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## BOARD OF PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS.

The Board of Public Improvements of The City of New York met at the office of the Board, No. 326 Broadway, on Wednesday, May 18, 1898, at 10 o'clock P. M., pursuant to notice.

The roll was called and the following members were present and answered to their names: The Corporation Counsel (Mr. Parley), 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 Commissioner of Bridges, 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 May 11, 1898, were read and approved.

The following resolution, presented by the Commissioner of Highways, was adopted: Resolved, That, in pursuance of sections 413 and 416 of the Greater New York Charter, the Board of Public Improvements do hereby recommend to the Municipal Assembly for adoption the following ordinance:

It is Ordained by the Municipal Assembly of The City of New York:

Section 1. That the commissioners of the departments of Bridges and the Board be and he hereby is authorized and empowered to receive for proposals or estimates for the constructing or repairing of bridges in The City of New York, and to award contracts therefor to the lowest bidder, unless the board of public improvements, by the vote of a majority of its members, or whom the mayor and comptroller shall be two, shall determine that it is for the public interest that a bid other than the lowest should be accepted, and that no contract shall be made under this ordinance until the comptroller certifies that the necessary funds are provided and applicable thereto.

Sec. 2. No contract shall be made by said commissioners under this ordinance for the constructing or repairing of any bridge or bridges, the expense of which is to be paid from the proceeds of the sale of bonds.

Sec. 3. All contracts to be made or let for work to be done or supplies to be furnished under this ordinance, shall provide for the payment of the costs and expenses thereof from appropriations previously made for maintenance and repair of bridges in The City of New York.

Alternative—Commissioner of Water Supply, Sewers, Bridges, President of the Borough of Manhattan, President of the Borough of The Bronx, President of the Borough of Brooklyn, President of the Borough of Queens, President of the Board.

Negative—None.

The following communication was read and referred to the Commissioner of Highways for the purpose of making an estimate as to the cost of preparing the ground for the same, and taking the necessary steps to secure an appropriation from the Board of Estimate and Apportionment:

HEINE-DENKHAL COMMITTEE,  
DR. ERNST RICHARD, No. 75 EAST ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-FIFTH STREET,  
NEW YORK, May 17, 1898.

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

DEAR SIR—In 1894 a number of prominent citizens of the present Borough of The Bronx applied to the Heine Monument Committee to place the Loreley Fountain, if possible, at One Hundred and Sixty-first street and Mont Avenue, as the original plans provided for that place a fountain at the cost of \$75,000, and that the City might be saved a considerable expense. The committee entertained the proposition under the condition that the applicants should get the consent of the proper authorities. A resolution was passed by the Board of Aldermen authorizing the erection of said fountain. It took almost two years to finish the fountain, and when it arrived in this City at last the organization of Greater New York had been accomplished. We offered the Loreley Fountain to the Local Board of the Twenty-first and Twenty-second District for the same site, and the offer was accepted by a resolution of March 24, 1896, of which I enclose a copy. The resolution was confirmed by resolution of the City Council, and after another public hearing, by the Board of Aldermen, and received the Mayor's assent on May 15. I also enclose a copy of a resolution of the Art Commission, recommending the fountain on the proposed site.

On behalf of the Heine Monument Committee, I respectfully ask the Hon. Board of Public Improvements to confirm said resolutions and to allow the necessary amount from the Highway Maintenance Fund to prepare the place which is City property, for the fountain, which will be erected at our expense, also to inform us with whom we shall have to confer about the details of the execution.

We should thank you to give the matter your kind attention at your earliest convenience, as we have to pay a considerable amount for storage and insurance.

Allow me to add that whenever at a later time the northern part of the City will be more developed and this site should be thought the most suited for an equally beautiful monument of a national character, the promoters are willing that it should be removed to another place worthy of its beauty. In the meantime we beg again to allow us to proceed on the site originally offered, so that the City may soon receive this beautiful birthday present to Greater New York, worth \$50,000.

DR. ERNST RICHARD, Secretary Heine Monument Committee,  
CITY OF NEW YORK—PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL,  
CITY HALL, May 18, 1898.

Hon. MAURICE F. HOLLAMAN, No. 326 Broadway, New York City:

MY DEAR PRESIDENT—In transmitting to you the accompanying certified copy of the resolution relating to the erection of the Loreley fountain in the Borough of The Bronx as passed by both branches of the Municipal Assembly, I beg to say that in my opinion the monument should be erected upon the site selected by President Haffen and, as I understand, approved of by the Municipal Assembly.

I am further instructed by Dr. Ernst Richard that if at any future time a place be needed as the site of a national monument, the Heine-Denkmal Committee will undertake to remove the fountain.

With a sincere hope that the purpose of Dr. Richard and his confreres may be approved of by you, I am

Very truly yours,  
RANDOLPH GUGGENHEIMER, President of the Council.

JOLLYS JOHNSON, Secretary.  
NEW YORK, May 12, 1898.

MY DEAR SIR—At a meeting of the Municipal Art Commission held on Tuesday, May 10, the following resolution was voted:

Resolved, That the developed design submitted to this Commission for a decorative fountain called the "Heine Fountain" to be placed at the junction of One Hundred and Sixty-first street and Mont Avenue, as designated on the Park plans submitted, is approved by the Municipal Art Commission.

I am, sir,  
Very truly yours,  
(Signed) O. H. BARNEY, President.

The following communication from the Corporation Counsel was read and referred to the

LAW DEPARTMENT,  
OFFICE OF THE CORPORATION COUNSEL,  
NEW YORK, May 19, 1898.

To the Board of Public Improvements:

SIR—By section 415 of the Charter you have power over contracts for water supply with private companies, and by section 471 it is made unlawful for the Commissioner of Water Supply to enter into any contract with any corporation engaged in the business of supplying or selling water for private or public use, unless preliminary to the execution of the contract, your assent is given by resolution to the execution of such contract as submitted.

Pursuant to these provisions, I drafted a proposed form of contract, between the Commissioner of Water Supply and the Citizens' Water Supply Company of Newtown, endorsed with my approval as to form.

You will probably recall the fact that the proposed contract with this Company was the subject of some litigation in Queens County in the suit of Johnson vs. Dalton. The preliminary injunction granted by Justice Dayton in that action has been reversed by the Appellate Division of the Second Department, and an order to that effect duly entered.

The objections urged against the contract as it was originally drafted, have been remedied by amendments, and I have added a clause that in case the action of Johnson vs. Dalton shall result adversely to the defendant, the contract shall cease and determine, and that the City shall not be held responsible in damages.

There are now, therefore, no legal objections to the execution of the proposed contract.

Respectfully yours,

JOHN WHELAN, Corporation Counsel.

The contract referred to follows:

Agreement made this \_\_\_\_\_ day of May, 1898, by and between The City of New York, a municipal corporation, by William Dalton, the Commissioner of Water Supply of said corporation (hereinafter called The City of New York) as authorized by chapter 478, section 415 and 471, Laws 1897, party of the first part, and the Citizens' Water Supply Company of Newtown, a domestic water works corporation of the State of New York (hereinafter called the Water Company), party of the second part.

Whereas, The said Water Company was duly incorporated on or about the 10 day of June, 1893, as a water-works corporation under and in pursuance of the Transportation Corporation Law, and thereafter and on or about the 10 day of January, 1894, duly entered into a contract with the Town of Newtown, in the County of Queens, and State of New York, for the supply of water to said town, and has constructed a system of water-works with a main pipe, the top of which is one hundred and eighty (180) feet above tide-water, and has laid its mains and pipes, as shown on the map hereto annexed and marked "Exhibit A" in the territory now constituting part of the City of New York, and has twice the year that have been running and is still running, to the said town and to the inhabitants thereof, pure and wholesome water through its numerous pipes, as shown on said map; and

Whereas, The said Commissioner of Water Supply has duly examined into the sources of water supply of the said Water Company and has determined that the same is wholesome and adequate for increasing the quantity of pure and wholesome water to The City of New York and its inhabitants, which the said Water Company heretofore agrees to furnish; and

Whereas, Preliminary to the execution of this contract the provisions of this contract in all its details, in form and substance as herein provided, were submitted to the Board of Public Improvements of The City of New York, and the Board of said Board, after such submission as to it was given by resolution to the execution of such proposed contract as so submitted;

Now, therefore, this agreement witnesseth that the consideration of the mutual covenants herein contained, and of one dollar (\$1) in hand paid by each party hereto in the said party hereto, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged:

1. The said Water Company hereby agrees within thirty (30) days after the execution and delivery of this contract to construct its water mains at or near the former boundary line of the Town of Newtown with the water mains of The City of New York, so that water may be furnished from the mains of said Water Company to the mains of the said City of New York, through such conduits and thereunder, as the Commissioner of Water Supply of The City of New York shall from time to time require, to make further like connections with the mains of said Water Company as or near the boundary line of the Town of Newtown, when the necessary mains are laid by The City of New York, to, at or near said boundary line.

2. The said Water Company hereby agrees to forthwith, upon the completion of each of such connections, to furnish and supply through such connections from its water mains to and into the water mains of The City of New York pure and wholesome water, to be measured at or near the point of such such connection by a standard water meter to be selected by the Commissioner of Water Supply of The City of New York, and that thereafter while this contract shall remain in force, said Water Company will continue to furnish pure and wholesome water to The City of New York at a pressure at or near each such connection equivalent to at least one hundred and forty (140) feet above tide water, or to such height or pressure as The City of New York may require. The said Water Company further agrees that after thirty (30) days from the execution and delivery of this contract, it will so furnish and supply to The City of New York at least five hundred thousand (500,000) gallons per day of pure and wholesome water, and if it shall be desirable to increase said Company's water supply to enable it to furnish to said city the desired quantity of water, it shall hereby give the authority of The City of New York as to the same as provided by law.

3. The City of New York hereby agrees that after the execution and delivery of this contract, and as far as such connections shall be made, it will accept from said Water Company five hundred thousand (500,000) gallons of pure and wholesome water per day, and such further quantity as, in the judgment of said Commissioner shall be necessary from time to time, to furnish said City a sufficient and adequate supply of pure and wholesome water, and as shall be required by said Commissioner from said company. The City of New York agrees to pay the said water company for such water as furnished to The City of New York by said water company at the rate of fifty-five dollars (\$55) per million gallons, to be paid monthly within thirty days after the tender for same is presented to the Comptroller for the quantity so furnished during each next preceding month.

4. This contract shall continue in force for three years from the date hereof. But if a permanent injunction shall be granted in the action now pending in the Supreme Court, in which Patrick J. Johnson is plaintiff and William Dalton, as Commissioner of Water Supply of The City of New York, and the Citizens' Water Supply Company of Newtown, N.Y., are defendants, and thereby The City of New York shall be rendered unable to perform this contract on its part, this contract shall cease and determine and no damages shall be claimed or recovered by the water company against The City of New York by reason of such inability of The City of New York to perform this contract.

5. The said water company shall furnish a bond to the amount of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) for the faithful performance of the above agreement.

In Witness Whereof, the parties hereto, by their duly authorized officers, have respectively signed the corporate names of the parties hereto and affixed the corporate seals of the parties hereto, the day and year first above written.

The President of the Borough of Queens protested against approving said contract, and submitted the following protest:

### MUNICIPAL OWNERSHIP OF PUBLIC FRANCHISES.

(From the Queens Record, 1897.)

To the Board of Public Improvements, New York City, Hon. MAURICE F. HOLLAMAN, President:

GENTLEMEN—The undersigned, as chief representative of the people of the Borough of Queens, and as President of the Local Board thereof, which latter body charged as it is by the Charter of the Greater New York to entertain and aid in all matters respecting the good government therein and of said district, did, unanimously adopt resolutions declaring the entering into contract with any corporation, etc., for an additional supply of water for the territory heretofore known as Long Island City, as inimical to the good government thereof, and against the proper development of the City's water plant therein, to sufficiently meet public requirements at comparatively small outlay of public funds, with the increased public debt to be created, whereby to annually obtain and wastefully pay to such private water corporations large sums of the people's moneys; and said Local Board, mindful of the opposition previously given by me to such attempts against the public weal, did emphasize its approval thereof by voting a continuance thereof of such championing of the people's rights therein; certified copy whereof and of document on such subject previously served upon his Honor the Mayor were duly transmitted to your Board; do, in view of the foregoing and of the premises hereinafter set forth, make respectful, earnest, determined and persistent protest, and will continue to make same, against the entering into contract by The City of New York as aforesaid; and submit



That the Board of the City of New York do come into such contract with the Citizens' Water Company of Newtown to supply Long Island City, together with additional water for the manufacturing the Commission of Water Supply of The City of New York in place of the Board of Water Commissioners of the City of Long Island City, and the Citizens' Water Company of Newtown in place of the Woodside Water Company of Newtown, and thereby nullifying that which the taxpayers of said district understood and for which the Supreme Court granted them an injunction, and to still in force against said City taking a supply of water from such company, and the Board of Water Commissioners from auditing its claims, and against the City Treasurer from paying out the people's money for such system.

The following is quoted from the opinion of the Supreme Court on the foregoing matter:—  
The City of Long Island City has a water plant of its own, and has for some years been engaged in supplying itself with water, notwithstanding which the said Board of Water Commissioners of Long Island City, as composed of the Mayor and other Commissioners, entered into the contract in question with the water company, with full intention, it is alleged, of swindling, defrauding and misusing the City's money and getting money from the City, etc.

The sum of about \$60,000 per year for a term of years?  
In support of the foregoing opinion, the following affidavits from a Commissioner of Water Supply, in your Honorable Court, under date of February 24, 1898:  
The same seems to require speedy improvement and extension in order to utilize the available water supply and distribute it to consumers in proper quantity and quality and under sufficient pressure.

40,000 lbs. of silver-leaf	\$60,000 00
Printing work at Brooklyn Station No. 1 and connecting them with jumping pipes	45,000 00

It is now clear water from one of the same, against is declared. "That the entire system requires speedy improvement," and some four months ago since greatest satisfaction for the water-consuming people of Long Island City was manifested in particular quarters, and although nothing has been done, we will not say, and today have a more abundant supply of water than during the time the City's plant was being constructed in the interest of the water company, and for some time after the completion of that work, when it seemed to be possible to estimate truth and accuracy.

To improve it, as they "improve" quality and quantity and under sufficient pressure" we have the fact relative to the City's water plant known as pumping station No. 3, at which for the two years mentioned a new factory has been taken outside of the works, which it takes in and pumps up water into a tank, and a whole new system would be set down there to supply it, and would be a moderate expense and absolutely compensatory for its utility.

In the interest of the public, we should have to mind that the three water plants herein mentioned cost about \$1,500,000.  
That of the funds saved for the money expended for such purpose there remains around \$350,000.

That in the presence of the annual expenditure of \$2,200,000 it is necessary to include some in 1899, for 1898.  
That the total amount on cap of the Water Department as yet water-tax roll in value has not increased, and all water meter cases are annually provided by the general services of the department and the collection of its amount.

That the water meter might not be considerably worn, and if some will not be furnished with it that cause an additional outlay.  
That for an additional water supply there would be obtained from a private water company an additional amount of \$1,000,000, as estimated by the City.

That judgment by the citizens here they make by the Woodside Water Company of Woodside, Nassau Co., Long Island City, that of the Citizens' Water Company, also of Newtown, Nassau Co., Long Island City of New York would annually well up to—

That the contract for three years would make an additional outlay amounting to public works	\$1,000,000 00
to which add the water tax delinquencies	500,000 00
will place the water delinquency at	\$1,500,000 00

—whereby the income of revenue for or from water when water meter payment is made.

As to the struggle in cases between the Woodside Water Company and the Citizens' Water Company both of Newtown to enforce a compliance with law relating to the entering into such contract, according to the amount of the same supply supply water to the City.

That the meeting of a large number of water users of said City, and many by a contract with the City, as water consumers, to supply with themselves in this water serious drought upon the water works of the other company, they being located in close proximity to each other and without any connection, whereby the other company will be getting all of the customers water demands for the water they furnished the City in the short period of thirty-six months, besides which the large expense of that work of such type and company would be added to—under the City's water supply plant, at the substantial value placed upon the large revenue derived previously from the City by an interested, with full liberty, through a great many regulations, along with some manner of purchase, supplying through the private consumers of the Town of Newtown, as the company has been doing for some years back.

Surely the foregoing are good and substantial reasons for a final attempt to be made by and with "Whomever it may concern" in a case in which the City's money can be set free from the hand and in which the public's good is at stake.

That the duty of the Corporation of the people of Long Island City is to speedily improve the City's water plant in the First Ward of the Borough of Queens, "in order to utilize the available water supply and distribute it to the consumers in proper quantity and under sufficient pressure," and the to award contracts only to the lowest bidder, upon adequate security, after the publication of a public bidding contract.

Therefore to add the hope that I may be well found on the side of the people in the foregoing is every thing contrary to the best interest of Long Island City and Metropolitan Board, and that your official report to the people of this Borough and the right not to proceed, that is achieved without delay, as that and my own hope I may be able to truthfully submit to meet as—  
GRACIALLY YOURS,

FREDERICK B. BOWLEY, President of the Borough of Queens.

Grand Lodge, I. O. O. F., May 25, 1898.

Mr. Harsh, on behalf of the Taxpayers' Association of the First Ward, Borough of Queens, submitted the following paper:

Taxpayers' Association of the First Ward, Borough of Queens,  
The City of New York,  
Herald Building, Nos. 254, 256 and 258 Broadway, Albany,  
Borough of Queens, Long Island City, May 17, 1898.

To the President and Members of the Board of Improvements, New York City, N. Y.:

Sirs:—We, the Citizens' Association of the First Ward of the Borough of Queens, do herewith respectfully express your Board and create into any contract for water with the Citizens' Water Company, or any other company or individual to supply Long Island City (formerly) with water, as said locality has a sufficient water plant in running order, which can, with a very slight outlay, be made to furnish abundance of water for the next ten years, and any contract made for supplying water to said locality outside of its own plant would do its present water supply and plant, and the additional expense would be a burden and grievous wrong to the people of that section, who only too ill had to meet to the courts and taxed here for relief from our own a contract to furnish water when they themselves had sufficient if their plant was not destroyed to create a scarcity. Owing, therefore, that your Honorable body will stand by us to reduce expenses and save to The City of New York a water plant which, if properly handled, would be a great source of revenue, your resolutions will ever truly:

MAN F. KASINER, President,  
FREDERICK BOWLEY, Chairman Ex-Committee,  
THEODORE STEIN,  
GEORGE KAHOVANN, } Committee.

FRANK J. CONNOR appeared on behalf of the Woodside Water Company and submitted the following:

OFFICE OF THE WOODSIDE WATER COMPANY,  
No. 112 FRODO STREET, BOROUGH OF QUEENS,  
May 15, 1898.

To the Board of Public Improvements, New York City, N. Y.:

Gentlemen:—The Woodside Water Company hereby offers to supply The City of New York with water, in the Borough of Queens, to the amount of from five hundred thousand to two million gallons daily, which amount can be increased to five million gallons daily within thirty days, if required. The water can be supplied to the City's system on ten minutes notice through pipes of the company at a pressure of eighty pounds.

The company will supply the water at forty dollars per million gallons.  
Respectfully yours,  
EDWARD M. CYRRELL, President.

The President of the Borough of Brooklyn moved to lay the whole matter over for a week so that the Comptroller would be present.

The motion was lost by the following vote:  
Affirmative—Commissioner of Sewers, Commissioner of Bridges, President of Brooklyn and President of Queens—4.

Negative—Commissioner of Water Supply, Commissioner of Highways, Commissioner of Street Cleaning, Commissioner of Public Buildings, Lighting and Supplies, President of Manhattan, President of The Bronx and the President of the Board—7.

Regularly moved and seconded by the President of the Borough of Brooklyn, "That the Board publicly advertise that water is required for the Borough of Queens, and that this proposed contract be used as specifications, striking out the name of the company and price, and that the advertisement state that the specifications are on file at this office, and that such advertisement be sent to every private water company in the Borough of Queens."

The motion was lost.

The Board then approved the contract as read, by the following vote:  
Affirmative—Commissioner of Water Supply, Highways, Street Cleaning, Public Buildings, Lighting and Supplies, and the President of the Board—5.

Negative—Commissioner of Sewers, Commissioner of Bridges, and the President of the Borough of Queens—3.

The President of the Borough of Brooklyn desired to vote, but the Chair ruled that the matter was one affecting the Borough of Queens only, and that none of the other Borough Presidents had the right to vote on it.

President Grant then stated that if he had the privilege of voting he would vote in the negative.

The following communication from the Board of Health was read, and referred to the Chief Topographical Engineer:

HEALTH DEPARTMENT,  
CORNER, BROADWAY AND PARKER STREET,  
New York, May 17, 1898.

Mrs. M. P. HERRMAN, President, Board of Public Improvements, No. 346 Broadway, New York City.

Sir:—At a meeting of the Board of Health, of the Department of Health, held May 14, 1898, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That a copy of the report of Sanitary Superintendent Roberts in regard to the sanitary condition of a section of land situated between Greenpoint avenue, New York street, Nassau and Kingsland avenues, in the Borough of Brooklyn, be forwarded to the Board of Public Improvements, with the request to take such action and measures as may be deemed proper to abate said nuisance.

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

The following communication from the Health Department was read, and referred to the Chief Topographical Engineer:

HEALTH DEPARTMENT,  
CORNER, BROADWAY AND PARKER STREET,  
New York, May 17, 1898.

Mrs. MARGARET E. HOLAHAN, President, Board of Public Improvements, No. 346 Broadway, New York City.

Sir:—At a meeting of the Board of Health, of the Department of Health, held May 14, 1898, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That a copy of the report of Consulting Engineer Lindbergh, of the Board of Health, and of the report of Assistant Sanitary Superintendent Fink, of the Department, in regard to nuisance, caused by sewage from Arverne and Ridgeway in Jamaica Bay, be forwarded to the Board of Public Improvements for the necessary action.

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

The following communication from the Corporation Council was read and placed on file:

LAW DEPARTMENT,  
OFFICE OF THE CORPORATION COUNCIL,  
New York, May 17, 1898.

Mrs. MARGARET E. HOLAHAN, President, Board of Public Improvements.

Sir:—In receipt of your communication bearing date March 20, the answer to which has been already by imperative engagements on my part.

You state that at a meeting of the Board of Public Improvements the question as to which Department was to take charge of the building of the Melrose avenue viaduct was referred by the Commissioner of Highways.

He claimed, as you state, that in view of the opinion rendered by me on January 15 last, in which it was decided that the Broadway Drive viaduct was under the control of his department, that the same was to apply to the control of the Melrose avenue viaduct.

The Commissioner of Health—claimed that, inasmuch as different conditions existed in each case, a separate opinion should be asked for from the Corporation Council.

You ask me, therefore, to advise your Board which Department is to have control of the construction of the Melrose avenue viaduct.

I agree with the Commissioner of Bridges in his statement that different conditions exist in each case, but the difference of conditions is simply that the bridge is to be supported under different conditions.

In any case, every structure which carries any roadway or street by means of arches, piers or other supports, is a bridge, but it is not a bridge as distinguished from a street in the manner heretofore understood of the word.

My answer to your question is, that there must be a general rule applicable to the entirety, and that there should be only one rule.

I hold that all bridges, which traverse either of the rivers surrounding the Island, are bridges within the meaning of the Charter.

I hold also, that in all other cases the bridges, viaducts, etc., by which streets are carried over other streets or canals, are streets and not bridges within the meaning of the Charter provisions.

In other words, the bridges over the rivers are within the jurisdiction of the Commissioners of Bridges, and all other structures, partaking of the nature of bridges or viaducts, are within the jurisdiction of the Commissioner of Highways, or, when within the paths of the Department of Parks.

Yours,  
JOHN WEALEN, Corporation Council.

President Harsh proposed that work be raised at issue on the One Hundred and Fifty-third Street and Melrose avenue viaduct in view of the Corporation Council's opinion.

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

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC BUILDINGS, LIGHTING AND SUPPLIES,  
OFFICE, NO. 346 BROADWAY,  
NEW YORK, May 14, 1898.

Mrs. MARGARET E. HOLAHAN, President, Board of Public Improvements, No. 346 Broadway, City.

DEAR SIR:—In accordance with provisions of Section 413 of Chapter 378 of the Laws of 1897, I herewith submit a resolution authorizing and approving that this Department advertise for proposals and make a contract to furnish general supplies for the public buildings in the Borough of Brooklyn, approximate cost, \$4,000; and request that you transmit to the Municipal Assembly the same with your recommendation that it pass the necessary ordinance or resolution, authorizing the same.

Respectfully yours,  
HENRY S. KEBBY, Commissioner.

—and the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, Under purchase of Section 413 of the new Charter, that the Department of Public Buildings, Lighting and Supplies is hereby authorized to advertise for bids, and enter into a contract to furnish general supplies for the public buildings in the Borough of Brooklyn, approximate cost, \$4,000, and the same is recommended for passage to the Municipal Assembly.

Affirmative—Commissioner of Water Supply, Highways, Street Cleaning, Sewers, Public Buildings, etc., Bridges, President Borough of Brooklyn, President of the Board.

Negative—None.

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

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC BUILDINGS, LIGHTING AND SUPPLIES,  
OFFICE, NO. 346 BROADWAY,  
NEW YORK, May 13, 1898.

Mrs. MARGARET E. HOLAHAN, President, Board of Public Improvements, No. 346 Broadway, New York City.

DEAR SIR:—In accordance with provisions of section 413 of chapter 378 of the Laws of 1897, I herewith submit a resolution authorizing and approving that this Department advertise for proposals and make a contract to furnish material and perform the work in making and completing alterations and improvements in the old City Hall, Borough of Brooklyn, approximate cost \$3,000,



and request that you transmit to the Municipal Assembly the same with your recommendation that it pass the necessary ordinance, or resolution, authorizing the same.

Respectfully yours,

HENRY S. KIRBY, Commissioner.

Thereupon the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, Under authority of section 413 of the new Charter, that the Department of Public Buildings, Lighting and Supplies, is hereby authorized to advertise for bids and enter into a contract to furnish material and perform the work in making and completing alterations and improvements to the old City Hall, Borough of Brooklyn; approximately cost three thousand dollars (\$3,000), and the same is recommended for passage to the Municipal Assembly.

Alternative—Commissioners of Water Supply, Highways, Street-Cleaning, Sewers, Public Buildings, etc., Bridges, President of the Borough of Brooklyn, President of the Board.  
Negative—None.

The following communication from the Commissioner of Public Buildings, etc., was read:

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC BUILDINGS, LIGHTING AND SUPPLIES,  
OFFICE, NO. 140 BROADWAY,  
New York, May 17, 1898.

Mrs. MARGUERITE HUGHAN, President, Board of Public Improvements, No. 346 Broadway, New York City.

DEAR SIR—In accordance with provisions of section 413 of chapter 378 of the Laws of 1897, I herewith submit a resolution authorizing and approving that this Department advertise for proposals, and make a contract, for furnishing, operating and maintaining electric lamps for lighting the streets, parks and public places in the Borough of Brooklyn, for the year 1898, approximately cost \$520,000, and request that you transmit to the Municipal Assembly the same with your recommendation that it pass the necessary ordinance, or resolution authorizing the same.

Respectfully yours,

HENRY S. KIRBY, Commissioner.

Whereupon the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, Under authority of section 413 of the new Charter, that the Department of Public Buildings, Lighting and Supplies, is hereby authorized to advertise for bids and enter into a contract for furnishing, operating and maintaining electric lamps for lighting the streets, parks and public places in the Borough of the City of New York for the year 1898, approximately cost one million thousand dollars, and the same is recommended for passage to the Municipal Assembly.

Alternative—Commissioners of Water Supply, Highways, Street-Cleaning, Sewers, Public Buildings, Lighting and Supplies, Bridges, President Borough of Brooklyn, President of the Board.

The following communication from the Commissioner of Public Buildings, etc., was read:

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC BUILDINGS, LIGHTING AND SUPPLIES,  
OFFICE, NO. 140 BROADWAY,  
New York, May 17, 1898.

Mrs. MARGUERITE HUGHAN, President, Board of Public Improvements, No. 346 Broadway, New York City.

DEAR SIR—In accordance with provisions of section 413 of chapter 378 of the Laws of 1897, I herewith submit a resolution authorizing and approving that this Department advertise for proposals, and make a contract to furnish for the public buildings and places in the Borough of Brooklyn, approximately cost \$1,450, and to pass that you transmit to the Municipal Assembly the same with your recommendation that it pass the necessary ordinance, or resolution, authorizing the same.

Respectfully yours,

HENRY S. KIRBY, Commissioner.

And the following resolution was herewith adopted:

Resolved, Under authority of section 413 of the new Charter, that the Department of Public Buildings, Lighting and Supplies is hereby authorized to advertise for bids and enter into a contract to furnish for the public buildings and places in the Borough of Brooklyn, for the year 1898, approximately cost one thousand four hundred dollars, and the same is recommended for passage to the Municipal Assembly.

Alternative—Commissioners of Water Supply, Highways, Street-Cleaning, Sewers, Public Buildings, etc., Bridges, President Borough of Brooklyn, President of the Board.

The following communication from the Commissioner of Water Supply was read:

DEPARTMENT OF WATER SUPPLY—COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE,  
No. 129 Nassau Street,  
New York, May 17, 1898.

Mrs. MARGUERITE HUGHAN, President, Board of Public Improvements.

DEAR SIR—The Chief Engineer of this Department reports the necessity of laying water-mains in the following streets and avenues in the Borough of Brooklyn:

Fifty-second street, between Eighth and Ninth avenues—4 houses to be supplied with water; distance, 750 feet. Estimated cost.....	\$750 00
Eighty-eighth street, between Fifth and Fort Hamilton avenues—2 houses to be supplied with water; distance, 360 feet. Estimated cost.....	500 00
Twenty-first avenue, between Eighty-fourth and Eighty-sixth streets—4 houses to be supplied with water; distance, 570 feet. Estimated cost.....	500 00
Third avenue, between Sixtieth and Sixty-first streets and Sixty-first street, between Third and Fourth avenues—4 houses to be supplied with water. Estimated cost.....	1,000 00
Eighty-first street, between Second and Third avenues—7 houses to be supplied with water; distance, 750 feet. Estimated cost.....	750 00
Bay Twenty-second street, between Crosey avenue and Eighty-sixth street—(Drinking fountains and a main) to be supplied with water; distance, 2,000 feet. Estimated cost.....	2,000 00
Park place, between Albany and Troy avenues—10 houses to be supplied with water; distance, 725 feet. Estimated cost.....	800 00
Eighteenth avenue, between Sixty-third and Sixty-seventh streets—8 houses to be supplied with water; distance, 1,140 feet. Estimated cost.....	1,100 00
Ninety-third street, between Third and Fourth avenues—12 houses to be supplied with water; distance, 750 feet. Estimated cost.....	750 00
Twenty-third avenue, between Bath avenue and Eighty-sixth street—12 houses to be supplied with water; distance, 1,600 feet. Estimated cost.....	1,600 00
Eighty-ninth street, between Fort Hamilton road and Seventh avenue—12 houses to be supplied with water; distance, 1,250 feet. Estimated cost.....	1,300 00
Fortieth street, between Sixth and Seventh avenues—4 houses to be supplied with water; distance, 840 feet. Estimated cost.....	800 00
Eighteenth avenue, between Fiftieth and Fifty-seventh streets—10 houses and 2 stables to be supplied with water; distance, 1,760 feet. Estimated cost.....	1,600 00
Total estimated cost.....	\$13,450 00

I respectfully present and recommend the adoption by your Board of the annexed resolution, with an ordinance to be recommended to the Municipal Assembly for adoption, authorizing the laying of these water-mains and providing for the issue of bonds to pay the expense thereof.

Very respectfully,

WM. DALTON, Commissioner of Water Supply.

And the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That in pursuance of sections 413 and 416 of the City Charter, chapter 378 of the Laws of 1897, the Board of Public Improvements hereby authorizes the making of a contract in the Borough of Brooklyn, by the laying of water-mains in the following streets and avenues, to wit:

- In Fifty-second street, between Eighth and Ninth avenues.
- In Eighty-eighth street, between Fifth avenue and Fort Hamilton avenue.
- In Twenty-first avenue, between Eighty-fourth and Eighty-sixth streets.
- In Third avenue, between Sixtieth and Sixty-first streets, and in Sixty-first street, between Third and Fourth avenues.
- In Eighty-first street, between Second and Third avenues.
- In Bay Twenty-second street, between Crosey avenue and Eighty-sixth street.
- In Park place, between Albany and Troy avenues.
- In Eighteenth avenue, between Sixty-third and Sixty-seventh streets.
- In Ninety-third street, between Third and Fourth avenues.
- In Twenty-third avenue, between Bath avenue and Eighty-sixth street.
- In Eighty-ninth street, between Fort Hamilton road and Seventh avenue.
- In Fortieth street, between Sixth and Seventh avenues.
- In Eighteenth avenue, between Fiftieth and Fifty-seventh streets.

—the expense thereof not to exceed the sum of \$13,450.

And the Board hereby recommends the adoption of the following ordinance:

Be it Enacted by the Municipal Assembly:

Section 4. That in pursuance of section 416 of the City Charter, chapter 378 of the Laws of 1897, the water system in the Borough of Brooklyn be further extended by laying water-mains in the following streets and avenues, to wit:

- In Fifty-second street, between Eighth and Ninth avenues.
- In Eighty-eighth street, between Fifth avenue and Fort Hamilton avenue.
- In Twenty-first avenue, between Eighty-fourth and Eighty-sixth streets.
- In Third avenue, between Sixtieth and Sixty-first streets, and in Sixty-first street, between Third and Fourth avenues.
- In Eighty-first street, between Second and Third avenues.
- In Bay Twenty-second street, between Crosey avenue and Eighty-sixth street.
- In Park place, between Albany and Troy avenues.
- In Eighteenth avenue, between Sixty-third and Sixty-seventh streets.
- In Ninety-third street, between Third and Fourth avenues.
- In Twenty-third avenue, between Bath avenue and Eighty-sixth street.
- In Eighty-ninth street, between Fort Hamilton road and Seventh avenue.
- In Fortieth street, between Sixth and Seventh avenues.
- In Eighteenth avenue, between Fiftieth and Fifty-seventh streets.

—the work to be done under the direction of the Commissioner of Water Supply.  
Sec. 5. That in pursuance of sections 409 and 478 of the City Charter, chapter 378 of the Laws of 1897, the Comptroller of the City of New York is hereby authorized and directed to raise, by the issue of corporate stock of The City of New York, a sum not to exceed \$13,450, to pay for the work authorized in the preceding section.

Alternative—Commissioners of Water Supply, Highways, Sewers, Public Buildings, etc., Bridges, President Borough of Brooklyn and President of the Board.  
Negative—None.

The following communication from the Commissioner of Water Supply was read:

DEPARTMENT OF WATER SUPPLY—COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE,  
No. 129 Nassau Street,  
New York, May 16, 1898.

Mrs. MARGUERITE HUGHAN, President, Board of Public Improvements.

DEAR SIR—On an application received from a property-owner who is erecting two large double-bar houses in One Hundred and Forty-fourth street, between the Boulevard and the New York Central and Hudson River Railroad, that water mains be laid in that street, the Chief Engineer of this Department reports that the work is necessary. The distance is six hundred feet, and the estimated cost for furnishing and laying the same is \$300.

I, therefore, respectfully ask that your Board, in pursuance of sections 413 and 416 of the City Charter, pass a resolution approving and authorizing the laying of these water mains, and also prepare and recommend to the Municipal Assembly a resolution or ordinance authorizing the same.

Very respectfully,

WILLIAM DALTON, Commissioner of Water Supply.

And the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That in pursuance of sections 413 and 416 of the City Charter, chapter 378 of the Laws of 1897, the Board of Public Improvements hereby authorizes and approves the making of a contract by the Commissioner of Water Supply for the furnishing and laying of water mains in One Hundred and Forty-fourth street, between the Boulevard and the New York Central and Hudson River Railroad, in the Borough of Manhattan, at an estimated cost of five hundred dollars to be paid from the appropriation for "Laying Union Pipes, Boroughs of Manhattan and The Bronx, for 1898."

And the Board hereby presents to the Municipal Assembly and recommends the adoption of the following ordinance:

Be it Enacted by the Municipal Assembly of The City of New York, as follows:  
That water mains be laid in One Hundred and Forty-fourth street, between the Boulevard and the New York Central and Hudson River Railroad in the Borough of Manhattan, the work to be done under the direction of the Commissioner of Water Supply, and in pursuance of section 413, chapter 378, Laws of 1897.

Alternative—Commissioners of Water Supply, Highways, Public Buildings, Lighting and Supplies, Sewers, President Borough of Manhattan, President of the Board.  
Negative—None.

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

DEPARTMENT OF WATER SUPPLY—COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE,  
No. 129 Nassau Street,  
New York, May 16, 1898.

Mrs. MARGUERITE HUGHAN, President, Board of Public Improvements.

DEAR SIR—In the report of the enclosed resolution, passed by the Board of Local Improvements of the Thirtieth District, Borough of Manhattan, and that of sidewalk proposed in the Borough of Manhattan, to provide for an overlooking fountain and sidewalk corner of First avenue and First street, Borough of Manhattan, which resolution and ordinance were received with letter of 12th inst. from the Secretary of your Board, I have to report as I have reported on all previous resolutions and propositions for the placing of additional drinking fountains, that the appropriation of \$2,000 for drinking fountains this year is not sufficient to maintain in proper condition the drinking fountains and maintain new in new leaving no margin whatever for the erection of additional ones. For this reason, I respectfully recommend that the Board disapprove the resolution and ordinance.

Very respectfully,

WILLIAM DALTON, Commissioner of Water Supply.

The following communications from the President of the Borough of Manhattan were read, and laid over:

LOCAL BOARD, TENTH AND ELEVENTH DISTRICTS.

Meeting held May 9, 1898.

Resolved, That the Board of Local Improvements of the Tenth and Eleventh District of the Borough of Manhattan approve the recommendation of the Commissioner of Highways that the cartway from City Hall place to Great Jones street be paved with asphalt on concrete foundation.

LOCAL BOARD, TWELFTH DISTRICT.

Meeting held in Borough office, City Hall, April 14, 1898.

Resolved, That the Board of Local Improvements of the Twelfth District of the Borough of Manhattan approve the recommendation of the Commissioner of Highways that the cartway of Pearl street, from Centre to Elm, and Leonard street from Centre to Broadway, be paved with asphalt on concrete foundation.

LOCAL BOARD, TWELFTH DISTRICT.

Meeting held May 14, 1898.

Resolved, That the Board of Local Improvements of the Twelfth District of the Borough of Manhattan recommend the proposed ordinance to place an improved iron drinking fountain on each of the four corners of Tompkins Square, be amended so as to read: "One improved iron drinking fountain on sidewalk near curb on Seventh street in centre of block between Avenues A and B."

The following communication from the President of the Borough of Manhattan was read, and the Secretary was directed to transmit the papers to the Board of Health for action by that Body.

LOCAL BOARD, SEVENTEENTH DISTRICT.

Meeting held May 14, 1898.

Resolved, That the Board of Local Improvements of the Seventeenth District of the Borough of Manhattan recommend to the Board of Public Improvements that the proper department be instructed to take the immediate steps to prevent the mauling of horses or other animals in passing the north side of Seventy-seventh street between Amsterdam avenue and the Boulevard.

The following communications from the President of the Borough of Manhattan were read and were severally referred to the Commissioner of Highways:

LOCAL BOARD—NINETEENTH DISTRICT.

Meeting held May 10, 1898.

Resolved, That the Board of Local Improvements of the Nineteenth District of the Borough of Manhattan recommend to the Board of Public Improvements that the proper department be requested to repair sidewalks on Dyckman street, and place same in proper condition.

LOCAL BOARD—FIFTEENTH DISTRICT.

Meeting held May 9, 1898.

Resolved, That the Board of Local Improvements of the Fifteenth District of the Borough of Manhattan recommend to the Board of Public Improvements that Eighty-ninth street between Park and Madison avenues be paved with asphalt over the present pavement.



The following communication from the President of the Board of Manhattan was read, and referred to the Commissioner of Public Buildings, Lighting and Supplies:

LOCAL BOARD, TWENTY-FIRST DISTRICT.

Meeting held in Borough office, City Hall, May 2, 1898.

Resolved, That the Board of Local Improvements of the Twenty-first District of the Borough of Manhattan approve the proposed ordinance to provide for lighting Avenue C, from East Fourth street to East Twentieth street with electricity, and recommend its adoption.

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

Borough of the Bronx, New York, May 14, 1898.

Mrs. MAURICE F. HOLADAY, President, Board of Public Improvements.

DEAR SIR—In accordance with section 364, chapter 378, Laws of 1897, I hereby certify that the following resolution was adopted by the Local Board, Twenty-first District, at its meeting May 12 last, viz:

Resolved, That on petition of Norman Freeman and others, duly advertised, and submitted the 12th day of May, 1898, the Local Board, Twenty-first District, hereby recommends to the Board of Public Improvements and the Municipal Assembly, that a sewer be constructed in the block on section 11 of the Grid Map and project on the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, in accordance with attached plan, and that a copy of this resolution be transmitted forthwith to the said Board of Public Improvements.

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

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, New York, May 12, 1898.

Mrs. MAURICE F. HOLADAY, President, Board of Public Improvements.

DEAR SIR—In accordance with section 364, chapter 378, Laws of 1897, I hereby certify that the following resolution was adopted by the Local Board, Twenty-first District, at its meeting May 12, 1898, viz:

Resolved, That on petition of Anna K. Chapman and others, duly advertised, and submitted the 12th day of May, 1898, the Local Board, Twenty-first District, hereby recommends to the Board of Public Improvements and the Municipal Assembly, that a sewer be constructed in East One Hundred and 5th address and cross from Third Avenue to Washington 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, Borough of The Bronx.

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, New York, May 12, 1898.

Mrs. MAURICE F. HOLADAY, President, Board of Public Improvements.

DEAR SIR—In accordance with section 364, chapter 378, Laws of 1897, I hereby certify that the following resolution was adopted by the Local Board, Twenty-first District, at its meeting May 12, 1898, viz:

Resolved, That on petition of Property Owners' Ass'n, Fire, water, and gas, and others, duly advertised and submitted the 12th day of May, 1898, the Local Board, Twenty-first District, hereby recommends to the Board of Public Improvements and the Municipal Assembly, that the roadway of Jerome street be paved with brick pavement from Union Avenue to Southern Avenue and cross with a sewer, 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, Borough of The Bronx.

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, New York, May 12, 1898.

Mrs. MAURICE F. HOLADAY, President, Board of Public Improvements.

DEAR SIR—In accordance with section 364, chapter 378, Laws of 1897, I hereby certify that the following resolution was adopted by the Local Board, Twenty-first District, at its meeting May 12, 1898, viz:

Resolved, That on petition of E. J. McMahon and others, duly advertised, and submitted the 12th day of May, 1898, the Local Board, Twenty-first District, hereby recommends to the Board of Public Improvements and the Municipal Assembly, that a sewer be constructed in East One Hundred and Twenty-seventh street, from the existing sewer in West Farms Road to Southern 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, Borough of The Bronx.

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, New York, May 12, 1898.

Mrs. MAURICE F. HOLADAY, President, Board of Public Improvements.

DEAR SIR—In accordance with section 364, chapter 378, Laws of 1897, I hereby certify that the following resolution was adopted by the Local Board, Twenty-first District, at its meeting May 12, 1898, viz:

Resolved, That on petition of Susan A. Valentine and others, duly advertised, and submitted the 12th day of May, 1898, the Local Board, Twenty-first District, hereby recommends to the Board of Public Improvements and the Municipal Assembly, that the roadway of Avenue, from the southern side of Southern Boulevard to the northern side of Kingsbridge road, be regulated and graded, and a sewer and sidewalk be placed there, 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, Borough of The Bronx.

Borough of The Bronx, New York, May 12, 1898.

Mrs. MAURICE F. HOLADAY, President, Board of Public Improvements.

DEAR SIR—In accordance with section 364, chapter 378, Laws of 1897, I hereby certify that the following resolution was adopted by the Local Board, Twenty-first District, at its meeting May 12, 1898, viz:

Resolved, That on petition of John H. Borgeson and others, duly advertised, and submitted the 12th day of May, 1898, the Local Board, Twenty-first District, hereby recommends to the Board of Public Improvements and the Municipal Assembly, that the roadway of Prospect Avenue be paved with brick pavement between Westchester Avenue and Boston Road, and sidewalks 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, Borough of The Bronx.

Borough of The Bronx, New York City, May 12, 1898.

Mrs. MAURICE F. HOLADAY, President, Board of Public Improvements.

DEAR SIR—In accordance with section 364, chapter 378, Laws of 1897, I hereby certify that the following resolution was adopted by the Local Board, Twenty-first District, at its meeting May 12, 1898, viz:

Resolved, That on petition of John L. Hunt and others, duly advertised, and submitted the 12th day of May, 1898, the Local Board, Twenty-first District, hereby recommends to the Board of Public Improvements and the Municipal Assembly, that the roadway of East One Hundred and Seventy-fifth street, from Third Avenue to Webster Avenue, be paved with asphalt upon a concrete base, and sidewalks 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, Borough of The Bronx.

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, New York City, May 12, 1898.

Mrs. MAURICE F. HOLADAY, President, Board of Public Improvements.

DEAR SIR—In accordance with section 364, chapter 378, Laws of 1897, I hereby certify that the following resolution was adopted by the Local Board, Twenty-first District, at its meeting May 12, 1898, viz:

Resolved, That on petition of Louis L. Hahn and others, duly advertised, and submitted the 12th day of May, 1898, the Local Board, Twenty-first District, hereby recommends to the

Board of Public Improvements and the Municipal Assembly that a sewer be constructed in Kingsbridge road, from Kingsbridge road north to Park View terrace, and in Webster street, from Jackson Avenue east to Cross street, 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, Borough of The Bronx.

The following communications from the President of the Borough of Brooklyn were read and referred to the Commissioner of Highways:

CITY OF NEW YORK—Borough of Brooklyn,  
Office of the President of the Borough,  
May 13, 1898.

Board of Public Improvements.

RESOLUTIONS—The Local Board of the Eighth District, Borough of Brooklyn, after hearing had at a meeting on May 9, 1898, duly advertised, adopted the following:

Resolved, That the Local Board of the Eighth District, Borough of Brooklyn, hereby directs that the sidewalk opposite the lots on the north side of Fulton street, between Ralph Avenue and Howard Avenue, known as lots Nos. 22, 23, 5, 7 and 8, 12 to 17 inclusive, Block 64, Twenty-fifth 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.  
Respectfully,  
EDWARD M. GROUT, President of the Borough.

CITY OF NEW YORK—Borough of Brooklyn,  
Office of the President of the Borough,  
May 13, 1898.

Board of Public Improvements.

RESOLUTIONS—The Local Board of the Eighth District, Borough of Brooklyn, after hearing had at a meeting on May 9, 1898, duly advertised, adopted the following:

Resolved, That the Local Board of the Eighth District, Borough of Brooklyn, hereby directs that the sidewalk opposite the lots on the south side of Park Place, 100 feet west from the corner of Nottolm Avenue, known as lot No. 34, Block 40, Twenty-fourth 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 lot.

Resolved, That this resolution be forwarded to the Board of Public Improvements for its approval.  
Respectfully,  
EDWARD M. GROUT, President of the Borough.

CITY OF NEW YORK—Borough of Brooklyn,  
Office of the President of the Borough,  
May 13, 1898.

Board of Public Improvements.

RESOLUTIONS—The Local Board of the Eighth District, Borough of Brooklyn, after hearing had at a meeting on May 9, 1898, duly advertised, adopted the following:

Resolved, That the Local Board of the Eighth District, Borough of Brooklyn, hereby directs that the lot lying on the west side of Lewis Avenue, between Halsebrooke street and Chauncy street, known as lot No. 14, Block 102, Twenty-fourth Ward Map, be enclosed with a close board fence, six (6) feet high, at the expense of the owner or owners of the said lot.

Resolved, That this resolution be forwarded to the Board of Public Improvements for its approval.  
Respectfully,  
EDWARD M. GROUT, President of the Borough.

CITY OF NEW YORK—Borough of Brooklyn,  
Office of the President of the Borough,  
May 13, 1898.

Board of Public Improvements.

RESOLUTIONS—The Local Board of the Eighth District, Borough of Brooklyn, after hearing had at a meeting on May 9, 1898, duly advertised, adopted the following:

Resolved, That the Local Board of the Eighth District, Borough of Brooklyn, hereby directs that the lot lying on the south side of Pacific street, between Bayway Avenue and Eastern Parkway Extension, known as lot No. 86, Block No. 213, Twenty-fourth Ward Map, be enclosed with a close board fence, six (6) feet high, at the expense of the owner or owners of the said lot.

Resolved, That this resolution be forwarded to the Board of Public Improvements for its approval.  
Respectfully,  
EDWARD M. GROUT, President of the Borough.

CITY OF NEW YORK—Borough of Brooklyn,  
Office of the President of the Borough,  
May 13, 1898.

Board of Public Improvements.

RESOLUTIONS—The Local Board of the Sixth District, Borough of Brooklyn, after hearing had at a meeting on May 10, 1898, duly advertised, adopted the following:

Resolved, That the Local Board of the Sixth District, Borough of Brooklyn, hereby directs that the sidewalk opposite the lots lying on the south side of Park Place, between Underhill Avenue and Vanderbilt Avenue, known as lots Nos. 25 to 31 inclusive, Block 78, 1st 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.  
Respectfully,  
EDWARD M. GROUT, President of the Borough.

CITY OF NEW YORK—Borough of Brooklyn,  
Office of the President of the Borough,  
May 14, 1898.

Board of Public Improvements.

RESOLUTIONS—The Local Board of the Fourth District, Borough of Brooklyn, after hearing had at a meeting on May 6, 1898, duly advertised, adopted the following:

Resolved, That the Local Board of the Fourth District, Borough of Brooklyn, hereby directs that the lot lying on the north side of Kingsbridge street, between Broadway and Reid Avenue, known as lot No. 65, Block 3, Twenty-third Ward Map, be enclosed with a close board fence six (6) feet high, at the expense of the owner or owners of the said lot.

Resolved, That this resolution be forwarded to the Board of Public Improvements for its approval.  
Respectfully,  
EDWARD M. GROUT, President of the Borough.

CITY OF NEW YORK—Borough of Brooklyn,  
Office of the President of the Borough,  
May 14, 1898.

Board of Public Improvements.

RESOLUTIONS—The Local Board of the Fourth District, Borough of Brooklyn, after hearing had at a meeting on May 6, 1898, duly advertised, adopted the following:

Resolved, That the Local Board of the Fourth District, Borough of Brooklyn, hereby directs that the lots lying on the north side of Lafayette Avenue, between Patchen and Reid Avenue, known as lots Nos. 19, 20 and 21, Block 2, Twenty-first Ward Map, be enclosed 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.

CITY OF NEW YORK—Borough of Brooklyn,  
Office of the President of the Borough,  
May 14, 1898.



CITY OF NEW YORK—BOROUGH OF BROOKLYN, OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOROUGH, May 14, 1898.

Board of Public Improvements:

GENTLEMEN—The Local Board of the Sixth District, Borough of Brooklyn, after hearing had at a meeting on May 6, 1898, duly advertised, adopted the following:

Resolved, That the Local Board of the Sixth District, Borough of Brooklyn, hereby directs that the sidewalk opposite the lots lying on the west side of Underhill avenue, between Park place and Sterling place, known as Lots Nos. 33 to 37 inclusive, and 40, Block 78, Sixth 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 18, 1898, a copy of which is enclosed.

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

CITY OF NEW YORK—BOROUGH OF BROOKLYN, OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOROUGH, May 14, 1898.

Board of Public Improvements:

GENTLEMEN—The Local Board of the Fourth District, Borough of Brooklyn, after hearing had at a meeting on May 6th, 1898, duly advertised, adopted the following:

Resolved, That the Local Board of the Fourth District, Borough of Brooklyn, hereby directs that the lot lying on the north side of Stockton street, between Throop and Tompkins avenues, known as lot No. 15, block 41, Twenty-first ward map, be enclosed with a close board fence, at the expense of the owner or owners of the said lot.

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 18th, 1898, a copy of which is enclosed.

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

CITY OF NEW YORK—BOROUGH OF BROOKLYN, OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOROUGH, May 14, 1898.

Board of Public Improvements:

GENTLEMEN—The Local Board of the Fourth District, Borough of Brooklyn, after hearing had at a meeting on May 6th, 1898, duly advertised, adopted the following:

Resolved, That the Local Board of the Fourth District, Borough of Brooklyn, hereby directs that the lot lying on the west side of Skillman street, between Willoughby avenue and DeKalb avenue, known as Lot No. 21, block 45, Seventh Ward map, be enclosed with a close board fence, six (6) feet high, at the expense of the owner or owners of the same lot.

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 18, 1898, a copy of which is enclosed.

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

CITY OF NEW YORK—BOROUGH OF BROOKLYN, OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOROUGH, May 14, 1898.

Board of Public Improvements:

GENTLEMEN—The Local Board of the Sixth District, Borough of Brooklyn, after hearing had at a meeting on May 6, 1898, duly advertised, adopted the following:

Resolved, That the Local Board of the Sixth District, Borough of Brooklyn, after hearing had this 6th day of May, 1898, believes that Bergen street, from Fourth avenue to Grand avenue, should be repaved with asphalt, and it therefore requests that the Board of Public Improvements refer said matter to the Department of Streets and Highways for action.

Attached is a copy of proposed ordinance referred to the Local Board by the Board of Aldermen.

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

CITY OF NEW YORK—BOROUGH OF BROOKLYN, OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOROUGH, May 14, 1898.

Board of Public Improvements:

GENTLEMEN—The Local Board of the Fourth District, Borough of Brooklyn, after hearing had at a meeting on May 6, 1898, duly advertised, adopted the following:

Resolved, That the Local Board of the Fourth District, Borough of Brooklyn, after hearing had this 6th day of May, 1898, recommends that Emerson place, between Lafayette and De Kalb avenues, Borough of Brooklyn, be repaved with asphalt, one-half of the cost of such repaving to be borne by the property benefited to be assessed thereon, and the other half by The City of New York.

Attached is a copy of the petition.

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

CITY OF NEW YORK—BOROUGH OF BROOKLYN, OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOROUGH, May 14, 1898.

Board of Public Improvements:

GENTLEMEN—The Local Board of the Sixth District, Borough of Brooklyn, after hearing had at a meeting on May 6, 1898, duly advertised, adopted the following:

Resolved, That the Local Board of the Sixth District, Borough of Brooklyn, after hearing had this 6th day of May 1898, believes that Dean street, from Flatbush avenue to Grand avenue, should be repaved with asphalt, and it therefore requests that the Board of Public Improvements refer said matter to the Department of Streets and Highways for action.

Attached is a copy of proposed ordinance referred to the Local Board by the Board of Aldermen.

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

CITY OF NEW YORK—BOROUGH OF BROOKLYN, OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOROUGH, May 12, 1898.

Board of Public Improvements:

GENTLEMEN—The Local Board of the Eighth District, Borough of Brooklyn, after hearing had at a meeting on May 9, 1898, duly advertised, adopted the following:

Resolved, That the Local Board of the Eighth District, Borough of Brooklyn, after hearing had this 9th day of May, 1898, believes that Patchen avenue, between Macon and McDonough streets should be repaved with asphalt, and it therefore requests that the Board of Public Improvements refer said matter to the Department of Highways for action.

Attached is a copy of the petition.

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

The following communication from the President of the Borough of Brooklyn was read and referred to the Commissioner of Highways for the purpose of making an estimate of cost:

CITY OF NEW YORK—BOROUGH OF BROOKLYN, OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOROUGH, May 13, 1898.

Board of Public Improvements:

GENTLEMEN—The Local Board of the Eighth District, Borough of Brooklyn, after hearing had at a meeting on May 9, duly advertised, adopted the following:

Resolved, That the Local Board of the Eighth District, Borough of Brooklyn, hereby directs that the sidewalks opposite the lot lying on the southeast corner of Throop avenue and Quincy street, known as Lot No. 100, Block 5, Twenty-third 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 20, 1898, a copy of which is enclosed.

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

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

CITY OF NEW YORK—BOROUGH OF BROOKLYN, OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOROUGH, NEW YORK, May 12, 1898.

Board of Public Improvements:

GENTLEMEN—The Local Board of the Eighth District, Borough of Brooklyn, after hearing had at a meeting on May 9, 1898, duly advertised, adopted the following:

Resolved, That the Local Board of the Eighth District, Borough of Brooklyn, after hearing had this 9th day of May, 1898, hereby recommends to the Board of Public Improvements that in pursuance of the provisions of section 436 of chapter 378 of the Laws of 1867, proceedings be initiated to alter the map or plan of The City of New York by changing the grade of Degraw street, between Nostrand and New York avenues, in the Borough of Brooklyn.

Attached is a copy of resolution of the Board of Aldermen in relation to the matter.

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

CITY OF NEW YORK—BOROUGH OF BROOKLYN, OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOROUGH, May 13, 1898.

Board of Public Improvements:

GENTLEMEN—The Local Board of the Eighth District, Borough of Brooklyn, after hearing had at a meeting on May 9, duly advertised, adopted the following:

Resolved, That the Local Board of the Eighth District, Borough of Brooklyn, after hearing had this 9th day of May, 1898, hereby recommends to the Board of Public Improvements that in pursuance of the provisions of section 436 of chapter 378 of the Laws of 1867, proceedings be initiated to alter the map or plan of The City of New York by changing the grade of Degraw street, between Nostrand and New York avenues, in the Borough of Brooklyn.

Attached is:

- 1. Copy of petition.
2. Copy of report from the Department of Highways.
3. Map showing the proposed change.

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

CITY OF NEW YORK—BOROUGH OF BROOKLYN, OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOROUGH, May 12, 1898.

Board of Public Improvements:

GENTLEMEN—The Local Board of the Eighth District, Borough of Brooklyn, after hearing had at a meeting on May 9th, duly advertised, adopted the following:

Resolved, That the Local Board of the Eighth District, Borough of Brooklyn, after hearing had this 9th day of May, 1898, hereby recommends to the Board of Public Improvements of The City of New York, that in pursuance of the provisions of section 435 of chapter 378 of the Laws of 1867, proceedings be initiated to alter the map or plan of The City of New York, by changing the grade of the streets on the property known as Marresse Farm, bounded by Fort Hamilton avenue, Thirty-seventh street, Fifteenth avenue and Fourteenth street in the Borough of Brooklyn.

Attached is:

- 1. Copy of petition.
2. Copy of report from the Department of Highways.
3. Map showing proposed change.

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

The following communication from the President of the Borough of Brooklyn was read and referred to the Commissioner of Water Supply:

CITY OF NEW YORK—BOROUGH OF BROOKLYN, OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOROUGH, May 12, 1898.

Board of Public Improvements:

GENTLEMEN—The Local Board of the Eighth District, Borough of Brooklyn, after hearing had at a meeting on May 9, 1898, duly advertised, adopted the following:

Resolved, That the Local Board of the Eighth District, Borough of Brooklyn, after hearing had this 9th day of May, 1898, recommends that steps be taken to furnish a proper and adequate supply of water for protection against fire in the habitations of the Thirty-second Ward, now improperly supplied with water, and that the watermain be extended for fire purposes to said ward.

Attached is:

- 1. Copy of petition.
2. Copy of proposed Ordinance referred to the Local Board by the Board of Aldermen.
3. Report from Department of Water Supply.
4. Report from Fire Department.

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

On motion of the President of the Borough of Brooklyn, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the Secretary of this Board be directed to request the Corporation Counsel to furnish this Board with a copy of his opinion in regard to the data filed in connection with street opening cases.

The following communication was read and referred to the Chief Topographical Engineer for the purpose of finding out if the description agrees with our official map:

MURPHY & STEVENS, ATTORNEYS AND COUNSELLORS, No. 10 EXCHANGE PLACE, New York, May 12, 1898.

JAMES H. MURPHY, Esq., Secretary, Board of Public Improvements of The City of New York, No. 346 Broadway, New York.

DEAR SIR—In compliance with the request of your Board, I herewith forward the map or plan, together with a technical description of Exterior street and East One Hundred and Ninety-second streets, proposed to be laid by the Estate of Nathaniel P. Bailey, deceased, to The City of New York.

Yours respectfully, FORDHAM MORRIS, Of Counsel, Estate of Nathaniel P. Bailey, deceased.

The description follows:

All that certain parcel, piece or plot of ground within the lines of Exterior street and East One Hundred and Ninety-second street, in the Twenty-fourth Ward, in the Borough of The Bronx, in The City of New York, and as laid out on the general plan of said City, as shown and delineated upon a certain map known as Section 16 of the Final Maps 200 Proposed of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, prepared under authority of chapter 345 of the Laws of 1862 and the amendatory acts, dated New York, June 17, 1865, Louis A. Rice, Civil Engineer, and adopted on the same day, and signed by Louis F. Hallen, Commissioner of Street Improvements of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, beginning at a point on the southerly side of the Kingsbridge road, which will be the southwest corner of Exterior street and Kingsbridge road, and running thence southerly in a tangent 1,076.00 feet, thence on a curve to the right of 81 degrees, 20 minutes, 41 seconds, with a radius of 100 degrees, 147.07 feet, thence westerly in a tangent 102.59 feet to the improvement line in Harlem river established by the United States authorities, thence running southerly along said improvement line turning to the left on a curve within a radius of 19 minutes, 18 seconds for a distance of 80 feet, thence easterly and in a tangent to the left 207.46 feet, thence easterly crossing the routes of the Spyglass Dayvil and Fort Morris Railway and the New York and Putnam Railway still in a tangent for a distance of 233.09 feet to a point which is the southwesterly corner of One Hundred and Ninety-second street and Bailey avenue, thence turning to the left in a tangent coincident with the prolongation of the westerly side or line of Bailey avenue, 60 feet, till what will be the northwesterly corner of One Hundred and Ninety-second street and Bailey avenue is reached, thence turning to the left and running in a tangent across said railroads 233.72 feet till what will be the northeasterly corner of Exterior street and One Hundred and Ninety-second street is reached, thence turning an angle to the right and running in a tangent 753.47 feet till what will be the southeasterly corner of Exterior street and East One Hundred and Ninety-fourth street is reached, thence still in a tangent coincident with the prolongation of the easterly side or line of Exterior street and crossing the proposed One Hundred and Ninety-fourth street, 60 feet, till what will be the northeasterly corner of One Hundred and Ninety-fourth street and Exterior street is reached, thence northerly and in a tangent 355.54 feet till what will be the southeasterly corner of Kingsbridge road and Exterior



street is reached, thence turning to the left and running in a tangent across Exterior street in a line which would be coincident with the prolongation of the southerly side of Kingsbridge road till the southwesterly corner of Exterior street and Kingsbridge road is reached, which point is the point of plan of beginning. Together with all the right, title and interest of the parties of the first part included within the lines hereinafter described and every part and parcel thereof.

To have and to hold all and singular the above-mentioned and described premises, together with the appurtenances unto the said party of the second part, its successors and assigns forever. In trust nevertheless, that the same be appropriated and kept open for or as a part or parts of a public street or avenue forever, in the manner as the other public streets and avenues in the said City of New York are and of right ought to be.

The following communication from the Surrogate of Kings County was read, and referred to the Commissioner of Highways, with power to take such action as he might deem necessary:

PROGATE'S OFFICE—KINGS COUNTY,  
BROOKLYN, N. Y., May 21, 1898.

Hon. MAURICE F. HOLAHAN, President, Board of Public Improvements, No. 346 Broadway, New York.

DEAR SIR: The Surrogate's Court and office of Kings County are located in the Hall of Records, corner of Fulton street and Beerman place, or Court square; there is a trolley line of railroad on Court square, and the neighborhood is very noisy.

Some years ago, I was instrumental in having the block from Fulton street to Livingston street, on Court square, paved with smooth pavement; this greatly diminished the noise. There has been a contract given out for repaving this block with granite blocks; it would be in the interest of the public, and the proper transaction of the business of my Court, if, instead of granite blocks, this block composed could be paved with asphalt or some smooth pavement.

I did not know, until the granite blocks were laid on the sidewalk, that there was any project for repaving the street, and I hope that I am not too late to prevent the laying of these granite blocks as contemplated. I would earnestly request your Honorable Body to have the contract so modified as to permit the laying of a smooth pavement on this block, as it would be almost impossible to fracture pavements in any Court if the ground pavement is laid.

I have communicated with Mr. Powell, Deputy Commissioner of Highways, and it is with his entire approval and sanction that I address this communication to you. Your early attention will greatly oblige.

Yours very truly,  
GEO. H. ARHOTT, Surrogate, Kings County.

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

NEW YORK, May 16, 1898.

Mr. M. F. HOLAHAN, President Board of Public Improvements, City of New York.

DEAR SIR:—As a resident and propertyowner of One Hundred and Thirty-third street, between Tenix and St. Nicholas avenues, I desire to call the attention of the Board to the condition of said street, and would request that the same be paved or asphalted at an early day.

Yours respectfully,  
HURMAN BENN.

No. 113 West One Hundred and Thirtieth street, New York City.

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

WEST END BOARD OF TRADE OF THE BOROUGH OF BROOKLYN,  
COMMITTEE ON STREETS,  
No. 242 FORTY-EIGHTH STREET,  
BROOKLYN, May 10, 1898.

The Board of Trade Improvements of The City of New York.

LETTERS FROM.—We respectfully request your Honorable Body to take the necessary steps to complete the work under what is known as the Eighth Ward Improvement Bill of the City of Brooklyn. The facts are these:

(1) Chapter 565 of the Laws of 1889 is the law which provides for this improvement. Under this chapter, on December 11, 1890, \$50,000 of Eighth Ward Improvement Bonds were issued and sold, and the money paid into a special fund, as provided in the bill. This bill provided that the streets from Thirtieth street on the north to Sixtieth street on the south, and Third avenue on the east, and the City line of old New Utrecht on the west, should be improved, and this work was done, leaving a surplus of between \$50,000 and \$70,000.

(2) Subsequently and in 1892 and 1893, by chapter 520 of 1892 and chapter 756 of 1893, the foregoing bill was amended so as to extend its benefits to the streets running from Third avenue to the water between the same points north and south. Under this amendment several streets were improved, and contracts were let out for others until recently, when the work was stopped, with all other contracts of the City.

(3) It was an mistake to this Board of Trade that the Eighth Ward Improvement Bill was not amended in the relation of the Corporation Counsel from the fact that the money was raised by bonds under an act of the Legislature and paid into the Treasury, and could only be expended for the specific purpose, and before the City can levy an assessment for the payment of the bonds provided in the improvement it must first expend this money. In view of this, this Board directed its committee on streets to investigate the cause of the stoppage and procure a continuance of the work with completion. At the Committee's instance, the Comptroller of The City of New York had the accounts examined and report on them, which report this Committee was allowed to copy, and the substance of it is that, after deducting accumulations of interest which the account balance should not be credited to the fund, there remained \$44,599.87. There exists at the present time outstanding liabilities on contracts which have been stopped to the amount of \$62,292, leaving an apparent available balance for new work of the sum of \$23,307.87.

(4) This Committee called on the Engineer's Department in Brooklyn, and was informed by the Commissioner of Highways Farrell, of Brooklyn, could direct the continuance of this work. We then waited on Mr. Farrell, and he said he could not without directions from his superiors. We then asked the Comptroller who we should apply to, and he informed us that the Board of Public Improvements of the Greater City was the proper authority.

We therefore respectfully request that your Honorable Body will take the necessary steps to continue until completion the work under the Eighth Ward Improvement Bill, and before you determine the kind of pavement to be laid down, we should like an opportunity to advise with your Board or the engineer in charge of the matter, if he represents you.

The delay in the completion of this work, the streets having been graded and being continually used by various kinds of the streets in the neighborhood to be continuously covered with mud and dirt when it rains and with sand when it is dry weather. In addition to this there are very large factories built on these streets, and they have not proper facilities to reach the main thoroughfare economically. This committee believes that if this fund is in such a condition as the Comptroller says and the facts are as we have stated, the work should be done now while we have fine weather, as if it is allowed to drag through the summer it will extend over another year.

The Board of Trade has authorized this committee to bring mandamus proceedings to bring about the result, but we do not feel that anything of the kind will be necessary when the whole matter is brought to the attention of the proper authorities, and certainly after driving along for ten years, the people who have pledged their property to produce this money ought not to be compelled now to go to the expense of a legal proceeding to bring about its expenditure.

Trusting your Honorable Body will give this matter attention and we will consider it courtesy if you will notify our secretary if your report is favorable to proceeding with the matter.

Yours respectfully,  
JARVIS MASTERS,  
CHARLES HAMILTON,  
D. MOYNAHAN, Secretary,  
No. 242 Forty-eighth street, Brooklyn,  
JOHN BRET, President.

The following communication from the Commissioner of Street Cleaning was read:

DEPARTMENT OF STREET CLEANING,  
No. 346 BROADWAY, BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN,  
NEW YORK, May 17, 1898.

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

SIR:—I desire the authority and approval of your Board for the sale of the privilege of loading and unloading trucks, scoops and dampers, and unloading pocket-dumps of the Department of Street Cleaning, Boroughs of Manhattan and The Bronx. I have submitted the form of contract for the above privileges to the Corporation Counsel for approval, as required by law.

The contract is peculiar, in that it combines the sale of property of the City along with the performance of a kind of work of this Department covered under the head of final disposition. The form of contract, which is similar generally to contracts for the same work that have in former years been let by this Department, is made to conform as closely as possible to the provisions of Section 544 of the Greater New York Charter, although the contracts provided for in that section are such as require payments by the City, whereas in this contract payment is made to the City.

Respectfully,  
JAMES McCARTNEY, Commissioner.

And the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That, pursuant to Sections 413 and 415 of the Greater New York Charter, the Board of Public Improvements authorize and approve, and hereby does authorize and approve of the sale by the Commissioner of Street Cleaning of the privilege of loading and unloading deck scoops and dampers and unloading pocket-dumps of the Department of Street Cleaning, in the Boroughs of Manhattan and The Bronx for a term of one (1) year, with the provision, however, that the said privilege may at any time be terminated by the said Commissioner on ten (10) days notice, the said Commissioner to select from the proposal for the privilege the bid which will, in his judgment, best secure the efficient performance of the work; the form of contract for the sale of said privilege to be approved by the Corporation Counsel, and the contractor to furnish adequate security for satisfactory performance under the said contract.

Affirmative—Commissioners of Water Supply, Highways, Street Cleaning, Public Buildings, etc., Bridges, President of the Borough of Manhattan, President of the Borough of The Bronx, and President of the Board.

Negative—None.

The following communication from the Corporation Counsel was read and filed, and the Secretary directed to forward a copy to the heads of the various departments:

LAW DEPARTMENT,  
OFFICE OF THE CORPORATION COUNSEL,  
NEW YORK, May 3, 1898.

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

SIR:—I am in receipt of your communication of April 28, 1898, stating that at a meeting of the Board, held on the 27th instant, a communication was received from the Commissioner of Highways requesting that the Board unanimously recommend to the Municipal Assembly that Mr. George Wolf, Jr., be relieved from a penalty incurred by him for overtime under his contract; and requesting to be advised whether it is necessary to send such matters to the Municipal Assembly for their approval, or whether they can be disposed of by the Board.

In the particular case under consideration, it appears from the communication of the Commissioner of Highways that George Wolf, Jr., assignee of W. V. Spencer, contractor for regulating, etc., Jackson avenue, from Westchester avenue to Boston road, has completed the work; that although the contract time was 300 days, the time occupied in completing the work was 400 days; that of the overtime, 70 days were allowed for stormy and inclement weather, leaving 30 days which were charged against the contractor.

Furthermore, it appears that the Engineer of the Department of Highways, in the Borough of The Bronx, has reported that the contractor was delayed in the performance of his work to the extent of 30 days, by reason of the prosecution of a contract for the construction of a sewer in Jackson avenue, between One Hundred and Sixty-fifth and One Hundred and Sixty-sixth streets.

It seems to me, therefore, that the contractor is not liable for the overtime charged against him, and that the penalty imposed is illegal.

Where a contract is made for work to be completed by a fixed day under penalties of so much per day for delay, the contractor is excused the penalties for delay caused by the fault or interference of the employer.

I do not see that there is any necessity, under the circumstances, of submitting the matter to the Municipal Assembly.

The procedure to be adopted in these matters is to have all the papers relating to the question submitted by the head of the department with whom the contract has been made, together with his recommendation, to your Board.

This will be an additional safeguard both to the contractor and the City, as in case the contractor is dissatisfied with the recommendation of the head of department, he can obtain redress before your Board, and the City's interests can be safeguarded by having your Board investigate, in an appropriate manner, a recommendation of a head of a department remitting a charge for overtime.

Respectfully yours,  
JOHN WHALEN, Corporation Counsel.

The communication from the Commissioner of Highways in regard to continuing the contract of the City with Louis Cattaberry for regulating, grading, etc., in Two Hundred and Thirty-third street, from Jerome avenue to the Bronx river, which was laid over at the meeting of the Board held on May 3, 1898, was taken up, and the matter was referred back to the Commissioner of Highways for the purpose of preparing his letter in conformity with the opinion of the Corporation Counsel, just read.

The following communication from the Commissioner of Highways was read, and the matter was laid over for one week:

DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS—COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE,  
No. 150 NASSAU STREET,  
NEW YORK, May 14, 1898.

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

DEAR SIR:—I inclose herewith draft of a resolution to designate and assign to the exclusive use of the Department of Highways, in the Borough of The Bronx, the two-story frame building, comprising office rooms, blacksmith's shop, carriage-room, stable, hay-loft and storage rooms, situated on City property, being 50 feet front by 142 feet deep, on the westerly side of White Plains avenue, 200 feet northerly from Elizabeth street, Borough of The Bronx, together with all open or yard space within said property, which said building and yard space have been and are now used by the Department of Highways in said Borough.

Will you please have the Board of Public Improvements approve and adopt the resolution, and transmit it to the Municipal Assembly, with a recommendation that it be adopted by that body.

I attach hereto a copy of the communication I have just received from the Deputy Commissioner of Highways, Borough of The Bronx, giving the reasons why the resolution should be adopted.

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

DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS—BOROUGH OF THE BRONX,  
ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-SEVENTH STREET AND THIRD AVENUE,  
NEW YORK, May 12, 1898.

Hon. JAMES P. KEATING, Commissioner of Highways:

DEAR SIR:—I respectfully inclose a resolution relative to the premises now used by this Department for stable and yard purposes, on the westerly side of White Plains avenue, 200 feet north of Elizabeth street, Borough of The Bronx, for such action as you may deem proper. The property is 50 feet front by 142 feet deep, and is owned by the City. The Department of Sewers now occupies a brick building on the same premises, but this resolution does not interfere with the brick building. The Department of Highways took these premises from the Department of Street Improvements. This is intended as a precautionary measure, so as to prevent any other City Department from encroaching on the space now used by the Department of Highways.

Respectfully,  
JAMES H. MALONEY,  
Deputy Commissioner of Highways, Borough of The Bronx.

The following communication from the Commissioner of Highways was read and placed on file:

DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS—COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE,  
No. 150 NASSAU STREET,  
NEW YORK, May 18, 1898.

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

DEAR SIR:—On the accompanying ordinance of the Municipal Assembly, received with a letter dated 21st ultimo, from your Secretary, requesting that Twentieth street, from Seventh avenue to the North river, be repaved with asphalt, I have the honor to report that at present there is no money to pay for this improvement.

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

The following communication from the Commissioner of Highways was read:

DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS—COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE,  
No. 150 NASSAU STREET,  
NEW YORK, May 18, 1898.

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

DEAR SIR:—I desire authority from the Board of Public Improvements to enter into a contract for 100,000 gallons of No. 6 paving cement, required for use in the Bureau of Street Openings, Paving and Repaving during the present year. The estimated cost is \$8,000, chargeable to the appropriation for "Repairs and Renewal of Pavements and Regrading," for 1898. I inclose a draft of a resolution for adoption by your Board.

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



The following resolution was thereupon adopted:

Resolved, That the Commissioner of Highways be and hereby is authorized to advertise for proposals and to award a contract for one hundred thousand gallons of No. 6 paving cement, required for use by the Bureau of Street Openings, Paving and Repaving during the present year, the estimated cost being eight thousand dollars, chargeable to the appropriation for "Repairs and Renewal of Pavements and Grading" for 1898.

Affirmative—Commissioners of Water Supply, Highways, Street Cleaning, Public Buildings, etc., Bridges, President Borough of Manhattan, President of the Board.

Negative—None.

The following communication from the Commissioner of Highways was read:

DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS—COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, } No. 150 NASSAU STREET, } NEW YORK, May 17, 1898.

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

DEAR SIR—I respectfully request the Board of Public Improvements to authorize the Department of Highways to enter into contracts for furnishing and delivering to the Department of Highways, Borough of The Bronx, 26,470 cubic yards of broken stone and screenings of trap rock and 26,880 cubic yards of broken stone and screenings of Tompkins Cove limestone, or other limestone equally as good, these quantities of material being necessary for use in repairing and macadamizing the public streets and roads in the Borough of The Bronx.

The estimated cost of the 26,470 cubic yards of broken stone and screenings of trap rock, at \$2 per cubic yard, is \$52,940, and the estimated cost of the 26,880 cubic yards of broken stone and screenings of Tompkins Cove limestone, or other limestone equally as good, at \$1.60 per cubic yard, is \$43,008, both amounts being chargeable to the appropriation made to the Department of Highways, Borough of The Bronx, for "Labor, Maintenance and Supplies" for 1898.

Very respectfully,

JAMES P. KEATING, Commissioner of Highways.

—and the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the Commissioner of Highways be and hereby is authorized to advertise for proposals and to enter into contracts for furnishing and delivering to the Department of Highways, Borough of The Bronx, 26,470 cubic yards of broken stone and screenings of trap rock (estimated cost, \$52,940) and 26,880 cubic yards of broken stone and screenings of Tompkins Cove limestone, or other limestone equally as good (estimated cost, \$43,008), these quantities of material being necessary for use in repairing and macadamizing public streets and roads in the Borough of The Bronx, both the estimated amounts to be paid from the appropriation made to the Department of Highways, Borough of The Bronx, for "Labor, Maintenance and Supplies" for 1898.

Affirmative—Commissioners of Water Supply, Highways, Street Cleaning, Public Buildings, etc., Bridges, President of the Borough of The Bronx, President of the Board.

Negative—None.

The following communications from the Commissioner of Highways were read, and on motion of the President of the Borough of Brooklyn were referred back to the Commissioner for the purpose of making his report conform strictly with the language of section 230 of the Charter:

DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS—COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, } No. 150 NASSAU STREET, } NEW YORK, May 17, 1898.

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

DEAR SIR—I have the honor to report on the following ordinance of the Board of Aldermen, received with a letter, dated April 21, from the Secretary of the Board of Public Improvements:

Flagging DeKalb avenue, from Fleet street to Washington avenue, Borough of Brooklyn, be regraded and regraded, curbs set and sidewalks flagged full width, and that the carriage-way be paved with granite block pavement on concrete foundation, and that crosswalks be laid at each intersecting or terminating street or avenue.

DeKalb avenue is paved with rubble stones and is in very bad condition. The estimated cost of the proposed improvement is \$54,000.

The ordinance does not indicate whether the improvement is to be paid for wholly or partly by assessment on the abutting and benefited property, or by the City at large. If it is intended to charge the expense of the improvement to the regular appropriation, no money is available. If the intention is to assess the cost of the improvement either wholly or partly on the property benefited, the ordinance should provide accordingly.

Very respectfully,

JAMES P. KEATING, Commissioner of Highways.

DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS—COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, } No. 150 NASSAU STREET, } NEW YORK, May 17, 1898.

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

DEAR SIR—I have the honor to report on the following ordinance of the Board of Aldermen, received with a letter, dated April 21, from the Secretary of the Board of Public Improvements:

For repaving with asphalt, on the present pavement, Gold street, from Fulton avenue to the East river, in the Borough of Brooklyn, and resolution of the Local Board of the Third District, requesting the Board of Public Improvements to refer to the Department of Highways, for action, the matter of the repaving of said street, complaints of its condition having been made to said Local Board.

Repeated requests have been made for the repaving of Gold street, and the improvement is necessary. As one of the few bulkheads owned by the City is at the foot of Gold street, it would be better to extend the asphalt only as far as Nassau street, using granite or concrete from that point to the East river, the traffic from the bulkhead being very heavy. The estimated cost of the improvement is \$47,000, which cannot be spared from the limited appropriation made for repaving streets in the Borough of Brooklyn.

Very respectfully,

JAMES P. KEATING, Commissioner of Highways.

DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS—COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, } No. 150 NASSAU STREET, } NEW YORK, May 17, 1898.

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

DEAR SIR—I have the honor to report on the following ordinance of the Board of Aldermen, received with a letter, dated April 21, from the Secretary of the Board of Public Improvements:

For re-regulating, regrading, setting curbs, flagging sidewalks and paving with granite-block pavement on concrete foundation, with crosswalks at each intersecting or terminating street or avenue, Park avenue, from Hudson to Washington avenue, Borough of Brooklyn.

This improvement is greatly needed. Bids for repaving the entire length of Park avenue, from Hudson avenue to Broadway, were received last year, but the contract was not entered into. The estimated cost of the improvement provided for by the ordinance is \$48,000. The ordinance does not indicate whether the improvement is to be paid for wholly or partly by assessment on the abutting and benefited property, or by the City at large. If it is intended to charge the expense of the improvement to the regular appropriation, no money is available. If the intention is to assess the cost of the improvement either wholly or partly on the property benefited, the ordinance should provide accordingly.

Very respectfully,

JAMES P. KEATING, Commissioner of Highways.

The following communications from the Commissioner of Highways were read and laid over:

DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS—COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, } No. 150 NASSAU STREET, } NEW YORK, May 18, 1898.

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

DEAR SIR—On the resolution of the Local Board of the Ninth District, Borough of Brooklyn, received with a letter, dated May 6, from the Secretary of the Board of Public Improvements, and providing for flagging sidewalks in front of Lots Nos. 40, 41 and 42 Cornelia street, between Evergreen and Central avenues, I have the honor to report that the estimated cost of this work is \$90, and that the assessed value of the real estate within the probable area of assessment is \$2,100.

Very respectfully,

JAMES P. KEATING, Commissioner of Highways.

DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS—COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, } No. 150 NASSAU STREET, } NEW YORK, May 18, 1898.

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

DEAR SIR—On the resolution of the Local Board of the Ninth District, Borough of Brooklyn, received with a letter dated May 6, from the Secretary of the Board of Public Improvements, and providing for fencing Lot No. 42 on Cornelia street, between Evergreen and Central avenues, I

have the honor to report that the estimated cost of this work is \$85, and that the assessed value of the real estate within the probable area of assessment is \$700.

Very respectfully,

JAMES P. KEATING, Commissioner of Highways.

DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS—COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, } No. 150 NASSAU STREET, } NEW YORK, May 18, 1898.

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

DEAR SIR—On the resolution of the Local Board of the Ninth District, Borough of Brooklyn, received with a letter, dated May 6, from the Secretary of the Board of Public Improvements, and providing for fencing Lot No. 24 on Putnam avenue, between Evergreen and Bushwick avenues, I have the honor to report that the estimated cost of this work is \$37, and that the assessed value of the real estate within the probable area of assessment is \$1,000.

Very respectfully,

JAMES P. KEATING, Commissioner of Highways.

DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS—COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, } No. 150 NASSAU STREET, } NEW YORK, May 18, 1898.

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

DEAR SIR—On the resolution of the Local Board of the Ninth District, Borough of Brooklyn, received with a letter, dated May 6, from the Secretary of the Board of Public Improvements, and providing for flagging sidewalks in front of Lots Nos. 4, 5, 6, 7 and 10 on Hamburg avenue, between DeKalb avenue and Hart street, I have the honor to report that the estimated cost of this work is \$180, and that the assessed value of the real estate within the probable area of assessment is \$6,100.

Very respectfully,

JAMES P. KEATING, Commissioner of Highways.

DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS—COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, } No. 150 NASSAU STREET, } NEW YORK, May 18, 1898.

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

DEAR SIR—On the resolution of the Local Board of the Ninth District, Borough of Brooklyn, received with a letter dated May 6, from the Secretary of the Board of Public Improvements, and providing for fencing lots Nos. 40, 41 and 42 on Hale avenue, between Arlington avenue and Ridgewood avenues, I have the honor to report that the estimated cost of this work is \$30, and that the assessed value of the real estate within the probable area of assessment is \$1,200.

Very respectfully,

JAMES P. KEATING, Commissioner of Highways.

DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS—COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, } No. 150 NASSAU STREET, } NEW YORK, May 18, 1898.

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

DEAR SIR—On the resolution of the Local Board of the Ninth District, Borough of Brooklyn, received with a letter, dated May 6, from the Secretary of the Board of Public Improvements, and providing for flagging sidewalks in front of Lots Nos. 74, 68 and 29 to 32, on Flushing avenue, between Bushwick avenue and White street, I have the honor to report that the estimated cost of this work is \$600, and that the assessed value of the real estate within the probable area of assessment is \$69,500.

Very respectfully,

JAMES P. KEATING, Commissioner of Highways.

The following communication from the Commissioner of Highways was read and laid over and the matter referred back to the President of the Borough of Brooklyn for examination as to the omission of Lot No. 75 from the recommendation, as mentioned in said report:

DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS—COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, } No. 150 NASSAU STREET, } NEW YORK, May 18, 1898.

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

DEAR SIR—On the resolution of the Local Board of the Ninth District, Borough of Brooklyn, received with a letter, dated May 6, from the Secretary of the Board of Public Improvements, and providing for flagging sidewalks in front of Lots Nos. 74, 68 and 29 to 32, on Flushing avenue, between Bushwick avenue and White street, I have the honor to report that the estimated cost of this work is \$600, and that the assessed value of the real estate within the probable area of assessment is \$69,500.

This resolution omits Lot No. 75, in front of which the sidewalk is unflagged, and which was included in the recommendation which originally emanated from this Department.

Very respectfully,

JAMES P. KEATING, Commissioner of Highways.

The following communication from the Commissioner of Water Supply was read and filed:

DEPARTMENT OF WATER SUPPLY—COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, } No. 150 NASSAU STREET, } NEW YORK, May 18, 1898.

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

DEAR SIR—I transmit herewith, for the information and consideration of your Board, a copy of a communication received from the President of the Woodside Water Company, making the proposition to allow the City to use and operate so much of the company's plant and take so much of its water as will secure an adequate supply of water to the inhabitants of the First Ward of the Borough of Queens (late Long Island City), for the period of six months and such further reasonable time as may be necessary to enable the City to put in operation its own plant, upon the sole condition that the City, while operating the company's plant, shall defray the expenses of so doing.

Very respectfully,

WM. DALTON, Commissioner of Water Supply.

OFFICE OF THE WOODSIDE WATER COMPANY, } May 17, 1898.

WILLIAM DALTON, Esq., Commissioner of Water Supply, New York City, N. Y.

DEAR SIR—The attention of the Woodside Water Company has been called to the statement of Fire Commissioner Scannell relating to the scarcity of water in the First Ward of the Borough of Queens (late Long Island City), New York City.

Having full knowledge of the condition of the water supply in said part of the City and of the urgent necessity which exists for immediately obtaining a better and more plentiful supply, and having a system capable of furnishing from two to ten million gallons of water daily, with 16, 12 and 10 inch mains and pipes laid through the principal streets of said ward connecting the company's pumping-stations with the City's system, the Woodside Water Company makes to the City of New York the following offer:

The Woodside Water Company will allow the City of New York to use and operate so much of its plant and take so much of its water as will enable the City to furnish an adequate supply of pure and wholesome water to the inhabitants of said ward, for the period of six months and such further reasonable time as may be necessary to enable the City to put in operation its own plant, upon the sole condition that the City of New York shall, while running and operating such part of the company's plant, defray the expenses of so doing. The water can be delivered within one hour after the acceptance hereof.

Yours respectfully,

THE WOODSIDE WATER COMPANY, } EDWARD M. TYRELL, President.

P. O. address, No. 112 Front street, Long Island City, N. Y.

On the requisition of the Commissioner of Bridges, approved by the Commissioner of Highways, the Board authorized the transfer of William N. Johnson, Sounding in the Department of Highways, from that Department to the Department of Bridges, Borough of Manhattan.

The Commissioner of Water Supply called attention to the fact that communications from the Ramapo and the Westchester Water Companies had been received by the Board and referred to his Department. Both companies had courteously requested that they should be granted a hearing. He could see no objection to granting this request, and therefore moved that a day be fixed for such hearing.

President Holahan suggested that Wednesday, June 1, be designated. President of the Borough of Brooklyn opposed the motion and offered as a substitute that the Secretary of the Board communicate with the different water companies, stating that there is no prospect of the City requiring any additional water from water companies at present.

Which was adopted.

Adjourned.

Attest:

JOHN H. MOONEY, Secretary.



DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT,
CENTRE, ELM, WHITE AND FRANKLIN STREETS,
NEW YORK, May 23, 1898.

Supervisor of the City Record.

DEPT. 500.—In accordance with the provisions of section 1249, of chapter 378 of the Laws of 1897, I beg to transmit herewith, for publication in the City Record, the following appointments, removal and changes in salaries by the Department of Health of The City of New York:

Table with columns: NAME, BOROUGH, DESIGNATION, SALARY. Lists various health department staff members and their roles across different boroughs.

Very respectfully,
C. GOLDBERMAN, Secretary pro tem.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

CITY OF NEW YORK, OFFICE OF THE MAYOR.
REMOVALS.

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 William L. Phillips from the office of Police Commissioner of The City of New York.

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 Thomas L. Hamilton from the office of Police Commissioner of The City of New York.

CITY OF NEW YORK—OFFICE OF THE MAYOR, May 21, 1898.
APPOINTMENT.

John Hess, to be Police Commissioner, in the place of Thomas L. Hamilton, removed, and for the unexpired term of said Hamilton.
The Supervisor of the City Record, City Hall, New York:
Trans 500.—By direction of the Mayor, the foregoing orders of removal and notice of appointment are hereby transmitted for publication in the City Record.

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION.
SCHOOL BOARD FOR THE BOROUGHS OF MANHATTAN AND THE BRONX,
No. 140 GRAND STREET,
NEW YORK CITY, May 24, 1898.

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS.
THE CITY OF NEW YORK,
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS,
OFFICE OF COMMISSIONER FOR THE BOROUGHS OF THE BRONX,
KLEGG BUILDING, CLAREMONT PARK,
May 23, 1898.

Michael Green, appointed Treasurer with \$3000.
Respectfully yours,
MAX K. KAHN,
Private Secretary.

OFFICIAL DIRECTORY.
STATEMENT OF THE HOURS DURING WHICH THE PUBLIC OFFICES IN THE CITY ARE OPEN TO BUSINESS, AS WELL AS OF THE PLACES WHERE SUCH OFFICES ARE HELD, AND OF THE HOURS AT WHICH THE HEARS OF APPOINTMENTS AND COURTS.
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Mayor's Office.
No. 4 City Hall, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.; Saturdays, 9 A. M. to 12 M.
Richard A. Van Wyck, Mayor.
Alfred M. Downes, Private Secretary.
JURORS OF LITIGATION.
No. 4 City Hall, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
David J. Hogan, Clerk.
George W. Brown, Jr., Deputy.
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REVISED, Stewart Building, 216 Bow, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
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Rivers 214 and 215, Stewart Building, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
John L. Harlan and Eric Geo. Clark.
BOARD OF ARMOY COMMISSIONERS.
THE MAYOR, Chairman; EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OF TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS, Secretary.
Address: Thomas L. Fyler, Stewart Building, Office hours, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.; Saturdays, 9 A. M. to 12 M.
MUNICIPAL ASSEMBLY.
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Randolph Greenbaum, President of the Council; P. J. Scully, City Clerk.
City's office open from 10 A. M. to 4 P. M.; Saturdays 10 A. M. to 12 M.

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Thomas F. Wilson, President;
Michael F. Brady, Clerk.
PUBLIC ADMINISTRATOR.
No. 120 Nassau street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
WILLIAM M. HOES, Public Administrator.
BOARD OF PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS.
No. 345 Broadway, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.; Saturdays, 9 A. M. to 12 M.
MORRIS F. HANCOCK, President;
John H. Moore, Secretary.
Department of Highways.
No. 120 Nassau street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
JAMES P. KEAVENEY, Commissioner of Highways;
WILLIAM N. SULLIVAN, Deputy for Manhattan;
THOMAS B. FARRELL, Deputy for Brooklyn;
JAMES D. MALONEY, Deputy for Bronx;
JOHN P. MANNING, Deputy for Queens;
HENRY P. MANNING, Deputy and Chief Engineer for Richmond, Queens, and Richmond Building, corner Richmond Terrace and York Avenue, New Brighton, S. I.
Department of Sewers.
No. 120 Nassau street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
JAMES KANE, Commissioner of Sewers;
MATTHEW F. HANCOCK, Deputy for Manhattan;
THOMAS J. HANCOCK, Deputy for Bronx;
WILLIAM BROWN, Deputy for Brooklyn;
MATTHEW J. GIBSON, Deputy Commissioner of Sewers, Borough of Queens;
HARRY P. MANNING, Deputy Commissioner and Chief Engineer of Sewers, Borough of Richmond, Office "Richmond Building," corner Richmond Terrace and York Avenue, New Brighton, S. I.
Department of Bridges.
Room 177, Stewart Building, Chambers street and Broadway, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.; Saturdays, 9 A. M. to 12 M.
JOHN L. BROWN, Commissioner;
THOMAS H. YONG, Deputy;
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HARRY BRAY, Deputy for Brooklyn;
JOHN E. BROWN, Deputy for Queens.
Department of Water Supply.
No. 120 Nassau street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
WILLIAM DAVEN, Commissioner of Water Supply;
JAMES H. DAVEN, Deputy Commissioner;
GEORGE W. BURNHAM, Chief Engineer;
W. H. DYER, Water Engineer;
JAMES MANNING, Deputy Commissioner, Borough of Brooklyn, Municipal Building;
JOSIEPH FITCH, Deputy Commissioner, Borough of Queens, Old City Hall, Long Island City;
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HENRY P. MANNING, Deputy Commissioner, Borough of Richmond, Office "Richmond Building," corner Richmond Terrace and York Avenue, New Brighton, S. I.
Department of Street Cleaning.
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JAMES McCAFFERTY, Commissioner, No. 345 Broadway, Manhattan;
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PATRICK H. GIBSON, Deputy Commissioner for Borough of Brooklyn, Room 177 Municipal Building;
THOMAS LANNING, Deputy Commissioner for Borough of The Bronx, No. 512 East One Hundred and Fifty-second street;
JOHN P. MANNING, Deputy Commissioner for Borough of Queens, Municipal Building, Long Island City.
Department of Buildings, Lighting and Supplies.
No. 345 Broadway, Room 1445, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
HENRY S. KILGUS, Commissioner of Public Buildings, Lighting and Supplies;
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WILLIAM WALTON, Deputy Commissioner for Brooklyn;
HARRY STEIN, Deputy Commissioner of Queens.
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Comptroller's Office.
Stewart Building, Chambers street and Broadway, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
JOHN S. LOVELL, Comptroller;
MICHAEL F. DAVIS, Deputy Comptroller;
EDWARD GIBSON, Assistant Deputy Comptroller;
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LEWIS GIBSON, Collector of City Revenue and Superintendent of Manhattan Borough of Manhattan;
DAVID H. ARTHUR, Receiver of Taxes;
JOHN J. McLENNAN, Deputy Receiver of Taxes, Borough of Manhattan;
JAMES H. BROWN, Deputy Receiver of Taxes, Borough of The Bronx;
JOHN P. GUINNANEY, First Auditor of Accounts, Borough of Manhattan;
WILLIAM McLENNAN, First Auditor of Accounts, Borough of Brooklyn;
MICHAEL O'KEEFE, Deputy Collector of Assessments and Arrears, Borough of Brooklyn;
WALTER H. HALL, Auditor, Borough of Richmond;
JOHN J. STEIN, Deputy Receiver of Taxes, Borough of Richmond;
THOMAS McLENNAN, Deputy Auditor of Assessments and Arrears, Borough of Richmond;
THOMAS J. KENNEDY, Auditor, Borough of The Bronx;
EDWARD W. BROWN, Deputy Receiver of Taxes, Borough of Queens;
PATRICK W. CLARK, Auditor, Borough of Queens.
Bureau of the City Comptroller.
No. 22 and 24 Stewart Building, Chambers street and Broadway, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
PATRICK McLENNAN, City Comptroller.
Office of the City Assessor.
No. 345 Broadway, Stewart Building, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
JOHN H. McLENNAN, City Assessor.

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Headquarters.
Nos. 114 and 116 East Sixty-seventh street.
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GEORGE E. McNEARY, Inspector of Combustibles;
FRANK SULLIVAN, Fire Marshal, Boroughs of Manhattan, The Bronx and Richmond;
JOHN M. GOSS, Fire Marshal, Boroughs of Brooklyn and Queens;
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Central Office open at all hours.
DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION.
Central Office.
No. 345 East Twentieth street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
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JAMES J. KERRY, Deputy Commissioner for Borough of Brooklyn and Queens.
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CHARLES BRADLEY HUNTER, President; A. EDWARDS PALMER, Secretary.
School Board for the Borough of Brooklyn.
No. 120 Livingston street, Brooklyn.
J. EDWARD SWANSON, President; GEORGE G. MANNING, Secretary.
School Board for the Borough of Queens.
Flushing, L. I.
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A. J. JOHNSON, Secretary.
Office of the Department for the Boroughs of Manhattan and The Bronx, No. 220 Fourth Avenue, Borough of Manhattan.
Office of the Department for the Borough of Brooklyn, Borough Hall, Borough of Brooklyn.
Office of the Department for the Boroughs of Queens and Richmond, No. 345 Broadway, West New Brighton, Staten Island, Borough of Richmond; Branch office, Room 2, second floor, Town Hall, Jamaica, Long Island, Borough of Queens.
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