, 1898.

Hon. MAURICE F. HOLAHAN, President, Board of Public Improvements, No. 346 Broadway, City:

DEAR SIR—The within communication in reply to lighting Avenue C, Houston street, Avenue D, etc., referred in this Department, I hereby return with the statement that the above lighting was not included in the estimate for this year, and no provision made for lighting said streets, as there is no sidewalk in those streets, and it would require the erection of poles and overhead wires, which is not considered desirable, under the circumstances.

Respectfully yours,

HENRY S. KEARNY, Commissioner.

The following communication from the Commissioner of Water Supply, together with the annexed resolution, were read and, on motion of Commissioner of Water Supply, the matter was laid over for one week:

DEPARTMENT OF WATER SUPPLY—COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, No. 150 NASSAU STREET, NEW YORK, April 26, 1898.

Hon. MAURICE F. HOLAHAN, President, Board of Public Improvements:

DEAR SIR—In connection with the subject of the contracts with private water companies for the supply and maintenance of fire-hydrants, I desire to call attention to the necessity of some restriction on the further extension of water-mains and hydrants by these companies. Such extensions have already been made by several companies since January 1, 1898, and most of the contracts or agreements allow the companies to place a hydrant on each 500 feet of additional water-mains or pipes laid.

I would also call attention to the large and apparently excessive prices stipulated in some of the contracts for the maintenance and supply of hydrants, and the necessity of some action whereby a reasonable and uniform price may be established.

It is considered that your Board has power to act on this matter under subdivision 7 of section 415, and under the closing paragraph of section 472 of the City Charter.

I therefore respectfully recommend that it be ordered by your Board that no permits to open any street or highway be issued to private water companies by the Department of Highways or the Department of Water Supply, for the laying of additional mains or the placing of additional fire-hydrants; that the two departments and the water companies be notified of this order, and that the water companies be required to make application to the Board, accompanied by proper plans, for any further extension of water-mains and the placing of any additional fire-hydrants.

Very respectfully,

WML DALTON, Commissioner of Water Supply.

DEPARTMENT OF WATER SUPPLY—COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, No. 150 NASSAU STREET, NEW YORK, April 26, 1898.

Hon. MAURICE F. HOLAHAN, President, Board of Public Improvements:

DEAR SIR—I have the honor to submit herewith for the consideration and action of your Board, under subdivision 7 of section 415 of the City Charter, a statement giving the titles of the several private water companies which supply and maintain fire-hydrants within the present limits of the city, under contracts made by the authorities of the former municipal bodies now consolidated with and incorporated in the city, and stating also the prices charged and number of hydrants furnished in each case, the annual cost under each contract, and the total cost per year, which is \$146,186.50, including allowance for the annual increase of five per cent. in the number of fire-hydrants, and \$8,000 for the services of eight Inspectors of Hydrants.

The following is a brief recapitulation of the statement:

Borough of Queens..... 3,254 hydrants, annual cost.....	\$25,504 00
Richmond..... 600 " " " ".....	26,052 50
Bronx..... 495 " " " ".....	18,600 00
Brooklyn..... 6,215 " " " ".....	61,445 00
Total..... 13,669.....	\$131,601 50
Annual increase five per cent..... 195 hydrants, annual cost.....	6,821 00
Services of eight Inspectors, at \$1,000 each.....	8,000 00
Total annual cost.....	\$146,426 50

The question of the validity of the contracts, so far as authenticated copies of the same have been obtained, is under examination and consideration by the Corporation Counsel.

To enable this Department to audit and certify to the bills of the several companies, as required under the advice of the Corporation Counsel, and to make a call upon the Board of Estimate and Apportionment for the necessary appropriation, I respectfully ask for the action and approval of your Board in the matter.

Very respectfully,
WILLIAM DALTON, Commissioner of Water Supply.

Whereas, It is claimed by several private corporations of the Boroughs of Brooklyn, Queens, Richmond and The Bronx that contracts were entered into with them by the authorities of the former municipal bodies now recapitalized with and incorporated in The City of New York to supply and maintain fire hydrants within the present limits of the city; and

Whereas, No uniform rate is charged for such supply and maintenance, some of the charges being excessive; and

Whereas, Said contracts or agreements allow the companies to place a hydrant on each five hundred feet of additional water-main or pipe laid; new; be it

Resolved, That in order to establish a uniform, reasonable rate of charge for the supply and maintenance of said fire hydrants, that the Commissioner of Water Supply is hereby directed to examine and determine as to what would be a just and reasonable charge for such service, and to report same at the next meeting of this Board, copies of said report to be forwarded to the water companies for their consent, in case of reduction of rate, in accordance with section 477, chapter 378, Laws of 1897, also be it

Resolved, That the consent of this Board must be obtained before a permit can be granted to private water companies by the Commissioner of Highways or Commissioner of Water Supply to open any street or highway, and an application must be made to this Board for the extension of water-mains and the placing of additional fire hydrants, accompanied by the proper plans for same.

The following resolution, presented by the Commissioner of Sewers, was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That this Board approves of the granting of a permit to William Scherer, by the Commissioner of Sewers, for constructing a sewer at his own expense in Eastern Parkway, from Claason avenue thirty-five feet easterly therefrom, Borough of Brooklyn, and also approve of the plan and specifications submitted.

The following communication from the President of the Borough of The Bronx was read and referred to the Chief Topographical Engineer:

THE CITY OF NEW YORK,
PRESIDENT OF THE BOROUGH OF THE BRONX,
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, CROTONA PARK,
April 30, 1898.

Hon. MAURICE F. HOLAHAN, President, Board of Public Improvements:

DEAR SIR—I hereby certify that the appended resolution was recommended for adoption by the Board of Public Improvements at a meeting of the Local Board, Twenty-first District, held on April 28 last, viz:

Resolved, That the Local Board, Twenty-first District, Borough of The Bronx, hereby recommends to the Board of Public Improvements that proceedings be initiated to acquire title to that part of West Two Hundred and Thirtieth street, in the Twenty-fourth Ward, from Broadway to Bailey avenue, to which title has not been yet acquired by the City, and that a copy of this resolution be transmitted forthwith to the said Board of Public Improvements.

Respectfully,
LOUIS F. HOFFEN, President.

The following communication from the President of the Borough of Brooklyn was read and referred to the Chief Topographical Engineer:

CITY OF NEW YORK—BOROUGH OF BROOKLYN,
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOROUGH,
May 2, 1898.

Board of Public Improvements:

GENTLEMEN—The Local Board of the Seventh District, Borough of Brooklyn, after hearing had at a meeting on April 20, duly advertised, adopted the following:

Resolved, That the Local Board of the Seventh District, Borough of Brooklyn, hereby recommends to the Board of Public Improvements of The City of New York that proceedings be initiated to open Provest street, from Greenpoint avenue to Pudge street, in the Borough of Brooklyn.

This action was taken on the recommendation of the Department of Sewers to the Board of Public Improvements dated February 10, 1898, asking that proceedings be instituted to acquire title to Provest street, from Greenpoint avenue to Pudge street, for sewerage purposes, which recommendation was referred to me by the Board of Public Improvements on March 16.

The Local Board, at its meeting on April 19, determined that as proceedings to open the street are no more expensive than to acquire title to street for sewerage purposes, it is for the best interests of the City that the former proceedings be initiated. The Board of Aldermen of the former City of Brooklyn passed resolutions last year providing for the opening of this street, which resolutions were afterwards rescinded. Subsequently a resolution rescinding the rescinded resolutions was passed, but the Corporation Counsel is of the opinion that the action has been such as to cloud the proceedings of the Supreme Court Commission which had been appointed, and that it would be better to begin the proceedings anew.

Attached is a copy of the recommendations from the Department of Sewers.

Respectfully,
EDWARD M. GROUT, President of the Borough.

The following communication from the Mayor was read and filed:

CITY OF NEW YORK—OFFICE OF THE MAYOR,
April 28, 1898.

Hon. MAURICE F. HOLAHAN, President, Board of Public Improvements, New York:

DEAR SIR—The Comptroller having prepared and announced a statement of the indebtedness of the City, the instructions in my letter to you of April 8, in accordance with its expressed limitations, are no longer in force.

I herewith inclose a copy of the Comptroller's statement, and its contents are such that all City officers, to protect themselves and the City, should advise with the Corporation Counsel before entering into contracts or incurring obligations in any form to be met by bonds, or the proceeds of bonds, authorized or issued, or to be hereafter authorized or issued.

Very respectfully yours,
ROBT. A. VAN WYCK, Mayor.

The following communications from the President of the Borough of Brooklyn were read and referred to the Commissioner of Highways for an estimate of the cost of proposed work:

CITY OF NEW YORK—BOROUGH OF BROOKLYN,
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOROUGH,
April 28, 1898.

Board of Public Improvements:

GENTLEMEN—The Local Board of the Ninth District, Borough of Brooklyn, on petition of H. Noel, and after hearing had at a meeting on April 25, duly advertised, adopted the following:

Resolved, That the Local Board of the Ninth District, Borough of Brooklyn, hereby directs that the sidewalk opposite the lots lying on Plushing avenue, between Bushwick avenue and White street, known as Nos. 74, 68 and 29 to 32, Block 105, Twenty-eighth Ward map, be flagged with bluestone flagging six (6) feet in width, or the full width, where not already done, at the expense of the owner or owners of the said lots.

Resolved, That this resolution be forwarded to the Board of Public Improvements for its approval.

The necessity that this work be done was certified to by the Department of Highways in a report dated January 19, 1898, a copy of which is inclosed.

Respectfully,
EDWARD M. GROUT, President of the Borough.

CITY OF NEW YORK—BOROUGH OF BROOKLYN,
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOROUGH,
April 27, 1898.

Board of Public Improvements:

GENTLEMEN—The Local Board of the Ninth District, Borough of Brooklyn, on petition of Adam Mann, of No. 156 Cornelia street, and after hearing had at a meeting on April 25, duly advertised, adopted the following:

Resolved, That the Local Board of the Ninth District, Borough of Brooklyn, hereby directs that the sidewalk opposite the lots lying on the north side of Cornelia street, between Evergreen avenue and Central avenue, known as Lots Nos. 42, 41 and 42, Block 104, Twenty-eighth Ward map, be flagged with bluestone flagging six (6) feet in width, or the full width, where not already done, at the expense of the owner or owners of the said lots.

Resolved, That this resolution be forwarded to the Board of Public Improvements for its approval.

The necessity that this work be done was certified to by the Department of Highways in a report dated April 11, 1898, a copy of which is inclosed.

Respectfully,
EDWARD M. GROUT, President of the Borough.

CITY OF NEW YORK—BOROUGH OF BROOKLYN,
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOROUGH,
April 28, 1898.

Board of Public Improvements:

GENTLEMEN—The Local Board of the Ninth District, Borough of Brooklyn, on petition of Adam Mann, of No. 156 Cornelia street, and A. Lackenbauer, of No. 123 Cornelia street, and after hearing had at a meeting on April 25, duly advertised, adopted the following:

Resolved, That the Local Board of the Ninth District, Borough of Brooklyn, hereby directs that the lot lying on the north side of Cornelia street, between Evergreen avenue and Central avenue, known as Lot No. 42, Block 104, Twenty-eighth Ward map, be inclosed with a close board fence, six (6) feet high, at the expense of the owner or owners of the said lots.

Resolved, That this resolution be forwarded to the Board of Public Improvements for its approval.

The necessity that this work be done was certified to by the Department of Highways in a report dated April 11, 1898, a copy of which is inclosed.

Respectfully,
EDWARD M. GROUT, President of the Borough.

CITY OF NEW YORK—BOROUGH OF BROOKLYN,
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOROUGH,
April 28, 1898.

Board of Public Improvements:

GENTLEMEN—The Local Board of the Ninth District, Borough of Brooklyn, on resolution of Alderman Lange, and after hearing had at a meeting on April 25, duly advertised, adopted the following:

Resolved, That the Local Board of the Ninth District, Borough of Brooklyn, hereby directs that the lot lying on the south side of Puhanc avenue, between Evergreen avenue and Bushwick avenue, known as Lot No. 24, Block 143, Twenty-eighth Ward map, be inclosed with a close board fence, six (6) feet high, at the expense of the owner or owners of the said lots.

Resolved, That this resolution be forwarded to the Board of Public Improvements for its approval.

The necessity that this work be done was certified to by the Department of Highways in a report dated April 11, 1898, a copy of which is inclosed.

Respectfully,
EDWARD M. GROUT, President of the Borough.

CITY OF NEW YORK—BOROUGH OF BROOKLYN,
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOROUGH,
April 28, 1898.

Board of Public Improvements:

GENTLEMEN—The Local Board of the Ninth District, Borough of Brooklyn, on resolution of Alderman Lange, and after hearing had at a meeting on April 25, duly advertised, adopted the following:

Resolved, That the Local Board of the Ninth District, Borough of Brooklyn, hereby directs that the sidewalk opposite the lots lying on the east side of Hamberg avenue, between Bushwick avenue and Hart street, known as Lots Nos. 4, 5, 6, 7 and 10, Block 78, Twenty-seventh Ward map, be flagged with bluestone flagging, six (6) feet in width, or the full width, where not already done, at the expense of the owner or owners of the said lots.

Resolved, That this resolution be forwarded to the Board of Public Improvements for its approval.

The necessity that this work be done was certified to by the Department of Highways, in a report dated April 11, 1898, a copy of which is inclosed.

Respectfully,
EDWARD M. GROUT, President of the Borough.

CITY OF NEW YORK—BOROUGH OF BROOKLYN,
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOROUGH,
April 28, 1898.

Board of Public Improvements:

GENTLEMEN—The Local Board of the Ninth District, Borough of Brooklyn, on petition of F. A. Darling, of No. 151 Hale avenue, and after hearing had at a meeting on April 25, duly advertised, adopted the following:

Resolved, That the Local Board of the Ninth District, Borough of Brooklyn, hereby directs that the lots lying on the east side of Hale avenue, between Arlington avenue and Midgewood avenue, known as Lots Nos. 40, 41 and 42, Block 360, Twenty-sixth Ward map, be inclosed with a close board fence, six (6) feet high, at the expense of the owner or owners of the said lots.

Resolved, That this resolution be forwarded to the Board of Public Improvements for its approval.

The necessity that this work be done was certified to by the Department of Highways, in a report dated April 11, 1898, a copy of which is inclosed.

Respectfully,
EDWARD M. GROUT, President of the Borough.

CITY OF NEW YORK—BOROUGH OF BROOKLYN,
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOROUGH,
April 28, 1898.

Board of Public Improvements:

GENTLEMEN—The Local Board of the Ninth District, Borough of Brooklyn, on petition of William Becker, of No. 127 Linden street, and others, and after hearing had at a meeting on April 25, duly advertised, adopted the following:

Resolved, That the Local Board of the Ninth District, Borough of Brooklyn, hereby directs that the lot lying on the west side of Linden street, between Evergreen avenue and Central avenue, known as Lot No. 49, Block 33, Twenty-eighth Ward map, be inclosed with a close board fence, six (6) feet high, at the expense of the owner or owners of the said lots.

Resolved, That this resolution be forwarded to the Board of Public Improvements for its approval.

Respectfully,
EDWARD M. GROUT, President of the Borough.

The following communication from the Commissioner of Highways was read, and the various matters therein referred to were disposed of separately:

DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS—COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE,
No. 150 NASSAU STREET,
NEW YORK, April 28, 1898.

Hon. MAURICE F. HOLAHAN, President, Board of Public Improvements:

DEAR SIR—I have the honor to report on the following matters referred to me with letters, dated April 14 and 21, from the Secretary to the Board of Public Improvements:

Resolution adopted by the Local Board of the Nineteenth District, Borough of Manhattan, recommending that sidewalks on the south side of One Hundred and Forty-ninth street, west of the Boulevard, be repaired:

The owners of the property fronting on these defective sidewalks were notified on August 3, 1897, to make the necessary repairs. The notices have not been complied with. The sidewalks are in bad condition. The work should therefore be done under authority of an ordinance of the Municipal Assembly. The estimated cost of improving the sidewalks is \$650, and the assessed value of the real estate within the probable area of assessment is \$23,000.

(The matter was laid over.)
Resolution of the Local Board of the Eighteenth District, Borough of Manhattan, recommending that the vacant lot No. 1317 Avenue A be properly fenced:
It is necessary to fence the vacant lot No. 1317 Avenue A. The estimated cost is \$12,500. The assessed value of the real estate within the probable area of assessment is \$5,500.

(Laid over.)

Resolution of the Local Board of the Fourteenth District, Borough of Manhattan, approving an ordinance of the Municipal Assembly for repaving and laying crosswalks in East Fifteenth street, from Avenue C to Second avenue.

The estimated cost of this improvement is \$31,700. (Laid over.)

Communication from the President of the Borough of Manhattan, asking that Mr. Reinert, attached to the staff of the Commissioner of Highways, be designated to prepare a map showing change of grade on Terrace View avenue north from Kingsbridge avenue, passing Jansen avenue to a point about 275 feet southwest from the intersection of Jansen avenue and Terrace View avenue north, also showing change of grade on Jansen avenue, from Wicker place to Terrace View avenue north.

Mr. Reinert is not in the employ of the Department of Highways. He is a City Surveyor, having charge of several street improvements in the neighborhood of Marble Hall. His address is No. 280 Broadway. The Department of Highways has no appropriation from which to pay for the preparation of the map referred to.

Secretary directed to notify the President of the Borough of Manhattan of the Commissioner's report.

Communication from Henry S. Livingston, relative to delay in opening Kappock street, Spuyten Duyvil.

The contractor for this improvement has been repeatedly ordered to push forward his work, but has failed to do so. He states that he cannot continue to prosecute the work because the 70 per cent. payments to which he is entitled under the contract have been withheld.

Secretary directed to notify Mr. Livingston of the report of the Commissioner of Highways.

Very respectfully, JAMES P. KEATING, Commissioner of Highways.

The following communication from the Commissioner of Highways was read and referred to the Chief Topographical Engineer:

DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS, } May 7, 1898. }

Hon. MAURICE F. HOLAHAN, President of the Board of Public Improvements:

DEAR SIR—Pursuant to the provisions of the resolution adopted by your Honorable Board at its meeting on the 20th ultimo, directing that the President of the Board of Public Improvements be notified whenever any monuments and bolts are likely to be disturbed, I beg to report the following streets where original improvements are now under way, and where such monuments are likely to be disturbed:

Utica avenue, from a line between the Twenty-fourth and Twenty-ninth Wards to a line between the Twenty-ninth and Thirty-second Wards. (Plan showing the location of monuments already sent the Chief Engineer of the Topographical Bureau of the Board of Public Improvements.)

Sixtieth street, between Third and Fourth avenues, monuments located at northeast corner of Third avenue and northwest corner of Fourth avenue.

Avenue U, from Ocean Parkway to Eighty-sixth street, monuments located on easterly side of Grand avenue.

Respectfully yours, JAMES P. KEATING, Commissioner of Highways.

The following communication from the Commissioner of Highways was read and laid over awaiting opinion from the Corporation Counsel:

DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS—COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, } No. 150 NASSAU STREET, } NEW YORK, April 29, 1898. }

Hon. MAURICE F. HOLAHAN, President, Board of Public Improvements:

DEAR SIR—On July 15, 1897, Louis Cataberry entered into a contract with the City for regulating, grading, setting, curbstones, flagging sidewalks, laying crosswalks, building approaches, and placing fences in Two Hundred and Thirty-third street, from Jerome avenue to the Bronx river.

The contractor died while vigorously prosecuting the work under his contract. His death was caused by an accident that happened when he was engaged in the performance of his work, which has been practically at a standstill since his demise. The administratrix of his estate desires to complete the work under the contract entered into by her late husband. Since his death she has been busily engaged settling his affairs and making arrangements to complete the several contracts he had made with the City. It is represented that, during Mr. Cataberry's lifetime, the work under his contract was delayed by the alleged failure of the City to protect its water-pipes and to remove buildings within the lines of the improvement.

The administratrix asks that the contract time be extended to January 1, 1899, and she is advised that the work can be completed by that time.

The Deputy Commissioner of Highways for the Borough of The Bronx recommends that the time within which the work under the contract may be completed be extended to that date, as, in his judgment, it will be more advantageous to the City to have the work completed under the present contract than to declare it abandoned and re-advertise and retlet the work. I agree with this view, and therefore request the Board of Public Improvements, in accordance with section 424 of the City Charter, to unanimously recommend to the Municipal Assembly that the time for the performance of the work under said contract be extended to January 1, 1899.

Very respectfully, JAMES P. KEATING, Commissioner of Highways.

The following report from the Chief Topographical Engineer was read and the matter was referred:

CITY OF NEW YORK, } PRESIDENT OF BOARD OF PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS, } TOPOGRAPHICAL BUREAU, BOROUGH OF THE BRONX, } ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-SEVENTH STREET AND THIRD AVENUE, } May 2, 1898. }

Col. JOHN H. MOONEY, Secretary, Board of Public Improvements:

SIR—In reply to the action taken by the Board of Public Improvements, referring to me for report resolution of the Local Board of the Eighth District, Borough of Brooklyn, for the legal opening of Utica avenue, between the division of the former towns of Flatbush and Flatlands, and the line of Flatbush avenue, in the Borough of Brooklyn, I have to state that Utica avenue is regulated and graded as far as the line of Flatbush, and is being graded at the present time through the Twenty-ninth Ward, formerly Flatbush, to the line of Flatlands or the Thirty-second Ward. Utica avenue is regulated and graded for about 5,000 feet. The portion under contract is about 11,300 feet in length, and the new part sought to be opened is about 8,300 feet long.

There are eight (\$8) signatures to the petition, and from the information that I could gather on the ground, I have come to the conclusion that the opening of Utica avenue is requested by the majority of the owners, who own large tracts of land in that vicinity. The opening will give direct communication between Bergen Point and Flatbush avenue with East New York, and will certainly benefit the property. Therefore it is recommended.

The papers in the matter are inclosed. Respectfully, LOUIS A. RISSE, Chief Topographical Engineer and Engineer of Concourse.

The following communication from the Chief Topographical Engineer was read:

CITY OF NEW YORK, } PRESIDENT OF BOARD OF PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS, } TOPOGRAPHICAL BUREAU, BOROUGH OF THE BRONX, } ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-SEVENTH STREET AND THIRD AVENUE, } May 2, 1898. }

Col. JOHN H. MOONEY, Secretary, Board of Public Improvements:

SIR—In reply to the communication of Mr. Fordham Morris, attorney for the Bailey estate, offering to dedicate to the City a portion of Exterior street and of East One Hundred and Ninety-second street, under certain conditions, I report as follows:

Section 992 of chapter 378 of the Laws of 1897 provides as follows:

Section 992. The owners of land, and of all estate therein embraced, within the lines of any street laid down and shown on the map or plan of The City of New York, and comprising all the land within said lines in an entire block in extent, may, without compensation, and at their own expense, convey all their right, title and interest therein, providing the same shall be free from incumbrances inconsistent with the title to be acquired by the City, in The City of New York, and upon the delivery of such conveyances to the corporation counsel of said city, with the money necessary to record such conveyances, and affidavits made by all such owners to the effect that the persons making them are the owners of the estates in such lands as conveyed by them respectively, and stating their interests and that such estates in such lands are free of all incumbrances, except as aforesaid, together with abstracts of title and complete searches, if desired by such corporation counsel, it shall be the duty of such corporation counsel to examine such conveyances and papers, and if such title shall not be rejected for good cause by such corporation counsel, he shall cause the said conveyances to be recorded in the office in which conveyances of real estate are recorded in the county in which such lands are located, within sixty days after their delivery to him, and file them with the comptroller of such city, and thereupon The City of New York

shall become vested with the title to said lands, to the same effect and extent as if they had been acquired by a proceeding taken for the opening of that portion of said street; after the making and acceptance of such conveyances no proceedings to open the lands so conveyed shall be taken or maintained, nor shall the lands fronting on that portion of the street so conveyed, and extending to the centre of the block on either side of such portion of said street so conveyed, be chargeable with any portion of the expenses of opening the residue or any portion of the residue of such street, except the due and fair proportion of the awards that may be made for buildings as aforesaid.

Under the provisions of the above-quoted section, it appears that land can be dedicated to the City for street purposes, and the owners of said land relieved from assessment for the residue of such street, except the proportion of awards that may be made for buildings.

It is assumed, therefore, that Mr. Fordham Morris be requested to furnish the Board of Public Improvements with a map and technical description of the land proposed to be dedicated, which map and technical description be referred, for approval, and that after said approval, he be advised in concert with the Corporation Counsel, who, in accordance with section 253 of chapter 378 of the Laws of 1897, has charge of the conduct of the legal proceedings necessary in acquiring real estate for the City.

The communication in relation to the subject is hereto returned.

Respectfully,

LOUIS A. RISSE,

Chief Topographical Engineer and Engineer of Concourse.

Thereupon the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the attorney and counsel for the estate of N. P. Bailey, deceased, be, and is hereby requested to furnish this Board with a map and technical description, showing the land proposed to be dedicated to the City, in accordance with the petition submitted.

The following communication from the Chief Topographical Engineer was read and the matter laid over:

CITY OF NEW YORK, } PRESIDENT OF BOARD OF PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS, } TOPOGRAPHICAL BUREAU, BOROUGH OF THE BRONX, } ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-SEVENTH STREET AND THIRD AVENUE, } May 4, 1898. }

Col. JOHN H. MOONEY, Secretary, Board of Public Improvements:

SIR—In accordance with the action taken by the Board of Public Improvements, referring to me, for report, a resolution of the Local Board of Public Improvements of the Twenty-first District, Borough of The Bronx, recommending that Belmont avenue be laid out for four miles between East One Hundred and Seventy-seventh and East One Hundred and Seventy-sixth streets, and 50 feet wide between East One Hundred and Seventy-sixth and East One Hundred and Seventy-fifth streets, as shown in the submitted map, I report as follows:

The owners of the property in the block bounded by Arthur avenue, East One Hundred and Seventy-seventh street, Crotona avenue, and East One Hundred and Seventy-sixth street were never in accord with their views about the location of Belmont avenue, and the Department of Street Improvements of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, after a number of hearings, laid out the same on the final maps 50 feet in width and shown on the accompanying map as Exhibit A.

The Legislature of 1896 (chapter 655) authorized the Board of Street Opening and Improvement to lay out Belmont avenue 50 feet westerly and parallel to Crotona avenue, from East One Hundred and Seventy-seventh to East One Hundred and Seventy-fifth streets. A number of public hearings were held in the Mayor's office on that matter. Opposition was developed at these hearings against the laying out of the avenue as provided by said chapter. As it was evident that the property-owners could not agree, and the law not being mandatory, no action was taken by the Board. The layout of Belmont avenue in accordance with chapter 655 is shown on the accompanying map as Exhibit B.

The Local Board of Public Improvements of the Twenty-first District, Borough of The Bronx, on March 31, 1898, recommended that Belmont avenue, from East One Hundred and Seventy-fifth to East One Hundred and Seventy-sixth streets, be made 50 feet wide, and follow certain lot lines 200.8 feet westerly of Crotona avenue, and from East One Hundred and Seventy-sixth to East One Hundred and Seventy-seventh street to be 60 feet wide, making an angle in the middle of the block. To this layout opposition was made at this office. It is shown on the accompanying map as Exhibit C.

It seems to be evident that whatever is done in the matter will meet with opposition from some property-owner in the block, and since the matter is only of local interest, I recommend that the Board of Public Improvements reject all suggestions in relation to the block between East One Hundred and Seventy-sixth and East One Hundred and Seventy-seventh streets, and leave the avenue as it is on the final maps, unless a petition is presented signed by all the parties interested.

A resolution was adopted by the Board of Street Opening and Improvement at a meeting held May 7, 1897, for the opening of said Belmont avenue, from East One Hundred and Seventy-sixth to East One Hundred and Seventy-seventh streets, but no Commissioners of Assessment have as yet been appointed.

The extension southerly to East One Hundred and Seventy-fifth street, following the lot lines 200.8 feet westerly of Crotona avenue, is not objectionable.

The papers and maps in the matter are hereto returned. Respectfully, LOUIS A. RISSE, Chief Topographical Engineer and Engineer of Concourse.

The following report from the Chief Topographical Engineer was read:

CITY OF NEW YORK, } PRESIDENT OF BOARD OF PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS, } TOPOGRAPHICAL BUREAU, BOROUGH OF THE BRONX, } ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-SEVENTH STREET AND THIRD AVENUE, } May 2, 1898. }

Col. JOHN H. MOONEY, Secretary, Board of Public Improvements:

SIR—In reply to the action taken by the Board of Public Improvements, referring to me for report, the resolution of the Local Board of Public Improvements of the Twenty-third District, Borough of The Bronx, recommending the extension of Andrews avenue, from East One Hundred and Eightieth street to the south line of the New York University, and the laying out of Weigand place, from East One Hundred and Eightieth street to the south line of the New York University, I report as follows:

Andrews avenue was formerly laid out from Aqueduct avenue to Fordham road and was a continuous thoroughfare. Chapter 541 of the Laws of 1896 prohibits the laying out of streets and avenues through the grounds of the University of The City of New York, which is situated between East One Hundred and Eightieth street and East One Hundred and Eighty-ninth street. In compliance with the said act, the final maps of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards do not show Andrews avenue laid out between the streets above mentioned. The discontinuance of this avenue, between East One Hundred and Eightieth street and the southerly boundary of the University property, a distance of about 375 feet, left a number of his with buildings thereon without a frontage, and no way to reach them except through a private lane called Weigand place. By extending Andrews avenue and laying out Weigand place, from East One Hundred and Eightieth street to the southern boundary of the University grounds, the properties abutting on both streets would be very much benefited. As this change of the map is merely subdivision of a block and affects no one except those in the block, it can be approved, provided the abutting owners agree to the same.

I recommend, therefore, that a public hearing be given on the matter in accordance with the provisions of section 436 of chapter 378 of the Laws of 1897.

The accompanying map shows the lines of Andrews avenue and Weigand place and the papers in the matter are hereto returned.

Respectfully, LOUIS A. RISSE, Chief Topographical Engineer and Engineer of Concourse.

Thereupon the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the Board of Public Improvements of The City of New York, in pursuance of the provisions of section 436 of chapter 378, Laws of 1897, desiring it for the public interest so to do, propose to alter the map or plan of The City of New York by laying out and extending Andrews avenue, from East One Hundred and Eightieth street to the south line of the New York University, and the laying out of Weigand place, from East One Hundred and Eightieth street to the south line of the New York University, in the Borough of The Bronx, City of New York.

Resolved, That the President of the Board of Public Improvements cause to be prepared for submission to this Board three similar maps or plans, for certification and filing in the manner required by law, showing as nearly as possible the nature and extent of the proposed laying out and extending of the above-named streets, and the location of the immediate adjacent or intersecting open or established public streets, avenues, roads, squares or places, sufficient for the identification and location thereof, with necessary explanatory remarks, and duplicate technical description of the same.

Adjourned.

Attest:

JOHN H. MOONEY, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH.

WEEK ENDING SATURDAY, 12th, 1898, A.M. 30, 1898.

Table with 7 columns: Borough, Population, Deaths, Births, Marriages, Still-Births, Death-Rate. Rows include Manhattan, The Bronx, Brooklyn, Queens, Richmond, and City of New York.

* Many large institutions care the sickly.

Cases of Infectious and Contagious Diseases Reported.

Table with 15 columns: Disease, Jan, Feb, Mar, Apr, May, Jun, Jul, Aug, Sep, Oct, Nov, Dec, Total. Rows include Diphtheria, Measles, Scarlet Fever, Smallpox, Typhoid Fever, Typhus Fever, etc.

Deaths According to Cause, Age and Sex.

Large table with multiple columns for cause of death (e.g., Diphtheria, Cholera, Typhoid) and age groups (e.g., Under 5 years, 5-14, 15-24, etc.).

* Including premature births, stillborn, abortions, stillbirths, cyanosis and pretermatural births.

Causes of Death not Specified in the Foregoing Table.

Table with 3 columns: Zymotic, Diarrhetic, Constitutional, Nervous. Lists various causes of death such as Erysipelas, Cholera, Typhoid, etc.

Deaths According to Cause, Annual Rate per 1,000 and Age, with Meteorology and Number of Deaths in Public Institutions for 13 Weeks.

Large table with 15 columns for dates (Feb 27 to April 30) and 15 rows for various diseases and meteorological data (barometer, humidity, etc.).

Infectious and Contagious Diseases in Hospitals.

Table with 2 main columns: WILLIAM PAXSON HOSPITAL, RIVERSIDE HOSPITAL. Sub-columns for various diseases like Scarlet Fever, Diphtheria, etc.

KINGSTON AVENUE HOSPITAL.

Table with 10 columns for various diseases (Diphtheria, Erysipelas, etc.) and 4 rows for hospital statistics (Remaining, Admitted, Discharged, Died).

Cases of Infectious and Contagious Diseases Reported, and Deaths from the Same, by Wards.

Table with columns for Borough (Easton, Manhattan, The Bronx, Brooklyn, Queens, Richmond), Ward, and various diseases (Diphtheria, Cholera, Measles, Scarlet Fever, Small-pox, Phthisis, etc.) and All Causes. Includes a 'Total' row for each borough.

Inspections of Premises.

Table showing Total number of inspections made, classified as follows: tenement-houses, tenement apartments (at night), mercantile establishments, private dwellings, lodging-houses, stables, slaughter-houses, other premises.

Table showing Total number of citizens' complaints attended to, classified as follows: verified, found baseless, or nuisance already abated, original complaints by Inspectors.

Inspection of Food, Milk Cows, etc.

Table showing Total number of inspections of milk, specimens examined, quarts of milk destroyed, inspections of fruit, vegetables and canned goods, pounds of same condemned and destroyed, inspections of meat, pounds of same condemned and destroyed, inspections of fish, pounds of same condemned and destroyed, milk cows examined (tuberculin test), milk cows examined (physical test), autopsies.

Chemical Laboratory.

Table showing Milk—Adulterated, Unadulterated, Composition, Crater Water—Partial sanitary analysis, Complete sanitary analysis, Water, Kensico supply—Complete sanitary analysis, cellar, character, spring, good quality, well, suspicious quality, Enamels, examined for poisonous metals, Microscopical examinations.

Experimental Analysis.

Table showing Estimation of suspended matter in Crater water, Microscopical.

Analysis of Crater Water, April 29, 1898.

Table with columns for Results, Examined in Glass by U. S. Bureau of Fish and Game, and Results, Examined in Glass by Western Electric. Rows include Appearance, Color, Odor (Heated to 100° Fahr.), Chlorine in Chlorides, Equivalent to Sodium Chloride, Phosphates (P2 O5), Nitrogen in Nitrites, Nitrogen in Nitrates, Free Ammonia, Albuminoid Ammonia, Total Nitrogen, Hardness equivalent to Carbonate of Lime (Before boiling, After boiling), Organic and volatile (loss on ignition), Mineral matter (non-volatile), Total solids (by evaporation).

Temperature at hydrant, 50° Fahr.

Analysis of Ridgewood Water, April 27, 1898.

Table with columns for Results, Examined in Glass by U. S. Bureau of Fish and Game, and Results, Examined in Glass by Western Electric. Rows include Appearance, Color, Odor (Heated to 100° Fahr.), Chlorine in Chlorides, Equivalent to Sodium Chloride, Phosphates (P2 O5), Nitrogen in Nitrites, Nitrogen in Nitrates, Free Ammonia, Albuminoid Ammonia, Hardness equivalent to Carbonate of Lime (Before boiling, After boiling), Organic and volatile (loss on ignition), Mineral matter (non-volatile), Total solids (by evaporation).

Temperature at hydrant, 54.2° Fahr.

Medical Inspection of Schools.

Table with columns: Number of School Days, Average Daily Attendance, Number of Schools Visited, Number of Visits in Schools, Number Examined, Number Excluded, and various causes of exclusion like Measles, Diphtheria, etc.

* Included in the Grammar Schools, Grammar Department.

Inspection under the Regulation, Employment of Women and Children in Mercantile and Manufacturing Establishments.

CHILDREN'S EMPLOYMENT CERTIFICATES GRANTED.

Table showing children's employment certificates granted, categorized by sex and industry, with columns for various states and a total.

CHILDREN'S EMPLOYMENT CERTIFICATES REFUSED.

Table showing children's employment certificates refused, categorized by sex and industry, with columns for various states and a total.

Pathology and Bacteriology.

Table listing pathology and bacteriology activities, such as premises visited, autopsies, diphtheria examinations, and vaccine virus collection.

Infections and Contagious Diseases.

Table listing infections and contagious diseases, including total number of cases visited, premises disinfected, and items destroyed.

Total number of dead animals removed from streets..... 873

Executive Action.

Table listing executive actions, such as orders issued for abatement of nuisances, notices issued for non-compliance, and permits issued.

By order of the Board.

EMMONS CLARK, Secretary

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

CITY OF NEW YORK, OFFICE OF THE MAYOR, May 9, 1898. ORDERS OF REMOVAL.

Know all men by these presents, that I, Robert A. Van Wyck, Mayor of The City of New York, pursuant to the power vested in me by law, do hereby remove Charles H. Murray from the office of Assessor Commissioner.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal of office this 9th day of May, A. D. one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight.

[SEAL]

ROBERT A. VAN WYCK, Mayor.

CITY OF NEW YORK, OFFICE OF THE MAYOR.

Know all men by these presents, that I, Robert A. Van Wyck, Mayor of The City of New York, pursuant to the power vested in me by law, do hereby remove Peter J. Dooling from the office of Assessor Commissioner.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal of office this 9th day of May, A. D. one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight.

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ROBERT A. VAN WYCK, Mayor.

CITY OF NEW YORK—OFFICE OF THE MAYOR.

APPOINTMENT MADE BY THE MAYOR.

MAY 5, 1898.

John J. Ryan, to be Assessor Commissioner, for a term ending January 1, 1901.

DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS.

DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS—COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, New York, May 6, 1898.

Supervisor City Board.

DEAR SIR—In accordance with the provisions of section 1246, chapter 378 of the Laws of 1897, I transmit the following report of the transactions of the Department of Highways for the week ending April 30, 1898.

Respectfully,

JAMES P. KEATING, Commissioner of Highways.

Table showing department of highways transactions, including public money received during the week, permits issued, obstructions removed, and repairs to pavement.

Statement of Laboring Force Employed in the Department of Highways During Week Ending April 30, 1898.

Table with columns for Nature of Work (Repairing pavements, Boulevards, Roads, etc.) and rows for Boroughs (Manhattan, The Bronx, Brooklyn, Queens, Richmond) and various job categories (Mechanics, Laborers, etc.).

CHANGES IN STAFF OF EMPLOYEES.

Appointed Temporarily: 4 Laborers, 1 Foreman. Appointed (Section 1536): 1 Foreman, 1 Laborer.

APPROVED PAPERS.

No. 176.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to the Harris Manufacturing Company to parade with a wagon through the streets bounded by the East River, the Hudson River, Chambers street and the Battery, Borough of Manhattan, the work to be done at its own expense, under the direction of the Chief of Police; such permission to continue only for thirty days from the date of approval by his Honor the Mayor.

DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS.

DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS, BOROUGHS OF QUEENS AND RICHMOND, No. 220 FOURTH AVENUE, NEW YORK, May 3, 1898.

Supervisor of the City Record: DEAR SIR—Pursuant to the authority vested in me by section 648, chapter 378, Laws of 1897, I have this day appointed John G. Vaughn Superintendent of Buildings within the Boroughs of Queens and Richmond. Salary at the rate of \$1,500 per annum.

Respectfully, DANIEL CAMPBELL, Commissioner of Buildings, Boroughs of Queens and Richmond.

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS.

THE CITY OF NEW YORK, DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, OFFICE OF COMMISSIONER FOR THE BOROUGH OF THE BRONX, ZBROWSKI MANSION, CLAREMONT PARK, May 9, 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 Commissioner for the Borough of The Bronx has this day appointed Eugene V. Deegan, No. 66; East One Hundred and Thirty-fourth street, as Temporary Gardener in this Department, at a compensation of \$2.50 per day.

Respectfully yours, MAX K. KAHN, Private Secretary.

THE CITY OF NEW YORK, DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, OFFICE OF COMMISSIONER FOR THE BOROUGH OF THE BRONX, ZBROWSKI MANSION, CLAREMONT PARK, May 9, 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 Commissioner for the Borough of The Bronx has this day appointed William Theurer as Laborer in this Department.

Respectfully yours, MAX K. KAHN, Private Secretary.

THE CITY OF NEW YORK, DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, OFFICE OF COMMISSIONER FOR THE BOROUGH OF THE BRONX, ZBROWSKI MANSION, CLAREMONT PARK, May 9, 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 Commissioner for the Borough of The Bronx has this day increased the compensation of the following Laborers: Heyd Vance, from \$1.76 to \$2; Henry Hochmeister, from \$2 to \$2.50; Edmund Martin, from \$1.76 to \$2.50.

Respectfully yours, MAX K. KAHN, Private Secretary.

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 ADJUDGE, AS WELL AS OF THE PLACES WHERE SUCH OFFICES ARE KEPT AND SUCH COURTS ARE HELD; TOGETHER WITH THE HEADS OF DEPARTMENTS AND COURTS: EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, Mayor's Office, No. 6 City Hall, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.; Saturdays, 9 A. M. to 12 M.

Department of Water Supply, No. 150 Nassau street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. WILLIAM DALTON, Commissioner of Water Supply, JAMES H. HAMILTON, Deputy Commissioner, GEORGE W. BURGESS, Chief Engineer, W. G. BRYAN, Water Register, JAMES MOSEFORD, Deputy Commissioner, Borough of Brooklyn, Municipal Building.

Department of Street Cleaning, No. 340 Broadway, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. JAMES McCARTHY, Commissioner of Street Cleaning, PATRICK H. QUINN, Deputy Commissioner for Brooklyn, Room 37 Municipal Building.

Department of Finance, Comptroller's Office, Stewart Building, Chambers street and Broadway, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. JOHN S. COLLEN, Comptroller, MICHAEL T. DALY, Deputy Comptroller, EDGAR J. LEVY, Assistant Deputy Comptroller.

Department of Public Charities, Central Office, No. 66 Third avenue, corner Seventh street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. JOHN W. KELLEN, President of the Board, Commissioner for Manhattan and Bronx.

Department of Correction, Central Office, No. 148 East Twentieth street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. FRANCIS J. LANTIER, Commissioner, N. O. FANNING, Deputy Commissioner, JAMES J. KEWIS, Deputy Commissioner for Boroughs of Brooklyn and Queens.

Department of Education, Board of Education, No. 146 Grand street, Borough of Manhattan, CHARLES BURLEY HERRILL, President; ARTHUR McMICHAEL, Secretary.

Department of Public Improvements, No. 340 Broadway, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M., Saturdays, 9 A. M. to 12 M. MALCOLM F. HOLMAN, President, JOHN H. MOONEY, Secretary.

School Board for the Borough of Queens, Flushing, L. I. U. HOWARD LEAVITT, President; WILLIAM PALMER, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, New Criminal Court Building, Centre street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. MICHAEL C. MURPHY, President, and WILLIAM T. JENNISON, M. D., JOHN D. CORRY, M. D., the President of the Police Board, ex officio, and the HEALTH OFFICER OF THE PORT, ex officio, Commissioners; EMMETT CLARK, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS AND FERRIES, Pier "A," N. R., Battery piers. J. SPANGLER CLARK, President; CHARLES F. MURPHY, Treasurer; PETER F. MORAN, Commissioner, WILLIAM H. BOYCE, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, Arsenal Building, Central Park, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.; Saturdays, 10 M. GEORGE E. CLAASSEN, President, Commissioner in Manhattan and Richmond, GEORGE V. BROWN, Commissioner in Brooklyn and Queens.

DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS, Main office, No. 220 Fourth Avenue, Borough of Manhattan. THOMAS J. BRADY, President of the Board of Buildings and Commissioner for the Boroughs of Manhattan and The Bronx.

DEPARTMENT OF TRAILS AND ASSESSMENTS, Stewart Building, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.; Saturdays, 10 M. THOMAS E. BROWN, President of the Board; EDWARD C. SHAWNEY, ANTHONY J. SACHS, THOMAS J. PATTERSON and WALLACE GIBBS, Commissioners.

BOARD OF ASSESSORS, Office No. 300 Broadway, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. EDWARD CHASE, THOMAS A. WOODS, JOHN VICKERS, EDWARD McLEOD and PETER A. H. CLARK, Board of Assessors.

MUNICIPAL CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION, Criminal Court Building, Centre street, opposite Franklin and White streets, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. CHARLES H. BOYCE, President, ROBERT E. DAVIS and WILLIAM M. DREWIS, Commissioners, LEO PHILLIPS, Secretary.

BUREAU OF MUNICIPAL STATISTICS, FREDERICK W. GIBBS, ROBERT J. WILSON, JR., HARRY BYRNE WOODS, THOMAS N. MORTON, JAMES G. KROENKHAH, Commissioners of Statistics, JOHN T. NAGLE, Chief of Bureau.

BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND APPORTIONMENT, The Mayor, Chairman; THOMAS J. FRIEDMAN, President, Department of Taxes and Assessments, Secretary; the COMMISSIONERS, Presidents of the COURTS, and the CORPORATION COUNCIL, Members; CHARLES V. ADAM, Clerk.

COMMISSIONERS OF THE SINKING FUND, The Mayor, Chairman; JOHN S. COLLEN, Comptroller; PETER F. MORAN, Commissioner; EDWARD G. CLARKE, President of the Council, and ROBERT MITCHELL, Chairman, Finance Committee, Board of Assessments, Members; EDGAR J. LEVY, Secretary.

SHERIFF'S OFFICE, Stewart Building, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. THOMAS J. LUND, Sheriff; HENRY P. McEVAN, Under-Sheriff.

REGISTER'S OFFICE, East side City Hall Park, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. ISAAC LINDNER, Register; JOHN VAN GLAN, Deputy Register.

COMMISSIONER OF JURORS, Room 137, Stewart Building, Chambers street and Broadway, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. JOHN POSELLI, Commissioner.

SPECIAL COMMISSIONER OF JURORS, No. 124 Fifth avenue. H. W. GRAY, Commissioner.

N. Y. COUNTY JAIL, No. 70 Ludlow street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. PATRICK H. PIERCE, Warden.

COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE, Nos. 7 and 8 New County Court-house, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. WILLIAM SOLLERS, County Clerk, GEORGE H. FARRINGTON, Deputy.

THE CITY RECORD OFFICE, And Bureau of Printing, Stationery and Blank Books, No. 2 City Hall, 9 A. M. to 3 P. M., except Sundays on which days 9 A. M. to 12 M. WILLIAM A. BERGER, Supervisor; HENRY McMICHAEL, Deputy Supervisor and Editor; THOMAS C. COLLIER, Deputy Supervisor and Accountant.

DISTRICT ATTORNEY, New Criminal Court Building, Centre Street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. ASA BRAD GARDNER, District Attorney; WILLIAM J. MCKENNA, Chief Clerk.

PARK AVENUE—PAVING, west side, between One Hundred and First and One Hundred and Second streets.

TWENTIETH WARD. THIRTY-NINTH STREET—FLAGGING AND CURBING, northeast corner of Eleventh avenue.

SIXTY-NINTH STREET—FLAGGING AND CURBING, both sides, between West End and Twelfth avenues.

SEVENTEENTH WARD. ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTY-EIGHTH STREET—REGULATING, GRADING, CURBING, FLAGGING AND LAYING CROSSLINKS, from Webster avenue to Franklin avenue.

ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTY-EIGHTH STREET—PAVING, between Webster and Franklin avenues.

BIRD S. COLER, Comptroller, City of New York—Department of Finance.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNERS. IN PURSUANCE OF SECTION 2063 OF THE Greater New York Charter...

BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN. TWELFTH WARD. ONE HUNDRED AND THIRD STREET—PAVING...

ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY-SEVENTH STREET—PAVING, between Seventh and Eighth avenues.

ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-THIRD STREET—PAVING, between Amsterdam and Eleventh avenues.

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BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN. TWELFTH WARD. NINETY-FIFTH STREET—PAVING...

ONE HUNDRED AND TWELFTH STREET—SEWER, between Riverside avenue and the Boulevard.

ONE HUNDRED AND TWELFTH STREET—FLAGGING, south side, between Fifth and Lenox avenues.

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SEVENTH AVENUE AND LENOX AVENUE—CROSSWALKS, on each avenue, at the northerly and southerly sides.

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FIFTY-THIRD STREET, from a point situated about 400 feet east of Lenox avenue to a point about 400 feet west of Seventh avenue.

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EIGHTEENTH WARD. TWENTY-THIRD STREET—FLAGGING AND CURBING, in front of No. 172 East Twenty-third street.

TWENTY-THIRD WARD. ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTY-EIGHTH STREET—REGULATING, GRADING, CURBING, FLAGGING AND LAYING CROSSLINKS...

ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTY-EIGHTH STREET—PAVING, between Webster and Franklin avenues.

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