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BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

No. 15 CITY HALL, TUESDAY, December 30, 1873, 3½ o'clock P. M. The Board met in their Chamber No. 15 City Hall.

Present:-Hon. S. B. H. VANCE, President, in the chair, and the following members:

O. P. C. Billings,	Patrick Lysaght,
Henry Clausen,	Robert McCafferty,
Stephen V. R. Cooper,	J. A. Monheimer,
John Falconer,	John J. Morris,
Richard Flanagan,	Oswald Ottendorfer,
Peter Kehr,	John Reilly.
George Koch,	Jenkins Van Schaick.
The minutes of the la	ast meeting were read and

approved. MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS. By Alderman Reilly— That Michael J. Fagan be and he is hereby reappointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the city and county of New York. Which was adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—The President, Alderman Bil-lings, Clausen, Cooper, Falconer, Flanagan, Kehr, Koch, Lysaght, McCafferty, Morris, Ottendorfer, Reilly, Van Schaick—14. By Alderman McCafferty— Resolved. That the owner or owners of the

By Alderman McCafferty— Resolved, That the owner or owners of the Midland Railroad Depot on West street, between Vesey and Barclay streets, be and are hereby per-mitted to use the same for market purposes as a public market, and the Superintendent of Incum-brances be and is hereby directed to remove all incumbrances from the streets and sidewalks around Washington Market. Alderman Koch moved to refer to the Commit-tee on Markets. Which was agreed to.

Which was agreed to.

REPORTS: G. O. 338.

The Committee on Law Department, as di-rected by the annexed resolution, have ascertained, and hereby respectfully

REPORT:

Suitable locations for holding the Courts of the Tenth Civil and Sixth Police Districts in the City

Suitable locations for holding the Courts of the Tenth Civil and Sixth Police Districts in the City of New York (comprising the 23d and 24th wards, recently annexed from Westchester County), to-gether with the terms and conditions upon which such buildings can be leased by the city. Your Committee personally visited and in-spected the premises, and are of opinion that no better arrangements can be made for providing the needed accommodations for the administra-tion of civil and criminal justice in the new dis-tricts. The town hall of Morrisania is now, or will, after the first of January, 1874, be the property of the City, and is sufficiently capacious to afford rooms for the Police Court, and the necessary apartments for the police force of that precinct. At present it is occupied by the Police Justice, the Receiver of Taxes, and the Town Clerk. The police force, numbering forty-one in all, now occupy for sleeping apartments, the third floor of a large building opposite the Town Hall. Your Committee propose to locate the police force in the third floor of the town hall, which is now used for public meetings, etc., as it is clear that the policemen, in order to be available in cases of sudden emergency, should occupy the same building with their officers, both by day and by night. The town hall building contains the following

by day and by night. The town hall building contains the following apartments, as will be seen by reference to the

annexed digaram: First floor, Police Justice Room, 30x27 room. Receiver of Taxes, 18x18 " Town Clerk, 11x10 "

- Third floor, one large room, 48x27. "one room, 11x10. "hall and landing.

The apartments your committee propose to

assign as follows: The first floor to remain intact. Second floor, Justice Room, to be occupied as the Court room for the Police Court of the Sixth

District. Second floor, Receivers of Taxes' room, to be In favor of concurring with the Board of Assist-

occupied by the clerks, and other officers of the Police Court.

Police Court. Second floor, Town Clerk's room, to be occn-pied by the Captain and Officers of the Police Force of the Precinct. Third floor (Town Hall) to be fitted up for sleeping apartment and sitting-room for the sleeping apartment and policemen of the district.

policemen of the district. At first your Committee desired very much to secure rooms sufficient to accommodate the Civil Court for the Tenth District, in the building known as the Town Hall, but it will be apparent that it was not possible to provide for both Courts therein. The police force, and the Police Court accommodations will fully occupy every available apartment in the building. Upon re-flection, however, your Committee are clearly of opinion that a due regard for the comfort and convenience of suitors in the civil courts requires them to be separated. Generally the class of convenience of suitors in the civil courts requires them to be separated. Generally the class of persons brought before police magistrates are either of the dangerous or abandoned classes, while those having business in our District Civil while those having business in our District Civil Courts are the very reverse of these. To com-pel both classes to commingle in one small build-ing, if not in one court room, would be simply an outrage upon the latter, and the repugnance many honest people feel, when subjected to con-tact with criminals, is so great, that rather than suffer it, they would submit to be wronged, rather than seek redress at the expense of their rolf repert. self-respect.

self-respect. There being no possibility of providing Court rooms for the Civil Court in the Town Hall, even if desirable to locate the court therein, your Committee conceived it to be their duty to en-deavor to select a building suitable for that pur-pose. They believe they have succeeded. Mr. James Bowen, owner of the building on the north easterly corner of the Southern Boulevard and 3d avenue, near Harlem bridge, offers to lease the second story, for the annual rental of \$2,000. Your Committee believes \$1,800 to be a fair rental to pay for the premises. The building is twenty-eight feet front by about seventy-five feet deep, and is two stories high. The second story has heretofore been used as a court room, and is so constructed as to answer every requirement. has heretofore been used as a court room, and is so constructed as to answer every requirement. There are two small rooms at each end of the building, and a large main hall in the centre, all well ventilated and lighted by large windows, the ceiling being eighteen feet high. The loca-tion, while it is not central, is yet the most acces-sible for all persons residing in the district. It is at the terminus of the horse railroad running from Fordham to Harlem bridge, also of the Portchester Railroad, Morrisania and Harlem steamboat, the Kingsbridge and High Bridge boats, and is quite convenient to the depots of the Harlem, Hudson River and Central railroads, at Mott Haven. It will be readily seen, there at Mott Haven. It will be readily seen, there-fore, that passengers from all sections of the Dis-trict can reach it with ease and comfort.

If held in or near the centre of the District, suitors and litigants would be obliged to pay double fare, and at the same time be subjected to a considerable loss of time. Your Committee believe the arrangements they

propose for the locations of the courts are the best that can be made, and will conduce most to the comfort and convenience of all parties resident in the District; accordingly they respectfully offer for your adoption the following resolutions:

for your adoption the following resolutions : Resolved, That the two largest rooms on the second floor of the building known as the Town Hall, and situated on the corner of One Hundred and Sixtieth street and Third avenue, in the 23d Ward of the City of New York, be and they are hereby designated as the place for holding the Police Court for the Sixth Police District of the City of New York, on and after the first of January, 1874, and the Police Justice and Clerk of said Court are hereby directed to occupy the said premises, for the purposes aforesaid, on and after the first day of January, 1874. Resolved. That the Comptroller of the City of

after the first day of January, 1874. Resolved, That the Comptroller of the City of New York be and he is hereby authorized and directed on behalt of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, to execute a lease from James Bowen of the second story of the building on the northeasterly corner of the Southern Boulevard and Third avenue for a period of five years, at an annual rental of eighteen hundred dollars per annum, payable quarterly ; said premises, when so leased, to be designated and known as the place for holding the District Court of the City of New York, for the Tenth Judicial District, and the Justice and Clerk of said Court are hereby directed to occupy the said premises, when so leased, for the purposes afore-said. O. P. C. BILLINGS,

O. P. C. BILLINGS, V. R. COOPER

RICHARD FLANAGAN,

Committee on Law Department. Alderman Monheimer called for a division of the question, and moved the adoption of the first resolution.

Which was adopted. The second resolution was then laid over.

The Committee on Salaties and Offices, to whom was referred a resolution from the Board of Assistant Aldermen, in favor of appointing Frank Daulte a Commissioner of Deeds, in place of Andrew Steinmuller, who has failed to qualify, respectfully

REPORT

OSWALD OTTENDORFER, GEO. KOCH, ROBERT MCCAFFERTY, Committee on Salaries and Offices. Which was adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Billings, Clausen, Cooper, Falconer, Flanagan, Kehr, Koch, Lysaght, McCafferty, Monheimer, Morris, Ottendorfer, Reilly, Van Schaick—15. The Committee on Finance of the Board of

The Committee on Finance of the Board of The Committee on Finance of the Board of Aldermen, to whom was referred the annexed resolution from the Board of Assistant Aldermen, in favor of paying A. D. Selleck, attorney, \$2,500 to be in full for all obligations incurred by the corporation in alterations to building for Second District Police Court, and Third Civil, corner Waverley place and McDougal street, respect-fully fully

REPORT:

That, having carefully examined the claim, they are satisfied that it is just, and the claimant is clearly entitled to be paid. They therefore recommend that the action of the Board of Assistant Aldermen in adopting said resolution, be

concurred in. Resolved, That the Comptroller be and he is hereby authorized and directed to draw a war-rant in favor of A. D. Selleck, attorney, for the sum of two thousand five hundred dollars, to be in full for all obligations incurred by the Cor-poration in alterations to building on the corner of Waverly place and Macdougal street; that all the property of the city, coal, iron work, &c. shall be removed from the premises. The amount to be charged to the appropriation for "Rents."

J. VAN SCHAICK, PETER KEHR, JOHN J. MORRIS, Committee on Finance. Which was concurred in.

G. O. 339.

The Committee on Public Works of the Board of Aldermen, to whom was referred the annexed resolution for laying gas mains and lighting street lamps in Third street, from Goerck street to the pier foot of Third street, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, respectfully REPORT

REPORT : That, having examined the subject, they be-lieve the proposed improvement to be necessary. They therefore recommend the adoption of said resolution and ordinance. Resolved, That gas-mains be laid, and street lamps lighted, in Third street, from Goerck street to the pier foot of Third street, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works. GEO. KOCH, HENRY CLAUSEN

HENRY CLAUSEN, JOHN J. MORRIS. Committee on Public Works.

Which was laid over.

G. O. 340. The Committee on Public Works of the Board of Aldermen, to whom was referred the annexed resolution from the Board of Assistant Aldermen, resolution from the Board of Assistant Aldermen, in favor of placing a gas lamp at the junction of Stuyvesant and Tenth streets, opposite the Sec-ond avenue, similar to the one in Chatham square, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, respectfully

REPORT:

That, having examined the subject, they be-lieve the proposed improvement to be necessary. They therefore recommend that the action of the Board of Assistant Aldermen in adopting said

Board of Assistant Aldermen in adopting said resolution be concurred in. Resolved, That a gas lamp be placed at the junction of Stuyvesant and Tenth streets, opposite the Second avenue, similar to the one in Chatham Square, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

GEO. KOCH, HENRY CLAUSEN, JOHN J. MORRIS, Committee on Public Works.

Which was laid over.

The Committee on Public Works of the Board The Committee on Public Works of the Board of Aldermen, to whom was referred the annexed resolution from the Board of Assistant Alder-men, in favor of directing the Commissioner of Public Works to notify the several gaslight com-panies that on and after the approval of this reso-lution by his Honor the Mayor, the city will not aution by his Honor the Mayor, the City will not pay for any gas consumed in lighting extra lamps in front of, or on the premises occupied for rail-road depots, libraries, stables, restaurants, sa-loons, banks, private dwellings, club houses, residences of ex-Mayors, newspaper offices, fac-tories and private grounds, respectfully

REPORT :

That, having examined the subject, they be-lieve the action proposed to be taken to be for the best interests of the city. They therefore recommend that the action of the Board of Assistant Aldermen, in adopting said resolution, be concurred in.

Resolved, That the Commissioner of Public Works be and is hereby directed to notify the of this City to the free and unobstructed uses of

ant Aldermen, in the adoption of the annexed resolution. Resolved, That Frank Daulte be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place and stead of Andrew Steinmuller, who has failed to qualify. OSWALD OTTENDORFER, GEO. KOCH, ROBERT MCCAFFERTY. OSWALD COMPARENTS, GEO KOCH, COMPARENT MCCAFFERTY.

NUMBER 161.

GEO KOCH, HENRY CLAUSEN, JOHN J. MORRIS, Committee on Public Works.

Alderman Van Schaick moved to amend by striking from the resolution the words "residences of ex-Mayors." Which was lost by the following vote: Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Flana-fian, Kehr, Lysaght, McCafferty, Reilly, Van. Schaick—7

Schaick-7. Negative-Aldermen, Billings, Cooper, Clau-sen, Falconer, Koch, Monheimer, Morris, Ottendorfer-8.

The resolution was then adopted by the following vote: Affirmative--The President, Aldermen Billings,

Cooper, Clausen, Falconer, Koch, Monheimer, Morris, Ottendorfer, Van Schaick—10. Negative—Aldermen Flanagan, Kehr, Ly-saght, McCafferty, Reilly—5.

G. O. 341. The Committee on Public Works of the Board

of Aldermen to whom was referred the annexed resolution from the Board of Assistant Aldermen, resolution from the Board of Assistant Aldermen, in favor of laying gas mains and lighting street lamps in Lexington avenue, from 65th to 74th street, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, respectfully

REPORT :

REPORT : That, having examined the subject, they be-lieve the proposed improvement to be necessary. They therefore recommend that the action of the Board of Assistant Aldermen, in adopting said resolution and ordinance, be concurred in. Resolved, That gas-mains be laid, lamp-posts erected and street lamps lighted in Lexington avenue, from Sixty-fifth to Seventy-fourth street, under the direction of the Commissioner of Pub-

under the direction of the Commissioner of Pub-lic Works. GEO. KOCH, HENRY CLAUSEN, JOHN J. MORRIS, Committee on Public Works.

Which was laid over.

The Committee on Public Works of the Board of Aldermen, to whom was referred the annexed resolution from the Board of Assistant Alderman, in favor of permitting Gregory & Smith to place two ornamental lamp posts and lamps in front of their premises, 927 Broadway, respectfully

REPORT

That having examined the subject, they find no objection to granting the permission. They therefore recommend that the action of the Board of Assistant Aldermen, in adopting said resolu-

of Assistant Aldermen, in adopting said resolu-tion, be concurred in. Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Gregory and Smith to place two ornamental lamp posts and lamps in front of premises No. 927 Broadway, the lamp posts and lamps not to exceed in size of the ordinary street lamps and lamp posts; the gas to be sup-plied from their own private meter, and the work to be done under the direction of the Com-missioner of Public Works and such permission missioner of Public Works, and such permission to remain only during the pleasure of the Com-mon Council.

GEO. KOCH, HENRY CLAUSEN, JOHN J. MORRIS, Committee on Public Works.

Which was adopted. G. O. 342.

The Committee on Streets of the Board of Aldermen, to whom was referred the annexed resolution and ordinance for filling in the exca-vation on the east side of Fifth avenue, between Fifty-eighth and Fifty-ninth streets, and to set and reset the curb and gutter stones, and to flag and reflag the sidewalk, respectfully

REPORT:

panying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was laid over.

That, having examined the subject, they be-lieve the proposed improvement to be necessary. They therefore recommend the adoption of said They therefore recommen resolution and ordinance. resolution and ordinance. Resolved, That the excavation on the east side of Fifth avenue, between Fifty-eighth and Fifty-ninth streets, be filled in, the curb and gutter stones be set and reset, and the sidewalk flagged and reflagged, under the direction of the Com-missioner of Public Works, and that the accom-neuring addisense thereted

Jos. A. MONHEIMER

The Committee on Railroads, to whom was

referred the annexed ordinance to regulate the use of snow ploughs or other similar machines or instruments by street or horse car railroad or stage companies, within the limits of the City of New York, respectfully

REPORT:

ROBERT MCCAFFERTY, O. P. C. BILLINGS,

Committee on Streets.

its streets and highways, imperatively demands that action looking to the abatement of the evils and annoyances to which they have been sub-jected, during past winter months, by the unre-stricted use of snow ploughs, sweeping machines, &c., by the several railroad companies, should be immediately taken by the City authorities. To enumerate the evils arising from this source, or the number of our citizens inconvenienced or or the number of our citizens inconvenienced or or the number of our citizens inconvenienced or injured in their business, is simply impossible. In narrow streets, particularly, the use of the snow plough or sweeping machine, operates as an embargo upon all kinds of business except, in railroad cars, and in many of the wide streets and avenues, in which four rail tracks are laid, the blockade causes, for days, an almost total suspension of business, to the serious inconveni-ence and positive loss and damage of owners and suspension of business, to the schous incortain ence and positive loss and damage of owners and occupants of stores and dwellings and others, who heretofore, at least do not appear to have had any rights to the streets and sidewalks that the railroad corporations were bound to respect. Your Committee, however, do not intend to compared the street of the street of the street of the street street of the str

argue against the use of snow ploughs, or similar appliances used to facilitate travel on city railappliances used to include the wider on to recom-roads, during and after snow storms, or to recom-mend that their use be prohibited. They believe it practicable to use them, without injuriously affecting the uses of the street by all our citizens,

it practicable to use them, without injuriously affecting the uses of the street by all our citizens, everyone of whom have rights, equal at least, if not superior, to the several railroad companies, who, at such times, and under such circum-stances, entirely monopolize them. Beyond question, the franchises granted to the several railroad companies are of great value; and in every instance has been given by the City without the slightest equivalent or consideration. In many cases, the privilege has caused depreci-tion in the value of adjoining property, yet the owners have quietly acquisced and have never questioned the right of the city corpor ion or the State thus to legislate adversely to the interest. To such persons, the practice of sweeping the snow in piles, varying in height from two to five feet, according to the width of the street or the depth of the fall of snow, preventing ingress or egress from their stores or dwellings, is peculiar-ly aggravating, and it is a marvel that those of our citizens who have been thus imposed upon year after year, have not taken the law into their own hands, and redressed their grievances in their own way. Nothing but the proverbial own hands, and redressed their grievances in their own way. Nothing but the proverbial patience of New Yorkers under these and similar inflictions, and their well-known devotion to law

inflictions, and their well-known devotion to law and order has prevented such a proceeding. If it were not possible for the railroad com-panies to prevent or remedy these evils, or that the exigencies of this mode of travel necessitated the infliction, they might be the more easily borne; but such is not the case. Snow, or even ice, can be easily removed. The only obstacle that presents itself to relieving our citi-zens from the annoyance and injury thus done them, is the desire on the part of the railroad companies to add to the value of their stock, or to increase their dividends. They first obtained the exclusive yet gratuitous privilege of using our streets,—owned in common by all our citizens,— for railroad purpose, and not satisfied with this streets,—owned in common by all our citizens,— for railroad purpose, and not satisfied with this valuable franchise, they use it at certain seasons of the year, to the positive loss, damage and in-convenience of those to whom the franchise rightfully belongs. It is an intolerable wrong, has been too long perpetrated with impunity, and your Committee are decidedly of opinion that any longer continuance or further perpetra-tion of these evils should be prevented. The ordinance referred to your Committee ap pears to have been very carefully prepared, its provisions are clear and well defined, and their enforcement will afford our citizens that measure of relief in the premises, to which they are clear-

of relief in the premises, to which they are clear-ly and legally entitled.

With one or two slight alterations by adding the words "sweeping machine" after the com-pound word "snow-plough," in the First and Third Sections of the ordinance, your Committee respectfully recommend its adoption. The said ordnance is as follows :

N ORDINANCE to regulate the use of snow-ploughs, sweeping machines, and similar ma-chines or instruments, by railroad or stage companies, in the streets of the City of New

The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, in Common Council con-vened, do ordain as follows:

vened, do ordain as follows: Section I—It shall not be lawful for any or either of the street or horse-car railroad or stage companies, proprietors or corporations within the limits of the City of New York, or their officers, agents or servants to cause or allow any snow-plough, sweeping machine, or other similar machine or instrument to pass over the tracks or lines occupied or used by them within the said limits, unless by the express permission in said limits, unless by the express permission in that behalf, to be granted to them by the Com-missioner of Public Works.

Section 2—Any of the said companies, pro-prietors or corporations who shall violate the pro-visions of the above section, shall be punished by a fine not exceeding one hundred dollars for each offence, and the officers, agents or servants of such company, proprietor or corporation, who shall violate the said provisions, shall be punish-ed up a fine not exceeding one hundred dollars el 1 y a fine not exceeding one hundred dollars for each offence.

Section 3-The Commissioner of Public Works is here by authorized and directed to grant to any or either of such companies, proprietors or corporations a permit to run such snow-ploughs, swe jing machines, or other similar machine, snow-ploughs swe ing machines, or other similar machine, over their respective tracks or lines whin the limits aforesaid, for any time or period he may approve, not exceeding, however, the period of two years for any one su h permit, and may renew the same for other t rms from time to time, in his discretion, such permit or renewals to be granted upon such terms and conditions, and under such reasonable rules, regulations and restrictions, as shall from

time to time be adopted and imposed by such Commissioner, respecting the safety, comfort and convenience of all persons having rights or privi-leges in the public highways, roads, streets or avenues occupied or used by the said companies, proprietors, or corporations within the said limits; and of all persons interested as owners or tenants, or having the charge of buildings op-posite or adjacent to the lines of any such stage or railroad: or railroad:

Provided that no such permit or renewal shall be granted by the said Commissioner, unless upon the express condition and agreement, to be asthe express condition and agreement, to be as-sented to on the part of the company, proprietor or coporation applying for such permit or re-newal, that in case of any fall of snow so deep that the throwing up of the same by such snow-plough or machine will, in the opinion of the said Commissioner, render the highway unsafe for travel, or make inconvenient the approach to the curb, then within twenty-four hours after any and every such fall of snow, and after the use of and every such fall of snow, and after the use of such plough or machine, such company, pro-prietor or corporation shall and will, at his or prietor or corporation shall and will, at his or their own expense, remove and carry away the snow thrown up by such plough or machine, and shall and will reduce the snow upon the highway adjacent to their tracks or lines to such level as will, in the opinion of the said Commissioner, make convenient for all vehicles the approach to the curb, and render the whole width of the roadway safe for travel; and

Provided also that no such permit or renewal bill be granted unless such company, proprietor or corporation shall expressly covenant, stipulate and agree, that in case of his or their failure, neglect or omission to remove and carry away the neglect or omission to remove and carry away the snow to be thrown up by such plough or machine, and to reduce and level the snow on the adjacent highway within the time and in the manner aforesaid, then the same may be removed, re-duced and levelled under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, and the expense of such removal reduction and levelling shall and of such removal, reduction and leveling shall and will be paid by the said company, proprietor or corporation to the said Commissioner on demand.

mand. Section 4—In case of the neglect, refusal or omission of any company, proprietor or corpora-tion to whom such permit or renewal may be granted, to remove and carry away the snow thrown up by such plough or machine, and to re-duce and level the snow within the time and in the manner aforesaid, then the Commissioners of Police, on a requisition from the Commissioner of Public Works, shall forthwith cause the same to be removed, reduced and levelled at the pub-lic expense; and all expenditures made or incur-red therefor, shall be chargeable upon the com-pany, proprietor or corporation so neglecting, re-fusing or omitting to perform his or their agree-ment, and the same shall be recoverable at law by an action to be commenced by the Corporaby an action to be commenced by the Corpora-tion attorney, on behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York.

and Commonalty of the City of New York. Section 5—In case any such company, pro-prietor or corporation shall fail to comply with any of the conditions and agreements above named, and to obey the reasonable rules and re-gulations imposed by the Commissioner of Public Works, then the said Commissioner shall revoke and annul any permit or renewal theretofore granted by him to such company, proprietor or corporation under the provisions of this ordin-ance. ance

Section 6—All ordinances or parts of ordi-nances inconsistent or conflicting with the provis-ions of this ordinance, are hereby repealed. Section 7—This ordinance shall take effect im-medicate

O. P. C. BILLINGS,

OSWALD OTTENDORFER, J. VAN SCHAICK, Committee on Railroads.

Which was laid over and ordered to be punted

in the minutes.

mediately.

MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR. The following message was received from his

Honor the Mayor: MAYOR'S OFFICE,

NEW YORK, December 30, 1873. To the Honorable the Common Council :

GENTLEMEN :- I return, herewith without my approval, an ordinance to regulate, grade, set the curb and gutter stones, flag the sidewalks, and to construct the roadway or surface of cer-tain avenues bordering on the Morningside Park, and also the avenue known as the Riverside avenue.

I have given this ordinance careful and earn-est consideration. I find that it orders miles of work to be done, and involves an expenditure of work to be done, and involves an expenditure of nearly two millions of dollars; that the city is to assume the expense of doing this work to be repaid by assessment. I also find that grave doubts exists as to who is the proper authority to order this work to be done, whether the Depart-ment of Public Parks, the Department of Public Works or the Common Council. The laws in relation to the control over the avenues surround-ing these parks have been changed so often, that ing these parks have been changed so often, that arguments are not wanted which appear to give authority to each, and in such a state of uncer-tainty I do not feel justified in giving my ap-proval to an ordinance, which, if not properly passed, will vacate any assessment which may be laid under it, and thus add to the millions already burdened upon the city by doubtful logications. burdened upon the city by doubtful legislation.

In view of these doubts and the important con-In view of these doubts and the important con-sequences which would follow I submitted this question to the Counsel to the Corporation, and herewith communicate his opinion upon it. If these objections are insurmountable, the Legisla-ture of the State will meet next week, and it is within its power to pass a law in relation to this work which will remove all doubts on the sub-lect. ject.

W. F. HAVEMEYER.

LAW DEPARTMENT, OFFICE OF THE COUNSEL TO THE CORPORATION, NEW YORK, Dec. 30, 1873.

Hon. Wm. F. Havemeyer, Mayor of the City of New York :

SIR :--An ordinance has been passed by a three fourths vote of the Common Council, authorizing the Commissioner of Public Works to do certain work in streets timmediately adjoining Riverside and Morningside Parks, and you desire to be ad-vised as to whether such ordinance should receive your approval.

I have given this matter the most careful con-sideration and I am reluctantly constrained to ad-vise you that, in my opinion, you ought not to ap-prove this ordinance. This work, as I understand, will cost several hundred thousand dollars, and will cost several hundred thousand dollars, and by law, is to be paid for by assessments upon the property benefitted. If there is any irregularity in the manner in which the work is done, these assessments will be set aside, and the whole ex-pense thrown upon the city. In the present con-dition of the laws, it is a matter of great doubt by what department and under what authority, this work is to be done. There are three views in regard to the matter, each of which has its strenuous advocates. The first view is, that the Commissioner of Public Works, as the successor of the powers of the Department of Parks, under of the powers of the Department of Parks, under chapter 872 of the laws of 1872, (and which chapter 872 of the laws of 1872, (and which powers, it is claimed, are not taken away by the charter.) has the right to do the work, without any ordinance of the Common Council authoriz-ing it. This view is negatived by section 73 of the charter of 1873, which gives the Department of Public Works, power to do work in all the streets "not embraced within the limits of, or *im-diately adjacent* to any park or public place," and also by the provisions of section 83 of the char-ter, which authorizes the Department of Public Parks to control and manage all public parks and streets *immediately adjoining the same*, above 59th street. 59th street.

streets immediately adjoining the same, above 59th street. The second view is, that the Common Council has jurisdiction of the matter, under sub-diviston 10 of section 17 of the charter, and under sub-di-vision 26 of said section 17, may direct the Com-missioner of Public Works to do the work in question. The section referred to does give the Common Council power to provide for and regu-late work in streets, roads, places and avenues, and to require the Commissioner of Public Works to take any action proper for carrying into effect the powers of the Common Council. But, it may be objected, that this argument proves too much. The word "places" may be construed to compre-hend parks, and if the Common Council has pow-er over all streets, they may also claim power over the parks, including Central Park itself. Prior to the charter of 1873, it is certain the Com-mon Council did not have jurisdiction of this mat-ter. Before the year 1872, the fower was vested in the Board of Public Parks, in 1872 it was transferred to the Board of Public Works ; and it would require a very clear expression of the Legislative will to vest the power in the Common Council. If it was intended that the Commis-sioner of Public Works should do this work, in pursuance of ordinances of the Common Coun-cil, the question is also pertinent, why did the Legislature, in enumerating his powers, expressly Titl Ad Cit Co Pri Sa cil, the question is also pertinent, why did the Legislature, in enumerating his powers, expressly except "streets immediately adjacent to any park or public place?" If it was intended that he should do work in streets adjacent to the parks, there was no possible reason for excepting those

there was no possible reason for excepting those very streets from his jurisdiction. The third view of this matter is, that the power to do this work is vested in the Department of Public Parks, by section 83, of the charter of 1873. I have no doubt that it was the INTENTION of the Legislature, to invest the Department of Parks with full power to do all the work neces-sary for the construction of the streets immedi-ately a joining the public parks. Such power was considered essential to enable that depart-ment to properly lay out and construct the vari-ous parks under its care, and was undoubtedly possessed by it, priot to the passage of the act of ous parks under its care, and was undoubtedly possessed by it, priot to the passage of the act of 1872, which transferred to the Department of Public Works all the powers of the Department of Public Parks, in relation to streets, as well those adjoining the parks, as others. The ob-jection urged against this view is, that the Legis-lature has not expressed its intention with suffi-cient clearness. In nearly all acts giving power to either of the departments to do work in the streets, it is provided that the department to whom the power is given, shall have the power to regulate, grade, pave, sewer, gutter, etc. "The power given by Section 83, is to "manage and control" the streets immediately adjoining the park. Among all the acts which have been passed, giving power to do work in streets or parks or places it is emid that not a single or

the park. Among all the acts which have been passed, giving power to do work in streets or parks, or places, it is said that not a single one can be found in which such power is conferred by the use of the words "manage and control." So the use of the words "manage and control." So far as relates to work in the parks themselves, this difficulty does not arise, for said Section 83 provides that the Department of Parks "shall have all the powers and duties belonging to the Department or Commissioners of Parks, not in-consistent with this act." This gives the De-partment ample power to do work in the parks, because that was a power possessed by its predebecause that was a power possessed by its prede-cessors at the time of the passage of the charter; but it does not give power to do work in the streets adjoining, because when the charter was passed, that power was vested as above stated, in the Board of Public Works.

Each of the views above set forth is strenuous. ly supported and opposed by persons who take a great interest in, and who have given consider-able attention to the matter. Which view is the correct one, I shall not attempt to decide. Within the past few years more than \$2,000,000 of as-sessments have been set aside by the courts, and sessments have been set as a built of the total proceedings of this character are multiplying to such an extent, that within the past few days, nearly five hundred such proceedings have been commenced by one firm alone. Under these cir-cumstances, and in view of the doubts that exist

as to where the power is vested to do the work in question, and in view of the fact that the Legis-lature will meet in a few days, it seems to me that you should not, by approving this ordinance, expose the taxpayers of this city to the risk of having to pay a million of dollars to improve property in which they have no interest. As these public works would doubtless furnish employment to many who are now out of em-ployment, I deeply regret that I cannot advise your Honor to approve the ordinance in question; but I do not think that such non-approval by you need to cause any great delay in the matter. As soon as the Legislature meets, the Counsel to the Corporation will be most happy to co-orerate with yourself and the Common Council and the department to secure the passage of a bill which will relieve the matter from all uncer-will act promptly in the matter and pass an act which will enable the work to be commenced within a short time, and to be done in such a maner as not to imperil the assessments. manner as not to imperil the assessments. I am, Sir, with great respect, Your obedient servant,

Assistant Counsel to the Corporation. Which was laid on the table, ordered to be rinted in the minutes and published in the CITY RECORD.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM DEPARTMENTS AND CORPORATION OFFICERS.

The following communication was received from the Department of Pinance : CITY OF NEW YORK, DEPARTMENT OF

FINANCE, COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, December 27, 1873.

To Board of Aldermen :

Weekly Statement, showing the appropriations made under the authority contained in chapter made under the authority contained in chapter 758, Laws of 1873, for carrying on the Legis-lative Department, from January I to Decem-ber 31, 1873, both days inclusive, and of the payments made up to and including the date hereof for and on account of each appropria-tion. tion :

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4,225 00 AND. H. GREEN Comptroller.

Which was ordered on file. MOTIONS RESUMED.

By the President-Resolved, That Commissioner of Public Works be and is hereby authorized and directed to make such changes in and additions to the furni-ture of the Chamber of the Board as will provide permanent seats for all heads of departments, and to make such improvents in the warming and ventilation of the Chamber as may be found ematicable practicable.

Which was adopted.

Alderman Monheimer moved that when this Board adjourn, it do adjourn to meet again on Saturday next at 3½ o'clock, P. M. Alderman Reilly moved to amend by making it Morday at 14 noon

Alderman Kenly moved to an interve by mining it Monday at 12 noon. Alderman McCafferty moved as an amendment to this amendment to fix the hour of meeting at 3½ after and on Monday. Which was agreed to. The motion of Alderman Monheimer, as amended, was then adopted. Subsequently Alderman Monheimer moved a reconsideration of the above vote. Which was agreed to.

Which was agreed to. He then moved that Friday next, the second roximo at 3½ o'clock, P.M., be fixed as the time

or the next meeting. Which was agreed to. PAPERS FROM THE BOARD OF ASSISTANT ALDER-

MEN. Resolution to appoint Montgomery A. Kellogg a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place and stead of George A. Black, whose time has expired. Which was adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Billings, Clausen Cooper, Falconer, Flanagan, Kehr,

Clausen, Cooper, Falconer, Flanagan, Kehr, Koch, Lysaght, McCafferty, Monheimer, Morris, Ottendorfer, Reilly, Van Schaick-15.

Ottendorler, Kelliy, Van Schaick—15.
Resolution to re-appoint Henry Sidney Holborow a Commissioner of Deeds.
Which was adopted by the following vote:
Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Billings,
Clausen, Cooper, Falconer, Flanagan, Kehr,
Koch, Lysaght, McCafferty, Monheimer, Morris,
Ottendorler, Reilly, Van Schaick—15.

Commissioner of Deeds.

Commissioner of Deeds. Which was adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Bil-lings, Clausen, Cooper, Falconer, Flanagan, Kehr, Koch, Lysaght, McCafferty, Monheimer, Morris, Ottendorfer, Reilly, Van Schaick—15.

Resolution to appoint F. C. Steffen a Commis-sioner of Deeds, vice James Anderson, whose term has expired.

term has expired. Which was adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—The President, Alderman Billings, Clausen, Cooper, Falconer, Flanagan, Kehr, Koch, Lysaght, McCafferty, Monheimer, Morris, Ottendorfer, Reilly, Van Schaick—15. Resolution to appoint George S. Green, City Surveyor, heretofore passed this Board, was re-

turned amended by inserting after the name the word "junior." Which was concurred in.

G. O. 344.

G. 0. 344. Report of Committee on Streets of the Board of Assistant Aldermen, with resolution authoriz-ing the work of roadway or surface construction of the Eighth avenue, Broadway and Fifty-ninth street, to be performed by days work. Amended by the Board of Aldermen, Decem-ber 26th, 1873, by striking from the resolution and ordinance the words "or in such manner as the said Commissioner may deem expedient for the best interest of the city and property owners."

the said Commissioner may deem expedient for the best interest of the city and property owners," and returned to said Board, Was returned to this Board, endorsed as fol-lows: "In Board of Assistant Aldermen, Dec. 29, 1873, action of Dec. 5, 1873, adhered to." Which was laid over.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

Alderman Monheimer called up

Alderman Monheimer called up G. O. 316, being a resolution as follows: Resolved, That gas-mains be laid and street lamps lighted in Sixty-seventh street, between Fourth and Fifth avenues, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works. Which was adopted by the following vote: Afirmative—The President, Aldermen Billings, Clausen, Cooper, Falconer, Flanagan, Koch, Lysaght, McCafferty, Monheimer, Morris, Otten-dorfer, Reilly, Van Schaick—14. Alderman Monheimer called up

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G. O. 334. being a resolution as follows:

Resolved, That the street lamp-post and lamp now on the sidewalk near the West Side Chapel No. 439 West 33d street, be removed and placed directly in front of the entrance to the chapel, under the direction of the Commissioner of

Public Works. Alderman Van Schaick moved to amend by adding to the resolution the following : "The work to be done at the expense of the Congrega-

work to be done at the expense of the Congrega-tion." Which was lost by the following vote : Affirmative—Aldermen Clausen, Falconer, Koch, Ottendorfer, Van Schaick—5. Negative—The President, Aldermen Billings, Cooper, Flanagan, Kehr, Lysaght, McCafferty, Monheimer, Morris, Reilly—10. The question was then taken on the resolution, and was adopted by the following vote :

and was adopted by the following vote : Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Billings, Cooper, Clausen, Falconer, Flanagan, Kehr, Ly-saght, McCafferty, Monheimer, Morris, Reilly

-12 Negative-Aldermen Koch, Ottendorfer, Van Schaick-3.

Alderman Morris called up

G. O. 335, being an ordinance from the Board of Assistant

Aldermen as follows : The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, in Common Council con-vened, do ordain as follows : ing vote : Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Billings,

vened, do ordain as follows : SEC. I. No person or persons, corporation or corporations, shall construct, or continue any covering for the openings or apertures of any vault on the sidewalks, in the City of New York, which shall be made wholly of iron, or any other sub-stance or materials presenting a smooth surface. Such coverings, however, may be made partly of iron and partly actures concrete compared or other Such coverings, however, may be made partly of iron and partly stone, concrete, cement, or other material of a durable nature, presenting a rough surface and affording a safe foothold for travel, the construction of which shall be satisfactory to the Commissioner of Public Works. SEC. 2. Any violation of this ordinance shall be punished by a penalty of fifty dollars for each offence.

offence. SEC. 3. This ordinance shall take effect imme-

diately He then offered the following as a substitute from the Board of Assistant Aldermen, and

moved its acceptance :

from the Board of Assistant Aldermen, and moved its acceptance : AN ORDINANCE to compel owners or occupants of houses to provide proper coverings for the openings to vaults under the sidewalks, in the streets of New York. The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, do ordain as follows : Sec. 1. The Commissioners of Police are here-by directed to notify the owners or occupants of all stores, dwellings or other buildings having vaults under the sidewalks, in front thereof, with coverings over the openings thereto, presenting a smooth surface, to remove such coverings forth-with, and substitute theretor coverings presenting a rough surface, affording a secure foothold for pedestrians, and of material and construction to be approved by the Commissioner of Public Works. Should any such owner or occupant neglect or refuse to comply with the directions contained in such notification for a period of more than ten days, he shall thereby incur a penalty of five dollars for every twenty-four hours in excess of said ten days, that such neg-lect or refusal shall continue ; and it is hereby made the duty of said Police Commissioners to cause to be reported every such case of violation of the provisions of this ordinance to the Corpor-ation Attorney for prosecution. Sec. 2. All ordinances, or parts of ordinances, inconsistent or conflicting with the provisions of

Sec. 2. All ordinances, or parts of ordinances, inconsistent or conflicting with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed. Sec. 3. This ordinance shall take effect imme-

diately Alderman Koch moved to lay the whole subject on the table.

ject on the table. Which was lost by the following vote : Affirmative—Aldermen Flanagan, Koch, Ly-saght, Ottendorfer, Reilly—5. Negative—The President, Aldermen Billings, Cooper, Clausen, Falconer, Kehr, McCafferty, Monheimer, Morris, Van Schaick—10. Alderman McCafferty moved that the substi-tute be received and printed in the minutes. Which was agreed to.

THE CITY RECORD.

Alderman Morris called up

foregoing resolutions. Which was adopted.

wing vote :

Alderman Reilly called up

being a resolution as follows:

of the above vote.

over.

Works

Alderman Reilly called up

G. O. 320,

being a resolution as follows: Resolved, That Third Street, east of the Bow-

G. O. 314,

being a resolution as follows: Resolved, That it is hereby ordered, that the Commissioners of the Department of Public Parks

be, and they hereby are, granted permission to have all necessary repairs to the bridge at Third avenue, over the Harlem river, executed in such manner as to them shall seem best for the interests of the air without subscription of the result of the second seco

of the city without entering into a contract there-for as provided by Section 91, Chapter 335, Laws

for as provided by Section 91, Chapter 335, Laws of 1873. Alderman Cooper moved to amend by strik-ing from the resolution the words "in such man-ner as to them shall seem best for the interests of the city," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "by days' work." Which was lost by the following vote : Affirmative — Alderman Cooper, Flanagan, Kehr, Lysaght, Monheimer—5. Negative—The President, Aldermen Billings, Clausen, Falconer, Koch, McCafferty, Morris, Ottendorfer, Reilly, Van Schaick—10. The question was then taken on the adoption of the resolution, and it was agreed to by the fol-lowing vote :

Affirmative-The President, Aldermen Bil. Amrmative—The Freshend, Andermen Bit-lings, Clausen, Cooper, Falconer, Flanagan, Kehr, Koch, Lysaght, McCafferty, Monheimer, Morris, Reilly, Van Schaick.—14. Negative—Alderman Ottendorfer.

G. O. 333,

Resolved, That the Commissioner of Public Works be and he is directed to have the gas lamps lighted in front of the entrance to the

Eleventh street. Alderman Van Schaick moved to re-commit to

Which was agreed to and the paper again laid

G. O. 318,

Resolved, That a lamp-post be erected and gas lamp lighted in Centre street, opposite No. 6, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

Public works. Which was adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Bil-lings, Cooper, Clausen, Falconer, Flanagan, Kehr, Koch, Lysaght, McCafferty, Monheimer, Morris, Ottendorfer, Reilly, Van Schaick—15.

G. O. 325,

Resolved, That Croton-mains be laid in Sixty seventh street, between Fourth and Fifth avenues under the direction of the Commissioner of Public

Which was adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Bil-lings, Cooper, Clausen, Falconer, Flanagan, Kehr, Koch, Lysaght, McCafferty, Monheimer, Morris, Ottendorfer, Reilly, Van Schaick—15.

G. O. 245,

Resolved, That a sewer, with the necessary receiving basins and culverts, be built in Lewis street, from Sixth to Eighth streets, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public

Works, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted. Which was adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Billings, Kale

Clausen, Cooper, Falconer, Flanagan, Kehr, Koch, Lysaght, McCafferty, Monheimer, Morris, Ottendorfer, Reilly, Van Schaick-15.

G. O. 100,

Alderman McCafferty called up

Alderman Flanagan called up

Alderman Flanagan called up

Alderman Lysaght called up

being a resolution as follows:

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East

lamps lighted in front of the entrance to school attached to St. Ann's Church in 1

our metropolis to obtain money on as favorable terms as any other city in the world. Resolved, That the Comptroller of the City of New York, be instructed to take the necessary Resolved, That Third Street, east of the Bow-ery shall hereafter be known and designated as "East Third Street," and that Great Jones and Amity Streets shall hereafter together form one street, to be known and designated as "West Third Street," and be it further Resolved, That the Commissioner of Public Works be and he is hereby authorized and di-rected to carry into effect the provisions of the foregoing resolutions. steps to insure the passage of such laws by the State Legislature as will enable the Finance De-partment to inaugurate the following measures,

First, To issue a consolidated loan of \$150,000 ooo,at, not to exceed five per cent. interest in gold, (at the present legal standard of fineness) payable quarterly, the city to assume all government, personal, or other taxes.

Said loan to be due and payable A. D. 2000, a sufficient amount thereof to be set apart for the payment of the present indebtedness of the

The balance, to be used from time to time as it may be lawfully required. Second, No increase of the debt to be made without giving the citizens an opportunity to vote

Third, All the property of the city, parks, mar-kets, docks, etc., to be especially pledged to the payment of principal and interest of this consoli-dated loan, no bonds should be sold below par, dated loan, no bonds should be sold below par, and any money that may be required for imme-diate or temporary use, until the bonds can be sold at their par value, to be borrowed by the Comptroller, on revenne or other bonds, not to run over five years, and to bear seven per cent. interest, provided the money cannot be obtained on batter terms on better terms.

Alderman Billings moved to refer to the Committee on Finance. Which was agreed to.

Alderman McCafferty called up

G. O. 95.

being a resolution as follows:

being a resolution as follows: Resolved, That the Clerk of the Common Council of the City of New York, be authorized and directed to execute a lease on behalf of the City of New York, for so much of the premises situated on the north side of One hundred and twenty-fifth street, between Third and Fourth avenues in the City of New York, belonging to Messrs. W. T. and D. Blodgett, as may be neces-sary for the use of the Ninth District Civil Court, and the Fifth District Police Court, including prison accommodations, for a term of five years from the 1st day of August, 1873, at the annual rent of ten thousand dollars, payable quarterly, on the usual quarter days, with a condition in the lease that the said premises, are to be put in proper condition for occupancy for said courts, and are to be fitted up with the necessary cells and accommodations for prisoners at the expense of the owners, according to the plans to be sub-mitted subject to the approval of the said clerk and the Comptroller of the City of New York is hereby directed to pay said rent quarterly from the proper appropriation. The lease to contain a further condition, that immediate pos-session of the premises will be given to enable the courts to be held, but that no rent shall be charged for such occupancy, until the building shall have been put in thorough order and con-dition to hold court therein. Alderman Billings moved to amend by strik-ing out the word "ten" before the word "thou-and," and inserting in lieu thereof, the word "eight." Alderman Van Schaick moved to re-commit to the Committee with instructione to report by what authority lamp posts had been placed and lamps lighted in front of said school. Which was lost on division, viz.: Afirmative—Aldermen Cooper, Clausen, Fal-coner, Koch, Ottendorfer, Van Schaick—6. Negative—The President, Aldermen Billings, Flanagan, Kehr, Lysaght, McCafferty, Mon-heimer, Morris, Reilly—9. The question was then taken on the adoption of the resolution, and it was lost by the follow-ing vote : Amrinative— i ne Freshtent, Aldernien Billings, Cooper, Flanagan, Kehr, Lysaght, McCafferty, Monheimer, Morris, Reilly—10. Negative—Aldermen Clausen, Falconer, Koch, Ottendorfer, Van Schaick—5. Alderman McCafferty moved a re-consideration of the above your

' eight.'' Which was agreed to.

Which was agreed to. Alderman Clausen then moved to amend by striking out the word and figures "August, 1873," and inserting in lieu thereof the word and figures "January, 1874." Which was also agreed to. The resolution, as amended, was then adopted by the following vote: Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Billings, Clausen, Cooper, Falconer, Flanagan, Kehr.

Clausen, Cooper, Falconer, Flanagan, Kehr, Koch, Lysaght, McCafferty, Morris, Ottendorfer, Van Schaick—13. Negative—Aldermen Monheimer, Reilly—2.

Alderman Kehr called up

G. O. 66,

being a resolution as follows: Resolved, That the Board of Health of the Health Department of the City of New York, as the same now is or may be hereafter constituted, the same now is or may be nereater constituted, is hereby authorized to contract with the person or persons from whom the said Board received on the nineteenth day of March, 1873, the lowest responsible bid to furnish during the day, as well as the night, up to the first day of May, 1875, or until the sooner determination of a contract made by and between the Mayor, Aldermen and Com-monalty of said city, of the one part and the monalty of said city. by and between the Mayor, Aldermen and Com-monalty of said city, of the one part, 'and Dan-iel Gallagher of the other part, bearing date May 1st, 1865, by which the former agreed among other things, to deliver to the latter all the contents of sinks and privies, as therein speci-fied, until the first of May, 1875, the necessary boats for receiving and removing, and to receive, remove and deliver all the contents of sinks and privies, in said city, as Thomas Andrew by a contract between him, the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of said city, bearing date, May 1st, 1865, agree to furnish for receiving and removing, and to receive, remove and deliver such contents, and in relation thereto, at a price not exceeding thirty-three thousand dollars per annum, to be paid in equal monthly installments, and to refor the faithful performance by the person or per-sons to whom such contract may be awarded, sons to whom such contract may be awarded, of all and every of the provisions of such contract on his or their part.

Which was lost by the following vote : Affirmative — Aldermen Cooper, Flanagan, Kehr, Lysaght, McCafferty, Ottendorfer, Reilly

being a resolution as follows: Recognizing the fact that for the purpose of completing the various improvements in the City, already projected and to inaugurate such other plans as the wants of our growing City may demand, it is absolutely necessary to establish a fixed financial policy, such as will not only give confidence to our own citizens, but to the capitalists of all countries, and will enable -7. Negative-The President, Aldermen Billings, Clausen, Falconer, Koch, Monheimer, Morris

MOTIONS RESUMED. Alderman Monheimer moved that the Board

Which was agreed to. And the President announced that the Board stood adjourned until Friday, the 2d prox., at 31/2 o'clock P. M.

JOSEPH C. PINCKNEY, Clerk.

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FIRE DEPARTMENT.

HEADQUARTERS FIRE DEPARTMENT, CITY OF NEW YORK, Thursday, Dec. 18, 1873.

The Board of Commissioners and the Comp-RECORD for the reception of proposals for build-ing four self-acting chemical fire engines. Present—The President in the chair, Commis-sioners Hatch and Van Cott, and the Comp-

troller.

The President submitted the affidavit of the Supervisor of the CITY RECORD relative to the insertion of the advertisement inviting proposals,

insertion of the advertisement inviting proposals, as required by law. Filed. The President also submitted the draft of the contract, &c., as prepared by the Counsel to the Corporation. Filed. Two proposals were received, and it was moved that the opening of the same and action thereon be postponed. Motion adopted. Adjourned. W. B. WHITE.

W. B. WHITE. Secretary.

OFFICIAL DIRECTORY.

Statement of the hours during which all public offices in the City are open for business, and at which each Court regularly opens and adjourns, as well as of the places where such offices are kept and such Courts are p'aces EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

orpices. Location. Hours. Mayor's Office....No. 6, City Hall.....to a.m.-3p.m. Permit Lureau...No. 5, City Hall.....to a.m.-3p.m. Permit Lureau...No. 1, City Hall.....to a.m.-2p.m. Lucense Bureau...No. 1, City Hall.....to a.m.-2p.in LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT.

Cl'k of the Common Council and ot B'd of Supervisors. Clerk of B'd of Assist-ant Aldermen. 9 ½ City Hall.9 A.M-4 P.M.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT.

Office hours from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Comptroller's Office, West end, New County Court

Comptroller's Office, West end, New County Court House. I-Bureau for the collection of the revenue accruing from rents and interest on bonds and mortgages, and revenue arising from the use or sale of property belong-ing to or managed by the City--Ground floor, West end, New County Court House. z-Bureau for the Collection of Taxes--Brown-stone building, City Hall Park. 3-Bureau for the collection of arrear of taxes and Assessments and of water rents--Ground floor, West end, New County Court House. 4-Auditing Bureau--Main floor, west end, New County Court House. 5-Bureau of Markets-- | Ground floor, west end, New 6-Bureau of Markets-- | County Court House. 7-Bureau for the reception of all moneys paid into the Treasury, in the City and for the payment of money n warrants driven by the Comptroller and counter-signed by the Mayor--(Office of Chamberlain and County Court House. B-Bureau for the Collection of Assessments Governor's room, City Hall (temporarily.) LAW DEPARTMENT

LAW DEPARTMENT

Counsel to the Corporation, 82 Nassau st., 9 a. m., 5 p.m. Public Administrator, 115 and 117 " 10 a.m., 4 p.m. Corporation Att?, " " " " 5:30 a.m., 4 p.m. Attorney for the Collection of Arrears of Personal Taxes 365 Broadway, Room 13, 9 a.m., 4 p. m. Attorney to the Department of Buildings, 20 Nassau street, Room 52, 9 a.m. to 5 p. m. POLICE DEPARTMENT.

Central Office, 300 Com's Office,	Mulberry	street,	always open.
Supt's Office,		**	**
Inspector's Office,		**	
Chief Clerk's Office,	**	. 8	a.m., p.m.
Property Clerk,			
Bureau of S't Clean'g,	"	**	**

ureau of Elections. DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. Commissioners' Office, 19 City Hall, 9 a.m., 4 p.m. Chief Clerk, 20 Contract Clerk 21

Engineer in charge of sewers, 21 City Han,		
Engineer in charge of Boulevards and		
avenues, 18 1/2 City Hall,	"	
Bureau of repairs and supplies, 18 City Hall,	"	••
Bureau of Lamps and Gas, 13 City Hall,	"	
Bureau of Imcumbrances, 13 Citv Hall, 9 a,	m.	10 4 p.m.
Bureau of Street Improvements, 11 City Hall	"	
Bureau of the Chief Engineer of the Croton		
aqueduct, 11 1/2 City Hall,	**	•
Bureau of Water Register, 10 City Hall,	**	
Bureau of Water Purveyor, 4 City Hall,	**	

Bureau of Streets and Roads, 13 City Hall,

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION.

CORRECTION. Central Office, 66 Third av. 8 a. m., to 5 p. m. Out Door Poor Dep't, 66 Third av., always open. Entrance on 1rth Street. Free Labor Bureau, 8 and 10 Clinton pl. 8 a. m. to 5 p. m. cception Hospital, City Hall Park, N. E. Corner, al-ways open. Acception Hospital, goth street and 10th av. always open. Bellevue Hospital, goth street and 10th av. always open. Ellevue FDEPA DEMANY

FIRE DEPARTMENT. missioner's Office, 127 and 129 Mercer St., 9 a. m. to

4 p. m. Chief of Department, 127 and 129 Mercer St., 9 a. m. to 4 p. m. Espectors of Combustibles, 127 and 129 Mercer St., 9a.

m. to 4 p. m. Fire Marshal, 127 and 129 Mercer St., 9 a. m. to 4 p. m. HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

Commissioner's Office, 301 Mott St. 9 a. m. to 4 p. m. Sanitary Superintendent, 307 Mott St., always open. Register of Records, 301 Mott St., for granting buria permits, cn all days of the week except Sundays from 7 a. m. to 6 o'lock p. m., and on Sundays from a m to 5 o'clock p. m. DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS. Lammissioners' Office, 36 Union Square, 9 a. m. to 5p a

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DEPARTMENT OF TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS Commissioners' Office, Brown Stone Building, City Hall Park, 32 Chambers St., 9 a. m. 4 p m., on Saturday 9

a. m. to 3 p. m. Surveyor's Bureau, 19 Chathain St., o a. m. to 4 p. m. Board of Assessors, DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS.

Superintendent's Office, 3 Fourth av., a. m. to 4 p. m BOARD OF EXCISE. Commissioners Office, 200 Mulberry street, BOARD OF EDUCATION.

Office of the Board, cor Gra d and Elm sts, 9 A. M. 5 P. Supt. of Sc COMMISSIONERS OF ACCOUNTS.

Office-32 Chambers street (basement.)

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Commissioners, Office, Castle Garden, 9 a. m. to 5 p. m. Superintendents, Office, Castle Garden, 9 a. m. to 5 p. m. THE CITY RECORD Office, No. 2 City Hall, N. W, corner basement, 8 a. m. to 6 p. m. MISCELLANEOUS OFFICES.

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Street. Commissioner of Jurors, Commissioner's Office, base-ment, biown stone building, City Hall Park 32 Chambers 2treet, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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Circuit, part 1, Circuit, part 2.) ro:30 a. m. to 3 p. m.

Superior Court. Part I. 3d floor, New II a. n. Part II. Court House. II a. n. Clerk's Office, 3d floor, New Court House, 9 a. n., COMMON PLEAS

avenues, and west side of ad avenue, between logd address tosth streets. No. 8-East side of Pearl street, between Dover street and Peck slip. No. o.-The block bounded by 50th and 57th streets and 4th and Lexington avenues. All persons whose interests are affected by the above-named assessments, and who are opposed to the same, or either of them, are requested to present their objec-tions in writing to Thomas B. Asten, Chairman of the Board of Assessors, at their office, ro Chatham street, within thirty days from the date of this notice. THOMAS B. ASTEN, JOHN MCHARG, MUNSON H. TREADWELL, VALENTINE S. WOODRUFF, Board of Assessors. Common Pleas, 3d fl., New Court House o & ra., 4p. m GENERAL SESSIONS

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OFFICE BOARD OF ASSESSORS,) NEW YORK, Dec. 17, 1873.)

General Sessions, 32 Clerk's Office, 32 Cha	Chambers street, mbers st., Room 14,	10 a. m., 4 p.
ort	P AND TERMINER.	

Oyer and Terminer. General Term, Special Term.	32 Chambers st., Room 17	10 a. m.

SPECIAL SESSIONS.	
Special Sessions, Tombs, corner Franklin and Centre streets, Tuesdays, Thurs- days and Saturdays,	10 a. m.

JUSTICE'S (OR DISTRICT) COURTS.

First District, 1st, 2d, 3d, and 5th Wards, S. W. corner of Centre and Chambers streets.	10 a. m., 4 p. m
Second District, 4th, 6th, and 14th	9 a.m., 4p.m.
Wards, 514 Pearl street. Third District, 8th, 9th, and 15th Wards, 12 Greenwich avenue.	9 a. m., 4 p. m.
Fourth District, 10th, and 17th Wards,	9 a. m., 4 p. m.
Fifth District, 7th, 11th, and 13th Wards	90. m., 4p. m.
Sixth District,	
Seventh District, 10th and 22d Wards, 57th street, between Third and Lex- ington avenues.	9a. m., 4p. m.
Eighth District, 16th and 20th Wards, S. W. cor. 22d st. and 7th ave.	9:30a.m. 4pm.

Ninth District, 12th Ward, 2374 Fourth | 9a.m., 4p.m. MARINE COULT (Brown stone building.

General Term, 3	2 Cha	mber	K00m 17, 1		3 h' m'
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Special " hambers,			Room 18,		
Cierk's Office,			Room 19,	9 a. m.	4 p. m.
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Ninth District, 12th Ward, 2374 Fourth 9 a.m., 4 p.m.	consist of 2,000 pounds. The preliminary specification, as provided tor by Sec-
MARINE COURT (Brown stone building.)	tion 91, of the Charter of 1873, containing the bongar
General Term, 32 Chamber Special Barbers, Barbers, Room 15, Chambers, Room 16, Room 17, to a. m., 3 p. m. Room 15, Room 16, Room 17, to a. m., 4 p. m.	to be strictly complied with, can be seen and an informa- tion furnished on application at this office. Proposals to be accompanied with the names of two re- monship persons as surgities, in the sum of seven thou-
POLICE COURTS.	sand dollars, for the faithful performance of the contract, with their residences, by their own signatures, and to be
First District, 14th. 24th, 25th, 26th, 27th, and portion of Sanitary Pre- enct. Combs.cor. Frank- in and Centre streets. 5 a.m., 3 p. m.	approved by the Comptroller of the City. WILLIAM LAIMBEER, JAMES BOWEN, MYER STERN, Commissioners.
Second District. 8th gth, 15th, 15th, Greenwich ave., soth, 25th, 33d, soth, 25th, 33d, soth, asth, and agth Precincts.	DEPARTMENT PUBLIC WORKS.
Third District, 7th, roth, rith, 13th, arth, 18th, and 56 Essex street. Portion of Sanita- ry Precinct.	DEFARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, COMMISSIOERRS' OFFICE, NEW YORK, December 18, 1873.
Fourth District, roth, 21st, 22d, and 19th Lexington ave	PROPOSALS, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SEC. 73, Chap. 335, Laws of 1873, addressed to the un- dersigned, enclosed in a sealed envelope, and the name
Fifth District, 12th Ward, 2374 Fourth 8 a.m., 4p.m. avenue (Harlem.)	of the bidder endorsed thereon, will be received at the Office of the Commissioner of Public Works, until Dec. 31, 1873, at twelve o'clock noon (at which hour they will
BOARD OF EDUCATION.	be publicly opened and read) for lighting the public lamps on the streets, avenues and places of the City of New York, or any part thereof, with Gas, for a period of one year, commencing (anuary 1, 1874.
SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED BY the School Trustees of the Eighteenth Ward, at the hall of the Board of Education, corner of Grand and Eim streets, until Monday, the 12th day of January, 1874, and until 3 o'clock P. M. on said day, for additions to the steam heating apparatus in Grammar School No. 40 on East 23d street, between Second and Third avenues.	
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proposals. The Trustees reserve the right to reject any or all of the proposals offered

JOHN F. TROW, FRANCIS H. WEEKS, ANDREW WARNER, JOSEPH K. O'BRIEN, HENRY S. TUBELL, School Trustees, 18th Ward, 5 (187)

Board of School T Dated New York, Dec. 26, 1873.

THE BUILDINGS &c., ON THE LINE OF ONE Hundred and tenth street to be removed in conse-quence of the widening of the same between 9th Avenue and Riverside Avenue will be sold at public auction on the ground on Wednesday, January 7th, 1874, at 10 o'clock, a.m. For catalogues and further particulars DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS. apply to

DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS, Office No. 2 Fourth av., opposite Sixth st. A RCHITECTS, BUILDERS AND OTHERS, HAV-ation or repair of buildings to file with this Department, are hereby notified, that in all cases where iron girders or lintels are provided to support brick walls, it will be necessary tor them to submit properly drawn and fig-pred elevations of the walls to be so supported. W. W. ADAMS Superintendent.

Superintendent

CORPORATION NOTICES.

2-For regulating and grading 84th street, from 8th to roth avenues. 3-For flagging north side of 37th street, from 7th to 8th avenues.

8th avenues. 4—For laying Belgian pavement in 52d street, from 2d avenue to the East river. 5—For regulating and grading 7th avenue, from 110th street to Harlem river. 6—For building sewer in Dry Dock street, between 10th and 12th streets. γ —For building sewer in 104th street, between 2d and ad avenues.

7-For building sewer in 104th street, between 2d and 3d avenues. 8-For building basin on the northeast corner of Pearl street and Peck slip. 9-For building underground drains between 56th and 57th streets, and 4th and Lexington avenues.

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

No. 1-Both sides of 40th street, between 1st and 2d No. 2-Both sides of 84th street, between 8th and 10th No. 3-North side of 37th street, between 7th and 8th

avenues. No. 4-Both sides of 52d street, from 2d avenue to East river, to the extent of one-half the block on the intersecting streets. No. 5-Both sides of 7th avenue, from 110th street to Harlem river, to the extent of one-half the block on the

No. 6-Both sides of Dry Dock street, between 10th and rath streets, No. 7-Both sides of ro4th street, between 2d and 3d avenues, and west side of 2d avenue, between ro3d and

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC

CHARITIES AND CORRECTION.

PROPOSALS FOR COAL FOR OUT

DOOR POOR.

New York, December 23, 1873. J PROPOSALS, SEALED AND ENDORSED AS above, will be received by the Commissioners of Public Charities and Correction, until 2 o'clock, p. M., of the 5th day of January, 1874, to furnish and deliver, free of all expense, at such parts of the city, at such times and in such quantities as may be required, south of Fortieth street, 2,000 tons of best quality of White Ash Coal, two-thirds stove and one-third nut size, each ton to consist of 2,000 pounds. The prediminary specification as provided to by Sec.

DEFARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION, Corner of Third avenue and 11th street, New York, December 23, 1873.

Elank forms of proposals, the specifications and agree-ments, the proper envelope in which to enclose the bids, and any further information desired, can be obtained on application at the effice of the Commissioner of Public Works.

THE CITY RECORD.

COPIES OF THE CITY RECORD CAN BE OB-tained at No 2, City Hall, (N. W. corner basement.) Price five conts each.

December 23, 1874.

W. F. HAVEMEYER, Mayor

GEO. M. VAN NORT, Commissioner of Public Works.

GEORGE M. VAN NORT, Commissioner of Public Works.

AND. H. GREEN,

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO THE owner or owners, occupant or occupants of all houses and lots, improved or unimproved lands, affected thereby, that the following assessments have been com-pleted and are lodged in the office of the Board of Assessors for examination by all persons interested, viz: PROPOSALS FOR \$4,210,497.55 CONSOLIDA-TED STOCKS OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK, for the purpose of providing means for PAYING THE BONDS of the City and County 1-For regulaling, grading, setting curb and gutter and flagging 40th street, between 1st and 2d avenues.

for PAYING JANARY 15, 1874. SEALED PROPOSALS will be received at the Comptroller's Office until Tuesday, January 6th, 1874, at 2 o'clock, P. M., when the same will be publicly opened for the whole or any part of the sum of Four Million Two Hundred and Ten thousand Four Hundred and Ninety-seven Dollars and Fifty-five Cents of the Con-solidated Stocks of the City and County of New York, to wit: to wit :

FINANCE DEPARTMENT.

CONSOLIDATED STOCK OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK, authorized by Sec. 2, Chap. 756, Laws of 1873, Sec. 4, Ch2p. 444, Laws of 1972, and Chap. 322, Laws of 1871, payable December 1st, 1896....

\$3,390,497 55 CONSOLIDATED STOCK OF THE COUNTY OF NEW YORK, author-ized by Sec. 2, Chap. 756, Laws of 1873, Sec. 4, Chap. 444, Laws of 1872, and Chap. 323, Laws of 1871, payable De-cember 1st, 1896.

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ANDREW H. GREEN, Comptroller.

CITY OF NEW YORK, DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, December 23, 1873.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT, BUREAU OF COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS, Room No. 14, City Hall, New York, Nov. 20, 1873.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY HOLDERS -PROP-erty holders are hereby notified that the following asse sment lists were this day received in this Bureau for collection: Date of Con-

firmation. Oct. 30, 1873. 89th street, sewer, between East river and 2d avenue. 92d, 93d and 94th streets, sewer, between 4th and 5th avenues. 10th avenue, cast side, sewer, between 18th and 19th streets. 11 Sits street, sewer, between 1st and 2d av-enues. enues. roth avenue, west side, sewer, between 21st and 22d streets. Frankfort street, sewer, between Cliff and Pearl streets. Pearl streets. Pearl street, sewer, between Old slip and a point 180 feet south of Old slip. 5th avenue, sewer, between 32d and 33d streets. basin, northeast corner 11th street and 13th streets. Northeast corner Chrystie and Stanton nue A nue A S. 5th avenue, paving between Canal and 4th S. 5th avenue, paving between Canal and 4th streets.
Church street, paving between Fulton and Morris streets.
West street, cross walk from No. 177 to Fie⁴ 29.
Cherry street, cross walk from No. 186 to No. 187.
95th street, regulating, grading, &c., from 4th to 5th avenues.
127th street, regulating, grade, &c., from 6th to 8th avenues.
36th street, regulating, grade, &c., from 7bh to 8th avenues.
37th street, regulating, grade, &c., from 7bh to 8th avenues.
38th street, regulating, grade, &c., from 7bh bic Drive to Hudson River.
Attorney street, flag southwest from Grand to Broome street.
51st street, fencing vacant lots, both sides, from 5th to 6th avenues.
All payments made at this office within sixty days for interest at seven per cent., which runs from the date of confirmation.
The collector's office is open daily from 9 A.M. to 4 P.M.

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avenue.» West side Mott street, 40 feet north Chatham square. Northwest corner Chrystie and Grand streets. Southwest corner 14th street and 4th avenue. Southeast corner 14th street and 11th avenue. Northeast corner 14th street and 11th avenue. Northeast corner 23d street and 13th Northeast corner 23d street and 13th avenue. Southeast corner 44th street and 13th avenue and Broadway. Northeast corner 4d street and 13th avenue and Broadway. Southwest corner 55th street and 11th avenue avenue. Northeast corner 65th street and 1st avenue. Northwest corner 92d street and Ave-Southwest corner 92d street and Ave-ANDREW W. LEGGAT, Acting Collector, INDICES OF RECORDS.

CITY OF NEW YORK, DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,

Granitors,		
Grantees,	:	
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Total,61		\$100 00
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Sets unbound,		15 25
Incomplete sets may be completed	d on	application at
this office. Communications in relation to the addressed "Superintendent of Reco	Records,	ords should be Comptroller's
Office."		

ANDREW H. GREEN, Comptroller.

DECEMBER 31.

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BUREAU OF THE RECEIVER OF TAXES, November 17th, 1873.

TO TAX PAYERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT ONE PER cent, will be added to all taxes unpaid on the 1st of December ; also, on additional one per cent on Decem-De

ber 15th. On all taxes remaining unpaid on January 1st, interest at the rate of twelve per cent per annum, calculated from the day the books were received by the Receiver of Taxes to the day of payment will be added. MARTIN T. McMAHON, Receiver of Taxes.

Receiver of Taxes. FINANCE DEPARTMENT, BUREAU OF COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS, Room 14, City Hall, NEW YORK, Nov 20, 1873. NOTICE TO PROPERTY HOLDERS. - PROP-ary holders are hereby notified that the following assessment lists were this day received in this Bureau for collection : DATE OF CONFIRMATION

DATE OF CONFIRMATION. Nov. 21. 1873-Sewers in 88th street, between 2d and 3d avenues; and in 91st street, between 2d and 4th avenue, with branches. Sewer in 11th avenue, between 52d and 54th streets. Reg. grade, curb, &c., in 60th street, be-tween 10th avenue and Hudson river. Flagging sidewalk southeast corner Broadway and 33d street. Flagging sidewalk north side 13th street, from No. 415 to Avenue A.

All payments made at this office within sixty days from this date, are, by law, exempted from the charge for interest at seven per cent., which runs from the date of confirmation. The collector's office is open daily from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

ANDREW W. LEGGAT, Acting Collector.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

HEAD-QUARTERS, FIRE DEFARTMENT, CITY OF NEW YORK, (127 & 129 Mercer street,) NEW YORK, December ---, 1873. New York, December --, 1873. J NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT ONE STEAM Fire Engine, built by the Amoskeag Manufacturing Company, and two Engine Boilers, will be sold at auc-tion, to the highest bidder, for cash, on Saturdav, Janu-ary 10, 1874, at 120'clock, noon, at the Repair Yard of the Department, Nos. 19 and 21 Elizabeth street. JOSEPH L. PERLEY, ROSWELL D. HATCH, CORNELLUS VAN COTT, Commissioners.

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

PROPERTY CLERK'S OFFICE, GENTRAL DEPARTWENT OF THE METROPOLITAN POLICE, 300 MI'lberry street, New YORK, Dec. 20, 1873 WNERS WANTED, BY THE FROPERTY Clerk, 300 Mulberry street, room 30, for the fol-lowing property now in his custody without claimants : One bay marc, white hind feet; 28 salted seal skins; four barrels Flour; two bags coffee; trunk and contents; wagon; hand cart; gold watch; shawls; red pepper; re-volvers, blankets, &c. C. A. ST. JOHN, Property Clerk.

CENTRAL DEPARTMENT OF MUNICIPAL POLICE, PROPERTY CLERK'S OFFICE, 300 MULBERRY STREET, NEW YORK, December 6, 1873. NEW YORK, December 6, 1873.) OWNER: WANTED BY THE PROPERTY Clerk of the Police Department, 300 Mulberry street, Room 30, for the following property now in his custody without claimants: Gold watch, revolvers, clothing (male and female), door mats, chest tea, rope, coffee, molasses, and money. C. A. ST. JOHN, Property Clerk.

LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT.

OFFICE CLERK OF THE COMMON COUNCIL, No. 8 CITY HALL. No. 8 City HALL. } THE STATED SESSIONS OF THE BOARD OF Aldermen will be held on Thursday of each week, at 3% o'clock, F. M., in th. chamber of the Board, room No 15, City Hall.

JOSEPH C. PINCKNEY,

OFFICE OF CLERK OF THE COMMON COUNCIL, No. 8 City Hall, NEW YORK, December 27, 1873. A STATED MEETING OF THE BOARD OF Aldermen will be held in the Chamber of the Board, room 15, City Hall, on Tuesday, Dec'r 30th, at 3½ o'clock P. M.

IUSEPH C. PINCKNEY, Clerk.

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