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BOARD OF ALDERMEN. STATED MEETING.

TUESDAY, December 1, 1896, 2 o'clock P. M.

The Board met in Room 16, City Hall.

PRESENT:

Hon. John Jeroloman, President.

John P. Windolph, Vice-President, Aldermen Nicholas T. Brown, William E. Burke, Thomas M. Campbell, William Clancy, Thomas Dwyer, Christian Goetz, Elias Goodman, Frank J. Goodwin, Joseph T. Hackett, Benjamin E. Hall, Jeremiah Kennefick, Francis J. Lantry, Frederick L. Marshall, Robert Muh, John J. Murphy, Andrew A. Noonan, John T. Oakley, John J. O'Brien, William M. K. Olcott, Charles A. Parker, Rufus R. Randall, Andrew Robinson, Joseph Schilling, Henry L. School, William Tait, Frederick A. Ware, Charles Wines, Collin H. Woodward, Jacob C. Wund.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

PETITIONS.

By Alderman Kennefick—

To the Honorable Board of Aldermen of the City and County of New York:

We, the undersigned, most respectfully petition your Honorable Board to request the Board of Park Commissioners to give the privilege to play football in one of the squares in Battery Park. The boys are employed during the day and are situated that the evenings are the only times that they have for recreation. They are all boys of good character and would conduct themselves in an orderly and law-abiding manner.

Fred. J. Mertz, No. 55 Greenwich street; John F. Kerwen, No. 49 Greenwich street; John F. Martin, No. 150 Nassau street; Patrick J. Kerwen, No. 49 Greenwich street; Hyman Kaliski, No. 38 Greenwich street; P. Pinkus, No. 36 Greenwich street; Daniel Murphy, No. 21 West street; A. Merobitz, No. 67 Greenwich street; Salomon Loewensohn, No. 26 Greenwich street; Hy. Curtis, No. 9 Stone street; Jos. L. Doyle, No. 47 Broadway; R. Shonolowitz, No. 28 Greenwich street; Richard St. George, No. 16 Greenwich street; P. I. Halloran, No. 16 Greenwich street; Robert W. Mackenzie, No. 16 Greenwich street; Charles A. Bracklo, No. 10 Greenwich street; H. Bracklo, No. 10 Greenwich street; Laurence Cook, No. 4 Albany street; Ernest Wilson, No. 4 Albany street; Joseph McGrath, No. 20 Greenwich street; Thomas Mack, No. 20 Greenwich street; Thomas Moloney, No. 10 Greenwich street; Oscar Kiefer, F. Raab, No. 1 Broadway; V. J. Bader, No. 18 Coenties Slip; Chas. Guenkel, No. 12 West street; T. Aschauer, No. 2 Greenwich street; A. Gutzki, No. 209 East Fifty-eighth street; Wm. Leamann, No. 18 Greenwich street; B. V. Reimers, No. 46 Greenwich street; John Loster, No. 44 Greenwich street; Bernhard Hess, Nos. 14 to 20 Whitehall street; John Miller, No. 12 Greenwich street; Thomas Keating, No. 10 Washington street; Fred. David, No. 18 Greenwich street; P. O. Fenstermacher, No. 2 Battery place; Adolph Seligmann, No. 58 Dey street; Fredrik Graver, No. 18 Coenties slip; Philip Theile, No. 6 West street; John F. Kirwan, No. 6 West street; John Grimston, No. 10 Washington street; William Foley, No. 6 West street; Thomas Farrell, No. 18 Thames street; Timothy Quinn, No. 8 West street; William J. Reardon, No. 17 Washington street; Bat. Sweeny, No. 8 West street; Richard Scully, No. 104 Wall street; John Kane, No. 9 West street; John Byrnes, No. 29 Washington street; John J. Glick, No. 103 Greenwich street; Tom Powers, No. 23 Thames street; Michael Burns, No. 23 Thames street; Michael Brown, No. 22 West street; John Gillis, No. 15 Thames street; Daniel McCarthy, No. 15 Thames street; John Dillon, No. 21 West street; Thomas O'Neil, No. 10 Washington street; Patrick O'Neil, No. 10 Washington street; Michael Finnerty, No. 12½ Washington street; Michael J. Doyle, No. 29 Washington street; Robert L. Alty, No. 37 Washington street; Nathan Levy, No. 5 Battery place; Michael Levy, No. 13 Broadway; John Ennis, No. 4 Greenwich street; Charles Offermann, No. 2 West street.

In connection herewith, Alderman Kennefick offered the following:

Resolved, That the Commissioners of the Park Department be and they are hereby respectfully requested to permit the individuals mentioned in the accompanying petition to play football on evenings in one of the squares or spaces in the Battery Park.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution. Which was decided in the affirmative.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM DEPARTMENTS AND CORPORATION OFFICERS.

The President laid before the Board the following communication from the Clerk of the Common Council:

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN, No. 8 CITY HALL, NEW YORK, December 1, 1896.
To the Honorable Board of Aldermen:

GENTLEMEN—I herewith transmit to you the accompanying letter of Philip Baer, Librarian of the City Library, touching the matter of books which have disappeared from his custody.

Yours, respectfully, WM. H. TEN EYCK, Clerk, Common Council.

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN, No. 8 CITY HALL, NEW YORK, December 1, 1896.
Hon. WILLIAM H. TEN EYCK, Clerk of the Common Council:

DEAR SIR—Since I communicated to you in relation to the two missing volumes of the Lexow Report, I have discovered that the remaining three volumes have been abstracted from the bookcase and laid aside for the ostensible purpose of removal. This view is strengthened by the fact that the space made vacant by the removal of the five volumes was filled by other books, so as to avoid the detection which an empty space would occasion.

Locks have been applied to the bookcases, but this is but partial protection, as numberless volumes are scattered about on the floors of Rooms 11 and 13. I beg to suggest that the provisions of the resolutions adopted by the Board of Aldermen, providing that the present entrance to the lavatory be closed and a new entrance be provided be complied with at once, as the present conditions occasion a too frequent use of the library by persons who do not visit it to consult books, etc.

I further recommend that the entrances to the library-room be reduced to one as contemplated by the said resolutions, and that the keyboard which is placed in the library be removed therefrom.

The necessity of hastening the work of completing the various rooms which will comprise the City Library is becoming more urgent daily.

Very truly, yours, PHILIP BAER, City Librarian.

Which was referred to the Committee on County Affairs.

The President laid before the Board the following communication from the Finance Department:

CITY OF NEW YORK—FINANCE DEPARTMENT, COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, November 21, 1896.

To the Honorable Board of Aldermen:

Weekly statement, showing the appropriations made under the authority contained in section 189, New York City Consolidation Act of 1882, for carrying on the Common Council from January 1 to December 31, 1896, both days inclusive, and of the payments made up to and including the date hereof, for and on account of each appropriation, and the amount of unexpended balances:

TITLES OF APPROPRIATIONS.	AMOUNT OF APPROPRIATIONS.	PAYMENTS.	AMOUNT OF UNEXPENDED BALANCES.
City Contingencies.....	\$2,000 00	\$776 40	\$1,223 60
Contingencies—Clerk of the Common Council.	500 00	226 86	273 14
Salaries—Common Council.....	86,300 00	71,914 40	14,385 60

WILLIAM J. LYON, Deputy Comptroller.

Which was ordered on file.

The President laid before the Board the following communication from the Police Department:

POLICE DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK, No. 300 MULBERRY STREET, NEW YORK, November 25, 1896. To the Honorable Board of Aldermen:

GENTLEMEN—At a meeting of the Board of Police, held this day, it was

Resolved, That the Mayor and Common Council be and are hereby respectfully requested to authorize and approve (as provided in section 254, chapter 410, Laws of 1882) of the location of a station-house, prison and stable on premises situated in the City of New York, at the corner of One Hundred and Thirty-eighth street and Alexander avenue, the Board of Police having agreed to lease the same by and with the assent of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund for and in behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, as a site for a station-house, prison and stable for a new precinct, to be formed from the present Thirty-third Precinct.

Very respectfully, WM. H. KIPP, Chief Clerk.

Which was referred to the Committee on Finance.

COMMUNICATIONS.

The President laid before the Board the following communication from John Hansis:

NEW YORK, November 30, 1896.

GENTLEMEN—I, the undersigned, John Hansis, respectfully beg to file in the office of the Clerk of the Board of Aldermen an application in conformity with an ordinance to regulate the use of sidewalk in the City of New York, under the stairs leading to the station of the elevated

railroads, stands for the sale of newspapers and periodicals, etc. I desire to erect a stand for this purpose underneath the stairs leading to the station of the Ninth Avenue Railroad at the northwest corner of Fiftieth street and Ninth avenue, as the stand has been in our family care for the last ten years.

If your Honorable Board does not approve of a stand being there, I should like to get a license so that I can place a table underneath the stairs at the above place.

If, however, there is any question, I would respectfully ask to be heard before the application is passed upon.

I reside at No. 570 Tenth avenue. I am an American citizen. If your Honorable Board should desire any further reference or particulars for the same I will furnish them without delay.

Yours, very respectfully, JOHN HANSIS.

Which was referred to Alderman Muh.

The President laid before the Board the following communication from the Board of Fire Underwriters:

NEW YORK BOARD OF FIRE UNDERWRITERS, MUTUAL LIFE BUILDING, No. 32 NASSAU STREET, NEW YORK, November 24, 1896. The Board of Aldermen, City of New York, City Hall, New York City:

GENTLEMEN—It is reported to this Board that the city railroad companies intend, at an early day, to make another effort to obtain from the authorities permission to use the overhead trolley system in this city below One Hundred and Thirty-fifth street.

In August, 1892, when this matter was agitated, the New York Board of Fire Underwriters protested by resolution against the introduction of the electric trolley system in this city, and directed a Special Committee to present their views to his Honor the Mayor, and in compliance with such instructions the Committee appeared before his Honor Mayor Grant, and subsequently before Mayor Gilroy, and presented, among other reasons, the following, why such permission should not be granted:

1st. Rules and regulations had been adopted by the Board of Electrical Control to the effect that all wires for electric light and power should be fully insulated, and the insulation maintained free from grounds on the entire circuits, and should the said insulation fall below a specified standard, that the current must be discontinued until insulation was fully restored.

2d. That the introduction of the trolley system would be a violation of the above-mentioned proper requirements, as the current necessary to operate the trolley system is obtained from contact with the bare wire conductors, and, as a rule, the trolley wires have ground connection and the current used is of great quantity and of voltage sufficient to be extremely dangerous, from a fire hazard standpoint, and also dangerous to human life.

3d. The City authorities have succeeded to a large extent in compelling all electric wires to be fully insulated and placed in conduits throughout our city, and the granting of privilege to erect trolley wires would introduce a system more dangerous and more unsightly than the other, that has to a large extent been removed.

4th. If permitted it would, in the opinion of this Board, greatly increase the number of fires caused by accidents from falling of electric-light, telephone, telegraph and other wires, on the trolley wires, carrying the dangerous current and causing fires in buildings distant from the railroad system, in that portion of our city where subways have not yet been provided and may not be for some time to come, and where all electric wires are still strung on poles. In such parts of our town, our entire Fire Department might be deprived of early notice of fires by the burning out of their alarm-boxes during a storm, when several fires are likely to occur at the same time.

The City authorities having adopted regulations which have removed some of the dangers caused by the indiscriminate stringing of improperly insulated wires, it would be unfair, after imposing these restrictions upon the electric-light companies, to permit the railroad companies to use a more dangerous form of electric conductor, with ground connection.

We would also call your attention to the recent report of Professor George W. Plympton, Commissioner of Electric Subways of the City of Brooklyn, of the very serious damage to water and gas-pipes in that city, in the vicinity of trolley currents, by electrolysis.

We therefore respectfully ask that this protest be filed and the same be given full consideration if application is made to your Honorable Board for permission mentioned.

Very respectfully yours, L. J. BEDDALL, President.

Which was referred to the Committee on Railroads.

The President laid before the Board the following communication from C. B. Smith:

ST. JAMES' PARISH, NEW YORK, No. 101 EAST SIXTY-NINTH STREET, November 25, 1896.

The President of the Board of Aldermen:

DEAR SIR—It will be gratifying to many citizens if the proposed law is passed keeping Fifth

avenue clear of wagons at driving hours. Yours respectfully, CORNELIUS B. SMITH.

Which was referred to the Committee on Streets.

The President laid before the Board the following communication from the Department of Public Works:

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS—COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, No. 150 NASSAU STREET, NEW YORK, November 24, 1896. Hon. JOHN JEROLOMAN, President Board of Aldermen:

DEAR SIR—I have the honor to report that resolution No. 1111 of the Board of Aldermen, requesting the Commissioner of Public Works to repair West Thirty-first street, 100 feet west of Tenth avenue, has been complied with.

Yours respectfully, HOWARD PAYSON WILDS, Deputy Commissioner of Public Works.

Which was ordered on file.

REPORTS.

(G. O. 1198.)

NEW YORK, December 1, 1896. To the Honorable Board of Aldermen:

On October 27 last this Board was served with injunction papers restraining it from acting on applications pending before it for permission to lay mains and pipes in this city for the supply of fuel gas to the residents thereof (see Journal, page 191).

On same date (see Journal, page 233) the following resolution was adopted:

"Resolved, That the order of Justice MacLean, and the papers therein which were served on the President of this Board and ordered to be received, laid over and printed, be and the same are hereby referred to the Committee on Lamps and Gas, who are hereby authorized to take such action as they deem proper in the premises."

Pursuant to the provisions of the foregoing resolution, the undersigned, the Committee on Lamps and Gas, requested the Counsel to the Corporation to appear in behalf of this Board, which he kindly and promptly assented to do.

We beg to report herewith that the restraint has been removed and the injunction dissolved. The alleged cause of complaint has been so decidedly unwarranted and so manifestly false, that we will not dignify it by comment, criticism or recommendation.

Believing a journal should show a record of the entire proceedings, we deem it wise to add to and make part of this report, copies of all official documents and papers in connection therewith.

As to the Consumers Fuel Gas, Heat and Power Company were made party to the case and made answer thereto, copies of the official papers presented by it are also hereto attached.

(Copy of injunction papers.)

"SUPREME COURT—NEW YORK COUNTY.

Henry C. Willcox, Plaintiff, against John Jeroloman, John P. Windolph, Nicholas T. Brown, William E. Burke, Thomas M. Campbell, William Clancy, Thomas F. Dwyer, Christian Goetz, Elias Goodman, Frank J. Goodwin, Joseph T. Hackett, Benjamin E. Hall, Jeremiah Kennefick, Francis J. Lantry, Frederick L. Marshall, Robert Muh, John J. Murphy, Andrew A. Noonan, John T. Oakley, John J. O'Brien, William M. K. Olcott, Charles A. Parker, Rufus R. Randall, Andrew Robinson, Joseph Schilling, Henry L. School, William Tait, Frederick A. Ware, Charles Wines, Collin H. Woodward and Jacob C. Wund, as and constituting the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York, Defendants.

It appearing to me by the verified complaint and the affidavit of Henry C. Willcox, hereto annexed, that the above-named defendants during the pendency of this action are about to commit an act in violation of the plaintiff's right and tending to render judgment herein ineffectual, namely, granting of the permission, right and franchise to the Consumers Fuel Gas, Heat and Power Company of New York to lay its mains and pipes in the streets, avenues and public places in the City of New York for a lesser compensation to the City than other persons have offered to pay for the same rights, and it appearing satisfactory to me from said verified complaint, and affidavit hereto annexed, that the plaintiff demands and is entitled to a judgment against the defendants and each of them, restraining them from committing waste of the funds of the property of the municipality of the City of New York, and that such action upon their part would produce injury to the plaintiff, now on said verified complaint and affidavit hereto annexed, let the defendants above named, and each of them, as and constituting the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York, show cause before a Justice of this Court, at Special Term, Part I, in the New York County Court-house, in the City of New York, on the 30th day of October, 1896, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon of that day, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard, why an order should not be made for said injunction as prayed for in the complaint, and why plaintiff should not have such other and further relief in the premises as may be just.

And, in the meantime, and until the return of said order to show cause and entry of an order upon the decision thereon; it is

Ordered, That the defendants, and each of them, as and constituting the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York, be and hereby are restrained and enjoined from granting to the Consumers Fuel Gas, Heat and Power Company, the right, privilege, license and franchise to lay mains and pipes in the streets, avenues and public places in the City of New York for a lesser return to the City of New York, than the compensation offered for the said right by other parties, and now pending before the said Board, and that the said defendants and each of them be and hereby are further enjoined and restrained from granting to any person the right, privilege and franchise of laying pipes and mains in the avenues, streets and highways, for supplying non-illuminating fuel gas until the further order of this Court. Copy of this order shall be served upon the other applicants for the said franchise.

Dated, NEW YORK, October 26, 1896.

CHS. F. MACLEAN, J., S. C.

SUPREME COURT—NEW YORK COUNTY.

Henry C. Willcox, Plaintiff, against John Jeroloman, John P. Windolph, Nicholas T. Brown, William E. Burke, Thomas M. Campbell, William Clancy, Thomas F. Dwyer, Christian Goetz, Elias Goodman, Frank J. Goodwin, Joseph T. Hackett, Benjamin E. Hall, Jeremiah Kennefick, Francis J. Lantry, Frederick L. Marshall, Robert Muh, John J. Murphy, Andrew A. Noonan, John T. Oakley, John J. O'Brien, William M. K. Olcott, Charles A. Parker, Rufus R. Randall, Andrew Robinson, Joseph Schilling, Henry L. School, William Tait, Frederick A. Ware, Charles Wines, Collin H. Woodward and Jacob C. Wund, as and constituting the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York, Defendants.

Trial desired in City and County of New York.

To the above-named Defendants and each of them:

You are hereby summoned to answer the complaint in this action, and to serve a copy of your answer on the plaintiff's attorney within twenty days after the service of this summons, exclusive of the day of service, and in case of your failure to appear, or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the complaint.

Dated, NEW YORK, October 26, 1896.

LAWRENCE, SEMPLE & CLARK, Attorneys for Plaintiff, Office and Post-office Address, No. 120 Broadway, New York City, N. Y.

SUPREME COURT—NEW YORK COUNTY.

Henry C. Willcox, Plaintiff, against John Jeroloman, John P. Windolph, Nicholas T. Brown, William E. Burke, Thomas M. Campbell, William Clancy, Thomas F. Dwyer, Christian Goetz, Elias Goodman, Frank J. Goodwin, Joseph T. Hackett, Benjamin E. Hall, Jeremiah Kennefick, Francis J. Lantry, Frederick L. Marshall, Robert Muh, John J. Murphy, Andrew A. Noonan, John T. Oakley, John J. O'Brien, William M. K. Olcott, Charles A. Parker, Rufus R. Randall, Andrew Robinson, Joseph Schilling, Henry L. School, William Tait, Frederick A. Ware, Charles Wines, Collin H. Woodward and Jacob C. Wund, as and constituting the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York, Defendants.

Plaintiff, by Lawrence, Semple & Clark, his attorneys, alleges:

First—That plaintiff is a citizen of the United States and of the State of New York, and for several years last past he has been, and now is a resident and freeholder of the City of New York, and his assessment in said city on real estate situate therein owned by him, amounts to more than one thousand dollars (\$1,000), and he is liable to pay taxes upon such assessment in the said city, and he has been assessed and has paid taxes in the said city on such assessment within one year previous to the commencement of this action, and he is informed and believes, that therefore and by virtue of the statute in such case made and provided, he has capacity and the right to maintain this action.

Second—That the individuals named in the caption of this action as defendants are Aldermen and constitute the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York.

Third—That, pursuant to the rules and regulations prescribed by the said Board of Aldermen of the City of New York, Joseph Schilling, Elias Goodman, Joseph T. Hackett, Andrew A. Noonan, and John J. O'Brien, members of the said Board, were duly appointed as a Committee on Lamps and Gas.

Fourth—That on or about May 19, 1896, an application to lay mains, pipes, etc., in the streets, avenues and highways of the City of New York, was received by the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York from the Consumers Fuel Gas, Heat and Power Company of New York, a corporation organized under the laws of the State of New York, which application was referred by the said Board of Aldermen of the City of New York to the aforesaid Committee on Lamps and Gas of the said Board.

Fifth—The said application of the aforesaid Consumers Fuel Gas, Heat and Power Company of New York was, in words, tenor and figures, as follows, to wit:

"To the Honorable Board of Aldermen of the City of New York:

"The petition of The Consumers Fuel Gas, Heat and Power Company of New York respectfully shows—

"First—That said company was duly incorporated on the 15th day of May, 1896, under and pursuant to the act of the Legislature of the City of New York, entitled 'The Business Corporations Act,' and the several acts amendatory thereof and supplementary thereto; that said company is now duly organized and is a valid and existing corporation, and a copy of the certificate of incorporation of said company is hereto annexed, marked 'A.'

"Second—That said company requests permission to lay its mains and pipes in the streets, avenues and public places in the City of New York, for the purpose of supplying non-illuminating fuel gas to the consumers thereof in said city.

"Third—That the said company stipulates as follows:

"1. That the manufactory or works for the purpose of producing and furnishing fuel gas shall be so constructed as not to be in any way detrimental to the public health or otherwise creating a nuisance.

"2. That, as regards purity, the fuel gas shall be free, within limits not injurious to the public health, from ammonia, sulphureted hydrogen and other sulphur and noxious compounds, and shall be of such odor as may in case of leakage make its presence as easily detected as is ordinary illuminating gas.

"3. That the fuel gas shall be supplied to all persons residing or doing business on the line or lines of the mains of said company, who may desire the same for domestic purposes at a rate not to exceed 50 cents per 1,000 cubic feet, and at reduced rates for manufacturing, industrial and other purposes.

"4. That the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York shall have the right to order the mains or pipes of the company to be extended in or along any of the streets or avenues of the city, provided the said company shall not be compelled to spend, in the laying of such pipes or mains, a yearly sum exceeding ten thousand dollars. The mains or pipes shall be laid so as not to interfere with the public sewers or sewer connections, or with the Croton mains or water connections which are now laid or may hereafter be laid in any of the streets, avenues or public places of the city.

"5. The said company shall be governed by the laws and ordinances of the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York and by such general rules and regulations as the Commissioner of Public Works, his successor or successors in office, may prescribe for the laying of pipes and mains and the proper protection and filling of the trenches or excavations, and for the taking up, replacing and repaving of the pavements, and shall also be governed by such general rules and regulations as the Rapid Transit Commissioners may prescribe for the opening of the streets on the lines of the proposed trenches.

"6. The said company, or its successor, shall commence to supply and distribute fuel gas within two years after the permission of the Board of Aldermen is granted.

"7. The meters of the said company shall be subject to the inspection, rules and regulations prescribed by law for all gas-meters used in the City of New York.

"8. The said company, its successor or successors, shall pay into the said Treasury the sum of twenty cents for each and every lineal foot of trench opened for its mains, such sum to be paid monthly and to be accompanied by a certificate from the Commissioner of Public Works to the effect that the sum paid is in full payment, at such rate, for all trenches for mains opened during the month for which each payment is made.

"9. The said company shall supply fuel gas to the public buildings of the City of New York situated along the line of its mains at not to exceed forty cents per 1,000 cubic feet.

"Dated NEW YORK, May 18, 1896.

"Respectfully submitted,

M. M. BELDING, President.

"Attest: ROB. WEBB MORGAN, Secretary."

Sixth—Accompanying the aforesaid application was a copy of the certificate of incorporation of the said Consumers Fuel Gas, Heat and Power Company of New York, to which plaintiff begs leave to refer and a certified copy of which will be produced upon the trial of this action.

Seventh—That on or about June 1, 1896, an application to lay mains, pipes, etc., in the streets, avenues and highways of the City of New York, was received by the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York from the New York Fuel Gas Company, a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of New York, which application was referred by the said Board of Aldermen of the City of New York to the aforesaid Committee on Lamps and Gas of the said Board.

Eighth—That the aforesaid application was, in words, tenor and figures, as follows, to wit:

"To the Honorable Board of Aldermen of the City of New York:

"The petition of the New York Fuel Gas Company respectfully shows—

"First—That said company was duly incorporated on the 20th day of June, 1896, under and pursuant to the act of the Legislature of the State of New York, entitled 'The Business Corporation Act,' and the several acts amendatory thereof and supplementary thereto; that said company is now duly organized and is a valid and existing corporation; that a copy of the certificate of incorporation of said company is hereto annexed, marked 'A.'

"Second—That said company requests permission to lay its mains and pipes in the streets, avenues and public places in the City of New York for the purpose of supplying non-illuminating fuel gas to the consumers thereof in said city.

"Third—That the said company stipulates as follows:

"That the manufactory or works for the purpose of producing and furnishing fuel gas shall be so constructed as not to be in any way detrimental to the public health, or otherwise create a nuisance.

"That the fuel gas to be supplied shall be free within the limits not injurious to the public health from ammonia, sulphureted hydrogen and other sulphur and noxious compounds, and shall be of such odor as may in case of leakage make its presence as easily detected as is ordinary illuminating gas.

"That the fuel gas shall be supplied to all persons residing or doing business on the line or lines of the mains of said company, who may desire the same for domestic purposes at a rate not to exceed forty cents per one thousand cubic feet, and at reduced rates for manufacturing, industrial and other purposes.

"The said company shall supply fuel gas to the public buildings of the City of New York, situated along the line of its mains at a price not to exceed forty cents per one thousand cubic feet.

"That the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York shall have the right to order the mains or pipes of the company to be extended in or along any of the streets or avenues of the city, provided the said company shall not be compelled to spend in the laying of such pipes or mains a yearly sum exceeding twenty-five thousand dollars. The mains or pipes shall be laid so as not to interfere with the public sewers or sewer connections or with the Croton mains or water connections which are now laid or may hereafter be laid in any of the streets, avenues or public places of the city.

"The said company shall be governed by the laws and ordinances of the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York, and by such general rules and regulations as the Commissioner of Public Works, his successor or successors in office, may prescribe for the laying of pipes and mains and the proper protection and filling of the trenches or excavations and for the taking up, replacing and repaving of the pavements, and shall also be governed by such general rules and regulations as the Rapid Transit Commissioners may prescribe for the opening of the streets on the lines of the proposed tunnels.

"The said company, or its successor, shall commence to supply and distribute fuel gas within two years after the permission of the Board of Aldermen is granted.

"The meters of the said company shall be subject to the inspection, rules and regulations prescribed by law for all gas meters used in the City of New York.

"The said company, its successor or successors, shall pay into the City Treasury the sum of thirty cents for each and every lineal foot of trench opened for its mains. Such sum to be paid monthly and to be accompanied by a certificate from the Commissioner of Public Works to the effect that the sum paid is in full payment at such rate for all trenches for mains opened during the month for which each payment is made.

"The said company will furnish a bond in such form and amount as the authorities may demand for the faithful performance of all the conditions herein stipulated.

"Respectfully submitted."

Ninth—The aforesaid defendants, as and constituting the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York, being in doubt as to their power as such Board to legally grant the right, privilege, license, franchise, property, funds, effects or estate of the City of New York, asked for as aforesaid by the Consumers Fuel Gas, Heat and Power Company, and the New York Fuel Gas Company, submitted the said question to the Counsel to the Corporation of the City of New York, requesting his opinion as to the powers of the said Board of Aldermen in the premises.

Tenth—To the request as aforesaid the Counsel to the Corporation replied as follows, to wit:

"LAW DEPARTMENT—OFFICE OF THE COUNSEL TO THE CORPORATION, NEW YORK,

September 3, 1896. To the Honorable Board of Aldermen:

"GENTLEMEN—I have to acknowledge the receipt of a request for an opinion, dated the 8th day of June, 1896, as to the power of your Body to grant an application of the Consumers Fuel Gas, Heat and Power Company for the right to lay mains and pipes in the city.

"With the request for an opinion was inclosed the certificate of incorporation of the company and a brief by its counsel.

"I have given this matter careful consideration and find it to be a question which is involved in a great deal of doubt. The grant applied for is one of an extraordinary and a very sweeping nature, contemplating as it does the tearing up, at the option of the petitioner, of every street in the city, upon which, as you are aware, a vast amount of money has been expended for paving purposes during the past few years; and unless the Legislature has very clearly imposed upon you the right to grant a franchise of this character, it would manifestly be improper for you to undertake to exercise it.

"An examination of the statute convinces me that it is by no means clear that the Legislature has invested you with the power to grant the permission asked for.

"A solution of this question depends upon the construction to be given to subdivision 5 of section 86 of the Consolidation Act.

"This section, as it exists to-day, reads as follows:

"Sec. 86. The common council shall have power to make ordinances, not inconsistent with law and the constitution of this state, and with such penalties as are provided in the last section, in the matters and for the purposes following, in addition to other powers elsewhere especially granted, namely:

"5. To regulate the opening of street surfaces, the laying of gas and water mains, the building and repairing of sewers, and the erecting of gas-lights. Provided, however, it shall not be lawful after the passage of this act for any person or corporation to lay any pipes or mains in or under any of the streets of the city of New York, or to open the pavement of any such streets for the purpose of laying any pipes or mains for conducting therein any illuminating gas or steam or other fluids, excepting salt water, nor shall it be lawful for the common council of said city, or any board or officer of said city, to grant any license or permission to lay any such pipes or mains, or to open the streets or pavements therefor, unless two-thirds in number of the owners of the real estate fronting on that part of the street in which pipes or mains are to be laid, or to which such license or permission relates, who shall also be the owners of two-thirds in extent of the front feet of such part of such street shall have petitioned the common council in favor thereof, in writing, proved or acknowledged in the manner required by law for the proof or acknowledgment of deeds to be recorded, and not then until such person or corporation has actually demonstrated the practical success of the principle involved in developing the enterprise in some other city for at least one year. Nothing in this subdivision shall apply to or shall affect or impair the right to lay such pipes and mains in the streets, avenues, and public places of said city, heretofore conferred or intended to be conferred upon any corporation, by the mayor, the comptroller and the commissioner of public works, acting under and in conformity with the resolution of the common council, adopted and approved in the month of December, eighteen hundred and seventy-six; and any and all grants made by such officers under and pursuant to said resolution, prior to April twenty-first, eighteen hundred and eighty-three, are hereby in all respects ratified and confirmed.

"Nothing shall be construed to be a fluid within the meaning of said subdivision except illuminating gas, water when intended for purposes other than hydraulic or hydrostatic purposes, steam and oil. Any resolution or ordinance heretofore passed by the aldermen and approved by the mayor authorizing any person or corporation to lay pipes for the transmission of any other fluid than as in this section specified is hereby in all respects ratified and confirmed."

"The clause in question, subdivision 5, above quoted, as it originally stood, ended before the proviso which was inserted by amending acts, and it therefore read as a grant of power 'to regulate the opening of street surfaces, the laying of gas and water mains, the building and repairing of sewers, and the erecting of gas-lights.'

"The restrictions contained in the proviso, it is conceded, would have made it necessary, even in the case of an application for permission to lay mains for the transmission of a non-illuminating gas, to obtain the consent of property-owners before any franchise could be granted by your Body.

"The counsel for the company applying for the privilege in question, however, insists that the effect of the last paragraph of the subdivision above quoted, defining the signification of fluid within the meaning of said subdivision and making it refer to illuminating gas, to water when intended for purposes other than hydraulic or hydrostatic, and to steam and oil, is to limit the proviso and the restriction which it contains to the fluid specified, and to leave the power of your Body to act upon this question to be determined by the subdivision as it originally stood without the proviso and without any restriction upon any authority which such amended words may be held to give.

"In this construction of the practical effect of the amendment contained in the last paragraph of the above quoted subdivision, which was added by chapter 710 of the Laws of 1893, I am disposed to concur.

"The question, therefore, left for determination is as to whether or not the words 'to regulate the opening of street surfaces, the laying of gas and water mains, the building and repairing of sewers and the erecting of gas-lights' are broad enough to authorize you to pass a resolution conceding to this company the privilege of opening all the street surfaces in this city for the purpose of laying mains for the conduct of a non-illuminating gas.

"Did the Legislature, when it made the enactment in question, mean by the use of the word gas-mains refer only to what was then generally understood to be illuminating gas, or did it intend that that word should have a signification broad enough to authorize the use of the public streets without compensation by any corporation that might be organized for the purpose of distributing a gas or fluid for fuel, or any other purpose, except that of illumination?

"It does not seem to me to be so clear that it had this purpose in view as to justify you in assuming any authority in the premises.

"In no other part of the State, so far as I am advised, has any local body authority to grant to corporations now organized under any of our general laws the power to lay down pipes for such a purpose, except with the consent of abutting owners. It would seem that the Legislature, had it intended to make the exceptional grant to the local authorities in this city to do what might not be done elsewhere in other cities and towns of the State, would have used words which would have

left no doubt that the transmission of a gas or fluid for other than illuminating purposes was contemplated.

"I therefore advise you that the Legislature has not invested you with the power to grant the application which has been made to you, and which is the subject of the communication above referred to. Yours, very truly, FRANCIS M. SCOTT, Counsel to the Corporation."

Eleventh—That thereafter and on or about October 5, 1896, a petition was duly presented to the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York in words, tenor and figures as follows, to wit:

PETITIONS.

By Alderman Parker—

To the Honorable Board of Aldermen of the City of New York:

Application is hereby made on behalf of the Metropolitan Fuel Gas Company of the City of New York for the right, franchise, privilege, permission and consent to lay mains and pipes in and through the streets, highways, alleys, avenues and public places in the City of New York, for the purpose of conducting and supplying non-illuminating fuel gas, to public and private buildings in the said city, and to make the necessary excavations for the purpose of laying such mains and pipes and keeping the same in repair, and making necessary alterations as may be from time to time required, which right, franchise, privilege, permission and consent is to be granted and accepted on the following terms and conditions; and it is expressly stipulated by the said company, as follows:

First—That in the laying of said pipes and mains, and in the repair and alteration thereof, no sewer-pipe, gas-pipe, water-pipe or drain, or connections thereof shall be in any way injured, tapped or interfered with by the said company.

Second—That in the laying of said pipes and mains, and in the repair and alteration thereof any and all pavements, walks, curb-stones, streets, highways, alleys and squares, or any part thereof which may be injured, disturbed, displaced or in any manner interfered with, shall be replaced, repaired and restored to the same condition as before the laying, repair or alteration of said pipes and mains, in a proper, suitable and sufficient manner, promptly and without unreasonable delay, under the direction and subject to the approval of the Commissioner of Public Works of the City of New York, his successor or successors in office, and that the said company shall be governed by such laws and ordinances as the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York may have enacted or shall hereafter enact, and also by such general rules and regulations as may be prescribed by the Commissioner of Public Works, his successor or successors in office, and by the general rules and regulations of the Rapid Transit Commissioners, which may be prescribed from time to time for the opening of streets in the line of proposed tunnels.

Third—That no pipes or mains shall be laid under any sidewalk in the said City of New York by the said company, without its having previously written permission therefor from the owner of the property fronting upon such sidewalk.

Fourth—That the said company, its successors or assigns, shall protect, indemnify and forever save harmless, the said City of New York from any and all claims, demands, actions, cause or causes of action, damages, costs, losses, expenses, debts or obligations which may at any time be made, incurred, suffered or allowed on account of, or in any manner whatsoever arising from the right, privilege, grant and franchise hereby applied for, or from any excavations or other works in any of the streets, alleys, common squares or places aforesaid at any time, or for any purpose, or from the operations of the said company in any manner, and from any cause or causes arising from any act or omission of the said company, its successors, agents or representatives, and that the said City of New York shall not incur by reason of the granting of said right, franchise or privilege, any liability or obligation whatsoever to the said company or to its successors or assigns upon or on account of any damages to its pipes, mains, plant or property, whether the same shall be occasioned by any neglect of the said city, its officers, agents or employees, or by any neglect of repairing the streets, or any interruption in the supply of gas, heat or power occasioned by any accident in repairs to or improvements on any of the streets, highways, squares, alleys and public places of the said city, or by any other cause or causes whatsoever.

Fifth—That the said company shall erect and construct works and shall lay pipes and mains with necessary connections and appliances, sufficient for the purpose of producing, furnishing and supplying fuel gas, for the purpose of heating, domestic and mechanical purposes, to all consumers thereof within the said city, which plant, manufactory or works shall be so constructed and located as not to be in any way injurious to the public health or to create or maintain a public nuisance.

Sixth—That the said company shall furnish and supply fuel gas free, within limits not injurious to the public health, from ammonia, sulphureted hydrogen and other sulphur, injurious and noxious compounds, which gas shall be of such odor, that the same may, in cases of leakage or escape, be as easily detected as the ordinary illuminating gas now in use in the City of New York, and the said company shall at all times furnish, supply and use all the most modern and improved appliances and apparatus for the discovery of and protection against escaping gas, and for the prevention of injury and damages which may be liable to result from the use and operation of the said plant and the manufacture and supply of said gas.

Seventh—That the said company shall furnish and supply to all consumers located or doing business upon the lines of the said company's mains, who may desire the same for domestic purposes at a rate not to exceed fifty cents per one thousand cubic feet, and not to exceed twenty-five cents per thousand cubic feet, for manufacturing, industrial and other purposes, and the said company shall furnish and supply fuel gas to any and all public buildings of the City of New York, located upon or along the lines of its mains or pipes, at a price not to exceed twenty-five cents per 1,000 cubic feet.

Eighth—That the said company shall begin operations within six months from the granting of the franchise hereby applied for, and commence the supply and distribution of fuel gas within one year from the time of granting such permission.

Ninth—That any consumer of fuel gas within the City of New York may require gas to be furnished by meter measurements and not by schedule rates, and the said company shall be obliged, upon the application of any consumer, to furnish and set in place without extra charge, such meter or meters as may be required, and shall be entitled to charge therefor an annual rent of \$3 for each meter, payable in advance.

Tenth—That said company, its successors or assigns, shall be required or compelled to furnish fuel gas to all applicants whenever required, upon the terms and conditions herein set forth.

Eleventh—That the gas furnished for the purposes of heating shall be equal to 700 heat units at all times.

Twelfth—That upon the granting of the franchise, right, privilege and permission hereby applied for, by the Common Council of the City of New York, the said company shall pay into the Treasury of the said city the sum of \$100,000 in gold coin of the present standard of weight and fineness, in return for the granting thereof, and shall, after the first five years of its operations, thereafter pay into the Treasury of the said city three and one-half per cent. of the net profits of its said business for the preceding year, upon the first business day of the month of January in each and every year, and shall furnish and supply to the proper officers of said city a proper balance sheet or statement of its operations and earnings and shall allow the same to be verified by a proper inspection of its regular books of account, kept in the due course of its business.

Thirteenth—That the said company shall furnish a bond in the sum of \$500,000, executed by a responsible surety company in such form and manner as may be prescribed and approved by the authorities of said city, that it will faithfully keep and perform each of the conditions, stipulations and obligations herein expressed or provided for, and that it will commence operations as aforesaid.

Fourteenth—That the Common Council of said city shall at all times have the privilege of inspecting any and all machinery, pipes, appliances and meters of the said company, pursuant to such rules and regulations as may be prescribed by the Common Council of the said city for the inspection thereof.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Dated New York, October 5, 1896.

THE METROPOLITAN FUEL GAS COMPANY, by JAMES JACKSON, General Manager.

Which was referred to the Committee on Lamps and Gas.

Twelfth—Plaintiff is informed and believes that the offer of compensation contained in the foregoing affidavit was not made in good faith and that the said Metropolitan Fuel Gas Company has no corporate existence.

Thirteenth—That thereafter and on or about October 13, 1896, the aforesaid Committee on Lamps and Gas reported to the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York, as follows, to wit:

Your Committee has given full weight to its obligation to recognize and be influenced, if not directed, by the opinion of the legal adviser of the city. In doing so, however, we have felt that the importance of the vital question involved would justify us in paying due regard to the opposing view of eminent counsel. That vital question, which involves the rights, powers and prerogatives of the Board of Aldermen, has agitated the minds of all our members, and has occasioned considerable discussion at times, when vast interests were affected.

On April 30, 1895, the Board adopted the following resolution (see page 192):

"Whereas, There seems to exist wide difference of opinion regarding the powers of the Board of Aldermen to grant permission for the use of the streets and sidewalks for private or public uses; and

"Whereas, Many resolutions adopted by the Board granting privileges for the use of streets and sidewalks are returned by his Honor the Mayor, without approval, because they are in conflict with or in violation of existing law; therefore

"Resolved, That the Committee on Law Department be and they are hereby instructed to make a careful and thorough examination of all the laws, statutes, ordinances, etc., which define the powers of or permit the Board of Aldermen to grant privileges for the use of the streets and sidewalks to private use or for public purposes, and to present at an early date a full and comprehensive report on the subject."

Subsequent thereto the question of our powers has been prominently brought before the Board in various ways, and our Journal will show on many of its pages an evident desire to have this mooted question finally and satisfactorily settled by the Courts. That opportunity seems now to present itself. We would under no consideration advocate or favor any action on the part of this

Board that would force an issue in the Courts as to our powers, except as in this case, because we feel that we have the right to grant the application before us, and that the application deserves affirmative action on our part. We earnestly believe this from a careful study of the various opinions presented herewith.

We take this position with due respect to our Corporation Counsel, and largely because he himself admits that, "after giving the matter careful consideration," he "finds it to be a question which is involved in a great deal of doubt."

Our conclusion to report favorably upon the petition of the company to lay mains, pipes, etc., is based on the grounds hereinafter set forth, we realizing the fact that, unless it is established that the Board has the power to grant the said petition, whatever affirmative action may be had becomes null and void; and, on the other hand, if we have the power the city and its citizens will be materially benefited thereby. In arriving at our conclusion, the following points have been taken into full consideration:

1st. Will the public receive sufficient benefit to justify permission to tear up our streets?

2d. Is the price per 1,000 cubic feet sufficiently low to allow a new company to lay mains and compete against other gas corporations?

3d. If the public will be benefited, is there ample compensation offered to the City for the great privilege to be accorded to the company, notwithstanding the advantages to the people?

4th. Are the conditions mentioned in the application ample for the protection of all interests, and should not special restrictions be insisted upon?

5th. What effect on our action should the two applications have for like privileges recently received from other companies, and to what extent ought those applications stay proceedings in this matter?

As to Query No. 1, we feel that the benefits accruing to our people by an opportunity to secure the great advantages of gas for fuel, heat and power, are of sufficient potency to warrant our conclusion.

Aside from the convenience, the cleanliness, etc., is the great boon of low price. Our streets belong to the people, and the people are willing, beyond all doubt, to suffer some inconvenience by the tearing up of streets, for the benefits to be ultimately derived therefrom. Our streets are continuously being opened for various causes, and to object to an additional cause, where special and important advantages to all the people—and especially the poorer classes—are offered, seems to us unwarranted. The extent of this work can be regulated so that traffic be not retarded, or injurious effects of any kind be not felt beyond a very minimized degree.

As to the second point, we feel that the rate is so far below the price of gas now used for fuel, heat and power as to justify the competition created. We remember the act of the Legislature (which became necessary) that forced gas companies to reduce their price to \$1.25 per thousand cubic feet, and we ought not now be influenced by any statement which promises reduction, after others have entered the field, because anyone comes forward with an offer to lower the figure which has for years remained unalterably high. If competition will force prices down, then by all means let us have it.

The third query is one which is difficult to answer. We believe the privilege to open our streets for the purpose of private gain to any corporation is so very valuable that the City should demand and receive adequate compensation. How to reach an equitable and just decision on that point is a difficult problem. We have considered it in all its phases, and feel that our exactions are not too severe, yet ample under all circumstances.

Fourth—The conditions mentioned in the application are, in our opinion, insufficient, and we have accordingly provided stipulations and restrictions which this Board ought exact and the company should readily acquiesce in.

To the last question we answer that our duty lies clearly in the direction of favoring the first petitioner. We see no reason whatever for a stay of proceedings. It would be decidedly unjust to allow any company to rob the first applicant of its rights because of loss of time in reporting on its petition. The Committee have been unable to report on account of unavoidable delay on the part of the Counsel to the Corporation to furnish the opinion asked for. These two new corporations have sprung into existence evidently for the purpose of taking advantage of the enterprise, business judgments, etc., evinced by the first applicant, and it may not be entirely amiss to suggest that probably some existing gas corporation or corporations are endeavoring to stem the tide of competition against them. It has been noticed in the public press recently that a consolidation of all the various gas companies in this city is contemplated, and the power of such combination to oppose new enterprises can be readily appreciated.

We offer the following:

Resolved, That the Consumers Fuel Gas, Heat and Power Company of New York, duly incorporated on the 15th day of May, 1896, under and in pursuance to the act of the Legislature of the State of New York, entitled "The Business Corporations Act," and the several acts amendatory thereof and supplementary thereto be and the same is hereby granted permission to lay its mains and pipes in the streets, avenues and public places in the City of New York for the purpose of supplying non-illuminating fuel gas to the consumers thereof in said city.

Resolved, That the permission to lay mains and pipes as aforesaid is granted by the Commonality of the City of New York on the following conditions and stipulations, to wit:

1st. That the manufactory or works for the purpose of producing and furnishing fuel gas shall be constructed, erected and maintained so as not to be in any way detrimental to the public health or otherwise create a nuisance, and the construction, erection and maintenance thereof shall be under the direction of the Health Department as well as the Building Department of the city.

2d. That as regards purity, the fuel gas shall be free within limits not injurious to the public health from ammonia, sulphureted hydrogen and other sulphur and noxious compounds, and shall be of such odor as may, in case of leakage, make its presence as easily detected as is ordinary illuminating gas; subject to such rules and regulations as the Board of Health may direct.

3d. That the fuel gas shall be supplied to all persons residing or doing business on the line or lines of the mains of said company, who may desire the same for domestic purposes, at a rate not to exceed forty (40) cents per 1,000 cubic feet, and at reduced rates for manufacturing, industrial and other purposes.

4th. That the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York shall have the right to order the mains and pipes of the company to be extended in or along any of the streets, avenues or highways of the city; provided, the said company shall not be compelled to expend in the laying of such mains or pipes a yearly sum exceeding twenty-five thousand dollars.

The mains and pipes shall be laid so as not to interfere with the public sewers or sewer connections, or with the Croton mains or water connections which are now laid in any of the streets, avenues or public places of the city; the said mains and pipes when laid, to be so laid under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, or the Commissioner of Street Improvements of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, according to the jurisdiction of the respective Commissioners.

5th. The said company shall be governed by the laws and ordinances of the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York and by such general rules and regulations as the Commissioner of Public Works and the Commissioner of Street Improvements of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, respectively, their successor or successors in office, may prescribe for the laying of the mains and pipes and the proper protection and filling of the trenches or excavations and for the taking up, replacing and repairing of the pavements, and shall also be governed by such general rules and regulations as the Rapid Transit Commissioners may prescribe for the opening of the streets on the lines of the proposed tunnels.

6th. The said company or its successor shall commence to supply and distribute fuel gas within one year after permission of the Board of Aldermen is granted and the said grant has been pronounced by proper authorities valid and in full force and effect.

7th. The meters of the said company shall be subject to the inspection, rules and regulations prescribed by law for all gas-meters used in the City of New York.

8th. The said company, its successor or successors, shall pay into the City Treasury the sum of twenty cents for each and every lineal foot of trench opened for its mains; such sum to be paid monthly and to be accompanied by a certificate from the Commissioner of Public Works or the Commissioner of Street Improvements of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, or their successor or successors, to the effect that the sum paid is in full payment, at such rate, for all trenches for mains opened during the month for which each payment is made.

9th. For a faithful discharge of every duty and obligation the said company shall, ere proceeding with its work to lay mains or pipes, execute and deliver a bond with satisfactory sureties, to the Commonality of the City of New York; the said bond to be in amount such as the Comptroller may designate and in all other respects subject to the approval of said Comptroller.

10th. The said company or its successors shall not and is not permitted to consolidate with any other company or corporation for a period of at least ten years.

11th. The said company or its successors shall supply fuel gas to the public buildings of the City of New York situated along the line of its mains at not to exceed twenty-five (25) cents per 1,000 cubic feet.

JOSEPH SCHILLING, ELIAS GOODMAN, JOSEPH T. HACKETT, ANDREW A. NOONAN, JOHN J. O'BRIEN, Committee on Lamps and Gas.

Which was laid over.

Fourteenth—That thereafter and on or about October 19, 1896, an amended petition, together with a letter from Henry D. Macdona, was duly and legally presented to the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York, and was referred to the Committee on Streets of the said Board. The said petition was, in words, tenor and figures, as follows:

To the Honorable Board of Aldermen of the City of New York and the Committee on Streets of the Honorable Board of Aldermen of the City of New York:

The amended petition of the New York Fuel Gas Company respectfully shows:

1st. That said company was duly incorporated on the 20th day of June, 1896, under and pursuant to the act of the Legislature of the State of New York, entitled "The Business Corporation Act," and the several acts amendatory thereof and supplementary thereto; that said company is

now duly organized and is a valid and existing corporation; that a copy of the certificate of incorporation of said company is attached to the original certificate now in the Committee's hands.

2d. That the said company requests permission to lay its mains and pipes in the streets, avenues and public places in the City of New York, for the purpose of supplying non-illuminating fuel gas to the consumers thereof in said city.

3d. That the company stipulates as follows:

That the manufactory or works for the purpose of producing and furnishing fuel gas shall be constructed, erected and maintained so as not to be in any way detrimental to the public health, or otherwise create a nuisance, and the construction, erection and maintenance thereof shall be under the direction of the Health Department as well as the Building Department of the city.

That, as regards purity, the fuel shall be free, within limits not injurious to public health, from ammonia, sulphuretic hydrogen, and other sulphur and noxious compounds, and shall be of such odor as may, in case of leakage, make its presence as easily detected as is ordinary illuminating gas, subject to such rules and regulations as the Board of Health may direct.

That the fuel gas shall be supplied to all persons residing or doing business on the line or lines of the mains of said company who may desire the same for domestic purposes, at a rate not to exceed forty (40) cents per one thousand cubic feet, and at reduced rates for manufacturing, industrial and other purposes.

That the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York shall have the right to order the mains and pipes of the company to be extended in or along any of the streets, avenues or highways of the city; provided the said company shall not be compelled to expend in the laying of such mains or pipes a yearly sum exceeding twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000).

The mains and pipes shall be laid so as not to interfere with the public sewers or sewer connections, or with the Croton mains or water connections, which are now laid in any of the streets, avenues or public places of the city; the said mains and pipes when laid, to be so laid under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, or the Commissioner of Street Improvements of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, according to the jurisdiction of the respective commissioners.

The said company shall be governed by the laws and regulations of the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York, and by such general rules and regulations as the Commissioner of Public Works and the Commissioner of Street Improvements of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, respectively, their successors or successors in office, may prescribe for the laying of mains and pipes, and the proper protection and filling of the trenches, or excavations, and for the taking up, replacing and repairing of the pavements, and shall also be governed by such general rules and regulations as the Rapid Transit Commissioners may prescribe for the opening of the streets on the lines of the proposed tunnels.

The said company or its successors shall commence to supply and distribute fuel gas within one year after the permission of the Board of Aldermen is granted, and the said grant has been pronounced by proper authorities valid and in full force and effect.

The meters of the said company shall be subject to the inspection, rules and regulations prescribed by law for all gas-meters used in the City of New York.

The said company upon the granting of this license shall pay into the City Treasury the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000), and said company, its successor or successors, shall pay into the City Treasury the sum of twenty (20) cents for each and every lineal foot of trench open for its mains; such sum to be paid monthly and to be accompanied by a certificate from the Commissioner of Public Works, or the Commissioner of Street Improvements of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, or their successor or successors, to the effect that the sum paid is in full payment, at such rate, for all trenches or mains open during the months for which each pavement made.

For a faithful discharge of every duty and obligation the said company shall, before proceeding with its work to lay mains or pipes, execute and deliver a bond with satisfactory sureties to the Commonalty of the City of New York; the said bond to be in amount such as the Comptroller may designate, and in all other respects subject to the approval of the said Comptroller.

The said company, or its successors, shall not and is not permitted to consolidate with any other company or corporation for a period of at least ten years.

The said company, or its successors, shall supply fuel gas to the public buildings of the City of New York situated along the lines of its mains, at not to exceed twenty-five (25) cents per one thousand (1,000) cubic feet.

Respectfully submitted,

NEW YORK FUEL GAS COMPANY, by R. A. C. SMITH, President. [L. S.]

Dated, NEW YORK, October 19, 1896.

OCTOBER 19, 1896. To the Committee on Streets of the Honorable the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York:

GENTLEMEN—As counsel for the New York Fuel Gas Company, which has pending before you an application for permission to supply fuel gas in the City and County of New York, I respectfully ask to substitute for said application the one herewith submitted, which, you will observe, conforms in every word and particular with the resolution favorably reported by the Committee on Lamps and Gas on a similar application of another corporation, except in the important detail of compensation to the City.

In the pending resolution it is proposed to grant this permit for and in consideration of the sum of twenty cents (20) per lineal foot of trench opened.

Our amended application, in addition to this amount, proposes to pay into the City Treasury the sum of ten thousand (10,000) dollars for the permit. In order that there may be no question about the genuineness of this offer, I have handed to your Chairman, with this letter, a certificate of deposit for the sum of ten thousand (10,000) dollars, made by Mr. R. A. C. Smith, President of the New York Fuel Gas Company, in the Fulton and Market National Bank, payable to the order of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York for the purpose specified.

I am aware there is pending before the Committee on Lamps and Gas, and not yet acted on, an ostensible offer from an alleged corporation to pay one hundred thousand (100,000) dollars for the privilege the New York Fuel Gas Company seeks, but I call your attention to the fact that it is not even pretended in the petition making the offer that the concern is an incorporated body, capable of receiving or exercising a franchise under the laws of this State. A glance at the petition shows that it is now signed by a responsible officer; that it does not state that the company has been duly organized; and a search of the records of the County Clerk's office of this county reveals the fact that no such company has been recently incorporated.

I wish to call your attention to the fact that, in the official printed record of the proceedings of the last meeting of your Honorable Board, reference is made (by way of argument against the application of the company I represent) to the priority of the Consumers Fuel Gas, Heat and Power Company's application. The records of the County Clerk show that the certificate of incorporation of the Consumers Fuel Gas, Heat and Power Company was filed on the 18th day of May, 1896, and that of the New York Fuel Gas Company on June 22, 1896.

Surely, a trifling discrepancy of thirty-four (34) days in the ages or applications of two corporations applying for a public franchise will not weigh, other things being equal, in an enlightened legislative body against a substantial money offer for the benefit of the citizens and taxpayers therein represented.

I most respectfully request (since one of the Standing Committees of your Honorable Body has decided, after a public hearing and long deliberation, that the people of this city should have the benefit of cheap fuel gas and has so reported) that our application, which is now identical with the one before the Board, except in the particular of compensation, be reported as speedily as possible, in order that the conscience of your Honorable Body may be enlightened as to the value of the franchise, and that it may have an opportunity to consider the whole subject at the public meeting to-morrow.

Respectfully yours, HENRY D. MACDONA.

Fifteenth—That thereafter the Committee on Streets of the said Board of Aldermen reported upon the said petition that, having given the subject careful consideration, it finds that the Committee on Lamps and Gas held a public hearing on a similar petition and are therefore more familiar with the subject, and they therefore recommended that the said petition, together with an amended petition and communication from the said company hereto annexed, be referred to the Committee on Lamps and Gas.

Sixteenth—That the petitions of the Consumers Fuel Gas, Heat and Power Company of New York and the New York Fuel Gas Company are now before the Board of Aldermen, and each of the said companies request the right, privilege and license to lay mains, pipes, etc., in the streets, avenues and highways of the City of New York. As compensation to the City for the aforesaid rights and property the Consumers Fuel Gas, Heat and Power Company of New York offers to pay to the City the sum of twenty cents for each and every lineal foot of trench opened for its mains. The New York Fuel Gas Company makes the identical offer to the City, except in the important element of compensation to the City. The said company offers to pay into the City Treasury the sum of ten thousand dollars in cash upon the granting of the permit, in addition to the payment to the City of twenty cents for each lineal foot of trench laid. The Metropolitan Fuel Gas Company, by James Jackson, General Manager, offers to pay into the City Treasury the sum of one hundred thousand dollars in return for the granting of the identical franchise, right, privilege and permission above referred to.

Seventeenth—That the Committee on Lamps and Gas has recommended to the Board of Aldermen that the Consumers Fuel Gas, Heat and Power Company of New York be granted permission to lay its mains and pipes in the streets, avenues and public places in the City of New York for the purpose of supplying non-illuminating fuel gas to the consumers thereof in said city.

Eighteenth—Plaintiff further alleges, upon information and belief, that a majority of the said Board of Aldermen of the City of New York illegally, combining and confederating together, wrongfully and wilfully, fraudulently, collusively and in bad faith in violation of their official duties to the City of New York and the taxpayers thereof, and in waste of the property, funds, effects and estate of the City solely in order to favor the Consumers Fuel Gas, Heat and Power Company and fraudulently colluding with such company with intent to cheat and defraud said city out of the real value of the right, privilege, license or permission to lay mains and pipes in the streets, avenues and public places in the City of New York for the purpose of supplying non-illuminating fuel gas,

intend at the meeting of the said Board, to be held on Tuesday, October 27, 1896, to grant the aforesaid right, privilege and permission to the Consumers Fuel Gas, Heat and Power Company upon the terms and conditions contained in the resolution of the Committee on Lamps and Gas heretofore set forth.

Nineteenth—That the aforesaid fraudulent and illegal act of the said Board will prevent the realization by the City of the sum of ten thousand dollars, which could be realized if the said permit and right were granted to the New York Fuel Gas Company, and which offer plaintiff is informed and believes is made in perfect good faith and is evidenced by the certificate of deposit for ten thousand dollars, payable to the order of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, which has been delivered to Collin H. Woodward, Chairman of the Committee on Streets of the said Board of Aldermen.

Plaintiff further alleges that the aforesaid action of a majority of the said Board of Aldermen would prevent the realization by the City of the sum of one hundred thousand dollars, which it would realize if the offer of the Metropolitan Fuel Gas Company was accepted.

Twentieth—That the right, privilege, franchise or permission to lay mains and pipes in the streets, avenues and public places in the City of New York, for the purpose of supplying non-illuminating fuel gas to the consumers thereof in said city is very valuable, and the city should demand and receive the highest bona-fide adequate compensation offered for the said right and that the granting of the said privilege to the Consumers Fuel Gas, Heat and Power Company upon the terms proposed would be illegal, fraudulent and a waste of the public funds of the municipality.

Wherefore, Plaintiff prays that this Court will adjudge and decree that the granting of the right, privilege and license to lay pipes and mains in the streets, avenues and highways of the City of New York, for the purpose of supplying to consumers non-illuminating fuel gas to the Consumers Fuel Gas, Heat and Power Company for a lesser sum and lesser compensation than is offered by other responsible parties for the same right upon the same terms is a waste of the property rights of the municipality of the City of New York and would be illegal and void.

Plaintiff further prays that an injunction issue during the pendency of this action, enjoining and restraining the aforesaid defendants, and each of them, as and constituting the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York, from granting to the Consumers Fuel Gas, Heat and Power Company the right, privilege and franchise of laying the pipes and mains in the streets, highways and avenues of the City of New York for a lesser return and compensation than is now actually offered by other bona-fide and responsible applicants for the said privilege.

And that this Court will further adjudge and decree such action on the part of the defendants, and each of them, to be illegal, and perpetually enjoin and restrain them and each of them from the commission of the acts above set forth.

Plaintiff further prays that this Court will grant such other and further relief in the premises as may be just and equitable, together with the costs of this action.

LAWRENCE, SEMPLE & CLARK, Attorneys for Plaintiff, No. 120 Broadway, New York City.

City and County of New York, ss.:

being duly sworn deposes and says that he is the plaintiff above named; that he has read the foregoing complaint and knows the contents thereof; that the same is true of his own knowledge, except as to the matters therein stated to be alleged upon information and belief, and as to those matters he believes it to be true.

HENRY C. WILLCOX.

Sworn to before me October 26, 1896.

JOHN C. MOWBRAY, Notary Public, Kings County. Certificate filed in New York County.

SUPREME COURT—NEW YORK COUNTY.

Henry C. Willcox, Plaintiff, against John Jeroloman, John P. Windolph, Nicholas T. Brown, William E. Burke, Thomas M. Campbell, William Clancy, Thomas F. Dwyer, Christian Goetz, Elias Goodman, Frank J. Goodwin, Joseph T. Hackett, Benjamin E. Hall, Jeremiah Kennefick, Francis J. Lantry, Frederick L. Marshall, Robert Muh, John J. Murphy, Andrew A. Noonan, John T. Oakley, John J. O'Brien, William M. K. Olcott, Charles A. Parker, Rufus R. Randall, Andrew Robinson, Joseph Schilling, Henry L. School, William Tait, Frederick A. Ware, Charles Wines, Collin H. Woodward and Jacob C. Wund, as and constituting the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York, Defendants.

State of New York, City and County of New York, ss.:

Henry C. Willcox, being duly sworn, deposes and says that he is the plaintiff named in the above-entitled action, and that he is informed and verily believes that he has the capacity to bring said suit. That he has read the complaint in this action, which was verified by him, and that the facts therein alleged are true to the best of deponent's knowledge.

That the said facts were taken from the official record of the proceedings of the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York, which proceedings were regularly and duly printed by authority of the city officials.

Deponent further says that no other application has been made by deponent or any other person, as far as deponent is informed, for the injunction prayed for in this action, and that deponent is informed and believes that the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York will grant the franchise referred to in the complaint to the Consumers Fuel Gas, Heat and Power Company on Tuesday, October 27, 1896, unless restrained from so doing by the order of this Court.

HENRY C. WILLCOX.

Sworn to before me this 26th day of October, 1896.

JOHN C. MOWBRAY, Notary Public, Kings Co. Cert. filed in N. Y. Co.

SUPREME COURT—NEW YORK COUNTY.

Henry C. Willcox, Plaintiff, against John Jeroloman, John P. Windolph, Nicholas T. Brown, William E. Burke, Thomas M. Campbell, William Clancy, Thomas F. Dwyer, Christian Goetz, Elias Goodman, Frank J. Goodwin, Joseph T. Hackett, Benjamin E. Hall, Jeremiah Kennefick, Francis J. Lantry, Frederick L. Marshall, Robert Muh, John J. Murphy, Andrew A. Noonan, John T. Oakley, John J. O'Brien, William M. K. Olcott, Charles A. Parker, Rufus R. Randall, Andrew Robinson, Joseph Schilling, Henry L. School, William Tait, Frederick A. Ware, Charles Wines, Collin H. Woodward, and Jacob C. Wund, as and constituting the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York, Defendants.

The above-named plaintiff having applied to one of the Justices of this Court for an injunction in the above-entitled action, restraining the defendants from granting to the Consumers Fuel Gas, Heat and Power Company the franchise to lay mains and pipes in the streets, avenues and highways of the City of New York for less compensation than that offered for the said franchise by other parties.

Now, therefore, pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided, the American Surety Company of New York, having an office and principal place of business at No. 100 Broadway, in the City of New York, undertakes, in the sum of five hundred dollars, that the plaintiff will pay to the defendants so enjoined such damages, not exceeding the before-mentioned sum, as they may sustain by reason of the injunction, if the Court finally decides that the plaintiffs were not entitled thereto; such damages to be ascertained and determined by the Court, or by a Referee appointed by the Court, or by a writ of inquiry, or otherwise, as the Court shall direct.

Dated NEW YORK, October 26, 1896.

[L. S.] AMERICAN SURETY COMPANY OF NEW YORK, By DAVID B. SICKLES, Second Vice-President.

CORTLANDT S. VAN RENSSLAER, Attorney.

State, City and County of New York, ss.:

On this 26th day of October, 1896, before me personally appeared David B. Sickles, Second Vice-President of the American Surety Company of New York, with whom I am personally acquainted, who being by me duly sworn, said that he resided in the City of New York; that he is the Second Vice-President of the American Surety Company of New York; that he knew the corporate seal of said company; that the seal affixed to the foregoing instrument is such corporate seal; that it was affixed by order of the Board of Trustees of said company, and that he signed said instrument as Second Vice-President of said company by like authority; and that the liabilities of said company do not exceed its assets, as ascertained in the manner provided in section 3, chapter 720, of the New York Session Laws of 1893. And the said David B. Sickles further said that he was acquainted with Cortlandt S. Van Rensselaer and knew him to be one of the Attorneys of said company; that the signature of said Cortlandt S. Van Rensselaer, subscribed to the said instrument, is in the genuine handwriting of the said Cortlandt S. Van Rensselaer, and was thereto subscribed by the like order of the said Board of Trustees, and in the presence of him, the said David B. Sickles, Second Vice-President.

WM. E. MINER, Notary Public No. 175, New York County.

Certificates filed in Kings, Queens, Richmond, Westchester, Dutchess, Putnam, Orange, Suffolk and Rockland Counties.

At a regular quarterly meeting of the Board of Trustees of the American Surety Company of New York, held on the 12th day of April, 1893, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the President and Vice-Presidents be and they hereby are, and each one of them is, authorized and empowered to execute and deliver, and attach the seal of the company to any and all bonds and undertakings for, on behalf of the company, in its business of guaranteeing the performance of contracts other than insurance policies, and executing or guaranteeing bonds and undertakings required or permitted in all actions or proceedings by law allowed; such guarantee, bonds and undertakings, however, to be attested in every instance by the Secretary, one of the Assistant Secretaries, or one of the Attorneys.

City and County of New York, ss.:

I, Cortlandt S. Van Rensselaer, Attorney of the American Surety Company of New York, have compared the foregoing resolution with the original thereof, as recorded in the minute book of said company, and do certify that the same is a correct and true transcript therefrom, and of the whole of said original resolution.

Given under my hand and the seal of the company, at the City of New York, this 26th day of October, 1896.

CORTLANDT S. VAN RENSSLAER, Attorney.

(Copy of Affidavit presented to the Court.)

SUPREME COURT—CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

Henry C. Willcox, plaintiff, against John Jeroloman and others, as and constituting the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York.

City and County of New York, ss.:

Robert C. Beatty, being duly sworn, deposes and says: That he is an attorney and counselor at law and an Assistant in the office of the Counsel to the Corporation.

That he has examined the records of certificates of incorporation filed in the office of the Clerk of the County of New York from November 9, 1896, back to the year 1879, and that the only certificate of incorporation of the Metropolitan Fuel Gas Company recorded in said County Clerk's office during the period of his search heretofore mentioned was filed upon the 26th day of January, 1880; that said certificate of incorporation states that the said Metropolitan Fuel Gas Company becomes incorporated under the provisions of the act of the Legislature of the State of New York passed on the 17th day of February, 1848, entitled "An Act to authorize the formation of corporations for manufacturing, mining, mechanical or chemical purposes," being chapter 40 of Laws of 1848; that among the objects for which the said company was formed is the following:

"For the manufacture, application, distribution and sale of gas and electricity, to be used for fuel, heat, light, power and other purposes."

That the said certificate of incorporation states that the capital stock of the said company shall be \$2,000,000, which shall be divided into twenty thousand shares of one hundred dollars each; and that the said certificate of incorporation further states that the said company shall commence on the 26th day of January, 1880, and shall continue in existence for the term of fifty years.

Upon information and belief, that the association calling itself the Metropolitan Fuel Gas Company, which has made an application to the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York for the right to lay mains and pipes in the streets and avenues of the City of New York for the distribution of fuel gas, is not an incorporated company, and that it is not the said company of that name incorporated as above set forth on the 26th day of January, 1880.

ROBERT C. BEATTY.

Sworn to before me this 9th day of November, 1896.

WILLIAM J. DUGGETT, Commissioner of Deeds, N. Y. Co.

(Copy of Affidavits by Members of the Committee on Lamps and Gas presented to the Court.)

SUPREME COURT—CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

Henry C. Willcox, plaintiff, against John Jeroloman and others, as and constituting the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York.

City and County of New York, ss.:

Joseph Schilling, Elias Goodman, Joseph T. Hackett, Andrew A. Noonan and John J. O'Brien, each being severally duly sworn, each for himself deposes and says:

That he is one of the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York and one of the defendants in the above-entitled action; that he is a member of the said Board's Committee on Lamps and Gas.

That on or about the 19th day of May, 1896, an application to lay mains, pipes, etc., in the streets, avenues and highways of the City of New York was received by the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York from the Consumers Fuel Gas, Heat and Power Company of New York, and that on or about the 19th day of May, 1896, the said application was referred to the said Committee on Lamps and Gas; that the said application contained among other provisions the following stipulations by the company, viz.:

"3. That the fuel gas shall be supplied to all persons residing or doing business on the line or lines of the mains of said company who may desire the same for domestic purposes, at a rate not to exceed fifty cents per one thousand cubic feet, and at reduced rates for manufacturing, industrial and other purposes."

"4. That the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York shall have the right to order the mains or pipes of the company to be extended in or along any of the streets or avenues of the city, provided the said company shall not be compelled to spend in the laying of such pipes or mains a yearly sum exceeding ten thousand dollars." * * *

"8. The said company, its successor or successors, shall pay into the said treasury the sum of twenty cents for each and every lineal foot of trench opened for its mains, such sum to be paid monthly." * * *

"9. The said company shall supply fuel gas to the public buildings of the City of New York situated along the line of its mains at not to exceed forty cents per thousand cubic feet."

That the said application is set forth in full in folios 5 to 12 of the complaint herein and that the said application was the first to be presented to the said Board of Aldermen of the three applications now pending before said Board.

That with the said application of the Consumers Fuel Gas, Heat and Power Company of New York there was presented to said Board of Aldermen a copy of a certificate of incorporation showing that the said company was incorporated in the State of New York on the 15th day of May, 1896.

That on or about the 22d day of September, 1896, the New York Fuel Gas Company made an application to the said Board of Aldermen for the right to lay the mains and pipes in the streets, avenues and public places in the City of New York, for the purpose of supplying non-illuminating fuel gas to the consumers thereof in said city. That on or about the 20th day of October, 1896, the said application was referred by the said Board to the said Committee on Lamps and Gas. That the said application is set forth in full at folios 14 to 21 of the complaint herein.

That the said application contained, among other provisions, the following stipulations by the company, to wit:

"That the fuel gas shall be supplied to all persons residing or doing business on the line or lines of the mains of said company, who may desire the same for domestic purposes, at a rate not to exceed forty cents per one thousand cubic feet, and at reduced rates for manufacturing, industrial and other purposes. That the said company shall supply fuel gas to the public buildings of the City of New York situated along the line of its mains at a price not to exceed forty cents per one thousand cubic feet."

"That the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York shall have the right to order the mains or pipes of the company to be extended in or along any of the streets or avenues of the city, provided the said company shall not be compelled to spend in the laying of such pipes or mains a yearly sum exceeding twenty-five thousand dollars." * * *

"The said company, its successor or successors, shall pay into the City Treasury the sum of thirty cents for each and every lineal foot of trench opened for its mains."

That with the said application of the said New York Fuel Gas Company there was presented to the said Board of Aldermen a copy of a certificate of incorporation showing that the said company was incorporated in the State of New York on June 20, 1896.

That on or about October 6, 1896, an application was made to the said Board of Aldermen by the Metropolitan Fuel Gas Company of the City of New York for the right to lay mains and pipes in and through the streets, etc., in the City of New York, for the purpose of conducting and supplying non-illuminating fuel gas to public and private buildings in said city.

That the said company stipulated in said application, in part, as follows, viz.:

"That the said company shall furnish and supply to all consumers located or doing business upon the lines of the said company's mains, who may desire the same for domestic purposes, at a rate not to exceed fifty cents per one thousand cubic feet, and not to exceed twenty-five cents per one thousand cubic feet for manufacturing, industrial and other purposes, and the said company shall furnish and supply fuel gas to any and all public buildings of the City of New York located upon or along the lines on its mains or pipes, at a price not to exceed twenty-five cents per one thousand cubic feet."

"That, upon the granting of the franchise, right, privilege and permission hereby applied for by the Common Council of the City of New York, the said company shall pay into the treasury of the said city the sum of one hundred thousand dollars in gold coin of the present standard of weight and fineness, in return for the granting thereof, and, after the first five years of the operations, thereafter pay into the treasury of the said city three and one-half per cent. of the net profits of its said business for the preceding year, upon the first business day of the month of January in each and every year."

That the said application is set forth in full in folios 36-51 of the complaint herein; that on or about the 6th day of October, 1896, the said application was referred by said Board to the said Committee on Lamps and Gas.

That no copy of a certificate of the incorporation of the Metropolitan Fuel Gas Company of the City of New York has been presented to said Board of Aldermen or to the said Committee on Lamps and Gas.

Upon information and belief that the said Metropolitan Fuel Gas Company of the City of New York is not an incorporated company.

That on or about the 13th day of October, 1896, the said Committee on Lamps and Gas reported to the said Board of Aldermen, and, among other matters, submitted a proposed resolution to the said Board for action thereon; that said proposed resolution is set forth in full on pages 70 and 71 of the minutes of said Board of Aldermen for the 13th day of October, 1896.

That the said proposed resolution provided for the grant of the right to lay pipes, etc., as indicated in the said application of the said Consumers Fuel Gas, Heat and Power Company to the said company upon the following conditions, among others:

"3d. That the fuel gas shall be supplied to all persons residing or doing business on the line or lines of the mains of said company, who may desire the same for domestic purposes, at a rate not to exceed forty (40) cents per 1,000 cubic feet, and at reduced rates for manufacturing, industrial and other purposes."

"4th. That the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York shall have the right to order the mains and pipes of the company to be extended in or along any of the streets, avenues or highways of the city; provided the said company shall not be compelled to expend in the laying of such mains or pipes a yearly sum exceeding twenty-five thousand dollars."

"8th. The said company, its successor or successors, shall pay into the City Treasury the sum of twenty cents for each and every lineal foot of trench opened for its mains." * * *

"11th. The said company or its successors shall supply fuel gas to the public buildings of the City of New York situated along the line of its mains at not to exceed twenty-five (25) cents per 1,000 cubic feet."

That thereafter, and on or about October 19, 1896, the New York Fuel Gas Company presented an amended petition to the said Board of Aldermen, which said amended petition was, on or about the 20th day of October, 1896, referred to the said Committee on Lamps and Gas; that said amended petition is set forth in full in folios of the complaint herein; that said amended petition contained, among other stipulations by the company, the following, viz.:

"That the fuel gas shall be supplied to all persons residing or doing business on the line or lines of the mains of said company who may desire the same for domestic purposes, at a rate not to exceed forty (40) cents per one thousand cubic feet, and at reduced rates for manufacturing, industrial and other purposes."

"That the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York shall have the right to order the mains and pipes of the company to be extended in or along any of the streets, avenues or highways of the city, provided the said company shall not be compelled to expend in the laying of such mains or pipes a yearly sum exceeding twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000)."

"The said company, upon the granting of this license, shall pay into the City Treasury the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000), and said company, its successor or successors, shall pay into the City Treasury the sum of twenty (20) cents for each and every lineal foot of trench open for its mains." * * *

"The said company or its successors shall supply fuel gas to the public buildings of the City of New York situated along the lines of its mains, at not to exceed twenty-five (25) cents per one thousand (1,000) cubic feet."

That, at the meeting of the said Board of Aldermen held on the 27th day of October, 1896, the said Committee on Lamps and Gas again reported to the said Board upon the said applications of the said companies, and in that report offered amendments to the proposed resolutions previously submitted to said Board as above set forth, in the following manner, viz.:

"Resolved, That the following amendments to the resolution presented by this Committee on October 13th instant be received and considered when the report of which said resolution forms a part is taken up for adoption, to wit:

"Amend section 3, on page 70, Journal of October 13, 1896, by adding at the end thereof the following:

"It being understood and agreed that the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York shall have power to direct that charges to manufacturers, industrial concerns, etc., be fixed at a price not exceeding twenty-five cents per thousand cubic feet."

"Amend section 4, on page 70, Journal of October 13, 1896, by striking out of the last lines the words 'twenty-five' and insert in their place the word 'fifty.'"

"Amend section 6, on page 71, Journal of October 13, 1896, by adding at the end thereof the following:

"That the gas so furnished shall contain not less than three hundred and fifty heat units, and that the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York shall have power to direct an increase of the units of heat to not exceeding five hundred."

"Amend section 8, on page 71, Journal of October 13, 1896, by striking out the word 'twenty' on the second line and inserting in place thereof the word 'thirty,' and at the end of the paragraph add the following:

"And as further evidence of good faith and as compensation to the City of New York the company receiving this franchise shall pay a sum of \$10,000 to the Comptroller as soon as the said franchise has been granted."

That the said amendments to the said proposed resolution are to be found on pages 231 and 232 of the record of the proceedings of the Board of Aldermen on the 27th day of October, 1896.

That deponent signed the said report of the said Committee on Lamps and Gas, which contained the said amendments to the said proposed resolutions prior to the 26th day of October, 1896, when the said injunction order in the above entitled action was granted.

That on or about the 2d day of November, 1896, the counsel for the said Metropolitan Fuel Gas Company of the City of New York presented a brief in support of the said application of said company to the said Board of Aldermen, which brief was referred to the Committee on Lamps and Gas on the said 2d day of November, 1896; that among other statements the said brief contained the following:

"* * * The company will operate under a special charter and will capitalize for the sum of 10,000,000 to be divided into 200,000 shares of \$50 each * * *. It is proposed by the Metropolitan Fuel Gas Company to increase its capacity, from time to time, as the demand may arise, to 50,000,000 cubic feet per day and to lay at least 600 miles of pipes * * *"

That at the time of the granting of said injunction order and at all times thereafter the facts were as follows:

The stipulations offered in the said application of the said companies, as amended, were respectively as follows:

The Consumers Fuel Gas, Heat and Power Company of New York stipulates:

To supply gas for domestic purposes, per 1,000 cubic feet.....	50 cents.
To supply gas for manufacturing, etc., per 1,000 cubic feet.....	Reduced rates.
To supply gas to public buildings, per 1,000 cubic feet.....	40 cents.
To expend yearly in laying pipes, if required.....	\$10,000.
To pay to the City for franchise for each lineal foot of trench opened.....	20 cents.

The New York Fuel Gas Company stipulated:

To supply gas for domestic purposes, per 1,000 cubic feet.....	40 cents.
To supply gas for manufacturing, etc., per 1,000 cubic feet.....	Reduced rates.
To supply gas to public buildings, per 1,000 cubic feet.....	25 cents.
To expend yearly in laying pipes, if required.....	\$25,000.
To pay to the City for franchise for each lineal foot of trench opened.....	20 cents.
And an additional.....	\$10,000.

The Metropolitan Fuel Gas Company of the City of New York stipulates:

To supply gas for domestic purposes, per 1,000 cubic feet.....	50 cents.
To supply gas for manufacturing, etc., per 1,000 cubic feet.....	25 cents.
To supply gas to public buildings, per 1,000 cubic feet.....	25 cents.
To expend yearly in laying pipes, if required.....	Nothing.
To pay to the City for franchise in gold, and 3½ per cent. of net profits after five years.....	\$100,000.

Proposed resolution offered by Committee on Lamps and Gas:

Gas to be supplied for domestic purposes, per 1,000 cubic feet.....	40 cents.
Gas to be supplied for manufacturing, etc., per 1,000 cubic feet.....	Reduced rates.
And may be fixed at 25 cents.	

Gas to be supplied for public buildings, per 1,000 cubic feet.....	25 cents.
To be expended yearly in laying pipes, if required.....	\$50,000.
To be paid to the City for franchise for each lineal foot of trench opened.....	30 cents.
And an additional.....	\$10,000.

That if 600 miles of pipes were laid, as suggested in the said brief submitted on behalf of the said Metropolitan Fuel Gas Company of the City of New York, the compensation to the City under the provisions of the proposed resolution offered by Committee on Lamps and Gas, would amount to the sum of \$910,000 and over.

JOSEPH SCHILLING, ELIAS GOODMAN, ANDREW A. NOONAN, JOSEPH T. HACKETT, JOHN J. O'BRIEN.

Sworn to before me by Joseph T. Hackett and John J. O'Brien this 9th November, 1896.

JOHN J. GALLAGHER, Commissioner of Deeds, N. Y. Co.

Sworn to before me by Joseph Schilling this 9th day of November, 1896.

T. C. WASSERMAN, Commissioner of Deeds, N. Y. Co.

Sworn to before me by Elias Goodman and Andrew A. Noonan this 10th day of November, 1896.

JOHN J. GALLAGHER, Commissioner of Deeds, N. Y. Co.

(Copy of Brief presented to the Court by the Corporation Counsel.)

SUPREME COURT.

Henry C. Willcox, plaintiff, against John Jeroloman and others, as and constituting the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York, defendants.

DEFENDANT'S MEMORANDUM IN OPPOSITION TO MOTION FOR AN INJUNCTION.

In order to entitle the plaintiff to an injunction in this case, he must show, either

1. That the Board of Aldermen have no power vested in them to grant the franchise in question, or

2. That the Board of Aldermen are combining to fraudulently or corruptly grant a franchise, thereby wasting the City's funds.

Ziegler vs. Chapin, 126 N. Y., 342.

Talcott vs. City of Buffalo, 125 N. Y., 280.

Terrell vs. Strong, 14 Misc., 258.

The question of the power of the Board of Aldermen is not raised by the papers in the present case, from which it may fairly be inferred that the convenient machinery of a taxpayer's action has been set in motion to further the ends of a rival corporation.

Before the question of fraud can be considered on the merits, it must, however, be established that the Board of Aldermen are about to act favorably upon the application of the Consumers Fuel Gas Heat and Power Company. In this essential the motion papers are wholly defective.

Even though the objections suggested be disregarded, the affidavits submitted in opposition to this application for an injunction show that the proposed resolution, action upon which by the Board of Aldermen is sought to be restrained, recommends the grant of this franchise to the Consumers Fuel Gas Heat and Power Company at terms more favorable to the City than either of the

other applications presented to said Board. Reference to the summary of the various applications and the resolution set forth on pages 10 and 11 of the defendant's affidavit by the Committee on Lamps and Gas indicates this.

The case of Adamson vs. Nassau Electric Railroad Company, 89 Hun, 261, limiting the decision in Adamson vs. Union Railroad Company, 74 Hun, 3, to the precise facts there existing, holds that a grant of a franchise, when all the proceedings before the Common Council are regular, is not subject to the review of the Courts, and by this decision the contention of the plaintiff is disposed of.

It is therefore asked that the motion for an injunction be denied and the preliminary stay vacated.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANCIS M. SCOTT, Counsel to the Corporation.

WILLIAM L. TURNER, ROBERT C. BEATTY, of Counsel.

NEW YORK, November 10, 1896.

(Copy of affidavit of members of the Committee on Lamps and Gas made by each respectively and presented to the Court by the Consumers Fuel Gas, Heat and Power Company.)

SUPREME COURT—CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

Henry C. Willcox against John Jeroloman et al., as and constituting the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York.

City and County of New York, ss.:

Joseph Schilling, Joseph T. Hackett, Elias Goodman, John J. O'Brien, A. A. Noonan, being duly sworn, deposes and says: I am a member of the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York and a member of its Committee on Lamps and Gas, and a defendant in this action. I have read the complaint in this action, and know the contents thereof. The allegations contained in said complaint that in the proposed granting to the Consumers Fuel Gas, Heat and Power Company by the Board of Aldermen, of the right, privilege and franchise of laying its mains and pipes in the streets, avenues and highways of the City of New York, a majority of the said Board has illegally combined and confederated together with the Consumers Fuel Gas, Heat and Power Company to cheat and defraud the City of New York out of the real value of such right, license and privilege, is false and untrue so far as I am concerned, and I believe that such allegation is untrue as to every other member of the Board of Aldermen.

The matter of the applications of the various fuel gas companies for the right and privilege of laying mains and pipes in the streets, avenues and highways of the City of New York has been before the Committee on Lamps and Gas of said Board for almost six months last past, and said Committee has given to such applications full consideration, and, after long deliberation and public hearings, has reported in favor of granting a right, license and franchise to lay mains and pipes in the streets in this city to the Consumers Fuel Gas, Heat and Power Company. The compensation for the City of New York provided to be paid for such privilege by such Consumers Company is much larger than that offered by either of the other companies.

In the granting of such right, license and privilege, the Committee on Lamps and Gas has been actuated by perfect good faith and with a desire to obtain for the City of New York the highest possible compensation for such privilege, and has secured such highest rate of compensation, and, therefore, the allegations in the complaint and the injunction order that the proposed grant would be illegal, fraudulent and a waste of the public funds of the municipality, is false and untrue. The Committee on Lamps and Gas has not reported in favor of an exclusive license, right and privilege to the Consumers Company, but has reported in favor of a grant to that company upon terms advantageous to the City of New York, and has placed the applications of the New York Fuel Gas Company and the Metropolitan Fuel Gas Company on file for consideration at a future time.

Sworn to before me this 30th day of October, 1896.

(Copy of additional affidavit of a member of the Committee presented by the Gas Company.)

SUPREME COURT—CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

Henry C. Willcox against John Jeroloman et al., as constituting the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York.

City and County of New York, ss.:

Elias Goodman, being duly sworn, deposes and says: I am a member of the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York, and a member of its Committee on Lamps and Gas, and append hereto a copy of the amended report of said Committee made Tuesday, October 27. I drew said amended report on Monday, October 26, 1896, after the public hearing which was afforded the several companies in interest, and after conference with the members of the Committee, and said report as written by me was presented exactly as written, without a change by a stroke of the pen, excepting the appending thereto of the signature of the Committee, and before any intimation of an injunction was made or an injunction was known of.

Sworn to before me this 4th day of November, 1896.

(Copy of affidavit of the President of the Gas Company.)

SUPREME COURT—CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.

Henry C. Willcox against John Jeroloman and others, as and constituting the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York.

City and County of New York, ss.:

Milo M. Belding, being duly sworn, deposes and says: I am the President of the Consumers Fuel Gas, Heat and Power Company of New York, which is a duly incorporated company, organized under and by virtue of the Business Corporations Act and the several acts amendatory thereof and supplementary thereto; that said company is a valid and existing corporation and was incorporated and organized for the purpose of supplying fuel gas to the inhabitants of the City of New York; that on or about the 19th day of May, 1896, an application to lay mains and pipes in the streets, avenues and highways of the City of New York, was presented by said company to the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York; that, thereafter, said application, as I am informed and believe, was duly referred by the said Board of Aldermen to its Committee on Lamps and Gas; that in and by said application so made by said Consumers Fuel Gas, Heat and Power Company as aforesaid, the said company stipulated and agreed that in case the said Board of Aldermen should grant to said company the right, privilege and license of laying its pipes and mains in the streets, avenues and highways of the City of New York, that the manufactory or works for the production and furnishing of said gas should not be detrimental to the public health or create a nuisance; that the said fuel gas should be of such odor as in case of leakage would make its presence as easily detected as ordinary illuminating gas; that said company would supply such gas for domestic purposes at a rate not to exceed fifty cents per one thousand cubic feet, and at reduced rates for manufacturing, industrial and other purposes; that the mains should be laid so as not to interfere with public sewers or sewer connections or Croton mains or water connections; that the company should be governed by the laws and ordinances of the Board of Aldermen and by such general rules and regulations as the Commissioner of Public Works might prescribe for the laying of mains and pipes and the proper protection and filling of trenches or excavations, and for the taking up, replacing and repaving of pavements, and be governed also by such general rules and regulations as the Rapid Transit Commissioners might prescribe for the opening of streets on the lines of the proposed trenches; that the said company shall pay into the City Treasury the sum of twenty cents for each and every lineal foot of trench opened for its mains, and that the said company would supply fuel gas to the public buildings of the City of New York situated along the lines of its mains at a rate not to exceed forty cents per one thousand cubic feet.

That as I am informed and believe, thereafter, a company known as the New York Fuel Gas Company presented an application to the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York for the right and license to lay its mains and pipes in the streets, avenues and highways of the City of New York, and agreed to stipulate in case such franchise, right and license was granted to said company, identically as stipulated by the Consumers Fuel Gas, Heat and Power Company, excepting that the New York Fuel Gas Company agreed to supply gas for domestic purposes at a rate not to exceed forty cents per 1,000 cubic feet, and to pay thirty cents for each lineal foot of trench opened for its mains.

As I am informed and believe, thereafter the Metropolitan Fuel Gas Company, by one James Jackson, its alleged General Manager, made an application to the Board of Aldermen for the privilege of laying its mains and pipes in the streets, avenues and highways of the City of New York, and stipulated and agreed to furnish and supply gas for domestic purposes at a rate not to exceed fifty cents per 1,000 cubic feet and twenty-five cents for manufacturing, industrial and other purposes, and at twenty-five cents for all public buildings in the City of New York located upon the line of its mains, and agreed to pay to the City of New York as compensation for such right, privilege and franchise, the sum of \$100,000 and three and one-half per cent. of the net profits of the business after the first five years of its operation.

That thereafter the said Committee on Lamps and Gas of said Board of Aldermen gave a public hearing upon the application of the Consumers Fuel Gas, Heat and Power Company, and that thereafter the said Committee gave another public hearing upon the applications of the New York Fuel Gas Company and the Metropolitan Fuel Gas Company.

That thereafter the said Committee on Lamps and Gas, on or about the 13th day of October, 1896, presented to the Board of Aldermen a report upon the application of the Consumers Fuel Gas, Heat and Power Company, recommending the granting of a license, franchises and privilege to said company to lay its mains and pipes in the streets, avenues and highways of the City of New York upon the stipulations and provisions contained in said company's application, excepting, however, that said company should supply fuel gas for domestic purposes at a rate not to exceed forty cents per 1,000 cubic feet, and at reduced rates for manufacturing, industrial and other purposes; that the Board of Aldermen should have the right to order the mains and pipes of the company to be extended along any of the streets, avenues or highways of the City of New York, but that said company should not be compelled to expend in the laying of such mains a yearly sum exceeding \$25,000. That the said company should pay into the City Treasury twenty cents for each lineal foot of trench opened for its mains; should execute a bond with satisfactory sureties to the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonality of the City of New York for the faithful discharge of its duties and obligations, the bond to be subject to the approval of the Comptroller; that the said company

should not be permitted to consolidate with any other company or corporation for a period of ten years, and should supply fuel gas to the public buildings of the City of New York situated along the line of its mains at a rate not to exceed twenty-five cents per 1,000 cubic feet.

That thereafter and on or about the 19th day of October, 1896, the New York Fuel Gas Company made an amended application to the Board of Aldermen, in and by which application it asked the privilege of laying its mains and pipes in the streets, avenues and highways of the City of New York upon precisely the same terms which had been reported by the Committee on Lamps and Gas as the terms upon which the Consumers Fuel Gas, Heat and Power Company should be allowed the privilege of laying its pipes and mains in the City of New York, excepting that the said New York Fuel Gas Company offered an additional compensation of \$10,000 upon the granting of the franchise.

That thereafter and on the 27th day of October, 1896, the said Committee on Lamps and Gas of the Board of Aldermen made a report to the said Board of Aldermen upon the three applications made by the Consumers Fuel Gas, Heat and Power Company, the New York Fuel Gas Company and the Metropolitan Fuel Gas Company, to which report I beg leave to refer upon the hearing of this motion. That said report considered exhaustively the three applications and the compensation which would be received by the City of New York under each application, and reported a resolution that the application of the New York Fuel Gas Company and of the Metropolitan Fuel Gas Company respectively be, and they are hereby denied for the present and placed on file for consideration at some future time, and further reported in favor of granting a right, license and franchise to the Consumers Fuel Gas Heat and Power Company to lay its pipes and mains in the streets, avenues and highways of the City of New York, such company to stipulate that the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York shall have power to fix the charges to manufacturers, industrial concerns, etc., at a price not less than twenty-five cents per 1,000 cubic feet; that the said company, upon the requirement of the Board of Aldermen, should lay its mains in such streets, avenues and highways of the city as such Board should direct, provided said company should not be required to expend more than \$50,000 per year in the laying of such mains; that the fuel gas so furnished should contain not less than 350 heat units, and that the Board of Aldermen should have the power to direct and increase the units of heat to 500; that the company should pay into the City Treasury thirty cents for every lineal foot of trench which it might open for the laying of its mains, and that said company should pay to the City of New York the sum of \$10,000, upon the granting of the franchise, as further evidence of the good faith of said company.

That the terms recommended by the Committee on Lamps and Gas for the granting by the Board of Aldermen to the Consumers Fuel Gas, Heat and Power Company of the right, license and privilege of laying its fuel gas mains in the streets, avenues and highways of the City of New York, is the highest bona fide compensation which has been proposed to be paid for such right, license and privilege. That as appears by the complaint in this action and the petition of the New York Fuel Gas Company, such company proposes to pay by twenty cents per lineal foot for each foot of trench opened, while the Consumers Fuel Gas, Heat and Power Company is required to pay thirty cents for each lineal foot of trench opened. The New York Fuel Gas Company proposed to pay \$10,000 into the City Treasury as additional compensation to the City of New York for the granting of the franchise, and the Consumers Fuel Gas, Heat and Power Company is required to pay a like amount into the City Treasury for such franchise. The New York Fuel Gas Company proposes to supply fuel gas for domestic purposes at the rate of forty cents per 1,000 cubic feet, and at reduced rates for manufacturing, industrial and other purposes. The Consumers Fuel Gas, Heat and Power Company is required to furnish fuel gas for domestic purposes at the same rate, to wit, forty cents per 1,000 cubic feet, and for manufacturing and industrial purposes at a price or rate to be fixed by the Board of Aldermen, such price to be not less than twenty-five cents per 1,000 cubic feet. The New York Fuel Gas Company proposes to lay its mains when required by the Board of Aldermen, but shall not be compelled to expend more than \$25,000 in any one year for the laying of such mains, while the Consumers Fuel Gas, Heat and Power Company is required to lay its mains when directed by the Board of Aldermen, and such Board can compel said company to expend \$50,000 in one year in the laying of such mains. The New York Fuel Gas Company proposes to furnish fuel gas to the public buildings of the City of New York at a rate not to exceed twenty-five cents per 1,000 cubic feet, and the Consumers Fuel Gas, Heat and Power Company is required to furnish fuel gas for the public buildings at the same rate.

It thus appears that the Board of Aldermen is obtaining for the City of New York, for the license and privilege which it is proposed to be granted to the Consumers Fuel Gas, Heat and Power Company, ten cents per lineal foot for each foot of trench opened more than is offered by the New York Fuel Gas Company; that the Board may require the Consumers Fuel Gas, Heat and Power Company to expend \$50,000 per year in the laying of its mains, which is double the amount which is proposed by the New York Fuel Gas Company; that it is requiring the same bond as is offered by the New York Fuel Gas Company, and is requiring the same payment of \$10,000 into the public treasury upon the granting of the franchise.

It further appears, that for manufacturing and industrial purposes, the New York Fuel Gas Company makes no offer, while the Board of Aldermen can fix the rate of the Consumers Fuel Gas, Heat and Power Company for manufacturing and industrial purposes at twenty-five cents per 1,000 cubic feet. In all respects the provisions and terms for the granting of a license and franchise to the Consumers Fuel Gas, Heat and Power Company realizes more to the City of New York than the offer of the New York Fuel Gas Company. The Consumers Fuel Gas, Heat and Power Company is required to furnish fuel gas containing 350 heat units, while the Board of Aldermen may require to be increased to 500 heat units, while the New York Fuel Gas Company makes no proposition regarding the number of heat units which shall be contained in its gas.

As to the offer of the Metropolitan Fuel Gas Company, such offer is not worthy of consideration, and very properly the Committee on Lamps and Gas of the Board of Aldermen has dismissed such proposition, by stating that the offer of \$1,000,000 and 3½ per cent. of the net profits after a period of five years is far below the figure which is guaranteed to the City by the requirement of a stipulated amount for each lineal foot of trench opened, and, as is also said in its report, "the proposition to furnish fuel gas with 700 heat units is practically furnishing illuminating gas, and ventures dangerously near the law, which prohibits the Board of Aldermen from authorizing the laying of mains for illuminating gas."

The Consumers Fuel Gas, Heat and Power Company made its application to the Board of Aldermen about the middle of May, 1896, in good faith and for the purpose of obtaining the right, privilege and franchise of laying its mains and pipes in the streets, avenues and highways of the City of New York upon the payment of full and adequate compensation to the City of New York for such privilege and right. Almost immediately after such application was made, the New York Fuel Gas Company was organized and made an application upon terms almost identical with those of the Consumers Fuel Gas, Heat and Power Company, and shortly after the so-called Metropolitan Fuel Gas Company, which, as I am informed and believe, and is alleged in the complaint, has no corporate existence, made its application offering terms which it knew it could not carry out and which could not be accepted by the Board of Aldermen, and which were much lower than the terms offered by and imposed upon the Consumers Fuel Gas, Heat and Power Company.

As I am informed and believe, the plaintiff in this action is in some way connected with the New York Fuel Gas Company; that his application for an injunction is not made in good faith, but is made for the purpose of harassing not only the Board of Aldermen but the Consumers Fuel Gas, Heat and Power Company, and is made in the interest of the New York Fuel Gas Company, which company offers as compensation to the City for the right and privilege of laying its mains and pipes in the streets of the city a lesser return and compensation than is offered by and imposed upon the Consumers Fuel Gas, Heat and Power Company.

The allegation in the complaint that a majority of the Board of Aldermen are acting illegally, wrongfully and in bad faith, or have combined in any manner, shape or form with the Consumers Fuel Gas, Heat and Power Company to cheat or defraud the City of New York of the real value of the right, privilege, license or permission to lay mains and pipes in the streets, avenues and public places of the city for the supplying of fuel gas is absolutely and unqualifiedly false and untrue. That the allegation in the complaint that the act of the Board in granting such right, license and privilege to the Consumers Fuel Gas, Heat and Power Company, would prevent the realization by the City of New York of the sum of \$10,000, or the sum of \$100,000, is equally absolutely false and untrue. As has been shown, the terms imposed upon the Consumers Fuel Gas, Heat and Power Company are much higher than those offered by any other company. In the entire matter of the consideration upon the applications of the three companies, the Board of Aldermen and its committees have acted openly and fairly, and have given each company ample opportunity to present its petitions and make its arguments to the Board; it has given public hearings upon the questions and has held the matter under consideration for almost six months.

The allegation of fraud and bad faith contained in the complaint are entirely upon information and belief, but, nevertheless, they are wilfully, absolutely and unqualifiedly false. The Board of Aldermen does not propose to grant to the Consumers Fuel Gas, Heat and Power Company an exclusive license, right and privilege to lay its pipes and mains in the streets and avenues of the City of New York, but proposes to grant such right to the Consumers Fuel Gas, Heat and Power Company and leaves itself unfettered as to the granting of a similar right and privilege to the other companies who have made applications.

As the injunction asked for is only upon the ground that the City of New York will not receive as much compensation from the Consumers Fuel Gas, Heat and Power Company as is offered by other companies, and as it appears that the Consumers Fuel Gas, Heat and Power Company is to pay for such right and privilege a very much larger sum than is offered by the other companies, and the statements and allegations of the complaint in that respect being shown to be wilfully false and untrue, and the motion for the injunction should be denied.

Sworn to before me this 29th day of October, 1896.

(Copy of Affidavit of the Secretary of the Gas Company.)

State of New York, City and County of New York, ss.:

Robert Webb Morgan, being duly sworn, deposes and says: I am the Secretary of the Consumers Fuel Gas, Heat and Power Company of New York. The original application of said com-

pany to the Honorable Board of Aldermen of the City of New York was amended as follows, to wit:

That the Consumers Fuel, Gas, Heat and Power Company agrees to pay to the City of New York, provided it is granted a right, license, permission and franchise to open the streets, avenues and highways in said city and lay its fuel-gas mains therein, 30 cents per lineal foot for each and every foot of trench opened to lay such mains, instead of 20 cents per lineal foot, as in the original application, and to pay to the City of New York in addition thereof the sum of ten thousand (10,000) dollars as an evidence of the good faith of the company, and to charge a maximum rate of 40 cents per 1,000 cubic feet for fuel gas for domestic purposes, and at reduced rates for manufacturing and industrial purposes. That such fuel gas shall contain at least 350 heat units, and that the company shall be obligated to expend fifty thousand (50,000) dollars in each year for laying mains if required so to do by the Board of Aldermen, instead of twenty-five thousand (25,000) dollars, as in the original application.

Sworn to before me this 30th day of October, 1896.

(Copy of Brief presented by the Counsel of the Gas Company.)
SUPREME COURT.

Henry Willcox, plaintiff, against John Jeroloman and others, defendants.
Points in Opposition to Continuing Temporary Injunction.

FACTS.

The Committee on Lamps and Gas (five in number) are the only defendants who have taken any steps in the matter of the three applications before them. They have acted as a Committee, and the Board of Aldermen have reported favorably on the application of the Consumers Company. Their report is in the complaint. An amended report, made before service of injunction, is handed in with the affidavit of Mr. Goodman, the Chairman. He and his four associates deny in their affidavits that they reported in favor of granting an exclusive right or license to the Consumers Company, and they say that they reported in favor of granting a permit to that company upon terms advantageous to the City, and have reported in favor of placing the other two applications on file for consideration at some future time.

They aver that they acted in good faith and with a desire to obtain for the City the highest possible compensation, and that the amount to be paid by the Consumers Company is much larger than that offered by the other companies. They deny any confederation or collusion with the Consumers Company, and that the proposed grant would be illegal, fraudulent or a waste of the public funds.

It appears by the papers that the entire matter is before the Board of Aldermen, and that no action has been yet taken by that Board.

The facts of the public benefit to be conferred by the introduction of fuel gas, its economy, cleanliness and healthfulness; that the introduction of the fuel gas by the Consumers Company will create a competition with other companies and reduce the present price of gas, and that other companies will be allowed the same privilege as the Consumers Company, if the latter demonstrate by actual experiment the success of their undertaking, and that the Committee believe the Consumers Company has ability to do what they propose, and is making the application in good faith, and is not in confederation with other companies, appears abundantly by the complaint and the report of the Committee and its amended report appended to Aldermen Goodman's affidavit.

The larger compensation to be paid by the Consumers Company also appears by the complaint and amended report.

POINTS.

I.

Want of power in the Board of Aldermen is a reason for refusing the injunction. The law will do no useless thing. It would be useless to issue an order of this Court to prevent the commission of an act when it is urged that the person sought to be restrained has no power to commit the act. The contradiction amounts to an absurdity. It is saying in the same breath A has no power to take my property, but I want the Court to order him not to take it.

The cases in the books where want of power has been given as a reason for granting or continuing injunctive relief are only those where some individual or corporation was acting, or assuming to act, under the authority of a void law, ordinance or franchise. In such a case an abutting owner might bring an action.

Abraham vs. Meyers, 29 Abb. N. C., p. 384.

If the power of the Board were a subject to be discussed in this case, this plaintiff has no standing to prevent the Board of Aldermen to grant the permit. The people of this State would be the proper party. The law is quite well settled that a municipal corporation has no private estate or interest in the public streets.

People vs. Kerr, 27 N. Y., 188.

The City has no power to alienate or appropriate the city streets, and a taxpayer's action like this is not authorized.

Adamson vs. Nassau Electric Co., 89 Hun, at p. 268.

Power in the municipality is conceded by the plaintiff when he asks for an injunction to prevent the granting of the permit for a lesser compensation than is offered by other companies.

If a permit is given and the Board had no power and the Department of Public Works or any one attempts to act under it then it becomes the duty of the Law Department, on its own motion, or on the petition of a citizen, to restrain the opening of the streets until the question of power is decided by the Courts.

II.

The action is premature and the injunction should not be continued because it will prevent the Board of Aldermen from deliberating and passing upon a matter within their exclusive jurisdiction.

There is no proof of what action the Board will take. In the nature of the case no proof could be made. Deliberative bodies may at any time suffer a change of heart.

If the Board should grant the permit the Mayor's veto, if imposed, and the subsequent discussion may change its views.

To grant an injunction at this stage would be objectionable on the grounds stated in

Adamson vs. Nassau Company, supra, at p. 270.

Talcott vs. City of Buffalo, 125 N. Y., 280.

Ziegler vs. Chapin, 126 N. Y., 342.

"Municipal officers are clothed with certain powers for convenience of government, and interference with their action by Courts would be an invasion of their province and amount only to a substitution of the judgment of the judge for that of the officers."

Dykman, J., at p. 271.

Adamson vs. Nassau Co., 91 Hun.

The above quotation is from the opinion of the same Justice who decided

Adamson vs. Union Co., 74 Hun, p. 3.

III.

The fact that a larger sum of money is offered by any of these companies than is offered by or exacted from another of them would not be ground for an injunction.

The reports of the Committee on Lamps and Gas on this subject come within the decision in Adamson case, 89 Hun, at page 275, where it is said:

"The report of the Committee manifests a thorough and careful examination and acquaintance with the subject and a proper consideration and regard for the interests of the City and the welfare of the public"; and the Court says, at p. 270: "Financial considerations are not alone to control in granting permission to prosecute the various enterprises conducted by individuals and private corporations within the municipality. In all such cases the welfare of the public must be considered, and in the exercise of its governmental functions the municipal authority is required to determine the questions by the exercise of judgment and discretion in the interest of the whole community." * * * "The presumption always is that their action has been prompted by correct motives."

IV.

The idea that the permit to the Consumers Company is exclusive is entirely erroneous as pointed out by the committee in its amended report appended to Alderman Goodman's affidavit, where they say, "there is no analogy between this franchise and one for a railroad, ferry, etc. A railroad or ferry obtains exclusive right for certain locations and naturally excludes all others."

* * * Such is not the case with a gas company, etc. * * * The first test or experiment being a pronounced success the other petitioners can and doubtless will receive from the Board due consideration at the right time."

It will occur to the mind at once that the capacity for gas-mains of a given street or avenue is practically limitless. Any number of pipes belonging to various companies may, as they do now, lie side by side or one above the other.

If the first company is allowed to come in, and succeeds, other companies in competition will pay to the City large amounts of money, as was done by the late street railroad companies. The first comers paid nothing to the City. They paid profits to the projectors, and others desiring also to make profits paid for the privilege of competing. The general result was beneficial to the City.

The same thing in a greater degree will be the effect of granting the first permit to a gas company, with the added advantage, that unlike street railroad companies, which all charge the same fare, the gas companies will compete with each other and deliver gas to the inhabitants of the city at continually decreasing prices.

The granting of the first permit even for no compensation is manifestly to the advantage of the City in both aspects.

V.

But compensation to the City to be made by the Consumers Company is the largest offered by any of the three applicants.

1. They must pay \$10,000 in cash and 30 cents a lineal foot for all pipe laid, which latter payment will amount, for the 560 miles of pipe below the Harlem, to over \$887,000, speaking in round numbers.

2. The New York Fuel Company offers \$10,000 and 20 cents a lineal foot, which is a little less than \$600,000, speaking in round numbers, making a difference in the offer of the Consumers Company of nearly \$300,000 in favor of the City.

3. The Metropolitan Company offer, even if made in good faith, is but \$100,000, while its 3 1/2 per cent. of net profits can never be ascertained, and will never be paid. They would undoubtedly charge the \$100,000 as an expense, and would also charge all other expenses, including such salaries as they might vote to themselves, before any net profits would be shown.

VI.

The injunction could be granted, if at all, on the facts alleged in the complaint and moving affidavits alone.

The plaintiff cannot show now and could not show on a trial facts or occurrences since the cause of action accrued.

This is true with greater force when a preliminary injunction is asked.

This will result in the rejection of any affidavits submitted by Mr. McDona.

See Am. W. W. Co. vs. Venier, 45 State Rep., at p. 449.

The competing companies are before the Court in the character of defendants only, and their affidavits should only be considered so far as they deny the equities of the complaint or show facts tending thereto.

VII.

The motion to continue the preliminary injunction should be denied with costs.

JAMES P. CAMPBELL, Attorney for the Consumers Fuel Gas, Heat and Power Company.
(Copy of Report of the Corporation Counsel containing the decision of the Court, dissolving the injunction.)

LAW DEPARTMENT—OFFICE OF THE COUNSEL TO THE CORPORATION, NEW YORK, November 24, 1896.

NEW YORK SUPREME COURT.

Willcox vs. Jeroloman.

To the Board of Aldermen:

GENTLEMEN—I have to inform you that the injunction heretofore obtained against the granting of a franchise for the distribution of non-illuminating gas to the Consumers Fuel, Heat and Power Company by your Body has, after due hearing, been dissolved by Mr. Justice Smyth, who hands down the following opinion:

"Without passing upon the question of the power of the Board of Aldermen to grant the franchise in question (of which I entertain very great doubt), it is sufficient to say that the motion papers do not establish the fact that the Board are about to act favorably, or fraudulently and in violation of law, upon the application for the franchise now pending before a Committee of said Board. The Board has not yet acted upon the report of its Committee, and I cannot assume, in the absence of conclusive proof to the contrary, that it will act otherwise than in conformity with the requirements of law. The application for an injunction is premature and must be denied, and the preliminary injunction vacated with \$10 costs."

This motion was opposed by me as upon the papers the question of your power to grant the privilege in question was not raised, but the good faith of your Committee on Lamps and Gas was attacked in view of the fact, as was claimed, that other applicants had offered more than the company in whose favor such Committee had reported.

Although firmly believing that your Board has no power in the premises to grant the franchise in question, I deemed it my duty to see that your Committee was vindicated from any unjust aspersions upon its motives and from the vague and loose charges of bad faith, which were made in the moving papers.

This result having been attained, I beg again to call your attention to the significant language of the learned Judge in his opinion denying the motion in question, to the effect that your power to grant the franchise in question is one as to which he entertains very grave doubt. This expression of judicial opinion confirms the view which I have already suggested to you in response to the request of your Committee as to my opinion of the matter, and I venture to draw your attention particularly to this clause of his opinion in order that your Body may have prominently before it the question of its power when it comes to pass upon the advisability of adopting the report heretofore made by its Committee on Lamps and Gas.

Yours respectfully,

FRANCIS M. SCOTT, Counsel to the Corporation.

In view of the decision of the Court there is nothing further for this Committee to do, and we therefore offer the following:

Resolved, That the Committee on Lamps and Gas be and it is hereby discharged from further consideration of the subject to which the foregoing refers.

JOSEPH SCHILLING, ELIAS GOODMAN, ANDREW A. NOONAN, JOSEPH T. HACKETT, JOHN J. O'BRIEN, Committee on Lamps and Gas.

Alderman Goodman moved that the further reading be dispensed with, and that the report be laid over and printed in full in the CITY RECORD.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion. Which was decided in the affirmative.

(G. O. 1199.)

NEW YORK, December 1, 1896. To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen:

On October 27 last the following was referred to the undersigned, the Committee on Lamps and Gas (see page 248):

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York:

The Metropolitan Fuel Gas Company of the City of New York desires to amend its application for franchise as follows:

Strike out paragraph eleventh thereof and insert in the place and stead the following: "That the gas furnished for the purpose of heating shall be equal to 500 heat units per cubic foot at all times."

Dated NEW YORK, October 20, 1896.

METROPOLITAN FUEL GAS COMPANY, by JAMES JACKSON, General Manager.

On November 2d ultimo a brief from the same company was also referred to us (see page 266), setting forth in detail the claims of the applicant and presenting reasons why this Board should give favorable consideration thereto.

As to the first subject, that relating to units of heat, we recommend the adoption of the amendment proposed.

As to the second matter, the brief, we desire to say that in our report of October 27 we presented an epitome of the argument therein contained. This document is substantially, if not entirely, a report of the presentation of the case of the Metropolitan Company as submitted at our public hearing and referred to in our previous report.

Nothing new is presented and no change of our opinions is effected thereby.

We offer the following:

Resolved, That the matters herein referred to, as submitted to the undersigned, be and the same are placed on file with the Clerk of the Common Council, to be taken up for consideration by this Board whenever it may deem it advisable to do so.

JOSEPH SCHILLING, ELIAS GOODMAN, ANDREW A. NOONAN, JOSEPH T. HACKETT, JOHN J. O'BRIEN, Committee on Lamps and Gas.

Alderman Noonan moved that the further reading be dispensed with and that the report be laid over and printed in full in the CITY RECORD.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion. Which was decided in the affirmative.

(G. O. 1200.)

NEW YORK, December 1, 1896. To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen:

On October 27 last, the following communication was received by this Board (see page 236):

"HENRY D. MACDONA, ATTORNEY AND COUNSELOR-AT-LAW, No. 38 PARK ROW, NEW YORK CITY, October 26, 1896. Hon. JOSEPH SCHILLING, Chairman of the Committee on Lamps and Gas of the Honorable Board of Aldermen of the City of New York:

"DEAR SIR—On October 22, 1896, I wrote to you as follows:

"As counsel of the New York Fuel Gas Company, I respectfully request that your Committee give me an opportunity, consulting its own convenience, to demonstrate to it the bona fides of every offer made by the company, and satisfy you of its ability to forthwith set about the work to furnish the citizens and taxpayers of the city with fuel gas."

I have had no response to this courteous request, but I received, two days subsequently, a notice reading as follows:

"You are hereby notified to attend a meeting of the Lamps and Gas. The Committee on Lamps and Gas will hold a public meeting on Monday, October 26, 1896, at 2 o'clock P. M., in Room 16, City Hall, to consider application for franchise by the Metropolitan Fuel Gas Company."

I am ignorant of the various dates at which the fuel gas applications were presented to the Board, but it does seem to me that, if there was any desire on the part of your Honorable Committee to hear me or my clients, their application might have been included in this notice.

Will you now kindly inform me when it will suit the Committee to hear me on the application?

Very truly yours,

H. D. MACDONA.

It was resolved, "That the Committee on Lamps and Gas hold a public hearing on the application of the New York Fuel Gas Company for permission to lay pipes and mains in the City of New York, on Friday, October 30, 1896, at 2 o'clock P. M., in Room 16, City Hall" (see Journal, page 236 of October 27, 1896).

In conformity with instructions, the public hearing was announced, and proper notice issued for all parties in interest to appear. In this connection it is well to note from the Journal (see page 236, October 27, 1896), the following:

"Alderman Goodman moved that it be placed on record that Alderman Schilling, Chairman of the Committee on Lamps and Gas, makes the positive assertion that he informed the messenger who brought the original letter of inquiry as to a date of hearing on the application of the New

York Fuel Gas Company and others that it would be held on the Monday following the date upon which the messenger called."

At the hearing ordered by the Board, to wit: October 30, 1896, no one appeared in behalf of the New York Fuel Gas Company excepting its counsel, the gentleman who signed the above letter of complaint, Mr. H. D. Macdonald. Mr. Campbell, representing the Consumers Fuel Gas, Heat and Power Company also attended. Mr. Macdonald presented no new arguments to show why his company should be specially favored, added no facts which have not already been known and referred to, and gave no reasons whatever to justify a change of the opinion already expressed by this Committee, other than a willingness to accept all the conditions we have provided and exact from the applicants to whom we have recommended the granting of a franchise, and a further agreement to raise the offer of \$10,000 to \$15,000.

Your Committee has had its original position strengthened by the lapse of time between the reports previously submitted and the presentation of this report.

The development of the scheme of consolidating all existing gas companies, the publication of the names of the millionaires who compose the same, the close connection therewith of the Standard Oil Trust, the appeal to this Board for relief from the charges of \$1.60 per 1000 cubic feet for gas on the "north side," and the many public expressions by the press against the gas combination, all tend to justify our conclusion to adhere to our original recommendation.

The injunction proceedings prove the wisdom of our contention that litigation can be inaugurated on the most flimsy pretense or pretext, and therefore we feel it our duty to favor the applicants who, in our opinion, are the most apt to begin operations at once and supply our people with this great boon of cheap gas.

Although it is possible for the Consumers Company to delay operations by litigation, prompted for that purpose, we feel that such will not be the case. We believe they are sincere.

The following, recently published, will show the financial standing of the company and the personnel of the board of directors:

"Among others we might name as directors and stockholders are Milo M. Belding, the millionaire silk thread manufacturer, and president of the American Union Life Insurance Company, vice-president of a leading fire insurance company, and director in a dozen financial and other institutions; George P. Betts, a wealthy retired lawyer; Henry C. Copeland, President of the Riverside Bank; William R. Smith, of Worthington, Smith & Co., and George P. Johnson, Manager of the Diamond Match Company. Surely, no one will venture to suggest that these names are those of men of straw.

"We shall be within bounds in asserting that the gentlemen identified with the Consumers Company represent an aggregate responsibility of not less than \$50,000,000."

It seems to your Committee that there is not a scintilla of reason presented for its consideration that justifies a different conclusion than already arrived at. The only question upon which a doubt might arise, is that of the power of this Board to grant the application. We have expressed our views clearly on that point and cannot comprehend why anyone should criticize a desire to have our rights and powers defined, when it is admitted by both the Corporation Counsel and a learned judge that the matter is involved in doubt. The official records of many of our City Departments will show that litigation is not only a frequent occurrence, but actually forced upon claimants against the City because the heads of such departments are in doubt as to their right to grant the claims against them. They desire their rights adjudged by courts of law, and very often the City must pay costs which could be avoided. Although in such instances the conditions are different than the matter here under consideration, yet the principle of adjudication of power and authority are similar. The Board should rather be encouraged than opposed in its efforts for a proper, unmistakable decision on so important a question. The claimant for that which we may have the right to grant is entitled to the full benefit thereof, if its claim is just, is beneficial to the people, of advantage to the city and is proper under the law.

The following communication from the Counsel of the Consumers Fuel Gas Company on that point, is worthy of note and we therefore append it hereto:

The Corporation Counsel has directed attention to the opinion of the learned Judge rendered upon the motion to vacate the injunction, in which language is used indicating that there is some question as to the power of your Board to grant the pending application. The same conclusion was reached by the Corporation Counsel. It appears, however, that this question of power was not before the Court, but was expressly excluded from argument and consideration; hence it may fairly be inferred that it was not fully presented, and that the opinion expressed was not intended to be conclusive.

The question which now confronts you is whether, under these circumstances, you should refuse to act upon the merits of the application before you, because a possible doubt may be entertained as to the legal power of the Board in the premises.

It seems that, inasmuch as there is no positive negation of your authority, while many sustaining opinions of learned counsel are on file, and no method of judicially ascertaining the scope of your power in advance of your taking action is provided by law, you would be manifestly derelict in the performance of a public duty were you to refuse to act upon a matter of great public benefit and utility merely because of the mooted existence of a possible doubt arising from the comparison and construction of various statutes, and the interpretation of legislative intent with reference to an act, the plain reading of which seems to afford abundant sanction for the exercise of powers which are now invoked in furtherance of the public good. The mere presence of a possible doubt where the denial of power operates as an abridgement of the principle of home rule should not be suffered to militate against the interests and welfare of the municipality, especially when your action is not absolutely conclusive but is subject to review by the courts.

Were this application a matter of minor importance, that fact might be urged in extenuation of a failure to act, but here you are dealing with a subject of vast concern to the people, involving payments to the city which may finally reach an aggregate of almost one million dollars, in addition to large economy in the Street Cleaning Department and the removal of ashes, involving, moreover, benefits to the consumer in the way of cheaper, cleaner, more wholesome and more convenient fuel, which cannot be estimated in dollars and cents, and which should not be rejected because of a possible doubt, but should be secured if there is any authority in law for affirmative action.

We could fill our journal with many page of favorable comment by public and press, or the applications before us of the vast and incalculable benefits to be derived from cheap fuel gas and the advisability of affirmative action on the part of this Board. We feel the matter is thoroughly understood and its importance appreciated, and that all questions involved have been fully considered, carefully weighed and properly viewed by the members of this Board. We having presented our conclusions we leave the subject for their approval or disapproval, as its merits may warrant.

The following explains itself:

NEW YORK, November 9, 1896, Hon. A. A. NOONAN, No. 8 City Hall, New York City:

DEAR SIR—Supplementary to the proposition that we pay to the City thirty cents for each lineal foot of mains laid by the company, we will, provided we receive from the City authorities the right and privilege of laying our mains and pipes in the street, before beginning any work upon the streets, pay to the City the sum of fifteen thousand (\$15,000) dollars, as an additional compensation and as an evidence of our entire good faith and intent to carry out our enterprise and supply the people of the City of New York with cheap fuel gas. You may make this one of the conditions of the grant to us. Very truly yours,

THE CONSUMERS FUEL GAS, HEAT AND POWER COMPANY, ROBERT WEBB MORGAN, Secretary.

We offer the following:

Resolved, That our recommendation to exact ten thousand dollars from the Consumers Fuel Gas, Heat and Power Company, in the report heretofore presented, be and is hereby amended to read, instead, fifteen thousand dollars.

Resolved, That the application of the New York Fuel Gas Company be and the same is placed on file for consideration at such time as this Board may determine.

JOSEPH SCHILLING, JOHN J. O'BRIEN, ELIAS GOODMAN, ANDREW A. NOONAN, JOSEPH T. HACKETT, Committee on Lamps and Gas.

Alderman Goodman moved the further reading be dispensed with and that the report be laid over and printed in full in the CITY RECORD.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion. Which was decided in the affirmative.

The Committee on Lamps and Gas, to whom was referred the annexed resolution in favor of lighting Park avenue, from Ninety-eighth street to the Harlem river, respectfully

REPORT:

That, having examined the subject, they believe the proposed improvement to be necessary. They therefore recommend that the said resolution be adopted.

Resolved; That, in accordance with the foregoing petitions of the Park Avenue Property Owners' Association, the Commission for Lighting the City be and it is hereby earnestly and respectfully requested to properly and efficiently light Park avenue, from Ninety-eighth street to the Harlem river, with electricity.

JOSEPH SCHILLING, JOSEPH T. HACKETT, ANDREW A. NOONAN, ELIAS GOODMAN, Committee on Lamps and Gas.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree to accept said report and adopt said resolution. Which was decided in the affirmative.

The Committee on Law Department, to whom was referred, on the 24th day of November, 1896, the two resolutions hereinafter set out in regard to the ordinance relating to venders and hucksters, do hereby respectfully

REPORT:

The two resolutions so referred to your Committee are as follows:

"By Alderman Goodman—

Whereas, The new ordinance relating to hucksters, venders, etc., is now being enforced, and

the preparation leading up to its enforcement and the experiences in connection therewith having developed certain facts that seem to require investigation and probable legislation; therefore be it

Resolved, The Committee on Law Department be and it is hereby instructed to confer with the Mayor's Marshal, the Counsel to the Corporation, and, if deemed necessary, the Police Department and the Board of City Magistrates, for the purpose of ascertaining whether the new ordinance is in any particular ambiguous, incongruous or incomplete, and if, in any respect, it requires amending, to present suitable amendments for the consideration of this Board.

"By Alderman Muh—

The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York do ordain as follows:

Section 1. Section 17 of an ordinance to regulate hucksters, hawkers and peddlers in the City of New York, adopted by the Board of Aldermen September 29, 1896, and approved by the Mayor October 13, 1896, is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the words "But each and every license in existence at the time of the adoption of this ordinance shall be deemed to be in full force and effect until one year from the date of issue of said license."

Your Committee has examined the subject, and herewith reports certain amendments to said ordinance and recommend their adoption. These amendments are as follows:

1. The word "wagon" is stricken out in one place from section 3, in order to remove the ambiguity that existed therein.

2. Section 6 is amended by providing that the ordinance shall not apply to venders carrying newspapers on their person. This provision was in the old ordinance on the subject and was inadvertently omitted from the new one.

3. A new section 18 has been put in, providing a penalty for persons who carry on the business of venders and hucksters in the city without having any license at all. The ordinance as it now stands is incomplete in this regard, and the provision thus proposed by the Committee is similar in language to that contained in the old ordinance on the subject.

4. A new section 19 is added, which repeals the provisions of the Revised Ordinances of 1880, which the new ordinance supersedes.

The amendment proposed by the second resolution, which was referred to your Committee, has not been adopted by the Committee. That resolution was as follows: "But each and every license in existence at the time of the adoption of this ordinance shall be deemed to be in full force and effect until one year from the date of issue of said license." The purpose of that amendment was not to allow the holders of licenses under the old ordinance to continue during the balance of the year to ply their trade under the terms and conditions of the former ordinance, but simply to save them from paying the new license fee until the term covered by their old license had expired. This provision, if originally incorporated into the ordinance, would have been fair and proper, and if there were any practicable manner of refunding the fees paid over to the Comptroller, your Committee would be disposed to recommend the same, but it is impossible of accomplishment.

There have been a few minor changes made, but not of vital importance.

A proposed ordinance is hereto annexed containing the amendments which the Committee proposes, and they recommend its adoption.

Dated December 1, 1896.

FREDERICK A. WARE, BENJAMIN E. HALL, JOHN T. OAKLEY, JACOB C. WUND, Committee on Law Department.

The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York do ordain, as follows:

The ordinance in relation to peddlers, hawkers, venders or hucksters, adopted September 29, 1896, and approved October 13, 1896, is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Section 1. The Mayor of the City of New York may, subject to the restrictions hereinafter mentioned, grant a license to any peddler, hawker, vender or huckster of any kind of merchandise using a horse and wagon, hand-cart, push-cart, or other vehicle, for the use of streets of this city, excepting such as are specially restricted by ordinance.

Sec. 2. All applicants for such license shall produce satisfactory evidence to the Mayor of his or her good moral character; that they are citizens of the United States and residents of the State of New York one year; or, if not citizens, for no fault of their own, they must certify to the following facts: That their period of residence in this country has not been a sufficient length of time to become such; and if not able, in consequence, to secure naturalization papers, they must at least show that they have "declared their intentions." Anyone who cannot present satisfactory evidence as above required shall not be granted a license; and anyone who, on presentation of "first papers," and otherwise complying with all requirements, obtains a license, shall at the proper time give evidence of full citizenship, otherwise such license shall become null and void.

Sec. 3. The license fee shall be as follows: To fish dealers, \$25, but any fish dealer shall also have the right to vend other merchandise; to all venders plying their trade with horse and wagon, \$25; and all others, contemplated by this act, using a push-cart, hand-cart or other vehicle of like character, \$15; venders of merchandise, carrying upon their person a basket, tray or other receptacle for their goods, shall pay \$5; and the license granted shall be in force and effect for one year only, unless revoked. Applications for new licenses, under the same conditions as originally granted, may be made annually. No one person shall be granted more than one license per year, except venders with horses and wagons.

Sec. 4. Application for licenses shall be made on a blank form, specially prepared by the Clerk of the Common Council, after a letter of authorization for such application shall have been signed by the Alderman of the district in which said applicant resides, and which shall set forth the full name of applicant, place of residence, length of time resident in this State, if a citizen of the United States, and if not a citizen, whether application has been made for first papers and the same obtained, whether license for the same privilege has been previously obtained, and if so, where and for what period, and such other data or information as the Mayor may desire. All must be certified to under oath.

Sec. 5. The Mayor shall have power to grant licenses, subject to the conditions contained in section 4.

Sec. 6. No license under this ordinance shall be transferable. The provisions of this ordinance shall not apply to venders of newspapers who carry the same on their persons.

Sec. 7. Each person securing a license or permit under the terms of this ordinance shall, at the same time, be furnished with a copy of said ordinance by the Mayor's Marshal.

Sec. 8. The Mayor shall furnish each licensee with tin signs, duly and conspicuously numbered, bearing the words "Merchandise No. —," and a metal badge containing the same wording. The number of the license, the signs and the badge must correspond. The signs must be attached to the sides of the wagon, cart or vehicle, where they can be readily seen, near the front thereof, and the badge must be worn on the left breast of the outer garment of the licensee at all times when conducting his or her business on the public streets.

Sec. 9. Anyone using either the sign or badge, as referred to in the preceding section, without authority, shall be punishable, upon conviction, of a fine of not more than twenty-five dollars or a fine and imprisonment of not less than one nor more than ten days. No license shall be renewed until the license, badge and signs theretofore issued to the applicant shall be surrendered to the Mayor's Marshal or satisfactory reasons given for a failure so to do. In the event of the loss or destruction of any badge, sign or license duplicates thereof may be issued by the Mayor's Marshal upon the payment of the cost therefor.

Sec. 10. No licensed peddler, vender, hawker or huckster shall permit any cart, wagon or vehicle, owned or controlled by him or her, to stop, remain upon or otherwise encumber any street, avenue or highway for a longer period than thirty minutes at one time on any one block. Nor shall any such peddler, vender, hawker or huckster stand in front of any premises, the owner of or the lessee of the ground floor thereof objecting thereto. At the expiration of the thirty minutes aforesaid, any vender, with or without a basket, cart, wagon or vehicle must be removed to a point at least one block distant.

Sec. 11. No licensed peddler, vender, hawker or huckster shall permit his or her cart, wagon or vehicle to stand on any street, avenue or highway within twenty-five feet of any corner of the curb, nor within ten feet of any other peddler, vender, hawker or huckster.

Sec. 12. No licensed peddler, vender, hawker or huckster shall use any part of a sidewalk or crosswalk for conducting his or her business, and shall not cast or throw any thing or article of any kind or character upon the street, nor interfere with or prevent to any degree the Street Cleaning Department from sweeping or cleaning, or from gathering street sweepings, etc., from the streets or avenues.

Sec. 13. No licensed peddler, vender, hawker or huckster shall blow upon or use or suffer or permit to be blown upon or used any horn or other instrument for the purpose of giving notice of the approach of any cart, wagon or vehicle in order to sell thereout any article of merchandise.

Sec. 14. No licensed peddler, vender, hawker, or huckster, shall cry or sell his or her wares or merchandise on Sunday, nor after 9 o'clock P. M., nor cry his or her wares before 8 o'clock in the morning of any day except Saturdays, when they shall be allowed to cry or sell their wares or merchandise until 11.30 o'clock P. M.

Sec. 15. No licensed peddler, vender, hawker or huckster shall be allowed to cry his or her wares within two hundred and fifty feet of any school, court-house, church or hospital between the hours of 8 o'clock A. M. and 4 o'clock P. M. on school days; or stop or remain in Nassau street, between Spruce and Wall streets, from 8 o'clock A. M. to 6 o'clock P. M.

Sec. 16. All licensed peddlers, venders, hawkers or hucksters who shall locate on any street or avenue under the provisions of this ordinance with intention to remain thirty minutes or part thereof, shall use the east and the north sides of streets and avenues up to noon, and the west and south sides after noon of any day so using them. This section shall not apply to such venders who are moving along the streets, avenues or highways, without intention to locate at any one point, for thirty minutes, or who may be called on by the resident of any building, for the purpose of making a purchase.

Sec. 17. The violation of any of the foregoing provisions of this ordinance, or any part thereof, shall be deemed a misdemeanor, and the offender shall, upon conviction, be fined or imprisoned, or both, as provided by section 85 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882.

Sec. 18. No peddler, hawker, vender or huckster of any kind of merchandise shall conduct or carry on, in the City of New York, any business as such peddler, hawker, vender or huckster until

he or she shall have first obtained a license in compliance with the provisions of this ordinance. Any person violating the provisions of this section shall be punished upon conviction by a fine of not more than twenty-five dollars, or in default of payment of such fine, by imprisonment of not less than one or more than ten days.

Sec. 19. Sections 54, 55, 56, 57 and 58 of Article V., chapter 8 of the Revised Ordinances of 1880, as amended by ordinance adopted December 19, 1882, approved December 30, 1882, by ordinance adopted January 30, 1883, approved February 1, 1883, and by ordinance adopted March 27, 1883, approved April 9, 1883, are hereby repealed.

Sec. 20. All ordinances, or parts of ordinances, inconsistent with this ordinance, or in conflict therewith, are hereby repealed.

Sec. 21. This act shall take effect immediately.

Alderman Oakley offered the following amendment:

Amend section 3 by adding, "The fee for a renewal of all licenses for venders who ply their trade with horse and wagon shall be five dollars."

Alderman Noonan moved that the whole matter be laid over.

Alderman Muh moved the adoption of so much of the report as places merchandise and fish peddlers on the same basis.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion of Alderman Noonan. Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—The President, the Vice-President, Aldermen Brown, Goetz, Goodman, Hall, Kennefick, Lantry, Noonan, O'Brien, Olcott, Randall, Schilling, School, Tait, Ware, Wines, and Woodward—18.

Negative—Aldermen Burke, Campbell, Clancy, Dwyer, Goodwin, Hackett, Marshall, Muh, Murphy, Oakley, Parker, and Wund—12.

Alderman Hall moved that the report be made a special order for Tuesday, December 8, 1896, at 3 o'clock P. M. Which motion was subsequently withdrawn.

Alderman Hall moved a reconsideration of the vote by which the report and amendment were laid over.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion. Which was decided in the affirmative.

Alderman Oakley at this point withdrew the amendment.

Alderman Hall moved the adoption of the report.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion. Which was decided in the affirmative.

MESSAGES FROM HIS HONOR THE MAYOR.

The President laid before the Board the following message from his Honor the Mayor:
CITY OF NEW YORK—OFFICE OF THE MAYOR, December 1, 1896. *To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen:*

GENTLEMEN—I return herewith, without approval, resolution of your Honorable Body to lay water-mains in Pelham avenue, from the Southern Boulevard to Main street, on the ground of the report of the Commissioner of Public Works that Pelham avenue and Main street should be graded before water-mains are laid.

Yours respectfully, W. L. STRONG, Mayor.

Resolved, That water-mains be laid in Pelham avenue, from Southern Boulevard to Main street, and in Main street to a point one thousand feet north of said Pelham avenue, Bronx, Twenty-fourth Ward, as provided in section 356 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882.

Which was laid over, ordered to be printed in the minutes and published in full in the CITY RECORD.

The President laid before the Board the following message from his Honor the Mayor:

CITY OF NEW YORK—OFFICE OF THE MAYOR, December 1, 1896. *To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen:*

GENTLEMEN—I return herewith, without approval, resolution of your Honorable Body, to lay water-mains in Anthony avenue, from the Southern Boulevard to Garfield street, on the ground of the report of the Commissioner of Public Works that as Anthony avenue is within the lines of the new Concourse its present grade lines will be changed.

Yours respectfully, W. L. STRONG, Mayor.

Resolved, That water-mains be laid in Anthony avenue, from Southern Boulevard to Garfield street, as provided in section 356 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882.

Which was laid over, ordered to be printed in the minutes and published in full in the CITY RECORD.

The President laid before the Board the following message from his Honor the Mayor:

CITY OF NEW YORK—OFFICE OF THE MAYOR, December 1, 1896. *To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen:*

GENTLEMEN—I return herewith, without approval, resolution of your Honorable Body authorizing the Commissioner of Public Works to remove an iron drinking-fountain from No. 542 West Fourteenth street to the corner of Little Twelfth street and Thirteenth avenue, on the ground of the report of the Commissioner of Public Works that the change proposed in this resolution cannot be made by the Department of Public Works, as it is for the benefit of a private individual.

Yours respectfully, W. L. STRONG, Mayor.

Resolved, That the Commissioner of Public Works be and he is hereby authorized and directed to remove the improved iron drinking-fountain now in front of No. 542 West Fourteenth street to the northeast corner of the foot of Little Twelfth street and Thirteenth avenue.

Which was laid over, ordered to be printed in the minutes and published in full in the CITY RECORD.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

By Alderman Brown—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby granted the Knickerbocker Fire Extinguisher Company to give an exhibition test of said extinguisher on Thursday, December 3, 1896, on the southeast corner of Elm and Leonard streets, at three o'clock P. M., under the direction of the Chief of Police; such permission to continue for the day and date mentioned.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution. Which was decided in the affirmative.

By Alderman Burke—

Resolved, That section 4 of an ordinance adopted by the Board of Aldermen, November 17, 1896, and approved by the Mayor, November 20, 1896, having for its object the repeal of a resolution granting permission to licensed venders to stand with their wagons on Saturday evenings, on Tenth avenue, between Forty-ninth and Fifty-third streets (which was adopted by the Board of Aldermen, December 12, 1893, and approved by the Mayor, December 19, 1893), be and the same is hereby in turn annulled, rescinded and repealed and the said resolution approved December 19, 1893, is hereby restored and revived in its full force and effect.

Alderman Hall moved that the paper be laid on the table.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion. Which was decided in the negative by the following vote:

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Goodman, Hall, Olcott, Parker, Randall, School, Ware, and Woodward—9.

Negative—The Vice-President, Aldermen Brown, Burke, Campbell, Clancy, Dwyer, Goetz, Goodwin, Hackett, Kennefick, Lantry, Marshall, Muh, Murphy, Noonan, Oakley, Robinson, Schilling, Tait, Wines, and Wund—21.

Alderman Muh moved the adoption of the resolution.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion. Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—The Vice-President, Aldermen Brown, Burke, Campbell, Clancy, Dwyer, Goetz, Goodwin, Hackett, Kennefick, Lantry, Marshall, Muh, Murphy, Noonan, Oakley, O'Brien, Randall, Robinson, Schilling, Tait, Wines, and Wund—23.

Negative—The President, Aldermen Goodman, Hall, Olcott, Parker, School, and Woodward—7.

By Alderman Dwyer—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Louis Renn to erect, place and keep a bay-window in front of his premises, No. 178 Spring street, provided the said bay-window shall not extend more than twelve inches from the house-line, the work to be done at his own expense, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution. Which was decided in the affirmative.

By the same—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Sisters of the Stranger to place and keep transparencies on the following lamp-posts: Southeast corner of Broadway and Clinton place, southwest corner of Greene street and Clinton place, southwest corner of Broadway and Waverley place, and one in front of No. 4 Winthrop place, the work to be done at their own expense, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; such permission to continue only for two weeks from December 1, 1896.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution. Which was decided in the affirmative.

By the same—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to the Washington Square M. E. Church to place and keep transparencies on the lamp-posts in front of the church No. 137 West Fourth street, the work to be done at their own expense, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; such permission to continue only from December 7, 1896, to December 17, 1896.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution. Which was decided in the affirmative.

By Alderman Goodwin—

Resolved, That the Commission for Lighting the City be and it is hereby respectfully requested to light Tenth avenue, from Fourteenth street to Thirty-fourth street, with electricity.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution. Which was decided in the affirmative.

(G. O. 1201.)

By Alderman Goodman—

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS—COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, No. 150 NASSAU STREET, NEW YORK, December 1, 1896. *To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen:*

GENTLEMEN—In accordance with the provisions of section 321 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882, as amended by chapter 569 of the Laws of 1887, I hereby certify and report to your Honorable Board that the safety, health and convenience of the public require that the sidewalks on the west side of Park avenue, from One Hundred and Twenty-second to One Hundred and Twenty-third street, and on the north side of One Hundred and Twenty-second street and south side of One Hundred and Twenty-third street, commencing at Park avenue and extending west about eighty feet on each street be flagged full width, where not already done, and that all the flagging and the curb now on the sidewalks be relaid and reset where necessary, and that new flagging and curb be furnished where the present flagging and curb are defective; the materials to be used for said work to be flagging and curb of North river blue stone of the dimensions and according to the specifications now used in the Department of Public Works.

Very respectfully, CHARLES H. T. COLLIS, Commissioner of Public Works.

Resolved, That the sidewalks on the west side of Park avenue, from One Hundred and Twenty-second to One Hundred and Twenty-third street, and on the north side of One Hundred and Twenty-second street and south side of One Hundred and Twenty-third street, commencing at Park avenue and extending west about eighty feet on each street, be flagged full width, where not already done, and that all the flagging and the curb now on the sidewalks be relaid and reset where necessary, and that new flagging and curb be furnished where the present flagging and curb are defective, as provided by section 321, chapter 410, Laws 1882, as amended by chapter 569, Laws 1887, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was laid over.

By the same—

Resolved, That permission be and it is hereby granted to the Peerless Social Club to place a transparency on the lamp-post at the southeast corner of First avenue and One Hundred and Nineteenth street, announcing a charity ball, the same to be placed at its own expense, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, and remain for two weeks only after January 15, 1897.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution. Which was decided in the affirmative.

(G. O. 1202.)

By Alderman Hackett—

Resolved, That the Commissioner of Public Works be and he is hereby authorized to renumber the houses on Bethune street, from Hudson street to Thirteenth avenue, beginning at Hudson street with No. 1 and No. 2.

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 1203.)

By Alderman Hall—

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS—COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, No. 150 NASSAU STREET, NEW YORK, December 1, 1896. *To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen:*

GENTLEMEN—In accordance with the provisions of section 321 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882, as amended by chapter 569 of the Laws of 1887, I hereby certify and report to your Honorable Board that the safety, health and convenience of the public require that all the flagging and the curb now on the sidewalks on the south side of Eighty-third street, commencing at Madison avenue and extending east about eighty feet, be relaid and reset where necessary, and that new flagging and curb be furnished where the present flagging and curb are defective; the materials to be used for said work to be flagging and curb of North river blue stone of the dimensions and according to the specifications now used in the Department of Public Works.

Very respectfully, CHARLES H. T. COLLIS, Commissioner of Public Works.

Resolved, That all the flagging and the curb now on the sidewalk on the south side of Eighty-third street, commencing at Madison avenue and extending east about eighty feet, be relaid and reset where necessary, and that new flagging and curb be furnished where the present flagging and curb are defective, as provided by section 321 of chapter 410, Laws of 1882, as amended by chapter 569, Laws of 1887, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was laid over.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

The President at this point announced that the Committee on Railroads would meet in Room 13, City Hall, on December 3, 1896, at 2 o'clock P. M.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS RESUMED.

By Alderman Kennefick—

Resolved, That the resolution permitting Michael Farrell to keep a newspaper stand under the elevated railroad stairs at the northwest corner of Battery place and Greenwich street, which was adopted by the Board of Aldermen November 10, 1896, and became a law without the Mayor's approval on November 24, 1896, be and the same is hereby corrected and amended by striking out the word "west" before the word "corner" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "east."

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution. Which was decided in the affirmative.

(G. O. 1204.)

By Alderman Lantry—

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS—COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, No. 150 NASSAU STREET, NEW YORK, December 1, 1896. *Hon. F. J. LANTRY, Board of Aldermen:*

DEAR SIR—I herewith inclose draft of a resolution and ordinance to flag, etc., the sidewalk in front of Nos. 155 and 157 East Fifty-third street.

As this location is in your Aldermanic district you are respectfully requested to introduce the resolution to the Board of Aldermen and to use your good offices to secure prompt action thereon.

Very respectfully, HOWARD PAYSON WILDS, Deputy Commissioner of Public Works.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS—COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, No. 150 NASSAU STREET, NEW YORK, December 1, 1896. *To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen:*

GENTLEMEN—In accordance with the provisions of section 321 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882, as amended by chapter 569 of the Laws of 1887, I hereby certify and report to your Honorable Board that the safety, health and convenience of the public require that the sidewalks in front of Nos. 155 and 157 East Fifty-third street be flagged full width, where not already done, and that all the flagging and the curb now on the sidewalks be relaid and reset where necessary, and that new flagging and curb be furnished where the present flagging and curb are defective; the materials to be used for said work to be flagging and curb of North river blue stone of the dimensions and according to the specifications now used in the Department of Public Works.

Very respectfully, CHARLES H. T. COLLIS, Commissioner of Public Works.

Resolved, That the sidewalks in front of Nos. 155 and 157 East Fifty-third street be flagged full width, where not already done, and that all the flagging and the curb now on the sidewalks be relaid and reset where necessary, and that new flagging and curb be furnished where the present flagging and curb are defective, as provided by section 321 of chapter 410, Laws of 1882, as amended by chapter 569, Laws of 1887, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was laid over.

By Alderman Marshall—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to the Manhattan Ladies' Relief Association to place and keep transparencies on the following lamp-posts: Fifth street and Second avenue, Fifth street and Third avenue, the work to be done at their own expense, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; such permission to continue only for two weeks from the date of approval by his Honor the Mayor.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution. Which was decided in the affirmative.

By the same—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to the Deer Park Land and Investment Company to drive an advertising wagon through the streets of the city, the work to be done at their own expense, under the direction of the Chief of Police; such permission to continue only until December 5, 1896.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution. Which was decided in the affirmative.

By the same—

Resolved, That the Commissioner of Public Works be and he hereby is respectfully requested to pave with asphalt the carriageway of St. Mark's place, from Third avenue to Avenue A.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution. Which was decided in the affirmative.

By Alderman Muh—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to the Union M. E. Church to place and keep transparencies upon the following lamp-posts: Northeast corner of Eighth avenue and Forty-eighth street; northwest corner of Broadway and Forty-eighth street, and at No. 233 West Forty-eighth street, the work to be done at its own expense, under the direction of the Commis-

sioner of Public Works; such permission to continue only for two weeks from the date of approval by his Honor the Mayor.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution. Which was decided in the affirmative.

The President at this point directed the Clerk to note that Alderman Ware requested to be recorded as voting in the negative on Alderman Burke's resolution to restore peddlers' Saturday night market on Tenth avenue, between Forty-ninth and Fifty-third streets.

(G. O. 1205.)

By Alderman Olcott—

Resolved, That the carriageway of One Hundred and Eighth street, from Amsterdam avenue to the Boulevard, be paved with asphalt-block pavement on concrete foundation, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted. Which was laid over.

By the same—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to the Roman Catholic Church of the Ascension to place and keep transparencies on the following lamp-posts: Ninety-third street, corner of Columbus avenue; One Hundred and Fourth street, corner of Columbus avenue; One Hundred and Second street, corner of Amsterdam avenue; One Hundred and Sixth street, corner of Amsterdam avenue, the work to be done at their own expense, under the direction of Commissioner of Public Works; such permission to continue only for two weeks from the date of approval by his Honor the Mayor.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution. Which was decided in the affirmative.

By Alderman Randall—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to the Trinity Congregational Church to place and keep transparencies on the following unused lamp-posts, viz.: Washington avenue, northwest corner One Hundred and Seventy-sixth street; Tremont avenue, southwest corner Webster avenue; Third avenue, corner One Hundred and Seventy-fourth street; said work to be done at its own expense, under the direction of the Commissioner of Street Improvements of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards; such permission to continue for a period of two weeks from the date of approval by his Honor the Mayor.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution. Which was decided in the affirmative.

(G. O. 1206.)

By the same—

Resolved, That gas-mains be laid, lamp-posts erected, street-lamps placed thereon and lighted in Eighth street, from White Plains avenue to Second avenue, Williamsbridge, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 1207.)

By the same—

Resolved, That gas-mains be laid, lamp-posts erected and street-lamps placed thereon and lighted in Crotona place, South, from Julian place to One Hundred and Seventy-first street, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

Which was laid over.

PETITIONS RESUMED.

By Alderman Robinson—

To the Hon. Body of Aldermen of New York City:

GENTLEMEN—The so-called Patis Market which for some time existed on Ninth avenue, between Forty-second street and Thirty-eighth street, having been removed as we believe through some misunderstanding, has and will work great hardships on many who have been engaged in business there, as it will deprive them of their only means of supporting themselves and their families, thus adding a large number of honest workingmen to the already enormous crowd of idle ones. The undersigned wish to draw your attention to the fact that this market was not a detriment but a benefit to the merchants and property-holders in its immediate neighborhood as their signatures below will attest.

They, therefore, join the undersigned and pray that your Honorable Body pass a law restoring the above-named market:

John Geiers, No. 353 West Forty-first street; Peter Morris, No. 216 West Sixty-seventh street; James Cornell, No. 485 West Fortieth street; Henry Grabb, No. 442 West Forty-first street; Terry A. Thaler, No. 413 West Thirty-ninth street; Michal Corbett, No. 512 West Thirty-ninth street; James Allen, No. 512 West Thirty-ninth street; Charles Harris, No. 403 West Thirty-ninth street; James P. Breslin, No. 341 West Thirty-ninth street; Henry Smith, No. 341 West Thirty-ninth street; Jacob Kraft, No. 428 West Thirty-ninth street; William Mulhern, No. 504 Eleventh avenue; Fraebich Zeager, No. 504 Eleventh avenue; — Allcott, No. 625, West Forty-sixth street; Anthony Bauer, No. 433 West Fortieth street; Arhams Harburger, No. 333 West Fortieth street; Charles Munket, No. 417 West Thirty-eighth street.

Merchants' Signature—Bloch Brothers, No. 575 Ninth avenue, butchers; J. P. Kissling, No. 573 Ninth avenue, bakers; Mrs. E. Pracht, stationery; Louis Fritz, undertaker; Max Zagatphius, druggist, No. 581 Ninth avenue; Peoples' Tea and Coffee Company, No. 579 Ninth avenue; William Buennett, No. 567 Ninth avenue; Andrew Davey, No. 563 Ninth avenue, grocer; George Geoghieghan, No. 400 West Forty-first street, real estate; H. Weinberg, No. 555 Ninth avenue, shoemaker; Amsterdam Beef Company, No. 547 Ninth avenue (per Stearns); D. J. Murphy, No. 541 Ninth avenue, grocer; M. T. Lindsay, No. 535 Ninth avenue, baker; F. Brooks, No. 537 Ninth avenue, shoes; Fred. Peters, No. 533 Ninth avenue, oil store; Louis Bantz, No. 531 Ninth avenue, tailor; J. B. Tompkins, No. 527 Ninth avenue, grocer; D. Belgard, No. 525 Ninth avenue, crockery store; C. Schukel, No. 519 Ninth avenue, bakery; A. Ayers, No. 517 Ninth avenue, stoves; Charles F. Mayer, No. 515 Ninth avenue, drug store; L. Kaliske & Son, No. 513 Ninth avenue, gent's furnishing; Grolz Company, No. 511 Ninth avenue, shoe merchants; Edward Jens, No. 509 Ninth avenue, cigar store; A. Griesbeck, No. 504 Ninth avenue, butter and eggs; John Tarry, No. 504 Ninth avenue, vegetables; Isaac Soelander, No. 506 Ninth avenue, delicatessen; A. Backbaum, No. 523 Ninth avenue; A. L. Canter, No. 673 Ninth avenue; James Butler, 522 Ninth avenue; William H. Reichert, No. 522 Ninth avenue, vegetables; Ernst Gass, No. 526 Ninth avenue, baker; Helen Koehler, No. 528 Ninth avenue, cigar store; Abender Lindery, No. 530 Ninth avenue; John Zimmerman, No. 534 Ninth avenue, shoes; Herman J. Rosenthal, No. 534 Ninth avenue; Sintow Brothers, No. 536 Ninth avenue, crockery; G. Savarese, No. 536 Ninth avenue, grocery; H. Frank, No. 540 Ninth avenue, restaurant; W. Donzler, No. 548 Ninth avenue, stoves; Frank's Restaurant, No. 548 Ninth avenue; J. B. McCraig, No. 550 Ninth avenue; H. E. Schneider, No. 552 Ninth avenue, butcher; N. N. J. Unger, No. 552 Ninth avenue, baker; Thomas L. Anderson, No. 551 Ninth avenue; S. Guenthu, No. 554 Ninth avenue, millinery; A. Messer, No. 556 Ninth avenue, shoes; J. Bloch, roofer, No. 556 Ninth avenue; Luigi Savarese, barber, No. 556 Ninth avenue; Stephen Hunter, No. 565 Ninth avenue, grocer; Anson Winburger, No. 566 Ninth avenue; Thomas Fay, No. 578 Ninth avenue, oyster house; O. J. Dennis, No. 348 West Forty-second street, hay and grain; M. Chattey, restaurant; J. M. Chattey, The Palace, No. 584 Ninth avenue; Louis Brenner, No. 578 Ninth avenue; Louis Brenner, No. 580 Ninth avenue; Dennis Duff, No. 470 Eleventh avenue; Hugh Reilly, No. 439 Eleventh avenue; John Carr, No. 449 Eleventh avenue; Louis Schaefer, No. 606 West Thirty-seventh street; William Wenish, No. 434 West Thirty-ninth street; Robert Collmore, No. 434 West Thirty-ninth street; William Rohen, No. 434 West Thirty-ninth street; Harry Harris, No. 425 West Thirty-ninth street; William Anderson, No. 415 West Fortieth street; John Schultz, No. 329 West Forty-first street; George Schultz, No. 329 West Forty-first street; Adolf Offer, No. 360 West Forty-first street; Joseph Strauss, No. 411 West Forty-first street; John Kehoe, No. 421 West Forty-first street; Nathan Beermann, No. 402 West Forty-second street; Frank Finck, No. 527 Ninth avenue; Archie Evans, No. 528 Ninth avenue; Fred Brandes, Jr., No. 494 Ninth avenue; William Reckendorf, No. 528 Ninth avenue; William Cohn, No. 417 West Forty-first street; H. Shunt, No. 828 Ninth avenue; Ira D. Hawley, No. 80 West Forty-seventh street; A. W. Kenworthy, No. 80 West Forty-second street; H. Lamken, grocer, No. 588 Ninth avenue; Th. Levy, trimmings, No. 592 Ninth avenue; Mrs. Lavery, No. 594 Ninth avenue; Hugo Gusfeim, No. 619 Ninth avenue; Otto Geiss, butcher, No. 587 Ninth avenue; Vogel Bros., No. 590 Ninth avenue; John H. Lange, butcher, No. 565 Ninth avenue; Felix Sonweine, No. 571 Ninth avenue; Isidor Siebenie, No. 402 West Forty-second street; Elias Cohn, No. 340 West Thirty-sixth street; C. Hanschelett, No. 406 West Forty-second street; Sam Neuman, No. 417 West Forty-second street; Henry Reifel, butter and eggs, No. 564 Ninth avenue; Frank McMahon, oyster stand, No. 544 Ninth avenue; George Gebhard, No. 360 West Fortieth street; Ignatz Goldberger, stove store, No. 554 Ninth avenue; F. Cohen, furniture, No. 532 Ninth avenue; Hugh Curry, No. 525 West Thirty-ninth street; Hugh J. Callahan, No. 524 Ninth avenue; John J. Callahan, No. 524 Ninth avenue; Frank Petrucci, No. 543 Ninth avenue; S. & M. Hayne, No. 555 Ninth avenue; John J. Hamilton, No. 577 Ninth avenue; H. E. Rippe, No. 416 West Forty-first street; William Herman, No. 416 West Forty-first street; James Meishuari, No. 562 Ninth avenue.

In connection herewith Alderman Robinson offered the following:

Resolved, That section 3 of an ordinance adopted November 17, 1896, and approved by the Mayor November 20, 1896, having for its object the repeal of a resolution granting permission to licensed vendors to stand with their wagons every Saturday evening on Ninth avenue, between Thirty-eighth and Forty-second streets (which resolution was adopted by the Board of Aldermen July 1, 1890, and approved by the Mayor July 15, 1890), be and the same is hereby in turn repealed, rescinded and annulled, and the said resolution approved July 15, 1890, is hereby restored and revived in its full force and effect.

Alderman Hall moved that the petition and resolution be laid on the table.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion. Which was decided in the negative by the following vote:

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Goodman, Hall, Olcott, School, Ware, and Woodward—7.

Negative—The Vice-President, Aldermen Burke, Campbell, Clancy, Dwyer, Goetz, Goodwin, Hackett, Kennefick, Lantry, Marshall, Muh, Murphy, Noonan, Oakley, O'Brien, Randall, Robinson, Schilling, and Wines—20.

Alderman Hall moved that the resolution be referred to the Committee on Law Department.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion. Which was decided in the negative by the following vote:

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Goodman, Hall, Olcott, Parker, School, Ware, and Woodward—8.

Negative—The Vice-President, Aldermen Burke, Campbell, Clancy, Dwyer, Goetz, Goodwin, Hackett, Kennefick, Lantry, Marshall, Muh, Murphy, Noonan, Oakley, O'Brien, Randall, Robinson, Schilling, Tait, Wines, and Wund—22.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution of Alderman Robinson. Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—The Vice-President, Aldermen Burke, Campbell, Clancy, Dwyer, Goetz, Goodwin, Hackett, Kennefick, Lantry, Marshall, Muh, Murphy, Noonan, Oakley, O'Brien, Parker, Randall, Robinson, Schilling, Tait, and Wund—22.

Negative—The President, Aldermen Goodman, Hall, Olcott, School, Ware, Wines, and Woodward—8.

By Alderman Oakley—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Tony Negra to keep and maintain a bootblack stand on the northeast corner of Eighth street and Broadway, Eighth street side, within the stoop-line, said stand to be seven feet high, seven feet wide and four feet long, the work to be done at his own expense, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution. Which was decided in the affirmative.

By Alderman Wund—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Augusta Cashan to erect, place and keep a storm-door in front of her premises, No. 445 Sixth avenue, provided said storm conform in all respects to the ordinance of 1886, the work to be done at her own expense, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution. Which was decided in the affirmative.

(G. O. 1208.)

By Alderman School—

Resolved, That Courtlandt avenue, between the existing curb-line and the westerly house-line, for a distance of about one hundred and twenty-five feet from the northerly curb-line of One Hundred and Forty-sixth street, be regulated and graded, the curb-stones set or reset, the sidewalk flagged or reflagged a space four feet in width, and crosswalks laid where necessary, under the direction of the Commissioner of Street Improvements of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was laid over.

By the same—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to J. H. Surridge to place and keep two ornamental lamp posts and lamps in front of his premises, No. 2663 Third avenue, provided the lamps be kept lighted during the same hours as the public lamps; that the posts shall not exceed the dimensions prescribed by law (eighteen inches square at the base), the lamps not to exceed two feet in diameter and not to be used for advertising purposes, the work to be done and gas supplied at his own expense, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution. Which was decided in the affirmative.

By the same—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to the Bethany Presbyterian Church to place and keep transparencies on the following lamp-posts: One on the corner of One Hundred and Thirty-seventh street and Willis avenue and one on the corner of One Hundred and Thirty-eighth street and Willis avenue, the work to be done at their own expense, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; such permission to continue only until December 4, 1896.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution. Which was decided in the affirmative.

By Alderman Ware—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Seigel, Cooper & Co. to place and keep the following storm-doors in front of their premises: (1.) On Nineteenth street, about two hundred and thirty feet east of Sixth avenue; (2.) On Eighteenth street, about two hundred and thirty feet east of Sixth avenue; (3.) On Eighteenth street, about four hundred and thirty feet east of Sixth avenue; provided said storm-doors shall not exceed the dimensions prescribed by law, the work to be done at his own expense, under the direction of Commissioner of Public Works; such permission to continue only during pleasure of the Common Council.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution. Which was decided in the affirmative.

By the same—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to the Commercial Cable Company to remove the pillar and globe from the curb in front of the premises No. 12 West Twenty-seventh street, in the City of New York, to a like position in front of the premises No. 1269 Broadway, in said city, the work to be done at their own expense, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution. Which was decided in the affirmative.

The President voting in the negative.

By Alderman Woodward—

Resolved, That General Orders Nos. 492 and 1156 be and they are hereby taken from the list of General Orders and placed on file.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution. Which was decided in the affirmative.

By the Vice-President—

Resolved, That Otto Pullich, of No. 179 Columbus avenue, be and is hereby reappointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York.

Which was referred to the Committee on Salaries and Offices.

By Alderman Dwyer—

Resolved, That John Donnelly, of No. 245 East Thirty-fourth street, be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York.

Which was referred to the Committee on Salaries and Offices.

By Alderman Goodman—

Resolved, That Louis Rosenberg, of No. 1184 Lexington avenue, be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York.

Which was referred to the Committee on Salaries and Offices.

By Alderman Lantry—

Resolved, That Thomas E. Munday, of No. 339 East Forty-first street, be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York.

Which was referred to the Committee on Salaries and Offices.

By Alderman Muh—

Resolved, That John F. Carroll, of No. 304 West Fifty-fourth street, be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York.

Which was referred to the Committee on Salaries and Offices.

By Alderman Noonan—

Resolved, That Abraham Rosenberg, of No. 31 Jefferson street, be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York.

Which was referred to the Committee on Salaries and Offices.

REPORTS RESUMED.

(G. O. 1209.)

The Committee on Law Department, to whom was referred the annexed resolution in favor of permitting sundry persons to erect stands for the sale of newspapers and periodicals under the elevated railroad stairs, respectfully

REPORT:

That, having examined the subject, in compliance with the provisions of the ordinance adopted October 6, 1896, they recommend that the said resolutions be adopted.

FREDERICK A. WARE, RUFUS R. RANDALL, BENJAMIN E. HALL, JACOB C. WUND, Committee on Law Department.

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN, No. 8 CITY HALL, NEW YORK, November 24, 1896. *To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen:*

GENTLEMEN—Pursuant to one of the provisions of section 2 of an ordinance to regulate the use of the sidewalks underneath the stairs of the elevated railroads for stands for the sale of newspapers and periodicals, adopted October 6, 1896, I transmit herewith all applications received by me to sell the articles named, as provided in said ordinance, during the month of November, 1896. Said applications are as follows:

First Assembly District.

Richard J. White, S. E. cor. of Warren and Greenwich streets. Mary A. Bovich, S. E. cor. of Chambers street and West Broadway.

James F. McMurray, N. W. cor. of Desbrosses and Greenwich streets.

Third Assembly District.

Edward Prescott, N. W. cor. of Grand street and the Solomon Kieselstein, N. W. cor. of Grand and Allen streets.
Leib H. Brounstein, N. E. cor. of Allen and Canal streets. Alter Segall, N. E. cor. of Grand and Allen streets.

Seventh Assembly District.

Rufus Ether, N. E. cor. of First avenue and 1st street. Harry Nekritz, N. E. cor. of Bowery and Houston street.

Eighth Assembly District.

Thomas King, S. W. cor. of Bleecker street and West Broadway. Christopher Durrigan, S. E. cor. of Christopher and Greenwich streets.
Patrick Collins, S. W. cor. of Christopher and Greenwich streets.

Ninth Assembly District.

Henry F. Prell, N. E. cor. of 14th street and Ninth avenue.

Tenth Assembly District.

Jeremiah Shine, N. E. cor. of 9th street and Third ave. Joseph E. Begg, N. W. cor. of 14th street and Third ave.
Thomas F. Delaney, S. E. cor. of 14th street and Third avenue. Emil Friedman, N. W. cor. of 8th street and First ave.

Eleventh Assembly District.

Stefano Casassa, N. W. cor. of 14th street and Sixth ave. Benjamin Bernstein, S. E. cor. of 23d street and Sixth ave.
Richard Fuller, N. W. cor. of 33d street and Sixth ave. Benjamin Bernstein, N. E. cor. of 14th street and Sixth avenue.

E. H. Johnson, N. W. cor. of 18th street and Sixth ave. Benjamin Bernstein, S. W. cor. of 23d street and Sixth avenue.
Benjamin Bernstein, S. W. cor. of 18th street and Sixth avenue. Benjamin Bernstein, S. E. cor. of 28th street and Sixth avenue.

Benjamin Bernstein, N. E. cor. of 23d street and Sixth avenue. George W. Finkenaur, N. W. cor. of 28th street and Sixth avenue.

Twelfth Assembly District.

Daniel Leddy, S. W. cor. of 23d street and Third avenue. Carl Sillman, N. E. cor. of Third avenue and 23d street.
Francis McArdle, 23d street, between First and Second avenues (uptown side). James E. Harrington, N. E. cor. of Third avenue and 18th street.

Fourteenth Assembly District.

Hugh Coffey, S. E. cor. of 34th street and Second avenue. Michael Lantry, N. W. cor. of 34th street and Second avenue.

Fifteenth Assembly District.

Fred. A. B. Haag, S. W. cor. of Ninth avenue and 34th street.

Sixteenth Assembly District.

Joseph Cohen, S. E. cor. of 59th street and Third avenue. George B. Peyser, N. E. cor. of 42d street and Second avenue.
Marcus Friedlander, N. W. cor. of 50th street and Second avenue. Jacob Shereshevsky, N. E. cor. of 53d street and Third avenue.

Abram Jordan, N. W. cor. of 42d street and Second avenue. Adolph Goldman, N. W. cor. of 58th street and Sixth avenue.

Twenty-first Assembly District.

Mary Regneri, S. E. cor. of 84th street and Third avenue. Caroline L. Meyer, S. W. cor. of 42d street and Sixth avenue.

Twenty-fourth Assembly District.

Rebecca Kerr, N. W. cor. of 99th street and Third avenue.

Twenty-fifth Assembly District.

Frank Windecker, N. W. cor. of 111th street and Second avenue.

Twenty-sixth Assembly District.

James McFall, S. E. cor. of 125th street and Eighth avenue. Rossie Okun, S. W. cor. of 125th street and Eighth avenue.

Bernard P. McPolin, N. W. cor. of 145th street and Eighth avenue. WM. H. TEN EYCK, Clerk of the Common Council.

Alderman Marshall moved that so much of the report as is contained in the following resolution be adopted :

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to the following-named persons to erect, keep and maintain stands for the sale of newspapers and periodicals under the stairs of the elevated railroad at the locations set opposite their names :

First Assembly District.

Richard J. White, S. E. cor. of Warren and Greenwich streets. Mary A. Bovich, S. E. cor. Chambers street and West Broadway.

James F. McMurray, N. W. cor. of Desbrosses and Greenwich streets.

Seventh Assembly District.

Rufus Ether, N. E. cor. of First avenue and 1st street. Harry Nekritz, N. E. cor. of Bowery and Houston street.

Eighth Assembly District.

Thomas King, S. W. cor. of Bleecker street and West Broadway. Christopher Durrigan, S. E. cor. of Christopher and Greenwich streets.
Patrick Collins, S. W. cor. of Christopher and Greenwich streets.

Ninth Assembly District.

Henry F. Prell, N. E. cor. 14th street and Ninth avenue.

Tenth Assembly District.

Jeremiah Shine, N. E. cor. of 9th street and Third ave. Joseph E. Begg, N. W. cor. of 14th street and Third ave.
Thomas F. Delaney, S. E. cor. of 14th street and Third avenue. Emil Friedman, N. W. cor. of 8th street and First ave.

Twelfth Assembly District.

Daniel Leddy, S. W. cor. of 23d street and Third avenue. Carl Sillman, N. E. cor. of Third avenue and 23d street.
Francis McArdle, 23d street, between First and Second avenues (uptown side). James E. Harrington, N. E. cor. of Third avenue and 18th street.

Fifteenth Assembly District.

Fred. A. B. Haag, S. W. cor. of Ninth avenue and 34th street.

Sixteenth Assembly District.

Joseph Cohen, S. E. cor. of 59th street and Third avenue. George B. Peyser, N. E. cor. of 42d street and Second avenue.
Marcus Friedlander, N. W. cor. of 50th street and Second avenue. Jacob Shereshevsky, N. E. cor. of 53d street and Third avenue.

Abram Jordan, N. W. cor. of 42d street and Second avenue. Adolph Goldman, N. W. cor. of 58th street and Sixth avenue.

Twenty-first Assembly District.

Mary Regneri, S. E. cor. of 84th street and Third avenue. Caroline L. Meyer, S. W. cor. of 42d street and Sixth avenue.

Twenty-fourth Assembly District.

Rebecca Kerr, N. W. cor. of 99th street and Third avenue.

Twenty-fifth Assembly District.

Frank Windecker, N. W. cor. of 111th street and Second avenue.

Twenty-sixth Assembly District.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion. Which was decided in the affirmative.

On motion, so much of the above report as remains undisposed of was laid over.

(G. O. 1210.)

The Committee on Law Department, to whom was referred the annexed resolutions in favor of permitting sundry persons to keep and maintain stands within the stoop-line in various parts of the city, respectfully

REPORT :

That having examined the subject, they therefore recommend that the said resolutions be adopted.

FREDERICK A. WARE, RUFUS R. RANDALL, BENJAMIN E. HALL, JACOB C. WUND, Committee on Law Department.

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN, NO. 8 CITY HALL, NEW YORK, November 24, 1896.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen :

GENTLEMEN—Pursuant to one of the provisions of section 1 of an ordinance to regulate the use of the sidewalks of the streets of the City of New York, within the stoop lines, for stands for the sale of newspapers, periodicals, fruit and soda-water, approved October 3, 1888, and amended to include stands for use by bootblacks, October 20, 1896, I herewith submit all applications, with accompanying resolutions, received by me, in accordance with the provisions of said ordinance, during the month of November, 1896 ; said applications being as follows :

First Assembly District.

NEWSPAPER STANDS.
John Meyer, 102 West street.
Hamilton Jones, 1 Vesey street.
George H. Duncan, 23 Sullivan street.
Mrs. J. L. Morgan, 76 Chambers street.

FRUIT STANDS.
Mrs. Antonio Millila, 26 Thompson street.
Mrs. Assunda Antonies, 24 Grand street.
Caroline De Mayo, 8 West street.
Bartolomeo Franooni, 86 West street.
Antonio Gattavaro, 60 Murray street.

SODA-WATER STAND.
Isaac Rubenstein, N. W. cor. of Church and Vesey streets.

BOOTBLACK STANDS.
Guisepe Esola, 85 Reade street.
Charles M. yer, 283 Greenwich street.
George E. Washington, 65 Franklin street.
Gerrardo Vacca, 66 Franklin street.
Luigi Amendalo, 428 Canal street.

Second Assembly District.

NEWSPAPER STANDS.
Denis F. Dugan, 212 Broadway.
Luigi Pacifico, 91 Mulberry street.

FRUIT STANDS.
Stefano Dondero, 64 Beekman street.
Augusta Carbone, 83 Duane street.
John Regio, 73-74 South street.
Giacomo Peshierino, 97 Park street.

SODA-WATER STANDS.
Jacob Rubin, 10 Ann street.
Peter Allaha, 55 Centre street.
Guisepe Campagna, 24 Mulberry street.
Abraham Greenberg, 63 Bayard street.
Jerome Stabile, 189 Grand street.

Isaac Silverstein, 89 Park Row.

Giovanni Yulo, 167 Fulton street.
Pietro Sannatello, 175 South street.

Gustave Rosenthal, 70 Rivington street.

Rocco Banoma, 486 Broadway.
Isidor Saldich, 31 Forsyth street.
James Aquara, 78 Spring street.
Gaetano Giasemeno, 129 and 131 Grand street.
Theodore Kirchheimer, 163 Grand street.
Joseph T. Farrington, 188 Grand street.

Francis M. O'Brien, 129 Bowery.

Simon Ris, 40 Market street.

Samuel Shinkman, 9 Jefferson street.

Samuel Klein, 196 Stanton street.

Louis Warshawski, N. W. cor. 2d street and Avenue A. William E. Kurtz, 130 Second avenue.

Michael De Simon, 115 First avenue. Rosalena Lesande, 83 First avenue.

Rocco Folodice, N. W. cor. 1st street and Second avenue. Harry Ensler, 652 Broadway.

Daniel Gotthelf, 26 Bleecker street.

Fred. Hirschhorn, N. W. cor. 1st street and Second avenue.

Joseph Silman, 366 West Broadway.

Frank Mulholland, S. E. cor. Houston and Sullivan streets. Thomas M. Walker, 91 Wooster street.
Morris Block, 110 Varick street.
Lawrence K. Smith, 197 Spring street.

Aurelia Pagani, S. W. cor. Greene and Houston streets. Aron Felberg, 104 Greene street.

Victor Caosazza, S. W. cor. Prince and Sullivan streets. Francisco Mardello, 117 Greene street.

Dominick Fannello, 51 Thompson street. Vincenzo Levido, 137 Mercer street.

Vincenzo Fanelli, 64 West Houston street. Ermine Gildo, 531 Broome street.

Antonio Fassanello, 107 Spring street. Guisepe Perinello, 123 West Houston street.

Michael Miloni, 122 Spring street. Tomaso Fenaro, 160 Thompson street.

Samuel Russell, 139 Spring street. SODA-WATER STAND.

Mrs. C. Meehan, 112 Charlton street.

Genaro Pietro Pinta, N. E. cor. Clinton place and Sixth avenue. Camillo Sisti, 114 Sixth avenue.

Frank Ippolito, N. W. cor. Prince street and Broadway. John Holler, 101 Mercer street.

Fred. W. Meyer, 418 West Broadway. Francisco Mardello, 117 Greene street.

H. Lapstula, 116 University place. Peter Matthiessen, 205 Prince street.

John Quinn, 118 Clinton place. Joseph Valinoti, 295 Hudson street.

George Jacob, 296 Hudson street.

William Bovers, 267 West 15th street.

David Valente, S. W. cor. 4th avenue and 12th street.

Federico Visconti, 118 Fourth avenue.

Ralph Pape, 44 West 30th street.

Charles J. Dimond, 367 West 30th street.

Shaye Wolff, 598 Third avenue.

George Langdon, 414 East 34th street.

Patrick Murphy, 460 West 38th street.

Peter Pullman, 989 Third avenue.

Morris Eisenstatt, 888 Eighth avenue.

George A. Bianchi, 645 Tenth avenue.

Joseph Camerell, 700 Tenth avenue.

Michael McGee, 20 Amsterdam avenue.

Guisepe Constanzo, 44 Amsterdam avenue.

Patrick Davoren, 1323 Third avenue.

Moses Gluck, 1431 Third avenue.

Rudolph Voigt, 773 Amsterdam avenue.

Julius Siegler, 600 Columbus avenue.

Frank M. Parei, 682 Columbus avenue.

Mrs. Emil Mohr, 722 Columbus avenue.

Morris Bukoffsky, 720 Columbus avenue.

Eugene Schwab, 734 Columbus avenue.

Max Marcus, 754 Columbus avenue.

Johannes Kock, 768 Columbus avenue.

Andrew Kaht, 511 Western Boulevard.

C. H. Minners, 75 West 96th street.

Bernard Aurahm, 767 Amsterdam avenue.

Charles R. Schloss, 604 Columbus avenue.

And ew W. Schilling, 105-7 Columbus avenue.

Dick O mer, 611 Columbus avenue.

Henry Minners, Jr., 621 Columbus avenue.

John F. Haase, 677 Columbus avenue.

Chas. L. E. Wolf, 774 Columbus avenue.

Wilh. Im Recke, 789 Columbus avenue.

Harry L. Davis, S. W. cor. W. Boulevard and 80th street.

John Warneke, 816 Columbus avenue.

Max Harowitch, 1438 Third avenue.

H. J. Harned, 1576 Third avenue.

Joseph Karowsky, N. E. cor. of Third avenue and 89th street.

Jacob Milch, 101 East 106th street.

Michael Romano, 2725 Eighth avenue.

Giovanni Cassinelli, 498 East 133d street.

Wm. D. Nugent, S. W. cor. of Third and Wendover avenues.

Guisepe Boiano, 4215 Third avenue.

WM. H. TEN EYCK, Clerk of the Common Council.

Alderman Goodwin moved that so much of the report as is embraced in the following resolution be adopted :

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby granted to the following named persons to erect, keep and maintain, within the stoop-line, at the locations set opposite their names, stands for the sale of fruit, soda-water, newspapers and periodicals and for bootblacking purposes :

First Assembly District.

NEWSPAPER STANDS.

Charles F. Volk, 76 Church street.

Morris Modell, 170 West street.

Myer Block, 215 Hudson street.

Maurice P. O'Donnell, 107 Chambers street.

Second Assembly District.

NEWSPAPER STANDS.

Guisepe Gianchetta, 36 Mulberry street.

Third Assembly District.

NEWSPAPER STANDS.

Charles F. Volk, 76 Church street.

Morris Modell, 170 West street.

Myer Block, 215 Hudson street.

Maurice P. O'Donnell, 107 Chambers street.

Fourth Assembly District.

NEWSPAPER STAND.

Guisepe Boiano, 4215 Third avenue.

Fifth Assembly District.

FRUIT STAND.

Vincenzo A. Fanelli, 1585 Third avenue.

Sixth Assembly District.

NEWSPAPER STANDS.

Harry Hanken, 1416 Lexington avenue.

Seventh Assembly District.

NEWSPAPER STANDS.

Charles F. Volk, 76 Church street.

Morris Modell, 170 West street.

Myer Block, 215 Hudson street.

Maurice P. O'Donnell, 107 Chambers street.

Mrs. Antonio Millila, 26 Thompson street.
Mrs. Assunda Antonies, 24 Grand street.
Caroline De Mayo, 8 West street.
Bartolomeo Frannoni, 86 West street.
Antonio Gattavaro, 60 Murray street.

Isaac Rubenstein, N. W. cor. of Church and Vesey streets.

Guiseppa Esola, 85 Reade street.
Charles Meyer, 283 Greenwich street.
George E. Washington, 65 Franklin street.
Gerrardo Vacca, 66 Franklin street.
Luigi Amendola, 428 Canal street.

Third Assembly District.

NEWSPAPER STAND.

Gustave Rosenthal, 70 Rivington street.

Rocco Banoma, 486 Broadway.
Isidor Saldich, 31 Forsyth street.
James Aquata, 78 Spring street.
Gaetano Giusemeno, 129 and 131 Grand street.
Theodore Kircheimer, 103 Grand street.
Joseph T. Farrington, 188 Grand street.

Francis M. O'Brien, 129 Bowery.

Louis Warshawski, N. W. cor. 2d street and Avenue A.

Michael DeSimon, 115 First avenue.

Rocco Folodice, N. W. cor. 1st street and Second avenue.

Daniel Gotthelf, 26 Bleeker street.

Fred. Hirschhorn, N. W. cor. 1st street and Second avenue.

Eighth Assembly District.

NEWSPAPER STAND.

Joseph Silman, 366 West Broadway.
Frank Mulholland, S. E. cor. Houston and Sullivan streets.

Amelia Pagani, S. W. cor. Greene and Houston streets.
Victor Casazza, S. W. cor. Prince and Sullivan streets.
Dominick Fanuello, 51 Thompson street.
Vincenzo Fanelli, 64 West Houston street.
Antonio Fassanello, 107 Spring street.
Michael Miloni, 122 Spring street.
Samuel Russell, 139 Spring street.

Mrs. C. Meehan, 112 Charlton street.

Genaro Pietro Pinta, N. E. cor. Clinton place and Sixth avenue.

Frank Ippolito, N. W. cor. Prince street and Broadway.

Fred. W. Meyer, 443 West Broadway.

H. Lapsula, 110 University place.

John Quinn, 138 Clinton place.

Ninth Assembly District.

NEWSPAPER STAND.

William Bovers, 267 West 15th street.

Charles J. Dimond, 367 West 30th street.

Patrick Murphy, 460 West 38th street.

Peter Pullman, 989 Third avenue.

Michael McGee, 20 Amsterdam avenue.

Guisepp Constanzo, 44 Amsterdam avenue.

Moses Gluck, 1431 Third avenue.

Twentieth Assembly District.

NEWSPAPER STAND.

Rudolph Voigt, 773 Amsterdam avenue.

Julius Siegler, 600 Columbus avenue.

Frank M. Paret, 682 Columbus avenue.

Mrs. Emil Mohr, 722 Columbus avenue.

Morris Bukoffsky, 720 Columbus avenue.

Eugene Schwab, 734 Columbus avenue.

Max Marcus, 754 Columbus avenue.

Johannes Kock, 768 Columbus avenue.

Andrew Kaht, 511 Western Boulevard.

C. H. Minners, 75 West 96th street.

Bernard Abraham, 767 Amsterdam avenue.

Charles R. Schloss, 604 Columbus avenue.

Andrew W. Schilling, 605-7 Columbus avenue.

Dick Osmer, 611 Columbus avenue.

Henry Minners, Jr., 621 Columbus avenue.

John F. Haase, 677 Columbus avenue.

Chas. L. E. Wolf, 774 Columbus avenue.

William Kecke, 789 Columbus avenue.

Harry L. Davis, S. W. cor. W. Boulevard and 80th street.

John Warneke, 816 Columbus avenue.

Twenty-first Assembly District.

NEWSPAPER STAND.

Max Harowitz, 1438 Third avenue.

H. J. Harned, 1576 Third avenue.

Joseph Karowsky, N. E. cor. of Third avenue and 89th street.

Jacob Milch, 101 E. 106th street.

Wm. D. Nugent, S. W. cor. of Third and Wendover avenues.

Guiseppa Boilano, 4215 Third avenue.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion. Which was decided in the affirmative.

On motion, so much of the report as remains undisposed of was laid over.

The President called up G. O. 596, being a resolution and ordinance, as follows:
Resolved, That the carriageway of One Hundred and Forty-first street, from Willis avenue to Brook avenue, be regulated and paved with granite-block pavement and that crosswalks be laid at each intersecting and terminating street and avenue where not already laid, under the direction of the Commissioner of Street Improvements of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution. Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—The President, the Vice-President, Aldermen Campbell, Clancy, Dwyer, Goodman, Hackett, Hall, Kennefick, Lantry, Marshall, Murphy, O'Brien, Olcott, Parker, Randall, Robinson, Schilling, School, Tait, Ware, Wines, Woodward, and Wund—24.

The President called up G. O. 815, being a resolution and ordinance, as follows:

Resolved, That One Hundred and Forty-first street, from Brook avenue to St. Ann's avenue, be regulated and graded, the curb-stones set, the sidewalks flagged a space four feet in width, and crosswalks laid at each intersecting or terminating street and avenue, where not already laid, under the direction of the Commissioner of Street Improvements of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution. Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—The President, the Vice-President, Aldermen Clancy, Dwyer, Goetz, Goodman, Hackett, Hall, Kennefick, Lantry, Marshall, Muh, Murphy, O'Brien, Olcott, Parker, Randall, Robinson, Schilling, School, Tait, Ware, Wines, Woodward, and Wund—25.

Negative—Alderman Goodwin—1.

Alderman Goodwin called up G. O. 731, being a resolution and ordinance, as follows:

Resolved, That the sidewalks in front of Nos. 342 and 344 West Fifty-sixth street be flagged eight feet wide, where not already done, and that all the flagging and the curb now on the sidewalks be relaid and reset where necessary, and that new flagging and curb be furnished where the present flagging and curb are defective, as provided by section 321 of chapter 410, Laws of 1882, as amended by chapter 569, Laws of 1887, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution. Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—The President, the Vice-President, Aldermen Burke, Clancy, Dwyer, Goetz, Goodman, Goodwin, Hackett, Hall, Kennefick, Lantry, Marshall, Muh, Murphy, O'Brien, Olcott, Parker, Randall, Robinson, Schilling, School, Tait, Ware, Wines, Woodward, and Wund—27.

Alderman Goodwin called up G. O. 1154, being a resolution and ordinance, as follows:

Resolved, That One Hundred and Sixty-third street, from Amsterdam avenue to Edgecombe road, be regulated and graded, the curb-stones set, the sidewalks flagged a space four feet in width, and crosswalks laid at each intersecting or terminating street or avenue, where not already done, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution. Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—The President, the Vice-President, Aldermen Burke, Dwyer, Goodman, Goodwin, Hackett, Hall, Kennefick, Lantry, Marshall, Muh, Murphy, O'Brien, Olcott, Parker, Randall, Schilling, School, Tait, Ware, Wines, Woodward, and Wund—24.

Alderman Wund called up G. O. 1036, being a resolution and ordinance, as follows:

Resolved, That the carriageway of West One Hundred and Fourteenth street, from the Boulevard to the Riverside Drive, be paved with asphalt-block pavement on concrete foundation, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution. Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—The President, the Vice-President, Aldermen Campbell, Dwyer, Goetz, Goodman, Goodwin, Hackett, Hall, Kennefick, Lantry, Marshall, Muh, Oakley, O'Brien, Olcott, Parker, Randall, Robinson, Schilling, School, Tait, Ware, Wines, Woodward, and Wund—25.

Alderman Wund called up G. O. 1124, being a resolution and ordinance, as follows:

Resolved, That the vacant lots on the southeast corner of Riverside Drive and West Seventy-eighth street be fenced in with a tight board fence, where not already done, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution. Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—The President, the Vice-President, Aldermen Burke, Dwyer, Goetz, Goodman, Goodwin, Hackett, Hall, Kennefick, Lantry, Marshall, Muh, Oakley, Olcott, Parker, Randall, Robinson, Schilling, School, Tait, Ware, Wines, Woodward, and Wund—25.

The Vice-President called up—

G. O. 1166, being a resolution, as follows:

Resolved, That gas-mains be laid, lamp-posts erected, street-lamps placed thereon and lighted in Fulton avenue, between Pelham avenue and the grounds of St. John's College, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

G. O. 1094, being a resolution, as follows:

Resolved, That three additional lamp-posts be erected and street-lamps placed thereon and lighted in front of the Church of the Immaculate Conception, on the north side of East Fourteenth street, between Avenue A and B, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

G. O. 1194, being a resolution, as follows:

Resolved, That gas-mains be laid, lamp-posts erected and street-lamps placed thereon and lighted in One Hundred and Forty-second street, between Brook avenue and St. Ann's avenue, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

G. O. 1195, being a resolution, as follows:

Resolved, That gas-mains be laid, lamp-posts erected and street-lamps be placed thereon and lighted in Stebbins avenue, from a point four hundred feet north of Jennings street to East One Hundred and Sixty-ninth street, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

G. O. 1152, being a resolution, as follows:

Resolved, That gas-mains be laid, lamp-posts erected, street-lamps placed thereon and lighted in Minford place, from Jennings street to a point about three hundred feet north, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

G. O. 1143, being a resolution, as follows:

Resolved, That gas-mains be laid, lamp-posts erected, street-lamps placed thereon and lighted in Palisade place, from Popham avenue to a point about two hundred and fifty feet west, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

G. O. 1127, being a resolution, as follows:

Resolved, That gas-mains be laid, lamp-posts erected and street-lamps placed thereon and lighted in Intervale avenue, between Westchester avenue and Freeman street, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

G. O. 1126, being a resolution, as follows:

Resolved, That gas-mains be laid, lamp-posts erected, street-lamps placed thereon and lighted in Two Hundred and Thirty-sixth street, between Katonah avenue and Bronx River road, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

G. O. 923, being a resolution, as follows:

Resolved, That gas-mains be laid, lamp-posts erected and street-lamps placed thereon and lighted in Longfellow street, from Home street to Jennings street, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

G. O. 924, being a resolution, as follows:

Resolved, That gas-mains be laid, lamp-posts erected and street-lamps placed thereon and lighted in Bryant street, from Home street to Jennings street, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

G. O. 1085, being a resolution, as follows:

Resolved, That gas-mains be laid, lamp-posts erected and street-lamps placed thereon and lighted in the following streets: One Hundred and Fortieth street, from Walnut avenue to Locust avenue; One Hundred and Forty-second street, from Brook avenue to St. Ann's avenue; Intervale avenue, from Southern Boulevard to Freeman street; One Hundred and Sixty-seventh street, from Southern Boulevard to Prospect avenue; Hall place, from East One Hundred and Sixty-fifth street to Intervale avenue, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

G. O. 1073, being a resolution, as follows:

Resolved, That gas-mains be laid, lamp-posts erected, street-lamps placed thereon and lighted in One Hundred and Eighty-third street, from Amsterdam avenue to Kingsbridge road, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

G. O. 1072, being a resolution, as follows:

Resolved, That gas-mains be laid, lamp-posts erected, street-lamps placed thereon and lighted in One Hundred and Seventy-ninth street, from Amsterdam avenue to Kingsbridge road, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

G. O. 1056, being a resolution, as follows:

Resolved, That gas-mains be laid, lamp-posts erected and street-lamps placed thereon and lighted in One Hundred and Forty-fourth street, from Hamilton terrace to Convent avenue, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

G. O. 1055, being a resolution, as follows:

Resolved, That gas-mains be laid, lamp-posts erected and street-lamps placed thereon and lighted in One Hundred and Forty-second street, from Convent to Amsterdam avenue, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

G. O. 1164, being a resolution, as follows:

Resolved, That gas-mains be laid, lamp-posts erected and street-lamps placed thereon and lighted in Ninety-eighth street, between West End avenue and Riverside Drive, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

And G. O. 1043, being a resolution, as follows:

Resolved, That gas-mains be laid, lamp-posts erected, street-lamps placed thereon and lighted in Fleetwood avenue, from East One Hundred and Seventy-seventh street to a point about one hundred and fifty feet north, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolutions. Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—The President, the Vice-President, Aldermen Burke, Dwyer, Goetz, Goodman, Goodwin, Hackett, Hall, Kennefick, Lantry, Marshall, Muh, Oakley, Olcott, Parker, Randall, Robinson, Schilling, School, Tait, Ware, Wines, Woodward, and Wund—25.

The Vice-President called up G. O. 1070, being a resolution and ordinance, as follows:

Resolved, That the carriageway of One Hundred and Forty-eighth street, from Morris avenue to Park avenue (Railroad avenue), be regulated and paved with granite-block pavement, and that crosswalks be laid at each intersecting or terminating street and avenue, where not already laid, under the direction of the Commissioner of Street Improvements of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution. Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—The President, the Vice-President, Aldermen Clancy, Dwyer, Goetz, Goodman, Goodwin, Hackett, Hall, Kennefick, Lantry, Marshall, Muh, Oakley, Olcott, Parker, Randall, Robinson, Schilling, School, Tait, Ware, Wines, Woodward, and Wund—25.

Alderman Lantry called up G. O. 1131, being a resolution and ordinance, as follows:

Resolved, That One Hundred and Eightieth street, from Third avenue to Webster avenue, be regulated and graded, curb-stones set, sidewalks flagged a space of four feet in width, crosswalks laid at each intersecting or terminating street or avenue, where not already laid, and fences placed where necessary, under the direction of the Commissioner of Street Improvements of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution. Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—The President, the Vice-President, Aldermen Burke, Clancy, Dwyer, Goodman, Goodwin, Hackett, Hall, Kennefick, Lantry, Marshall, Muh, Oakley, Olcott, Parker, Randall, Robinson, Schilling, School, Tait, Ware, Wines, Woodward, and Wund—25.

Alderman Lantry called up G. O. 1052, being a resolution and ordinance, as follows:
Resolved, That St. Joseph's street, from Robbins avenue to Whitlock avenue, be regulated and graded, the curb-stones set, the sidewalks flagged a space four feet in width and crosswalks laid at each intersecting or terminating street and avenue, where not already laid, approaches constructed where necessary and fences built where required, under the direction of the Commissioner of Street Improvements of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution. Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—The President, the Vice-President, Aldermen Burke, Clancy, Dwyer, Goodman, Goodwin, Hackett, Hall, Kennefick, Lantry, Marshall, Muh, Oakley, Olcott, Parker, Randall, Robinson, Schilling, School, Tait, Ware, Wines, Woodward, and Wund—25.

Alderman Robinson called up G. O. 1148, being a resolution and ordinance, as follows:
Resolved, That crosswalks of two courses of North river blue stone be laid across Columbus avenue, within the lines of the northerly and southerly sidewalks of Seventy-fourth and Seventy-fifth streets, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution. Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—The President, the Vice-President, Aldermen Burke, Clancy, Dwyer, Goodman, Goodwin, Hackett, Hall, Kennefick, Lantry, Marshall, Muh, Oakley, Olcott, Parker, Randall, Robinson, Schilling, School, Tait, Ware, Wines, Woodward, and Wund—24.

Alderman Robinson called up G. O. 1163, being a resolution and ordinance, as follows:
Resolved, That the sidewalks on the west side of the Boulevard, from Ninety-first to Ninety-second street, be flagged eight feet wide, where not already done, and that all the flagging and the curb now on the sidewalks be relaid and reset where necessary, and that new flag and curb be furnished where the present flagging and curb are defective, as provided by section 321, chapter 410, Laws 1882, as amended by chapter 569, Laws 1887, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution. Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—The President, the Vice-President, Aldermen Burke, Clancy, Dwyer, Goodman, Goodwin, Hackett, Hall, Kennefick, Lantry, Marshall, Muh, Oakley, Olcott, Parker, Randall, Robinson, Schilling, School, Tait, Ware, Wines, Woodward, and Wund—24.

Alderman Muh called up G. O. 1153, being a resolution and ordinance, as follows:
Resolved, That the roadway of Kingsbridge road, from One Hundred and Ninetieth street to the Harlem river, be paved with asphalt pavement on concrete foundation, excepting where the grade is too steep, where granite or syenite blocks on concrete foundation, with crosswalks at the intersecting streets or avenues, shall be laid, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution. Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—The President, the Vice-President, Aldermen Burke, Clancy, Dwyer, Goodman, Goodwin, Hackett, Hall, Kennefick, Lantry, Marshall, Muh, Oakley, Olcott, Parker, Randall, Robinson, Schilling, School, Tait, Ware, Wines, Woodward, and Wund—25.

Alderman Muh called up G. O. 898, being a resolution and ordinance, as follows:
Resolved, That the sidewalks on the northwest corner of Fifty-sixth street and Broadway, extending a distance about one hundred and sixty feet on Fifty-sixth street and about two hundred feet on Broadway, be flagged eight feet wide, where not already done, and that all the flagging and the curb now on the sidewalks be relaid and reset where necessary, and that new flagging and curb be furnished where the present flagging and curb are defective, as provided by section 321, chapter 410, Laws 1882; Laws 1882, 1887, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution. Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—The President, the Vice-President, Aldermen Burke, Clancy, Dwyer, Goodman, Goodwin, Hackett, Hall, Kennefick, Lantry, Marshall, Muh, Oakley, Olcott, Parker, Randall, Robinson, Schilling, School, Tait, Ware, Wines, Woodward, and Wund—24.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS AGAIN RESUMED.

Alderman Lantry moved that the Board do now adjourn.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion. Which was decided in the negative by the following vote:

Affirmative—Aldermen Burke, Clancy, Dwyer, Lantry, Muh, Oakley, Parker, Schilling, Tait, and Wund—10.

Negative—The President, the Vice-President, Aldermen Goodman, Hackett, Hall, Kennefick, Marshall, Olcott, Randall, Robinson, School, Ware, Wines, and Woodward—14.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS RESUMED.

Alderman Burke called up G. O. 1135, being a resolution and ordinance, as follows:
Resolved, That the sidewalks in front of Nos. 506 to 522 West Fifty-ninth street be flagged eight feet wide, where not already done, and that all the flagging and the curb now on the sidewalks be relaid and reset where necessary, and that new flagging and curb be furnished where the present flagging and curb are defective, as provided by section 321, chapter 410, Laws of 1882, as amended by chapter 569, Laws of 1887, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution. Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—The President, the Vice-President, Aldermen Burke, Clancy, Dwyer, Goodman, Goodwin, Hackett, Hall, Kennefick, Marshall, Muh, Oakley, Olcott, Parker, Randall, Robinson, Schilling, School, Tait, Ware, Wines, Woodward, and Wund—24.

Negative—Alderman Lantry—1.

Alderman Burke called up G. O. 1140, being a resolution and ordinance, as follows:

Resolved, That the sidewalks on the north side of Sixty-third street, commencing at West End avenue and running east about three hundred and twenty-five feet, be flagged eight feet wide, where not already done, and that all the flagging and the curb now on the sidewalks be relaid and reset where necessary, and that new flagging and curb be furnished where the present flagging and curb are defective, as provided by section 321, chapter 410, Laws of 1882, as amended by chapter 569, Laws of 1887, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution. Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—The President, the Vice-President, Aldermen Burke, Clancy, Dwyer, Goodman, Goodwin, Hackett, Hall, Kennefick, Lantry, Marshall, Muh, Oakley, Olcott, Parker, Randall, Robinson, Schilling, School, Tait, Ware, Wines, Woodward, and Wund—24.

Alderman Hall called up G. O. 567, being a resolution and ordinance, as follows:

Resolved, That, in pursuance of the provisions of section 321 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882, as amended by chapter 569 of the Laws of 1887, the Commissioner of Public Works be and he is hereby authorized and directed to repave with asphalt pavement on the present pavement the carriageway of Sixty-third street, from Avenue A to Fourth avenue, except from Third to Lexington avenue, and to lay crosswalks and set curb-stones along the line of said street where necessary.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution. Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—The President, the Vice-President, Aldermen Burke, Clancy, Dwyer, Goodman, Goodwin, Hackett, Hall, Kennefick, Lantry, Marshall, Muh, Oakley, Olcott, Parker, Randall, Robinson, Schilling, School, Tait, Ware, Wines, Woodward, and Wund—24.

Alderman Hall called up G. O. 1133, being a resolution and ordinance, as follows:

Resolved, That Terrace View avenue, about one hundred feet north of United States channel-line, from Broadway to Kingsbridge avenue, be regulated and graded, the curb-stones set and sidewalks flagged a space four feet wide through the centre thereof, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution. Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—The President, the Vice-President, Aldermen Burke, Clancy, Dwyer, Goodman, Goodwin, Hackett, Hall, Kennefick, Lantry, Marshall, Muh, Oakley, Olcott, Parker, Randall, Robinson, Schilling, School, Tait, Ware, Wines, Woodward, and Wund—24.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS AGAIN RESUMED.

Alderman Lantry moved that the Board do now adjourn.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion. Which was decided in the affirmative.

And the President declared that the Board stood adjourned until Tuesday, December 8, 1896, at 2 o'clock P. M.

WM. H. TEN EYCK, Clerk.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT.

Abstract of transactions of the Finance Department for the week ending November 7, 1896.

Deposited in the Treasury.		Bonds and Stock Issued.	
To the credit of the Sinking Fund.....	\$4,712,949 46	Three per cent. Bonds.....	\$1,327,873 18
City Treasury.....	2,315,658 44	Three per cent. Stock.....	27,700 00
Total.....	\$7,028,607 90	Total.....	\$1,555,573 18

Warrants Registered for Payment.

The Finance Department—		
Cleaning Markets.....	\$739 81	
Contingencies—Comptroller's Office.....	193 10	
Salaries—Finance Department.....	690 00	\$1,628 91
Interest on the City Debt.....	895 00	
Interest on Revenue Bonds.....	10,245 49	
The Aqueduct Commission—		
Additional Water Fund.....	3,974 95	
The Law Department—		
Contingencies—Law Department.....	305 33	
The Department of Public Works—		
Aqueduct—Repairs, Maintenance and Strengthening.....	\$8,397 66	
Additional Water Fund, City of New York.....	4,395 00	
Bridge over Harlem River at Third Avenue.....	139 00	
Bridge over Harlem Ship Canal, Maintenance of.....	63 00	
Boring Examinations for Grading and Sewer Contracts.....	72 00	
Boulevards, Roads and Avenues, Maintenance of.....	1,759 50	
Bronx River Works—Maintenance and Repairs.....	311 00	
Contingencies—Department of Public Works.....	50 15	
Croton Water Fund.....	1,633 27	
Fire Hydrant Fund.....	515 21	
Flagging Sidewalks and Fencing Vacant Lots in Front of City Property.....	14 00	
Free Floating Baths.....	29 00	
Lamps and Gas and Electric Lighting.....	86,381 81	
Laying Croton Pipes.....	10,084 89	
One Hundred and Fifty-fifth Street Viaduct—Maintenance and Repairs.....	14 00	
Public Buildings—Construction and Repairs.....	445 87	
Removing Obstructions in Streets and Avenues.....	92 00	
Repairing and Renewal of Pipes, Stop-cocks, etc.....	3,483 21	
Repairs and Renewal of Pavements and Regrading.....	7,433 50	
Repaving—Chapter 346, Laws of 1895.....	32 00	
Repaving—Chapter 475, Laws of 1895.....	13,450 56	
Restoring and Repaving—Special Fund—Department of Public Works.....	3,580 99	
Roads, Streets and Avenues Unpaved—Maintenance of and Sprinkling.....	1,477 75	
Salaries—Department of Public Works.....	1,563 75	
Sewers—Repairing and Cleaning.....	928 25	
Street Improvement Fund—For Surveying, Monumenting and Numbering Streets.....	24 00	
Street Improvement Fund—June 15, 1886—Awards.....	21,935 46	
Supplies for and Cleaning Public Offices.....	1,705 03	
Water-main Fund.....	226 50	170,267 76
The Department of Public Parks—		
Aquarium.....	\$724 93	
Bridge over Harlem River at 155th st.....	8 19	
Bronx and Pelham Parkway, Construction of Roadway.....	179 01	
Cathedral Parkway, Improvement and Completion of.....	21,974 12	
Castle Garden—Equipping, etc.....	5,450 98	
Central Park—Construction of.....	7,093 01	
Central Park—Improvement of.....	351 30	
Corlears Hook Park, Construction and Improvement of.....	1,405 25	
East River Park, Improvement of Extension.....	57 26	
Harlem River Bridges—Repairs, Improvement and Maintenance.....	1,255 68	
Improvement of Parks and Parkways—Chapter 11, Laws of 1894.....	12 00	
Laying Walks in Tompkins and other Squares.....	100 69	
Maintenance and Construction of New Parks North of Harlem River.....	2,357 72	
Maintenance and Government of Parks and Places.....	45,605 29	
Morningside Park, Construction of, Planting Trees, etc.....	833 08	
Mulberry Bend Park, Construction of.....	366 08	
Mount Morris Park—Alterations, etc.....	3,625 11	
Public Driveway, Construction of.....	1,423 50	
Riverside Park and Drive—Grading, Drainage, etc.....	725 54	
Riverside Park and Drive—Construction of, Planting Trees, etc.....	8 00	93,562 74
The Department of Street Improvements, 23d and 24th Wards—		
Bridges Crossing the N. Y. & H. R. R. Depressions, 23d and 24th Wards.....	\$783 78	
Bronx River and other Bridges, Repairing and Maintenance of.....	1,121 15	
Cromwell's Creek Bridge, Repairing and Maintenance of.....	224 23	
Copying Records—White Plains.....	100 00	
Maintenance—23d and 24th Wards.....	12,543 97	
Making Rock Soundings, Borings, etc.....	60 96	
Monumenting Avenues and Streets.....	2,177 03	
Preliminary Surveys and the Preparation of Plans, Specifications, etc.....	1,040 34	
Restoring and Repaving—Special Fund—23d and 24th Wards.....	186 00	
Sewers and Drains—23d and 24th Wards.....	3,486 02	
Standard Bench Marks.....	68 20	
Street Improvement Fund—June 15, 1886—23d and 24th Wards.....	36,114 33	
Surveying, Laying-out, Maps, Plans, etc., 23d and 24th Wards.....	1,990 93	
Surveying, Laying-out and Making Topographical Surveys, etc.....	5,360 76	
Williamsbridge Sewer Fund.....	645 46	65,903 16
The Department of Public Charities—		
Alterations, Additions and Repairs to Buildings, etc.....	\$25 32	
For Salaries.....	11,827 03	
For Supplies.....	31,507 09	
For Poor Adult Blind.....	50 00	
For Donations to G. A. R. Veterans.....	20 00	
For Transportation of Paupers For Lodging-house for Homeless Men.....	217 81	
For Salaries—Insane Asylums.....	100 00	43,747 25
The Department of Correction—		
For Supplies.....	\$8,384 98	

The Department of Correction—		
For Salaries.....	\$2,787 55	
For Repairs to Buildings.....	304 79	
For Repairs to Steamboats, Fittings, etc.....	12 70	
For Transportation, Maintenance and Expenses of Insane Criminals.....	11 81	\$11,501 83
The Health Department—		
For Bacteriological Laboratory.....	\$61 52	
For Burial of Honorably Discharged Soldiers, Sailors and Marines.....	210 00	
Health Fund—For Contingent Expenses.....	220 25	
Health Fund—For Disinfection.....	209 38	
Health Fund—Salaries.....	3,226 55	
Hospital Fund—Hospital Supplies.....	169 64	4,097 34
The Department of Street Cleaning—		
Sweeping.....	\$23,532 92	
Carting.....	14,136 98	
Final Disposition of Material, etc.....	3,020 65	
Rents and Contingencies.....	3,840 58	
New Stock.....	1 00	
Administration.....	97 50	44,818 63
The Fire Department—		
Apparatus, Supplies, etc.....	5,375 62	
Salaries.....	545 00	
Sites, Buildings, etc.....	191 40	6,112 02
The Department of Buildings—		
Department of Buildings—Contingencies and Emergencies.....	79 17	
Department of Buildings—Salaries.....	20,923 68	21,002 85
The Board of Education—		
Public Instruction—For Rent of School Premises.....	\$490 00	
Public Instruction—For Purchase of Necessary Apparatus.....	44 85	
Public Instruction—For Purchase of Text Books.....	14 40	
Public Instruction—For Enforcement of the Act, chapter 671, Laws 1894.....	1,977 42	
Public Instruction—For Placing Fire Alarms, Telegraph Wires, etc.....	2,663 65	
Public Instruction—For Incidental Expenses of Ward Schools.....	1,096 94	
Public Instruction—For Incidental Expenses of the Board of Education.....	95 62	
Public Instruction—For Buildings and Contingent Fund.....	673 47	
Public Instruction—For Repairs to Buildings.....	8,881 59	
Public Instruction—For Supplies for the Nautical School, etc.....	1,150 95	
Public Instruction—For Lectures to Workmen and Workingwomen—Free.....	333 33	
Public Instruction—For Sanitary Work, Changes and Repairs of.....	2,438 00	
Public Instruction—For Supplies, Books, Maps, etc.....	2,065 82	
Public Instruction—For Public School Library Fund.....	467 95	
Public Instruction—For Salaries, Teachers, Grammar and Primary Schools.....	26,249 46	
Public Instruction—For Salaries, Janitors, Grammar and Primary Schools.....	636 88	
Public Instruction—For Heating and Ventilating Apparatus.....	809 00	
Public Instruction—For Salaries City Superintendent and Assistant.....	5,708 28	
Public Instruction—For Salaries, Officers, Clerks, etc.....	4,375 78	
Public Instruction—For School-house Fund No. 2.....	12,718 82	
Public Instruction—For Furniture and Repairs of.....	1,955 85	
Public Instruction—Fuel for use of all the Schools, etc.....	3,993 93	
Public Instruction—For Sanitary Work, Changes and Repairs of.....	238 50	
Public Instruction—Public School Teachers' Retirement Fund.....	3,347 40	88,453 89
The College of the City of New York.....	138 49	
The Normal College.....	9,268 02	
The Department of Docks—		
Dock Fund.....	7,630 15	
The Judiciary—		
Salaries—Judiciary.....	329 59	
Printing, Stationery and Blank Books—		
City Record—Salaries and Contingencies.....	59 73	
Asylums, Reformatories and Charitable Institutions—		
Association for Befriending Children and Young Girls.....	\$1,356 13	
Children's Aid Society.....	23,333 34	
Hebrew Benevolent and Orphan Asylum Society.....	20,045 25	
Hebrew Sheltering Guardian Society.....	18,083 78	
New York Catholic Protectory.....	20,020 90	
New York Female Asylum for Lying-in Women.....	1,000 00	
New York Foundling Hospital.....	49,201 73	
Peabody Home for Aged and Indigent Women.....	895 08	
St. Joseph's Institution for Improved Instruction of Deaf Mutes.....	6,590 75	
The Children's Fold of the City of New York.....	3,546 86	
The Society of the Lying-in Hospital of the City of New York.....	3,000 00	147,073 82
The Coroners—		
Coroners—Salaries and Expenses.....	241 18	
The Sheriff—		
Incidental Expenses of Sheriff's Office and County Jail.....	\$68 84	
Support of Indigent Prisoners in County Jail, etc.....	264 63	333 47
The Register's Office—		
Contingencies—Register's Office.....	20 16	
The Board of Excise—		
Excise Tax.....	17,098 56	
Miscellaneous Purposes—		
Advertising.....	\$63 20	
Armories and Drill Rooms—		
Wages.....	3,076 00	
Armory Fund.....	1,648 79	
Croton Water Rent—Refunding Account.....	268 68	
Fund for Street and Park Openings.....	108,949 82	
Interest on Assessments.....	1 20	
Rents.....	6,980 50	
Refunding Taxes Paid in Error Revenue Bond Fund—For Judgments.....	8,265 21	
Revenue Bond Fund—Health Fund—For Expenses Preserving Health of City.....	1,889 08	
Revenue Bond Fund of 1896.....	900,000 00	
Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, Salaries.....	83 33	
Salaries—Inspectors and Sealers of Weights and Measures.....	350 00	
Unclaimed Salaries and Wages.....	37 48	1,031,751 00
Total.....		\$1,780,961 32

CONTRACTS REGISTERED FOR THE WEEK ENDING SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 1896.

No.	DATE OF CONTRACT.	DEPARTMENT.	NAMES OF CONTRACTORS.	NAMES OF SURETIES.	AMOUNT OF BOND.	DESCRIPTION OF WORK.	Cost.
16097	Oct. 24	Fire.....	James Tregarth & Son	John W. Sullivan, James Shewan	\$1,500 00	Alterations and repairs on the Fireboat "William F. Havemeyer," Engine Co. No. 43.....	Total \$3,480 00
16098	" 12	Public Works.....	Charles E. Cunningham	Thomas J. Dunn, William F. Cunningham	2,000 00	Sewers in Mercer st., bet. West 4th st. and Clinton pl.....	Estimate 4,423 30
16099	Nov. 2	Fire.....	Herman Hartman and Cornelius J. Horgan, composing the firm of Hartman & Horgan	George Moore Smith, Bart Dunn	7,000 00	Erection and completion of repairs and alterations to building at No. 160 Chambers st., proposed new quarters of Engine Co. No. 29.....	Total 16,300 00
16100	Oct. 30	Commissioner of Street Improvements, 23d and 24th Wards.....	Joseph A. Flynn and J. P. Sullivan, composing the firm of Flynn & Sullivan	Frank W. Gilbert, Fidelity and Deposit Co. of Maryland.....	12,000 00	Regulating, grading, setting curb-stones, flagging sidewalks, laying crosswalks and placing fences in Lind ave., from Wolf st. to Aqueduct ave.....	Estimate 18,492 39
16101	" 23	Public Works.....	Patrick Costello	William B. Pope, The City Trust, Safe Deposit and Surety Co. of Phila.....	15,000 00	Alterations and improvement to sewers in 20th st., bet. 9th and 11th aves., and in 11th ave., bet. 20th and 23d sts., and in 21st and 22d sts., bet. 10th and 11th aves.....	Estimate 36,914 75
16102	" 22	Public Parks.....	Edward G. Woolfolk and Charles Sillery, composing the firm of Woolfolk & Sillery	The City Trust, Safe Deposit and Surety Co. of Phila., Charles F. Allen.....	11,000 00	Erection of a sea-wall with granite coping and piers and iron railings on the northerly side of the extension of the East River Park.....	Estimate 13,502 50
16103	Sept. 4	"	Bart Dunn	Bernard Mahon, Andrew J. White	70,000 00	Construction and improvement of Riverside Park and Drive, bet. 120th and 129th sts.....	Estimate 119,089 75
16104	Nov. 5	Armory Board.....	Frank W. McNeal	Henry B. Platt, Fidelity and Deposit Co. of Maryland..	5,000 00	Materials and work in furnishing the furniture, opera chairs, pump, tools, window shades, painting, etc., for an armory building 175 feet 2 1/4 inches westerly from 6th ave., and extending from 14th to 15th sts.....	Total 9,738 68

Claims Filed.

DATE.	NAME OF CLAIMANT.	AMOUNT.	NATURE OF CLAIM.	ATTORNEY.
Nov. 2	James T. Malone.....	\$125 00	For salary as Clerk to the Board of Coroners for month of Oct., 1896.....	J. T. Malone.
" 2	Henry B. Harra.....	"	For damages to horse, caused by falling into a hole in 12th ave., near 30th st.....	E. W. Searing.
" 4	Fleishman & Sherwood	45 45	For amount claimed to be due for transportation of merchandise, etc., bet. Jan. 16 and May 25, 1895.....	J. W. Bartram.
" 4	Charles Burr Todd....	700 00	For salary as Secretary to the Committee for printing the early Records of the City of New York.....	"
" 4	Oliver I. Jones.....	568 62	For return of amount paid for an assessment for sewers in 66th st.....	J. A. Flannery.
" 4	Oliver L. Jones and ano., ex'rs	106 00	For return of amount paid for an assessment for open ing 12th ave.....	E. H. Hawke, Jr.
" 4	Francis M. Jenks.....	295 47	For return of amount paid for an assessment on lots Nos. 24 and 25, block 973.....	J. A. Flannery.
" 4	Bronx Gas and Electric Light Co. (Limited).	5,177 08	For amount claimed to be due for lighting the old Town of West Chester for Oct., 1896.....	"
" 5	"	"	Withdrawal of claims for awards made for a school site in Moshulu Parkway, as follows:	"
"	Cornelius B. Schuyler..	17,272 26	"	"
"	Charles Edgar Mills..	943 72	"	"
"	"	100 00	For damages for removal of gutter and foundation from front of premises No. 49 W. 82d st.....	"
" 6	Annie Aaron, assignee.	10,000 00	For amount of award made for premises Nos. 1 and 3 Scammel st.....	L. Lewien.
" 6	Elizabeth A. Demarest	647 20	For return of amount paid for an assessment for sewer in 108th st.....	E. G. Boardman.
" 6	F. H. D. Mason.....	166 66	For salary as Clerk in the Department of Parks, for month of Oct., 1896.....	"
" 7	William Daniels.....	638 62	For balance claimed to be due under contract for repairing and altering Grammar School No. 69.....	B. J. Iseeke.
" 7	Frederick Wolfram ..	"	Petition for the cancellation of taxes on premises No. 221 E. 24th st.....	W. H. Van Steenberg
"	"	"	For refund of portion of excise license fees, under chapter 112, Laws of 1896, as follows:	"
" 2	Neumeyer & Stehnen, \$7.12.....	"	"	"
" 2	Herman Kraus, assignee, \$61.37.....	"	"	"
" 2	Andrew Evans, \$106.67.....	"	"	C. G. Hupfel.
" 2	John H. Doscher, \$30.55.....	"	"	"
" 2	Peter Ringen, \$102.73.....	"	"	"
" 4	Brondes Bros., \$81.63.....	"	"	"
" 4	Henry Barge.....	"	"	"
" 4	S. Scharinghaus, \$53.83.....	"	"	P. P. Brady.
" 4	William Wolf, \$1.65; Bouquet Bros., \$152.07; John Purcell, \$3.84.....	"	"	K. Simon.
" 4	Arnold Heinrich, \$66.30; George Muller and another, \$59.72; James Shanley, \$12.50.....	"	"	Venino & Seckel.
" 5	Bernheimer & Schmid, assignees, \$201.21; Bernheimer & Schmid, assignees, \$207.95; Jacob Ruppert, \$123.29.....	"	"	G. E. Mott.
" 6	Domenico Collucci, \$104.12; August H. Seivers, \$66.33; Harris & McGowan, \$3.29.....	"	"	K. Simon.
" 6	S. Liebman & Son's Brewing Company, assignee, \$306.18.....	"	"	"
" 6	Henry Batger, \$111.78.....	"	"	"
" 6	Charles F. Levy, \$75.54.....	"	"	"
" 6	John Long, \$88.66.....	"	"	"

Suits, Orders of Court, Judgments, Etc.

COURT.	NAME OF PLAINTIFF.	AMOUNT.	NATURE OF ACTION.	ATTORNEY.
Supreme.	The N. Y. & N. J. Globe Gas Light Co. (Limited).	\$1,540 20	Summons and complaint. For amount claimed to be due under contract for lighting the newly acquired territory.....	C. Griffin.
"	Jeremiah Hayes.....	19,000 00	Summons and complaint. For amount of award for premises No. 329 East 19th st., taken for a school site.....	W. H. Stockwell
"	Olin J. Stephens vs. The Mayor, etc., C. W. Collins.....	168 50	Summons and complaint. For amount claimed to be due under contract of C. W. Collins for reg., etc., 189th st., from Amsterdam to Wadsworth ave.....	G. W. Stephens.
"	"	"	Summons and complaints. For services as Justice, etc., 13th Judicial District Court, as follows:	"
"	James P. Davenport..	500 00	Justice.....	P. McLaughlin.
"	Adolph Du Mahaut..	250 00	Clerk.....	"
"	Robert Andrews.....	250 00	Assistant Clerk.....	"
"	James H. Fish.....	166 66	Stenographer.....	"
"	Max Richmetzer.....	100 00	Interpreter.....	"
"	Valentine Hahn.....	83 33	Attendant.....	"
"	Samuel B. Bowne.....	83 33	"	"
"	Thomas H. McCarrick.	75 00	Janitor.....	"
"	"	"	Summons and complaints. For services as Justice, etc., 12th Judicial District Court, as follows:	"
"	Richard N. Arnow....	500 00	Justice.....	J. C. Cryer.
"	Thomas Cowan.....	250 00	Deputy Clerk.....	"
"	Lucius W. How.....	166 66	Stenographer.....	"
"	Emanuel Burlando..	100 00	Interpreter.....	"
"	William W. Waterhouse	83 33	Attendant.....	"
"	Seaman Hunt.....	83 33	"	"
"	Samuel Berrian.....	75 00	Janitor.....	"
"	Seward Baker.....	2,450 00	Summons and complaint. For professional services rendered the Town of Westchester, bet. Mar. 15, 1894, and June 4, 1895.....	"
"	"	"	Transcripts of judgments as follows:	"
"	Clara Fairchild.....	4,660 00	"	Adams & Hyde.
"	John Evers.....	219 23	"	T. H. Baldwin.
"	Andrew Purdy.....	215 37	"	"
"	Ludwig Merkel.....	126 96	"	"
"	Richard Lomax.....	114 05	"	"
"	Joseph R. Luck.....	100 31	"	"
"	Charles Pevina.....	90 27	"	"
"	George Haas.....	85 00	"	"
"	Carl Gerneck.....	81 04	"	"
"	Michael Meyer.....	77 00	"	"
"	Manuel Perez.....	72 54	"	"
"	August Udet.....	71 80	"	"
"	John Mulqueen.....	13 58	"	"
"	Louis F. Scofield vs. The Mayor, etc., the North New York Traction Co., the People's Traction Co., and Southern Boulevard Railroad Co.....	"	Certified copy order to show cause why an injunction should not be granted restraining and enjoining the Comptroller from making an award, pending suit, of the franchise of the street-surface railroad to the North New York Traction Co., the People's Traction Company, and the Southern Boulevard Railroad Co., and restraining the defendant railroad company from accepting the franchise, returnable Nov. 5, 1896, at 11 A. M., Special Term.....	"
"	William P. Hurlbut and another vs. The Mayor, etc., the North New York Traction Co., the People's Traction Co., and the Southern Boulevard Railroad Co.....	"	Certified copy order to show cause why an injunction should not be granted restraining and enjoining the Comptroller from making an award, pending suit, of the franchise of the street-surface railroad to the North New York Traction Co., the People's Traction Company, and the Southern Boulevard Railroad Co., and restraining the defendant railroad company from accepting the franchise, returnable Nov. 5, 1896, at 11 A. M., Special Term.....	"
"	John Mulqueen.....	24,500 00	Summons and complaint. For amount of award for premises in Henry st., taken for a school site.....	Mulqueen & Mulqueen.

COURT.	NAME OF PLAINTIFF.	AMOUNT.	NATURE OF ACTION.	ATTORNEY.
Supreme.	Israel Stone.....	\$250 00	Summons and complaint. For amount claimed to be due for goods furnished the Department of Public Charities, bet. Apr. 6 and May 21, 1896.....	W. R. Spooner.
"	William P. Hurlbut and another vs. Ashbel P. Fitch, as Comptroller, and others.....	"	Certified copy order entered at Special Term of said Court, restraining the Comptroller from making an award of the franchise of street-surface railroad referred to in the complaint herein and adjourning sale.....	Turner, McClure & Rolston.
"	H. T. Cronk.....	250 00	Summons and complaint. For services as Medical Expert in the case of The People vs. Devine in the Supreme Court in April, 1896.....	J. J. O'K. Kennedy.
"	George T. Sinclair....	210 45	Summons and complaint. For services as Inspector of Buildings in the Building Department, between June 24 and Sept. 1, 1895.....	Blandy, Mooney & Shipman.
"	Michael Brennan....	352 81	Transcript of judgment.....	F. A. Bennett.
"	Carl L. Luwenstein....	250 00	Summons and complaint. For salary as Deputy Clerk of Court of General Sessions for Oct., 1896.....	E. B. & W. J. Amend.
"	George R. Shelden, assignee.....	1,411 02	Summons and complaint. For return of amount paid for an assessment for sewer in St. Nicholas avenue.....	J. C. Shaw.
"	Francis A. Scratchley..	150 00	Summons and complaint. For professional services, examining as to the sanity of Alexander Sholitz, a prisoner in the Penitentiary, on order of a Justice of the Supreme Court.....	E. Russell.
"	John H. Girdner.....	150 00	Summons and complaint. For professional services, examining as to the sanity of Alexander Sholitz, a prisoner in the Penitentiary, on order of a Justice of the Supreme Court.....	"
"	George A. Suter and another vs. The Mayor, etc., Albert Kyriz and others.....	950 00	Copy of order directing payment of liens on contract of Kyriz & Valentine for repairs to School Building No. 74.....	Phillips & Avery
"	Hopper S. Mott and another.....	2,849 80	Certified copies orders directing refund of amount paid for an assessment for 12th ave. opening.....	C. C. Higgins.

Opening of Proposals.

The Comptroller, by representative, attended the opening of proposals at the following Departments, viz.:

November 2. The Department of Public Works—For regulating, paving, constructing sewers, etc., in the several streets and avenues enumerated in the advertisement of said Department dated October 20, 1896, published in the CITY RECORD November 2, 1896.

November 2. The Department of Docks—For the removal of the piers at the foot of Jane and Horatio sts., North river.

November 4. The Fire Department—For delivering forage.

November 4. The Aqueduct Commission—For work and material for excavating a tunnel and constructing a drain at Jerome Park Reservoir.

November 5. The Department of Public Charities—For material and work required for altering the building now occupied as Alcoholic Ward, Bellevue Hospital.

November 5. The Commissioners of the Sinking Fund—For changes and additional work for public building to be erected in Crotona Park, in the 24th Ward, chapter 248, Laws of 1894.

November 5. The Department of Street Improvements, Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards—For regulating, grading, setting curb-stones, constructing sewers, etc., in the several streets and avenues enumerated in the advertisement of said Department, dated October 23, 1896, published in the CITY RECORD November 5, 1896.

Approval of Sureties.

The Comptroller approved of the adequacy and sufficiency of the sureties on the following proposals, viz.:

November 2. For repairing pier at foot of W. 131st st., North river; Gilderslieve & Rolf, No. 3 Cortlandt st., Principals; Thomas Smith, No. 329 W. 51st st., Henry C. Miner, No. 12 Gramercy pl., Sureties.

November 2. Repairing crib bulkhead at foot of E. 4th st., East river; Henry D. Steers, No. 3 Bowling Green, Principal; John C. Orr, No. 122 E. 72d st., James M. Motley, No. 61 E. 56th st., Sureties.

November 2. For removal of the pier and appurtenances at foot of W. 12th st., North river; P. Sanford Ross, No. 277 Washington st., Jersey City, Principal; Charles A. Brown, No. 129 Broad st., Charles L. Burke, No. 116 W. 79th st., Sureties.

November 4. For regulating and paving with granite-block pavement, etc., 162d st., from 3d to Brook ave., and Locust ave., from 132d to 138th st.; John Pierce, No. 454 5th ave., Principal; American Surety Company of New York, No. 100 Broadway, William E. Keyes, No. 981 Madison ave., Sureties.

November 6. For forage for the Fire Department; John Moonan, No. 429 West st., Principal; John A. Antony, No. 372 W. 11th st., George M. Clark, cor. of West and W. 11th sts., Sureties.

November 6. For repairs and alterations to steamer "Thomas S. Brennan"; C. and R. Poillon, No. 224 South st., Principal; John H. Waydell, No. 37 South st., Cornelius Poillon, No. 39 Cortlandt st., Sureties.

Certificate of the Commissioners of Taxes and Assessments Remitting Taxes of 1896 on Real Estate, as follows:

WARD.	BLOCK NO.	WARD NO.	ASSESSED VALUATION.	CORRECTED VALUATION.	TAX REMITTED.
Section 5, vol. 1.....	1343	10 1/2	\$6,500 00	\$4,500 00	\$42 80

Official Designation.

November 6. William J. Lyon, Deputy Comptroller, to act as Comptroller on November 7, 1896.

Designation of Compensation.

November 6. William S. Rockwell, Assistant Stock and Bond Clerk, at rate of \$1,400 per annum.

Appointed.

November 2. Daniel Engelhard, No. 423 W. 54th st.; Martin M. Hanley, No. 200 E. 75th st.; Temporary Clerks in the Bureau for the Collection of Taxes at rate of \$3 per diem, each.

WILLIAM J. LYON, Deputy Comptroller.

DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS.

At a special meeting of the Board of Docks called in accordance with section 3 of article 1 of the By-laws, held Tuesday, November 10, 1896, at 12 o'clock M.

Present—The full Board.

The Board proceeded to open estimates for dredging at and in Sherman's creek, on the Harlem river, under Contract No. 553, a representative of the Comptroller being present.

Two estimates were received, as follows:

1. P. Sanford Ross, with security deposit of \$375.....\$0 24 per cubic yard.
 2. Morris and Cumings Dredging Company, with security deposit of \$375..... 19 1/10 "
- On motion, the Secretary was directed to transmit to the Comptroller the security deposits made by said bidders and accompanying their estimates, whereupon the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the contract opened this day for dredging at and in Sherman's creek, on the Harlem river, under Contract No. 553, be and hereby is awarded to the Morris and Cumings Dredging Company, said company being the lowest bidder, subject to the approval of the sureties by the Comptroller.

On motion, the Board adjourned.

GEO. S. TERRY, Secretary.

COMMISSIONER OF STREET IMPROVEMENTS, 23D AND 24TH WARDS.

November 28, 1896. To the Supervisor of the City Record:

SIR—In compliance with section 51 of chapter 410 of the Laws of 1882, the office of Commissioner of Street Improvements of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards makes the following report of its transactions for the week ending November 26, 1896:

Permits Issued—For sewer connections, 31; for sewer repairs, 3; for Croton connections, 19; for Croton repairs, 4; for placing building material, 8; for crossing sidewalk with team, 5; for miscellaneous purposes, 13; total, 83.

Public Moneys Received—For sewer connections, \$315; for restoring pavements, \$84; for use of steam roller, \$6; total, \$405.

Plans and Specifications Approved—Regulating and grading One Hundred and Eighty-third street, from Webster avenue to Third avenue; regulating and grading Boscobel avenue, from Jerome avenue to Washington Bridge.

Laboring Force Employed during the Week—Foremen, 16; Assistant Foremen, 15; Engineers of Steam Rollers, 4; Sewer Laborers, 27; Laborers, 265; Toolmen, 8; Stableman, 1; Truckmen, 2; Oilers, 3; Carts, 9; Teams, 27; Carpenters, 3; Pavers, 6; Blacksmiths' Helpers, 3; Machinists, 2; Sounders, 4; Sweepers, 3; Cleaners, 4; total, 402.

Total amount of requisitions drawn upon the Comptroller during the week, \$58,586.23.

Respectfully, LOUIS F. HAFFEN, Commissioner.

ALDERMANIC COMMITTEES.**Legislation.**

LEGISLATION—A meeting of the Legislative Committee will be held in Room 16, City Hall, on Friday, December 4, 1896.

LEGISLATION—The Committee on Legislation will hold a public meeting on Wednesday, December 9, 1896, at 2 o'clock P. M., in Room 16, City Hall, "to consider question of direct approaches to Third Avenue Bridge."

WM. H. TEN EYCK, Clerk, Common Council.

OFFICIAL DIRECTORY.

Mayor's Office—No. 6 City Hall, 9 A. M. to 5 P. M.

Saturdays, 9 A. M. to 12 M.

Mayor's Marshal's Office—No. 1 City Hall, 9 A. M. to 5 P. M.

Commissioners of Accounts—Stewart Building, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Aqueduct Commissioners—Stewart Building, 5th floor, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Board of Armory Commissioners—Stewart Building, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.; Saturdays, 9 A. M. to 12 M.

Clerk of Common Council—No. 8 City Hall, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Department of Public Works—No. 150 Nassau street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Department of Street Improvements, Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards—No. 2622 Third avenue, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.; Saturdays, 12 M.

Department of Buildings—No. 220 Fourth avenue, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Comptroller's Office—No. 15 Stewart Building, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Auditing Bureau—Nos. 19, 21 and 23 Stewart Building, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Bureau for the Collection of Assessments and Arrears of Taxes and Assessments and of Water Rents—Nos. 31, 33, 35, 37 and 39 Stewart Building, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. No money received after 2 P. M.

Bureau for the Collection of City Revenue and of Markets—Nos. 1 and 3 Stewart Building, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. No money received after 2 P. M.

Bureau for the Collection of Taxes—Stewart Building, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. No money received after 2 P. M.

City Chamberlain—Nos. 25 and 27 Stewart Building, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

City Paymaster—Stewart Building, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Counsel to the Corporation—Staats-Zeitung Building, 9 A. M. to 5 P. M.; Saturdays, 9 A. M. to 12 M.

Corporation Attorney—No. 119 Nassau street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Attorney for Collection of Arrears of Personal Taxes—Stewart Building, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Bureau of Street Openings—Nos. 90 and 92 West Broadway, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Public Administrator—No. 119 Nassau street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Police Department—Central Office, No. 300 Mulberry street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Board of Education—No. 146 Grand street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Department of Charities—Central Office, No. 66 Third avenue, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Department of Correction—Central Office, No. 148 East Twentieth street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Fire Department—Headquarters, Nos. 157 to 159 East Sixty-seventh street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.; Saturdays, 12 M. Central Office open at all hours.

Health Department—New Criminal Court Building, Centre street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Department of Public Parks—Arsenal, Central Park, Sixty-fourth street and Fifth avenue, 10 A. M. to 4 P. M.; Saturdays, 12 M.

Department of Docks—Battery, Pier A, North river, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Department of Taxes and Assessments—Stewart Building, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.; Saturdays, 12 M.

Board of Electrical Control—No. 1262 Broadway, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Department of Street Cleaning—No. 32 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Civil Service Board—Criminal Court Building, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Board of Estimate and Apportionment—Stewart Building, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Board of Assessors—Office, 27 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Sheriff's Office—Nos. 6 and 7 New County Court-house, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Register's Office—East side City Hall Park, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Commissioner of Jurors—Room 127, Stewart Building, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

County Clerk's Office—Nos. 7 and 8 New County Court-house, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

District Attorney's Office—New Criminal Court Building, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

The City Record Office—No. 2 City Hall, 9 A. M. to 5 P. M., except Saturdays, 9 A. M. to 12 M.

Governor's Room—City Hall, open from 10 A. M. to 4 P. M.; Saturdays, 10 A. M. to 12 M.

Coroner's Office—New Criminal Court Building, open constantly. Edward F. Reynolds, Clerk.

Surrogate's Court—New County Court-house, 10.30 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Appellate Division, Supreme Court—Court-house, No. 111 Fifth avenue, corner Eighteenth street. Court opens at 1 P. M.

Supreme Court—County Court-house, 10.30 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Criminal Division, Supreme Court—New Criminal Court Building, Centre street, opens at 10.30 A. M.

Court of General Sessions—New Criminal Court Building, Centre street. Court opens at 11 o'clock A. M.; adjourns 4 P. M. Clerk's Office, 10 A. M. till 4 P. M.

City Court—City Hall. General Term, Room No. 20. Trial Term, Part I., Room No. 20; Part II., Room No. 21; Part III., Room No. 15; Part IV., Room No. 11. Special Term Chambers will be held in Room No. 19 from 10 A. M. to 4 P. M. Clerk's Office, Room No. 10, City Hall, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Court of Special Sessions—New Criminal Court Building, Centre street. Opens daily, except Saturday, at 10 A. M. Clerk's office hours daily, except Saturday from 9 A. M. till 4 P. M.; Saturdays, 9 A. M. till 12 M.

District Civil Courts—First District—Southwest corner of Centre and Chambers streets. Clerk's office open from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. Second District—Corner of Grand and Centre streets. Clerk's office open from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. Third District—Southwest corner Sixth avenue and West Tenth street. Court open daily (Sundays and legal holidays excepted) from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. Fourth District—No. 30 First street. Court opens 9 A. M. daily. Fifth District—No. 154 Clinton street. Sixth District—Northwest corner Twenty-third street and Second avenue. Court opens 9 A. M. daily.

daily. Seventh District—No. 151 East Fifty-seventh street. Court opens 9 o'clock (except Sundays and legal holidays). Eighth District—Northwest corner of Twenty-third street and Eighth avenue. Court opens 9 A. M. Trial days: Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays. Return days: Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays. Ninth District—No. 170 East One Hundred and Twenty-first street. Court opens every morning at 9 o'clock (except Sundays and legal holidays). Tenth District—Corner of Third avenue and One Hundred and Fifty-eighth street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. Eleventh District—No. 919 Eighth avenue. Court open daily (Sundays and legal holidays excepted) from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. Twelfth District—Westchester, New York City. Open daily (Sundays and legal holidays excepted), from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. Thirteenth District—Corner Columbus avenue and One Hundred and Twenty-sixth street. Court open daily (Sundays and legal holidays excepted), from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

City Magistrates' Courts—Office of Secretary, Fifth District Police Court, One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street, near Fourth avenue. First District—Yombs, Centre street, Second District—Jefferson Market, Third District—No. 69 Essex street. Fourth District—Fifty-seventh street, near Lexington avenue. Fifth District—One Hundred and Twenty-first street, southeast corner of Sylvan place. Sixth District—One Hundred and Fifty-eighth street and Third avenue.

CITY CIVIL SERVICE COMM.

NEW CRIMINAL COURT BUILDING, NEW YORK, November 20, 1896.

EXAMINATIONS WILL BE HELD AS FOLLOWS:

December 3, 10 A. M. MEDICAL CHIEF OF STAFF, DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES. Candidates must hold degree of M. D. and have had experience in hospital organization and management. Salary, \$2,500.

December 4, 10 A. M. MERCANTILE INSPECTOR, BOARD OF HEALTH. Candidates must have had experience in civil engineering or sanitation, and will be examined on chapter 384, Laws of 1896.

December 14, 10 A. M. CLERK, BUILDING DEPARTMENT. Candidates must have knowledge of building plans.

December 15, 10 A. M. HOUSE PHYSICIAN, BELLEVUE HOSPITAL, DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES. Examination will cover nervous and mental diseases. Salary, \$1,200.

December 18, 10 A. M. INSPECTORS OF PIER BUILDING. Candidates must have a practical knowledge in construction, pier and dock work, composed of stone-filled crib-work and ordinary framing.

December 21, 10 A. M. MATRONS, DEPARTMENT OF CHARITIES AND OF CORRECTION. Notice is hereby given that applications are desired for Building Inspectors of Masonry and Building Inspectors of Carpentry, in the Building Department. Candidates must have at least ten years' experience in the masonry or carpentering line.

Persons desiring employment in the hospitals should make application as Hospital Orderly; salary from \$25 to \$40 per month. Orderlies are eligible for promotion to Inspector; salary from \$40 to \$60 per month, board and lodging furnished. Persons desiring employment at hospitals, outside work, should make application for Hospital Helper; salary not above \$25 per month, board and lodging furnished. Letters of recommendation will be required in all cases.

S. WILLIAM BRISCOE, Secretary.

NEW YORK, October 29, 1896.

NOTICE IS GIVEN THAT THE REGISTRATION day in the Labor Bureau will be Friday, and that examinations will take place on that day at 1 P. M.

S. WILLIAM BRISCOE, Secretary.

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

POLICE DEPARTMENT—CITY OF NEW YORK, 1896.

OWNERS WANTED BY THE PROPERTY

Clerk of the Police Department of the City of New York, No. 300 Mulberry street, Room No. 9, for the following property, now in his custody, without claimants: Boots, rope, iron, lead, male and female clothing, boots, shoes, wine, blankets, diamonds, canned goods, liquors, etc.; also small amount money taken from prisoners and found by Patrolmen of this Department.

JOHN F. HARRIOT, Property Clerk.

BOARD OF EDUCATION.

SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED

by the Committee on Buildings, of the Board of Education, of the City of New York, at the Hall of the Board, No. 146 Grand street, until 4 o'clock P. M. on Monday, December 14, 1896, for Improving New Lot, etc., adjoining Grammar School No. 76, southeast corner of Lexington avenue and Sixty-eighth street; also for Making Alterations, Repairs, etc., at Grammar Schools Nos. 4, 15, 18, 22 and 57.

Plans and specifications may be seen and blank proposals obtained at the office of the Superintendent of School Buildings, No. 146 Grand street, third floor.

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

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

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

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

The party submitting a proposal must include in his proposal the names of all subcontractors, and no change will be permitted to be made in the subcontractors named without the consent of the Committee and Superintendent of School Buildings.

It is required, as a condition precedent to the reception or consideration of any proposals, that a certified check upon or a certificate of deposit of one of the State or National banks or Trust Companies of the City of New York, drawn to the order of the President of the Board of Education, shall accompany the proposal to an amount of not less than three per cent. of such proposal when said proposal is for or exceeds ten thousand dollars, and to an amount of not less than five per cent. of such proposal when said proposal is for an amount under ten thousand dollars; that, on demand, within one day after the awarding of the contract by the Committee, the President of the Board will return all the deposits of checks and certificates of deposits made, to the persons making the same, except that made by the person or persons whose bid has been so accepted; and that if the person or persons whose bid has been so accepted shall refuse or neglect, within five days after due notice has been given that the contract is ready for execution, to execute the same, the amount of the deposit or of the check or certificate of deposit made by him or them shall be forfeited to and retained by this Board, not as a penalty but as liquidated damages for such neglect or refusal, and shall be paid into the City Treasury to the credit of the Sinking Fund of the City of New York; but if the said person or persons whose bid has been so accepted shall execute the contract within the time aforesaid, the amount of his or their deposit of check or certificate of deposit shall be returned to him or them.

JOSEPH J. LITTLE, NATHANIEL A. PRENTISS, RICHARD H. ADAMS, WM. H. HURLBUT, JOHN G. AGAR, Committee on Buildings.

ARTHUR McMULLIN, Clerk.

Dated NEW YORK, November 25, 1896.

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ARTHUR McMULLIN, Clerk.

Dated NEW YORK, December 3, 1896.

SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED

by the Committee on Buildings of the Board of Education, of the City of New York, at the Hall of the Board, No. 146 Grand street, until 4 o'clock P. M. on Monday, December 7, 1896, for Improving Premises of and New Lots adjoining Grammar School No. 25; also for Alterations, Repairs, and the Erection of New Iron and Stone Stairs at Grammar Schools Nos. 97 and 101.

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JOSEPH J. LITTLE, NATHANIEL A. PRENTISS, RICHARD H. ADAMS, WM. H. HURLBUT, JOHN G. AGAR, Committee on Buildings.

ARTHUR McMULLIN, Clerk.

Dated NEW YORK, November 25, 1896.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS, ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK, NEW YORK, November 18, 1896.

TO CONTRACTORS.

SEALED BIDS OR ESTIMATES, WITH THE

title of the work and the name of the bidder indorsed thereon, will be received by the Department of Public Parks, at its office, Arsenal Building, Sixty-fourth street and Fifth avenue, Central Park, until 2 o'clock P. M., of Monday, December 7, 1896:

FOR THE REMOVAL OF THE OLD CENTRE CASTING; THE SUPPLYING AND PUTTING IN PLACE OF THE NEW CENTRE CASTING; THE REMOVAL OF TWO OLD ENGINES; THE SUPPLYING AND PUTTING IN PLACE OF A NEW ENGINE; THE SUPPLYING AND PUTTING IN PLACE OF CERTAIN SHAFTING, BEARINGS, AND OTHER MACHINERY AND APPLIANCES, AND THE SUPPLYING AND PUTTING IN PLACE OF SUCH OTHER MATERIALS AND THE DOING OF SUCH OTHER WORK AS MAY BE NECESSARY; ALL AT THE MADISON AVENUE BRIDGE, OVER THE HARLEM RIVER, IN THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

Bidders are required to state, in writing, and also in figures, in their proposals, one price or sum for which they will execute the entire work.

The time allowed for the completion of the whole work will be sixty consecutive working days.

The damages to be paid by the contractor for each day that the contract or any part thereof may be unfulfilled after the time fixed for the completion thereof has expired are fixed at Ten Dollars per day.

The amount of security required is Four Thousand Dollars.

Bidders must satisfy themselves by personal examination of the location of the proposed work, and by such other means as they may prefer, as to the nature and extent of the work, and shall not, at any time after the submission of an estimate, dispute or complain of such statement, nor assert that there was any misunderstanding in regard to the nature or amount of the work to be done.

The estimates received will be publicly opened by the head of the said Department at the place and hour last above mentioned and read.

Each bid or estimate shall contain and state the name and place of residence of each of the persons making the same, the names of all persons interested with him or them therein, and if no other person be so interested it shall distinctly state that fact; that it is made without any connection with any other person making an estimate for the same purpose and is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud, and that no member of the Common Council, head of a department, chief of a bureau, deputy thereof, or clerk therein, or other officer of the Corporation, is directly or indirectly interested therein, or in the supplies or work to which it relates, or in any portion of the profits thereof. The bid or estimate must be verified by the oath, in writing, of the party or parties making the estimate that the several matters stated therein are in all respects true. Where more than one person is interested it is requisite that the verification be made and subscribed by all the parties interested.

Each bid or estimate shall be accompanied by the consent, in writing, of two householders or freeholders in the City of New York, with their respective places of business or residence, to the effect that if the contract be awarded to the person making the estimate, they will, on its being so awarded, become bound as his sureties for its faithful performance, and that if he shall omit or refuse to execute the same they will pay to the Corporation any difference between the sum to which he would be entitled on its completion and that which the Corporation may be obliged to pay to the person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded at any subsequent letting, the amount in each case to be calculated upon the estimated amount of the work by which the bids are tested. The consent above-mentioned shall be accompanied by the oath or affirmation, in writing, of each of the persons signing the same that he is a householder or freeholder in the City of New York, and is worth the amount

of the security required for the completion of this contract, over and above all his debts of every nature and over and above his liabilities as bail, surety or otherwise, and that he has offered himself as a surety in good faith and with the intention to execute the bond required by section 27 of chapter 8 of the Revised Ordinances of the City of New York, if the contract shall be awarded to the person or persons for whom he consents to become surety; the adequacy and sufficiency of the security offered to be approved by the Comptroller of the City of New York.

No bid or estimate will be received or considered unless accompanied by either a certified check upon one of the State or National banks of the City of New York, drawn to the order of the Comptroller, or money to the amount of five per centum of the amount of the security required for the faithful performance of the contract.

Such check or money must not be inclosed in the sealed envelope containing the estimate, but must be handed to the officer or clerk of the Department who has charge of the estimate-book, and no estimate can be deposited in said box until such check or money has been examined by said officer or clerk and found to be correct. All such deposits except that of the successful bidder will be returned to the persons making the same within three days after the contract is awarded.

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

N. B.—The prices must be written in the estimate and also stated in figures, and all estimates will be considered as informal which do not contain bids for all items for which bids are herein called or which contain bids for items for which bids are not herewith called for. Permission will not be given for the withdrawal of any bid or estimate. No bid will be accepted from or contract awarded to any person who is in arrears to the Corporation upon debt or contract, or who is a defaulter, as surety or otherwise, upon any obligation to the Corporation.

The Department of Public Parks reserves the right to reject any or all the bids received in response to this advertisement if it should deem it for the interest of the City so to do, and to readvertise until satisfactory bids or proposals shall be received, but the contract when awarded will be awarded to the lowest bidder.

Blank forms for proposals, and forms of the contract which the successful bidder will be required to execute, can be had, the plans can be seen, and information relative to them can be had at the office of the Department, Arsenal, Central Park.

S. V. R. CRUGER, SAMUEL McMILLAN, WILLIAM A. STILES, SMITH ELY, Commissioners of Public Parks.

STREET CLEANING DEPT.

DEPARTMENT OF STREET CLEANING, No. 32 CHAMBERS STREET.

PUBLIC NOTICE.

PROPOSALS FOR ESTIMATES.

CONTRACT FOR PREPARING FOR AND BUILDING A STEEL POCKET DUMP AT THE FOOT OF EAST SEVENTEENTH STREET, EAST RIVER.

ESTIMATES FOR PREPARING FOR AND

building a steel pocket dump at the foot of East Seventeenth street, East river, will be received by the Commissioner of Street Cleaning, at the office of said Department, No. 32 Chambers street, in the City of New York, until 12 o'clock M. of Thursday, the third day of December, 1896, at which time and place the estimates will be publicly opened by the head of said Department. The award of the contract, if awarded, will be made as soon as practicable after the opening of the bids.

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

The bidder to whom the award is made shall give security for the faithful performance of the contract, in the manner prescribed and required by ordinance, in the sum of Five Thousand Dollars.</

a notice to that effect; and in case of failure or neglect so to do, he or they will be considered as having abandoned it, and as in default to the Corporation; and the contract will be re-advertised and relet, and so on until it be accepted and executed.

Bidders are required to state in their estimate their names and places of residence; the names of all persons interested with them therein, and if no other person be so interested, the estimate shall distinctly state the fact; also that the estimate is made without any consultation, connection or agreement with, and the amount thereof has not been disclosed to, any other person or persons making an estimate for the same purpose, and is not higher than the lowest regular market price for the same kind of labor or material, and is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud; that no combination or pool exists of which the bidder is a member, or of which the bidder is directly or indirectly interested, or of which the bidder has knowledge, either personal or otherwise, to bid a certain price or not less than a certain price for said labor or material, or to keep others from bidding thereon; and also that no member of the Common Council, head of a department, chief of a bureau, deputy thereof or clerk therein, or any other officer or employee of the Corporation of the City of New York, or any of its departments, is directly or indirectly interested in the estimate, or in the supplies or work to which it relates, or in any portion of the profits thereof, and has not been given, offered or promised, either directly or indirectly, any pecuniary or other consideration by the bidder or anyone in his behalf with a view to influencing the action or judgment of such officer or employee in this or any other transaction heretofore had with this Department; which estimate must be verified by the oath, in writing, of the party making the estimate, that the several matters stated therein are in all respects true. *Where more than one person is interested, it is requisite that the verification be made and subscribed by all the parties interested.*

In case a bid shall be submitted by or in behalf of any corporation, it must be signed in the name of such corporation by some duly authorized officer or agent thereof, who shall also subscribe his own name and office. If practicable, the seal of the corporation shall also be affixed.

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

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

Bidders are informed that no deviation from the specifications will be allowed, unless under the written instructions of the Commissioner of Street Cleaning.

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

In case there are two or more bids at the same price, which price is the lowest price bid, the contract, if awarded, will be awarded by lot to one of the lowest bidders.

The right to decline all the estimates is reserved, if deemed for the interest of the Corporation of the City of New York.

Bidders are requested, in making their bids or estimates, to use the blank prepared for that purpose by the Department, a copy of which, together with the form of the agreement, including specifications, and showing the manner of payment for the work, can be obtained upon application therefor at the office of the Department.

COMMISSIONER OF STREET CLEANING.
Dated New York, November 19, 1896.

DEPARTMENT OF STREET CLEANING, No. 32 CHAMBERS STREET.

PUBLIC NOTICE.
CONTRACT FOR REMOVING SNOW AND ICE FROM THE STREETS, AVENUES AND PUBLIC PLACES OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK, FOR AND DURING THE PERIOD ENDING APRIL 15, 1897.

ESTIMATES INCLOSED IN SEALED ENVELOPES and indorsed with the name and address of the person or persons making the same, and the date of presentation, and a statement of the work and supplies to which they relate, will be received at the office of the Department of Street Cleaning, No. 32 Chambers street, in the City of New York, until 12 o'clock M. of Friday, the fourth day of December, 1896, at which time and place the estimates will be publicly opened and read, for removing snow and ice from the streets, avenues, and public places of the City of New York, for and during the period ending April fifteenth (15th) 1897.

The person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded will be required to attend at this office with the surety offered by him or them, and execute such contract within five days from the date of the service of a notice to that effect, and in case of failure or neglect so to do, he or they will be considered as having abandoned such contract and as in default to the Corporation, whereupon the Commissioner of Street Cleaning will re-advertise and relet the work, and so on until the contract be accepted and executed.

Bidders are required to state in their estimates, under oath, the names and places of residence, the names of all persons interested with them therein, and if no other person be so interested they shall distinctly state the fact; also, that it is made without any connection with any other person making any bid or estimate for the above work or supplies, and that it is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud; and also that no member of the Common Council, head of a department, chief of a bureau, deputy thereof, or clerk therein, or any other officer of the Corporation, is directly or indirectly interested therein, or in the supplies or work to which it relates, or in any portion of the profits thereof. *Where more than one person is interested it is requisite that*

the verification be made and subscribed by all the parties interested. Each estimate shall also be accompanied by the consent, in writing, of two householders or freeholders of the City of New York, with their respective places of business or residence, or a guarantee company incorporated under the Laws of the State of New York, as shall be satisfactory to the Comptroller, to the effect that if the contract be awarded to the person or persons making the estimate, they will, on its being so awarded, become bound as his or their sureties for its faithful performance in the amount of Twenty-five Thousand (\$25,000) Dollars; and that if he or they shall omit or refuse to execute the same, they will pay to The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York any difference between the sum to which he would be entitled on its completion and that which The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York may be obliged to pay to the person or persons to whom the contract may be subsequently awarded. The consent above mentioned shall be accompanied by the oath or affirmation, in writing, of each of the persons signing the same, that he is a householder or freeholder in the City of New York, and is worth the amount of the security required for the completion of the contract, over and above all his debts of every nature and over and above his liabilities as bail, surety and otherwise; that he has offered himself as a surety in good faith, and with an intention to execute the bond required by law. The adequacy and sufficiency of the sureties offered shall be approved by the Comptroller.

The price must be written in the bid or estimate, and also stated in figures. Permission will not be given for the withdrawal of any bid or estimate, and the right is expressly reserved by the Commissioner of Street Cleaning to reject any or all the bids, or to select the bid or bids, the acceptance of which will, in his judgment, be deemed best for the interest of the City. No bid will be accepted from or contract awarded to any person who is in arrears to the Corporation upon debt or contract, or who is a defaulter, as surety or otherwise, upon any obligation to the Corporation.

Each bid or proposal must be accompanied by a certified check on one of the State or National banks of the City of New York, payable to the order of the Comptroller of said city, for Twelve Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$1,250), or money to that amount. On the acceptance of any bid the checks or money of the unaccepted bidders will be returned to them, and upon the execution of the contract the check or money of the accepted bidder will be returned to him.

All bids must be made with reference to the form of contract and the requirements thereof on file at the Department of Street Cleaning, or they will be rejected.

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

COMMISSIONER OF STREET CLEANING.
Dated New York, November 19, 1896.

PERSONS HAVING BULKHEADS TO FILL, IN the vicinity of New York Bay, can procure material for that purpose—ashes, street sweepings, etc., such as is collected by the Department of Street Cleaning—free of charge, by applying to the Commissioner of Street Cleaning, in the Criminal Court Building.
GEORGE E. WARING, JR.,
Commissioner of Street Cleaning.

ST. OPENING AND IMPROVEMENT.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THERE will be a regular meeting of the Board of Street Opening and Improvement of the City of New York held at the Mayor's Office on Friday next, December 4, at 11 o'clock A. M., at which meeting it is proposed to consider unfinished business, and such other matters as may be brought before the Board.
Dated New York, December 1, 1896.
V. B. LIVINGSTON, Secretary

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, THAT THE Board of Street Opening and Improvement of the City of New York, deeming it for the public interest so to do, propose to alter the map or plan of the City of New York, by laying out a new street, from the northerly line of Washington Bridge to Amsterdam avenue, opposite One Hundred and Eighty-eighth street; also to lay out and extend One Hundred and Eighty-fifth street, from Amsterdam avenue to meet the said new street, all in the Twelfth Ward of said city, and more particularly bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at a point in the easterly line of Tenth or Amsterdam avenue distant 8,734.42 feet northerly from the southerly line of One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street; thence easterly and parallel with said street distance 100 feet; thence easterly and southerly in a curved line to the right radius 85.88 feet distance 97.18 feet; thence southerly and tangent distance 114.20 feet; thence southerly and in a curved line to the right radius 594.25 feet distance 217.96 feet; thence southerly and tangent distance 184.12 feet; thence southerly and in a curved line to the right radius 390 feet distance 75.78 feet; thence southerly and tangent distance 128.85 feet to a point in the northerly line of One Hundred and Eighty-fifth street produced 271.02 feet easterly from Tenth or Amsterdam avenue; thence still southerly and in the same line distance 55.79 feet; thence southerly and in a curved line to the right radius 336.67 feet distance 98.56 feet; thence southerly and in a reversed curved line to the left radius 610 feet distance 372.42 feet; thence southerly and in a reversed curved line to the right radius 336.60 feet distance 52.77 feet; thence southerly and tangent and passing through the land taken for a park on the northerly side of Washington Bridge, distance 429.30 feet to the northerly line of the land taken for the Washington Bridge at a point as measured along said line distance 189.97 feet easterly from Tenth or Amsterdam avenue; thence easterly and along said northerly line of the land of the bridge distance 60.03 feet; thence northerly and in a curved line to a curved line to the left radius 396.60 feet distance 62.41 feet; thence northerly and in a reversed curved line to the right radius 550 feet distance 326.75 feet; thence northerly and in a reversed curved line to the left radius 390.67 feet distance 116.45 feet; thence northerly and in a curved line to the left radius 450 feet distance 87.44 feet; thence northerly and tangent distance 184.12 feet; thence northerly and in a curved line to the left radius 654.25 feet distance 250.98 feet; thence northerly and tangent distance 114.20 feet; thence northerly and in a curved line to the left radius 143.88 feet distance 165.08 feet; thence westerly and parallel with One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street distance 100 feet to the easterly line of Amsterdam or Tenth avenue; thence southerly along said easterly line of Amsterdam avenue distance 60 feet to the point or place of beginning.

Said street to be 60 feet wide between the lines of Amsterdam avenue and the land taken for the Washington Bridge.

Also, beginning at a point in the easterly line of Amsterdam or Tenth avenue distant 7,975.01 feet northerly from the southerly line of One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street; thence easterly and parallel with said street and in the direction of the northerly line of One Hundred and Eighty-fifth street extended easterly from easterly line of Amsterdam avenue distance 271.02 feet to the westerly line of a new street to be known as Washington Bridge avenue; thence southwesterly and deflecting to the right 97 degrees 56 minutes and 45 seconds distance 55.79 feet; thence southwesterly and in a curved line to the right radius 336.67 feet distance 25.14 feet; thence westerly and parallel to One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street distance 258.19 feet to the easterly line of Amsterdam or Tenth avenue; thence northerly along said line distance 80 feet to the point or place of beginning.

Said street to be 80 feet wide between the lines of Amsterdam avenue and the new street or avenue to be known as Washington Bridge avenue.

And that such proposed action of the said Board of Street Opening and Improvement has been duly laid before the Board of Aldermen.

V. B. LIVINGSTON, Secretary.
Dated New York, November 25, 1896.

GAS COMMISSION.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. TO CONTRACTORS.

No. 1. PROPOSALS FOR ESTIMATES FOR FURNISHING THE GAS OR OTHER ILLUMINATING MATERIAL FOR, AND LIGHTING, EXTINGUISHING, CLEANING, REPAIRING AND MAINTAINING THE PUBLIC GAS-LAMPS ON THE STREETS, AVENUES, PIERS, PARKS AND PUBLIC PLACES IN THE CITY OF NEW YORK, FOR THE PERIOD OF ONE YEAR, COMMENCING ON JANUARY 1, 1897, AND ENDING ON DECEMBER 31, 1897; AND

No. 2. PROPOSALS FOR ESTIMATES FOR FURNISHING, OPERATING AND MAINTAINING ELECTRIC LAMPS FOR THE PERIOD OF ONE YEAR, COMMENCING ON JANUARY 1, 1897, AND ENDING ON DECEMBER 31, 1897, FOR LIGHTING SUCH STREETS OR PARTS OF STREETS, PARKS AND PUBLIC PLACES OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK AS MAY BE DETERMINED UPON BY THE MAYOR, COMPTROLLER, AND COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC WORKS, AFTER THE ESTIMATES ARE OPENED.

ESTIMATES FOR THE ABOVE WILL BE received at the office of the Mayor, in the City Hall, in the City of New York, until 12 o'clock M. of Tuesday, December 15, 1896, at which place and time they will be publicly opened by said Commissioner and read.

Any person making an estimate for furnishing the gas or other material shall furnish the same in a sealed envelope, indorsed "Estimate for furnishing the Illuminating Material for, and Lighting, Extinguishing, Cleaning, Repairing and Maintaining the Public Lamps"; and any person making an estimate for furnishing, operating and maintaining electric lamps shall furnish the same in a sealed envelope, indorsed "Estimate for Furnishing, Operating and Maintaining Electric Lamps," and also with the name of the person making the same and the date of its presentation.

Bidders are required to state in their estimates their names and places of residence, the names of all persons interested with them therein, and if no other person be so interested they shall distinctly state the fact; also, that it is made without any connection with any other person making an estimate for the same supplies and work, and that it is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud, and also that no member of the Common Council, head of a department, chief of a bureau, deputy thereof or clerk therein, or other officer of the Corporation, is directly or indirectly interested therein, or in the supplies or work to which it relates, or in any portion of the profits thereof, which estimate must be verified by the oath, in writing, of the party making the same, that the several matters stated therein are in all respects true. *Where more than one person is interested it is requisite that the verification be made and subscribed by all the parties interested.*

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

The amount of security required on any contract for lighting the public gas-lamps, which will amount to \$400,000 and upwards, shall be \$150,000; on any contract which will amount to \$300,000 and less than \$400,000, shall be \$125,000; on any contract which will amount to \$200,000 and less than \$300,000, shall be \$100,000; on any contract which will amount to \$150,000 and less than \$200,000, shall be \$75,000; on any contract which will amount to \$80,000 but is less than \$150,000, \$50,000; on any contract which will amount to \$60,000 but is less than \$80,000, \$36,000; on any contract which will amount to \$40,000 but is less than \$60,000, \$24,000; on any contract which will amount to \$20,000 but is less than \$40,000, \$12,000; on any contract which will amount to \$10,000 but is less than \$20,000, \$6,000; on any contract which amounts to less than \$10,000, \$5,000.

The amount of security required on electric-light contracts is \$25,000.

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

Any further information, and the specifications, form of estimate, etc., can be obtained on application at the office of the Commissioner of Public Works.

NEW YORK, November 24, 1896.
WILLIAM L. STRONG, Mayor; ASHBEL P. FITCH, Comptroller; CHARLES H. T. COLLIS, Commissioner of Public Works.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, No. 150 NASSAU STREET, NEW YORK, November 18, 1896.

TO CONTRACTORS.

BIDS OR ESTIMATES, INCLOSED IN A sealed envelope, with the title of the work and the name of the bidder indorsed thereon, also the number of the work as in the advertisement, will be received at No. 150 Nassau street, corner of Spruce street, in the Chief Clerk's Office, Room No. 1704-7, until 12 o'clock M. on Tuesday, December 8, 1896. The bids will be publicly opened by the head of the Department in the basement at No. 150 Nassau street at the hour above-mentioned.

No. 1. FOR BUILDING A RESERVOIR AND DAM AT BYRAM POND, A CHANNEL-WAY TO CONVEY THE WATERS OF STONY BROOK INTO THIS RESERVOIR, AND IMPROVING THE CHANNEL OF BYRAM RIVER IN THE TOWNS OF NORTH CASTLE AND BEDFORD WESTCHESTER COUNTY, NEW YORK.

No. 2. FOR FURNISHING MATERIALS AND BUILDING A KEEPER'S HOUSE AT MUSCOOT RESERVOIR AND AT MIDDLE BRANCH RESERVOIR.

Each bid or estimate shall contain and state the name and place of residence of each of the persons making the same, the names of all persons

interested with him therein, and if no other person be so interested it shall distinctly state that fact; that it is made without any connection with any other person making an estimate for the same purpose, and is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud, and that no member of the Common Council, head of a department, chief of a bureau, deputy thereof, or clerk therein, or other officer of the Corporation, is directly or indirectly interested therein, or in the supplies or in the work to which it relates or in any portion of the profits thereof.

Each estimate must be verified by the oath, in writing, of the party making the same, that the several matters therein stated are true, and must be accompanied by the consent, in writing, of two householders or freeholders in the City of New York, to the effect that if the contract is awarded to the person making the estimate, they will, upon its being so awarded, become bound as his sureties for its faithful performance; and that if he shall refuse or neglect to execute the same, they will pay to the Corporation any difference between the sum to which he would be entitled upon its completion and that which the Corporation may be obliged to pay to the person to whom the contract shall be awarded at any subsequent letting, the amount to be calculated upon the estimated amount of the work by which the bids are tested.

The consent last above mentioned must be accompanied by the oath or affirmation, in writing, of each of the persons signing the same, that he is a householder or freeholder in the City of New York, and is worth the amount of the security required for the completion of the contract, over and above all his debts of every nature, and over and above his liabilities as bail, surety, or otherwise, and that he has offered himself as surety in good faith, with the intention to execute the bond required by law.

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

THE COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC WORKS RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REJECT ALL BIDS RECEIVED FOR ANY PARTICULAR WORK IF HE DEEMS IT FOR THE BEST INTERESTS OF THE CITY.

Blank forms of bid or estimate, the proper envelopes in which to inclose the same, the specifications and agreements, and any further information desired, can be obtained in Room No. 1715.

CHARLES H. T. COLLIS, Commissioner of Public Works.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS—COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, NEW YORK, October 29, 1895.

TO OWNERS, ARCHITECTS AND BUILDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT ALL ORDINANCES of the Common Council, approved December 31, 1886, and subsequent thereto, in relation to the use and occupancy of sidewalks, must be complied with, and that all hoistways must occupy only such space of the sidewalk as is authorized by special ordinance of the Common Council, passed March 30, 1886, viz.:

"Hoistways may be placed within the stoop-lines, but in no case to extend beyond five feet from the house-line, and shall be guarded by iron railings or rods to prevent accidents to passers-by."

You are further notified that all violations now existing of such ordinances must be removed, and that all conditions set forth in permits granted for vault or other purposes must be complied with within sixty days. The special ordinances permitting court-yard inclosures give no right to occupy this space otherwise.

CHARLES H. T. COLLIS, Commissioner of Public Works.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, No. 150 NASSAU STREET, NEW YORK, August 6, 1896.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE charge for vault permits is fixed at the rate of \$2 per square foot, under and pursuant to ordinance of the Common Council relating thereto.

HOWARD PAYSON WILDS, Deputy Commissioner of Public Works.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY-OWNERS, BUILDERS, FLAGGERS AND OTHERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE practice of placing concrete or other friable curbs on the streets of this city is in contravention of chapter 6, Article 7, section 105, Revised Ordinances of 1880, which reads: "All curbs-stones * * * shall be of the best hard blue or gray granite." And this Department will find it necessary to prosecute to the full penalty imposed by law persons setting or making such curbs, whether they have broken up or removed the curbs-stones provided by the City or not.

Further notice is given that this Department will in no case entertain claims or damages to concrete or other artificial sidewalks that are caused by repair or setting of hydrants, or by other work which the City does for the general good.

CHARLES H. T. COLLIS, Commissioner of Public Works.

CORPORATION NOTICE.

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO THE owner or owners, occupant or occupants, of all houses and lots, improved or unimproved lands affected thereby, that the following assessments have been completed, and are lodged in the office of the Board of Assessors for examination by all persons interested, viz.:

List 5290, No. 1. Flacing the vacant lots on the north side of One Hundred and Second street, between Columbus and Amsterdam avenues.
List 5292, No. 2. Laying crosswalk across One Hundred and Fifty-third street, at west side of Boulevard.
List 5293, No. 3. Flagging and reflagging both sides of One Hundred and Third street, from Columbus avenue to the Boulevard.
List 5294, No. 4. Flagging and reflagging, curbing and recurburing in front of Nos. 305 and 308 East Sixty-third street.
List 5295, No. 5. Flagging and reflagging, curbing and recurburing north side of Eighty-ninth street, between Boulevard and West End avenue.
List 5296, No. 6. Flagging and reflagging, curbing and recurburing south side of Seventy-fifth street, between Avenue A and First avenue.
List 5316, No. 7. Laying crosswalk across Sixth avenue at the north side of Forty-fourth street.
List 5317, No. 8. Flagging and reflagging, curbing and recurburing both sides of Twenty-eighth street, from First avenue to the East river.
List 5318, No. 9. Flagging and reflagging east side of Columbus avenue, between Eighty-first and Eighty-second streets.
List 5319, No. 10. Flagging and reflagging east side of West Broadway, from Vesey to Barclay street.
List 5320, No. 11. Flagging and reflagging west side of Boulevard, from Ninety-sixth to One Hundred and Third street.
List 5329, No. 12. Paving One Hundredth street, from First avenue to the bulkhead-line of the East river, with granite blocks.

List 5335, No. 13. Fencing the vacant lots on the southwest corner of One Hundred and Sixtieth street and Railroad avenue, West.

List 5336, No. 14. Fencing the vacant lots at Nos. 711 to 715 East One Hundred and Thirty-eighth street, and Nos. 710 to 714 East One Hundred and Thirty-ninth street.

List 5337, No. 15. Regulating, grading, curbing and flagging East One Hundred and Sixtieth street, from Railroad avenue, West, to Morris avenue.

List 5344, No. 16. Fencing the vacant lots at the southeast corner of Morris avenue and One Hundred and Fifty-third street.

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

No. 1. North side of One Hundred and Second street, commencing about 100 feet west of Columbus avenue and extending westerly about 116 feet 8 inches.

No. 2. To the extent of half the block, from the westerly intersection of One Hundred and Fifty-third street and the Boulevard.

No. 3. Both sides of One Hundred and Third street, between Columbus avenue and the Boulevard, on Block 1875, Lots Nos. 18, 20, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28; Block 1874, Lots Nos. 42, 43, 45; Block 1857, Lots Nos. 41, 43; Block 1858, Lot No. 10.

No. 4. Southeast corner of Second avenue and Sixty-third street, on Block 1437, Lot No. 49.

No. 5. North side of Eightieth street, commencing at West End avenue and extending easterly about 150 feet.

No. 6. South side of Seventy-fifth street, between Avenue A and First avenue, on Block 1469, Lots Nos. 29 to 36, inclusive, and Lots Nos. 37 to 41, inclusive.

No. 7. To the extent of half the block, from the northerly intersection of Sixth avenue and Forty-fourth street.

No. 8. Both sides of Twenty-eighth street, between First avenue and East river, on Block 959, Lot No. 1, and Block 960, Lots Nos. 1, 5, 6 to 18, inclusive, and Lot No. 22.

No. 9. East side of Columbus avenue, extending about 102 feet 2 inches north of Eighty-third street.

No. 10. East side of West Broadway, between Vesey and Barclay streets, on Ward Nos. 144½, 807 and 893.

No. 11. West side of Boulevard, between Ninety-seventh and One Hundred and Second streets, on Block 1869, Lots Nos. 13 and 52; Block 1870, Lot No. 52; Block 1871, Lots Nos. 12, 13, 52, 53, 54 and 55; Block 1872, Lots Nos. 10, 11, 12 and 13, and Lots Nos. 52, 53, 54 and 55, and Block 1873, Lot No. 52.

No. 12. Both sides of One Hundredth street, from First avenue to East river, and to the extent of half the block at the intersecting avenue.

No. 13. Southwest corner of One Hundred and Sixtieth street and Railroad avenue, West, on Block 1570, Ward No. 30.

No. 14. South side of One Hundred and Thirty-ninth street and north side of One Hundred and Thirty-eighth street, between Brook and Willis avenues, on Block 1749, Ward Nos. 34, 35, 79 and 80.

No. 15. Both sides of One Hundred and Sixtieth street, from Railroad avenue, West, to Morris avenue.

No. 16. South side of One Hundred and Fifty-third street, commencing at Morris avenue and extending easterly about 171 feet.

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 objections, in writing, to the Chairman of the Board of Assessors, at their office, No. 27 Chambers street, within thirty days from the date of this notice.

The above-described lists will be transmitted, as provided by law, to the Board of Revision and Correction of Assessments, for confirmation on the 28th day of December, 1896.

THOMAS J. RUSH, Chairman; PATRICK M. HAVERTY, JOHN W. JACOBUS, EDWARD McCUE, Board of Assessors.

NEW YORK, November 27, 1896.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY-OWNERS.
PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the following assessment lists are now under consideration by the Board of Assessors, viz.:

5337. One Hundred and Sixtieth street, East, from Railroad, West, to Morris avenue.

5346. One Hundred and Sixty-seventh street, from Jerome avenue to Sheridan avenue.

5347. One Hundred and Eighty-sixth street, from Amsterdam to Wadsworth avenue.

5355. Hawthorne street, from Seaman avenue to Amsterdam avenue.

5374. One Hundred and Twelfth street, from Riverside Drive to the Boulevard.

5375. St. Nicholas terrace, from One Hundred and Twenty-seventh to One Hundred and Thirtieth street.

All persons who consider their property to have been injuriously affected by the regulating and grading of any of the streets and avenues above described, in consequence of a change of grade having been made therein, are hereby notified to transmit, in writing, the evidence relating thereto, to the Chairman of the Board of Assessors, No. 27 Chambers street, on or before 11.30 A. M. on the 10th day of December, 1896, at which time a public hearing will be given to all parties whose property may be affected by the aforesaid improvements.

THOMAS J. RUSH, Chairman; PATRICK M. HAVERTY, JOHN W. JACOBUS, EDWARD McCUE, Board of Assessors.

NEW YORK, November 27, 1896.

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO THE owner or owners, occupant or occupants, of all houses and lots, improved or unimproved lands affected thereby, that the following assessments have been completed and are lodged in the office of the Board of Assessors for examination by all persons interested, viz.:

List 5298, No. 1. Regulating, grading, curbing and flagging One Hundred and Eighth street, from Columbus to Manhattan avenue.

List 5307, No. 2. Paving Ninety-eighth street, from Lexington to Third avenue, with asphalt.

List 5325, No. 3. Paving One Hundred and First street, from Lexington to Park avenue, with asphalt.

List 5328, No. 4. Paving One Hundredth street, between Madison and Fourth avenues, with asphalt.

List 5331, No. 5. Paving One Hundred and Twelfth street, from Lenox to Seventh avenues, with asphalt.

List 5332, No. 6. Paving One Hundred and Twentieth street, from Manhattan avenue to Morningside avenue, East, with asphalt.

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

No. 1. Both sides of One Hundred and Eighth street, from Columbus to Manhattan avenue.

No. 2. Both sides of Ninety-eighth street, from Lexington to Third avenue, and to the extent of half the block at the intersecting avenues.

No. 3. Both sides of One Hundred and First street, from Lexington to Park avenue, and to the extent of half the block at the intersecting avenues.

No. 4. Both sides of One Hundredth street, from Madison to Fourth avenue, and to the extent of half the block at the intersecting avenues.

No. 5. Both sides of One Hundred and Twelfth street, from Lenox to Seventh avenue, and to the extent of half the block at the intersecting avenues.

No. 6. Both sides of One Hundred and Twentieth street, from Manhattan avenue to Morningside avenue, East, and to the extent of half the block at the intersecting 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 objections, in writing, to the Chairman of the Board of Assessors, at their office, No. 27 Chambers street, within thirty days from the date of this notice.

The above-described lists will be transmitted, as provided by law, to the Board of Revision and Correction of Assessments for confirmation on the 24th day of December, 1896.

THOMAS J. RUSH, Chairman; PATRICK M. HAVERTY, JOHN W. JACOBUS, EDWARD McCUE, Board of Assessors.

NEW YORK, November 23, 1896.

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION.

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION, NEW YORK, December 1, 1896.

PROPOSALS FOR TEMPORARY QUARTERS AT THE CITY PRISON, NEW YORK CITY.

SEALED BIDS OR ESTIMATES FOR THE erection of temporary quarters at the City Prison, in conformity with specifications, will be received at the office of the Department of Correction, No. 148 East Twentieth street, in the City of New York, until 10 o'clock A. M. of Friday, December 11, 1896.

The person or persons making any bid or estimate shall furnish the same in a sealed envelope, indorsed "Bid or Estimate for temporary quarters at the City Prison," with his or their name or names, and the date of presentation, to the head of said Department, at the said office, on or before the day and hour above named, at which time and place the bids or estimates received will be publicly opened by the Commissioner, or his duly authorized agent, of said Department and read.

THE COMMISSIONER OF THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REJECT ALL BIDS OR ESTIMATES IF DEEMED TO BE FOR THE PUBLIC INTEREST, AS PROVIDED BY SECTION 64, CHAPTER 410, LAWS OF 1882.

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

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

Any bidder for this contract must be known to be engaged in and well prepared for the business, and must have satisfactory testimonials to that effect; and the person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded will be required to give security for the performance of the contract by his or their bond, with two sufficient sureties, each in the penal amount of TWO THOUSAND (\$2,000) EACH.

Each bid or estimate shall contain and state the name and place of residence or place of business of each of the persons making the same, the names of all persons interested with him or them therein, and if no other person be so interested it shall distinctly state that fact; also that it is made without any connection with any other person making an estimate for the same purpose and is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud; and that no member of the Common Council, head of a department, chief of a bureau, deputy thereof or clerk therein, or other officer of the Corporation, is directly or indirectly interested therein, or in the work to which it relates, or in any portion of the profits thereof. The bid or estimate must be verified by the oath, in writing, of the party or parties making the estimate, that the several matters stated therein are in all respects true. Where more than one person is interested, it is requisite that the VERIFICATION be made and subscribed by all the parties interested.

Each bid or estimate shall be accompanied by the consent, in writing, of two householders or freeholders in the City of New York, with their respective places of business or residence, to the effect that if the contract be awarded to the person making the estimate, they will, on its being so awarded, become bound as his sureties for its faithful performance; and that if he shall omit or refuse to execute the same, they shall pay to the Corporation any difference between the sum to which he would be entitled on its completion and that which the Corporation may be obliged to pay to the person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded at any subsequent letting, the amount in each case to be calculated upon the estimated amount of the supplies by which the bids are tested. The consent above mentioned shall be accompanied by the oath or affirmation, in writing, of each of the persons signing the same, that he is a householder or freeholder in the City of New York and is worth the amount of the security required for the completion of this contract, over and above all his debts of every nature, and over and above his liabilities as bail, surety or otherwise, and that he has offered himself as a surety in good faith and with the intention to execute the bond required by section 12 of chapter 7 of the Revised Ordinances of the City of New York, if the contract shall be awarded to the person or persons for whom he consents to become surety. The adequacy and sufficiency of the security offered to be approved by the Comptroller of the City of New York.

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

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

The work must conform in every respect to the printed specifications and plans. Bidders are cautioned to examine the specifications for particulars of the articles, etc., required, before making their estimates. Bidders will write out the amount of their estimate in addition to inserting the same in figures.

Payment will be made by a requisition on the Comptroller, in accordance with the terms of the contract.

The form of the contract, including specifications and plans, and showing the manner of payment, will be furnished at the office of the Department and by Withers & Dickson, Architects, Bible House, Astor place, New York City, and bidders are cautioned to examine each and all of its provisions carefully, as the Commissioner of the Department of Correction will insist upon its absolute enforcement in every particular.

ROBERT J. WRIGHT, Commissioner.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT, BUREAU FOR THE COLLECTION OF TAXES, NO. 57 CHAMBERS STREET (STEWART BUILDING), NEW YORK, December 2, 1896.

NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS.

THE RECEIVER OF TAXES OF THE CITY of New York hereby gives notice to all persons who have omitted to pay their taxes for the year 1896, to pay the same to him at his office on or before the first day of January, 1897, as provided by section 846 of the New York City Consolidation Act of 1882.

Upon any such tax remaining unpaid after the first day of December, 1896, one per centum will be charged received and collected in addition to the amount thereof; and upon such tax remaining unpaid on the first day of January, 1897, interest will be charged, received and collected upon the amount thereof at the rate of seven per centum per annum, to be calculated from the first day of October, 1896, on which day the assessment rolls and warrants for the Taxes of 1896 were delivered to the said Receiver of Taxes, to the date of payment, pursuant to section 843 of said act.

DAVID E. AUSTEN, Receiver of Taxes.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY-OWNERS.
IN PURSUANCE OF SECTION 916 OF THE "New York City Consolidation Act of 1882," the Comptroller of the City of New York hereby gives public notice to all persons, owners of property, affected by the following assessments, viz.:

FIRST WARD.
GOVERNOR LANE—PAVING AND LAYING CROSSWALKS, from Water street to South street. Area of assessment: Both sides of Governor lane, between Water and South streets, and to the extent of half the block on the intersecting streets.

WALL STREET—PAVING AND LAYING CROSSWALKS, between Pearl and South streets. Area of assessment: Both sides of Wall street, between Pearl and South streets, and to the extent of half the block on the intersecting streets.

THIRD WARD.
GREENWICH STREET—BASIN, southeast corner of Fulton street. Area of assessment: south side of Fulton street, between Greenwich and Church streets, and east side of Greenwich street, between Dey and Fulton streets.

FOURTH WARD.
JAMES SLIP—PAVING, between Cherry and South streets. Area of assessment: Both sides of James Slip, between Cherry and South streets, and to the extent of half the block on the intersecting streets.

ELEVENTH WARD.
SIXTH STREET—SEWER OUTLET, between East river and Avenue D. Area of assessment: Both sides of sixth street, from Avenue D to East river; both sides of Avenue D, from a point about 82 feet south of Sixth street to Eighth street; both sides of Sixth street, extending about 200 feet westerly from Avenue D; both sides of Seventh street, extending about 175 feet westerly from Avenue D, and both sides of Lewis street, from Fifth street to a point about 92 feet north of Sixth street.

TWELFTH WARD.
BOULEVARD LAFAYETTE AND ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY-SEVENTH STREET—CROSSWALK, at their junction with the west side of E tenth avenue. Area of assessment: Ward Nos. 20B and 56 of Farm No. 4A, and Ward Nos. 21 to 25 and 29 and 37 of Farm No. 5B.

CATHEDRAL PARKWAY—SEWER, between Columbus and Amsterdam avenues. Area of assessment: Both sides of Cathedral parkway, from Columbus to Amsterdam avenue; block bounded by One Hundred and Ninth street and Cathedral parkway, Columbus and Amsterdam avenues; blocks bounded by Cathedral parkway, One Hundred and Thirtieth street, Morningside avenue and Amsterdam avenue, and east side of Columbus avenue, from One Hundred and Ninth street to Cathedral parkway.

EIGHTH AVENUE—SEWER, between One Hundred and Fiftieth and One Hundred and Fifty-third streets, with BRANCH SEWERS in One Hundred and Fifty-first and One Hundred and Fifty-second streets. Area of assessment: Both sides of Eighth avenue, from One Hundred and Fiftieth to One Hundred and Fifty-third street; west side of Macomb's Dam road, from One Hundred and Fiftieth to One Hundred and Fifty-second street; both sides of Bradhurst avenue, from south side of One Hundred and Fifty-first to centre line of One Hundred and Fifty-second street, and both sides of One Hundred and Fifty-first and One Hundred and Fifty-second streets, from Macomb's Dam road to Bradhurst avenue.

FIFTH AVENUE—SEWERS, between Ninetieth and Ninety-eighth streets. Area of assessment: Both sides of Fifth avenue, from Ninetieth to Ninety-eighth street; both sides of Madison avenue, from Ninety-first to Ninety-fourth street; west side of Madison avenue, from Ninety-fourth to Ninety-sixth street; west side of Park avenue, from Ninety-second to Ninety-fourth street; both sides of Ninety-first street, from Madison to Fifth avenue; both sides of Ninety-second, Ninety-third and Ninety-fourth streets, from Park to Fifth avenue, and both sides of Ninety-fifth and Ninety-sixth streets, from Madison to Fifth avenue.

MARGINAL STREET—SEWER, between One Hundred and Seventh and One Hundred and Tenth streets, with BRANCHES in One Hundred and Seventh, One Hundred and Eighth and One Hundred and Ninth streets, between Marginal street and First avenue. Area of assessment: West side of Marginal street, between One Hundred and Sixth and One Hundred and Tenth streets, and both sides of One Hundred and Seventh, One Hundred and Eighth and One Hundred and Ninth streets, from Marginal street to First avenue.

NINETY-EIGHTH STREET—REGULATING, REGRADING, CURBING AND FLAGGING, between Third and Park avenues. Area of assessment: Both sides of Ninety-eighth street, between Third and Park avenues, and to the extent of half the block on the intersecting and terminating avenues.

NINETY-EIGHTH AND NINETY-NINTH STREETS—BASINS, on the northwest and southwest corners of Lexington avenue. Area of assessment: Block bounded by Ninety-eighth and Ninety-ninth streets, Lexington and Park avenues.

NINETY-NINTH STREET—SEWER, between Riverside and West End avenues. Area of assessment: Both sides of Ninety-ninth street, between Riverside and West End avenues, and to the extent of about 100 feet north and south of Ninety-ninth street, between said avenues.

ONE HUNDRED AND FOURTEENTH STREET—SEWER, between Amsterdam avenue and Morningside avenue, West. Area of assessment: Both sides of One Hundred and Fourteenth street, between Amsterdam avenue and Morningside avenue, West.

ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTIETH STREET—SEWER, between Convent avenue and St. Nicholas terrace. Area of assessment: Both sides of One Hundred and Thirtieth street, between Convent avenue and St. Nicholas terrace.

TWO HUNDRED AND THIRD STREET—REGULATING, GRADING, CURBING AND FLAGGING, from Amsterdam avenue to Harlem river. Area of assessment: Both sides of Two Hundred and Third street, from Amsterdam avenue to Harlem river, and to the extent of half the block on the intersecting avenues.

TWO HUNDRED AND EIGHTH STREET—REGULATING, GRADING, CURBING AND FLAGGING, from Amsterdam avenue to Harlem river. Area of assessment: Both sides of Two Hundred and Eighth street, from Amsterdam avenue to Harlem river, and to the extent of half the block on the intersecting avenues.

NINETY-SIXTH STREET—PAVING, between Park and Fifth avenues. Area of assessment: Both sides of Ninety-sixth street, between Park and Fifth avenues, and to the extent of half the block on the intersecting avenues.

FIFTEENTH WARD.
FIFTH AVENUE—SEWER, between Twelfth and Thirtieth streets. Area of assessment: Both sides of Fifth avenue, between Twelfth and Thirtieth streets.

SIXTEENTH, EIGHTEENTH, TWENTIETH AND TWENTY-FIRST WARDS.
TWENTY-THIRD STREET—SEWER OUTLET, between North river and Tenth avenue; also SEWER in Eleventh avenue, between Twenty-third and Twenty-seventh streets; also SEWER in Thirteenth avenue, east side, between Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth streets. Area of assessment: Both sides of Twenty-third street, from Seventh to Eighth avenue; both sides of Twenty-second street, from Broadway to Eighth avenue; both sides of Twenty-third street, from Broadway to North river; both sides of Twenty-fourth street, from Broadway to North river; both sides of Twenty-fifth street, from Broadway to North river; both sides of Twenty-sixth street, from a point distant about 375 feet east of Sixth avenue to North river; both sides of Twenty-seventh street, from a point distant about 325 feet east of Sixth avenue to Eleventh avenue; south side of Twenty-seventh street, from Eleventh to Thirteenth avenue; both sides of Twenty-eighth street, from a point distant about 350 feet east of Sixth avenue to

Eleventh avenue; both sides of Twenty-ninth street, from Broadway to Eleventh avenue; both sides of Thirtieth street, from Broadway to Tenth avenue; both sides of Thirty-first street, from Broadway to Ninth avenue; both sides of Thirty-second street, from Fifth avenue to a point distant about 200 feet west of Ninth avenue; both sides of Thirty-third street, from Fifth avenue to a point distant about 350 feet west of Ninth avenue; both sides of Thirty-fourth street, from Fifth to Ninth avenue; south side of Thirty-fifth street, extending about 500 feet west of Ninth avenue; both sides of Thirty-fifth street, from Fifth to Ninth avenue; both sides of Thirty-sixth street, from Broadway to Sixth avenue; both sides of Thirty-seventh street, from Broadway to Sixth avenue; south side of Thirty-seventh street, extending about 200 feet east of Fifth avenue; both sides of Thirty-eighth and Thirty-ninth streets, from Madison to Sixth avenue; south side of Fortieth street, from a point distant about 200 feet east of Fifth avenue to Sixth avenue; east side of Thirtieth avenue, commencing about 101 feet south of Twenty-third street to Twenty-seventh street; both sides of Eleventh avenue, from Twenty-third to Thirtieth street; both sides of Tenth avenue, from a point distant 100 feet south of Twenty-third street to Thirtieth street; east side of Tenth avenue, extending north of Thirtieth street about 100 feet; both sides of Ninth avenue, from a point distant about 100 feet south of Twenty-third to Thirtieth street; both sides of Eighth avenue, from Twenty-first to Thirtieth street; both sides of Seventh avenue, from Twenty-first to Thirtieth street; both sides of Sixth avenue, from Twenty-first to Thirtieth street; both sides of Fifth avenue, from Twenty-first to Thirtieth street; both sides of Fourth avenue, from Thirtieth to Fortieth street; east side of Fifth avenue, extending about 93 feet north of Fortieth street; west side of Broadway, from Twenty-second to Twenty-fourth street; both sides of Broadway, from Twenty-fourth to Twenty-fifth street, and both sides of Broadway, from Twenty-ninth to Thirtieth street.

EIGHTEENTH WARD.
FIFTEENTH STREET—SEWER, between First and Second avenues. Area of assessment: Both sides of Fifteenth street, between First and Second avenues; east side of Second avenue and west side of First avenue, from Fourteenth street to Fifteenth street.

SEVENTEENTH WARD.
SEVENTY-SIXTH STREET—SEWER, between Park and Madison avenues. Area of assessment: Both sides of Seventy-sixth street, from Park to Fifth avenue; east side of Fifth avenue, from Seventy-sixth to Seventy-seventh street; south side of Seventy-seventh street, from Madison to Fifth avenue; both sides of Madison avenue, from Seventy-sixth to Seventy-seventh street, and west side of Park avenue, from Seventy-sixth to Seventy-seventh street.

EIGHTIETH STREET—BASIN, northeast corner of Madison avenue. Area of assessment: East side of Madison avenue, between Eightieth and Eighty-first streets; south side of Eighty-first street, between Park and Madison avenues, and north side of Eightieth street, extending easterly from Madison avenue about 134 feet.

CEDAR PLACE—SEWER, between Eagle and Cauldwell avenues. Area of assessment: Both sides of Cedar place, between Eagle and Cauldwell avenues.

FOREST AVENUE—REGULATING, GRADING, CURBING, FLAGGING AND LAYING CROSSWALKS, between Home street and One Hundred and Sixty-eighth street. Area of assessment: Both sides of Forest avenue, from a point about 87 feet south of Home street to One Hundred and Sixty-eighth street, and to the extent of half the block on the intersecting streets.

FOREST AVENUE—BASIN, southeast corner of One Hundred and Sixty-fifth street. Area of assessment: East side of Forest avenue, between One Hundred and Sixty-third and One Hundred and Sixty-fifth streets.

FOREST AVENUE—BASIN, northeast corner of One Hundred and Sixty-fifth street. Area of assessment: East side of Forest avenue, from One Hundred and Sixty-fifth street to George street.

FULTON AVENUE—BASIN, northeast corner of One Hundred and Sixty-eighth street. Area of assessment: East side of Fulton avenue, between One Hundred and Sixty-eighth and One Hundred and Sixty-ninth streets; north side of One Hundred and Sixty-eighth street, between Fulton and Franklin avenues, and west side of Franklin avenue, extending from One Hundred and Sixty-eighth street to a point 280 feet south of One Hundred and Sixty-ninth street.

BEACH AVENUE—SEWER, between One Hundred and Forty-ninth street and the street summit south of One Hundred and Forty-ninth street. Area of assessment: Both sides of Beach avenue, from One Hundred and Forty-ninth street to a point about 245 feet south of One Hundred and Forty-ninth street.

JEROME AVENUE—BASINS, west side, opposite One Hundred and Sixty-fourth street; on the southeast corner of One Hundred and Sixty-fifth street; on the west side, opposite McClellan street (Endow place), and on the northeast corner of Clark place. Area of assessment: West side of Jerome avenue, south of One Hundred and Sixty-fourth street, on Block 338, Ward Nos. 145, 154, 163 and 173; also west side of Jerome avenue, from One Hundred and Sixty-fourth to One Hundred and Sixty-fifth street; also west side of Jerome avenue, from One Hundred and Sixty-fifth to Union street; also north side of Clark place, extending about 427 feet east of Jerome avenue, and east side of Jerome avenue, from Clark place to Marcy place.

ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY-THIRD STREET—REGULATING, GRADING, CURBING AND FLAGGING, between Locust and Trinity avenues. Area of assessment: Both sides of One Hundred and Thirty-third street, between Locust and Trinity avenues, and to the extent of half the block on the intersecting avenues.

ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTY-FIRST STREET—REGULATING, GRADING, CURBING, FLAGGING, LAYING CROSSWALKS AND BUILDING CULVERTS, between Third and Gerard avenues. Area of assessment: Both sides of One Hundred and Sixty-first street, between Third and Gerard avenues, and to the extent of half the block on the intersecting avenues.

ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTY-THIRD STREET—REGULATING, GRADING, CURBING AND FLAGGING, from Railroad avenue, West, to Morris avenue. Area of assessment: Both sides of One Hundred and Sixty-third street, from Railroad avenue, West, to Morris avenue, and to the extent of half the block on the intersecting avenues.

ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTY-FOURTH STREET—REGULATING, GRADING, CURBING, FLAGGING AND LAYING CROSSWALKS, from Morris avenue to Railroad avenue, West. Area of assessment: Both sides of One Hundred and Sixty-fourth street, from Morris avenue to Railroad avenue, West, and to the extent of half the block on the intersecting avenues.

RAILROAD AVENUE, WEST—REGULATING, GRADING, CURBING, FLAGGING AND LAYING CROSSWALKS, from Morris avenue to One Hundred and Sixty-fifth street. Area of assessment: Both sides of Railroad avenue, West, from Morris avenue to One Hundred and Sixty-fifth street, and to the extent of half the block on the intersecting streets.

ONE HUNDRED AND FORTY-FOURTH STREET—PAVING, between Mott and Rider avenues. Area of assessment: Both sides of One Hundred and Forty-fourth street, between Mott and Rider avenues, and to the extent of half the block on the intersecting avenues.

TWENTY-THIRD AND TWENTY-FOURTH WARDS.
INTERVALE AVENUE—SEWER, from Southern Boulevard to Wilkins place. Area of assessment: Both sides of Intervale avenue, from Southern Boule-

ward to Wilkins place; also both sides of Fox street, from Lane avenue to Barretto street; both sides of Beck street, from a point distant about 270 feet south of Westchester avenue to Intervale avenue; both sides of Kelly street, from Lane avenue to its intersection with Intervale avenue, north of One Hundred and Sixty-seventh street; both sides of Dawson street, from Lane avenue to Intervale avenue; both sides of Rogers place, from Dawson street to One Hundred and Sixty-fifth street; both sides of Hall place, from One Hundred and Sixty-fifth to One Hundred and Sixty-seventh street; both sides of Stebbins avenue, from Lane avenue to Prospect avenue, and both sides of Stebbins avenue, from George street to Wilkins place; both sides of Prospect avenue, from One Hundred and Sixty-fifth street to Crotona Park; both sides of Union avenue, from One Hundred and Sixty-fifth street to Boston road; both sides of Tinton avenue, from Home street to One Hundred and Sixty-ninth street; both sides of Boston road, from One Hundred and Sixty-eighth street to its intersection with the Southern Boulevard, north of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards line; both sides of Clinton avenue, from One Hundred and Sixty-ninth street to Crotona Park; both sides of Franklin avenue, from a point distant about 250 feet north of One Hundred and Sixty-ninth street to Crotona Park; both sides of Dongan street, from Westchester avenue to Fox street; both sides of Westchester avenue, from Prospect avenue to a point distant about 102 feet east of Fox street; both sides of One Hundred and Sixty-fifth street, from Prospect avenue to Fox street; both sides of Tiffany street, from Fox street to One Hundred and Sixty-ninth street; both sides of George street, from Tinton avenue to Stebbins avenue; both sides of Home street, from Tinton avenue to Hoe avenue; both sides of One Hundred and Sixty-eighth street, from Boston road to Prospect avenue; both sides of One Hundred and Sixty-ninth street, from Franklin avenue to Vyse avenue; both sides of Hoe avenue, from One Hundred and Sixty-seventh street to Cooke place; both sides of Southern Boulevard, from One Hundred and Sixty-seventh street north until it intersects the Boston road; both sides of Simpson street, from a point distant about 251 feet south of One Hundred and Sixty-seventh street to Freeman street; both sides of Bristow street, from Freeman street to Boston road; both sides of Wilkins place, from Freeman street to Crotona Park; both sides of Chisholm street, from Stebbins avenue to Jennings street; both sides of Lyman place, from One Hundred and Sixty-ninth street to Prospect avenue; both sides of Freeman street, from One Hundred and Sixty-ninth street to Vyse avenue; both sides of Ritter place, from Union avenue to Prospect avenue; both sides of Jennings street, from Union avenue to Wilkins place; both sides of Charlotte place, from Wilkins place to Hoe avenue; both sides of Jefferson street, from Franklin avenue to Boston road; both sides of One Hundred and Seventieth street, from Franklin avenue to Boston road; both sides of Horton street, from Boston road to Crotona Park; both sides of Seabury avenue, from Intervale avenue to Crotona Park; both sides of Cooke place, from Southern Boulevard to Vyse avenue; both sides of Oostdorp avenue, from Boston road to a point distant about 752 feet north and east of Vyse avenue; both sides of Vyse avenue, from Oostdorp avenue, extending northerly about 677 feet, and also southerly portion of Crotona Park.

TWENTY-FOURTH WARD.
ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-NINTH STREET—SEWERS, between Valentine and Third avenues. Area of assessment: both sides of One Hundred and Seventy-ninth street, between Valentine and Third avenues.

PELHAM AVENUE—SEWER, extension to Vanderbilt avenue, West. Area of assessment: Ward Nos. 14 and 23, on Block 1021, south side of Pelham avenue.

PELHAM AVENUE—SEWER, from Webster avenue to Lorillard place. Area of assessment: Both sides of Pelham avenue, from the east side of Lorillard place to Webster avenue, and both sides of Cross street, from Pelham avenue to College street; both sides of College street, extending easterly from the westerly side of Cross street about 443 feet, and both sides of Lorillard place from One Hundred and Eighty-ninth street to Pelham avenue.

PELHAM AVENUE—BASIN, north side, east of New York and Harlem Railroad. Area of assessment: Ward Nos. 53, 56, 59, 60, 61, 64 and 400, on Block 972.
ST. PAUL'S PLACE—BASINS, northeast and northwest corners of Third avenue. Area of assessment: Both sides of Third avenue, from St. Paul's place to One Hundred and Seventy-first street, and north side of Julia street, from Crotona place to Third avenue.

THIRD AVENUE—SEWER, from One Hundred and Seventy-first street to Wendover avenue. Area of assessment: Both Sides of Third avenue, from One Hundred and Seventy-first street to Wendover avenue; both sides of One Hundred and Seventy-first street, from Fulton avenue to Third avenue; west side of Fulton avenue, from Julia street to Wendover avenue, and both sides of Crotona place, from Julia street to One Hundred and Seventy-first street.

VANDERBILT AVENUE, EAST—SEWER, between One Hundred and Seventy-sixth street and Tremont avenue; also SEWER in Tremont avenue, between Vanderbilt avenue, East, and Third avenue; also, SEWERS in Washington and Bathgate avenues, between Tremont avenue and One Hundred and Seventy-eighth street. Area of assessment: Both sides of Vanderbilt avenue, East, from One Hundred and Seventy-sixth street to Tremont avenue; both sides of Tremont avenue, from Vanderbilt avenue, East, to Third avenue; both sides of Washington avenue, from Tremont avenue to One Hundred and Seventy-eighth street, and both sides of Bathgate avenue, from Tremont avenue to One Hundred and Seventy-eighth street.

WEBSTER AVENUE—BASINS, northwest corner of One Hundred and Sixty-seventh street, and on the east side of Webster avenue, opposite One Hundred and Seventy-second street. Area of assessment: East side of Webster avenue, from Wendover avenue to One Hundred and Seventy-third street, and north side of One Hundred and Sixty-seventh street, from Webster avenue to Clay street, and west side of Webster avenue, extending about 295 feet north of One Hundred and Sixty-seventh street.

—that the same were confirmed by the Board of Revision and Correction of Assessments on October 30, 1896, and entered the same date in the Record of Titles of Assessments Confirmed, kept in the Bureau for the Collection of Assessments and Arrears of Taxes and Assessments and of Water Rents, and unless the amount assessed for benefit on any person or property shall be paid within sixty days after the date of said entry of the assessments, interest will be collected thereon, as provided in section 917 of said "New York City Consolidation Act of 1882."

Section 917 of the said act provides that, "If any such assessment shall remain unpaid for the period of sixty days after the date of entry thereof in the said record of titles of assessments, it shall be the duty of the officer authorized to collect and receive the amount of such assessment to charge, collect and receive interest thereon at the rate of seven per centum per annum, to be calculated from the date of such entry to the date of payment."

The above assessments are payable to the Collector of Assessments and Clerk of Arrears, at the Bureau for the Collection of Assessments and Arrears of Taxes and Assessments and of Water Rents, between the hours of 9 A. M. and 2 P. M., and all payments made thereon on or before December 29, 1896, will be exempt from interest, as above provided, and after that date will be subject to a charge of interest at the rate of seven per cent. per annum from the date of entry in the Record of Titles of Assessments in said Bureau to the date of payment.

ASHBEL P. FITCH, Comptroller.
CITY OF NEW YORK—FINANCE DEPARTMENT, COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, November 27, 1896.

NOTICE OF ASSESSMENTS FOR OPENING STREETS AND AVENUES.

IN PURSUANCE OF SECTION 916 OF THE "New York City Consolidation Act of 1882," as amended, the Comptroller of the City of New York hereby gives public notice of the confirmation by the Supreme Court of the assessments for OPENING AND ACQUIRING TITLE to the following-named streets in the respective wards herein designated:

TWENTY-THIRD WARD.
EAST ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY-SIXTH STREET, from Railroad avenue, East, to Elton avenue, and from St. Ann's avenue to Prospect avenue, confirmed June 26, 1896, entered November 5, 1896. Area of assessment: All those lots, pieces or parcels of land situate, lying and being in the City of New York, which taken together are bounded and described as follows, viz.: On the north by the centre line of the blocks between East One Hundred and Fifty-sixth street and East One Hundred and Fifty-seventh street, from the west side of Elton avenue to the east side of Railroad avenue, East, and by the centre line of the blocks between East One Hundred and Fifty-sixth street and Cedar place and Cedar place produced, from St. Ann's avenue to Prospect avenue; on the south by the centre line of the blocks between East One Hundred and Fifty-sixth street and Dawson street produced, from Prospect avenue to St. Ann's avenue, and by the centre line of the blocks between East One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street and East One Hundred and Fifty-sixth street, from Railroad avenue, East, to Elton avenue; on the east by the westerly side of Prospect avenue and the westerly side of Elton avenue; on the west by the easterly side of Railroad avenue, East, and the easterly side of St. Ann's avenue.

TWENTY-FOURTH WARD.
SUBURBAN STREET, from Webster avenue to Anthony avenue, confirmed October 13, 1896, entered November 5, 1896. Area of assessment: All those lots, pieces or parcels of land situate, lying and being in the City of New York, which taken together are bounded and described as follows, viz.: On the north by a line drawn parallel to Suburban street and distant 100 feet northerly from the northerly side thereof from the easterly side of Anthony avenue to the westerly side of Webster avenue; on the south by a line drawn parallel to Suburban street and distant 100 feet southerly from the southerly side thereof from the westerly side of Webster avenue to the easterly side of Anthony avenue; on the east by the westerly side of Webster avenue, and on the west by the easterly side of Anthony avenue.

The above-entitled assessments were entered in the Record of Titles of Assessments kept in the "Bureau for the Collection of Assessments and Arrears of Taxes and Assessments and of Water Rents" on the respective dates herein above given, and unless the amount assessed for benefit on any person or property shall be paid within sixty days after the said respective dates of entry of the assessments, interest will be collected thereon as provided in section 917 of said "New York City Consolidation Act of 1882."

Section 917 of the said act provides that, "If any such assessment shall remain unpaid for the period of sixty days after the date of entry thereof in the said Record of Titles of Assessments, it shall be the duty of the officer authorized to collect and receive the amount of such assessment to charge, collect and receive interest thereon at the rate of seven per centum per annum, to be calculated from the date of such entry to the date of payment."

The above assessments are payable to the Collector of Assessments and Clerk of Arrears, at the "Bureau for the Collection of Assessments and Arrears of Taxes and Assessments and of Water Rents," Room 31, Stewart Building, between the hours of 9 A. M. and 2 P. M., and all payments made thereon on or before January 4, 1897, will be exempt from interest, as above provided, and after that date will be charged interest at the rate of seven per cent. per annum from the above respective dates of entry of the assessments in the Record of Titles of Assessments in said Bureau to the date of payment.

ASHBEL P. FITCH, Comptroller.
CITY OF NEW YORK—FINANCE DEPARTMENT, COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, November 21, 1896.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

NEW YORK, November 30, 1896.

SEALED PROPOSALS FOR FURNISHING THREE HUNDRED (300) TONS OF CANNEL COAL will be received by the Board of Commissioners at the head of the Fire Department, at the office of said Department, Nos. 157 and 159 East Sixty-seventh street, in the City of New York, until 10.30 o'clock A. M. Wednesday, December 16, 1896, at which time and place they will be publicly opened by the head of said Department and read.

The coal is to be free-burning, of the first quality of the kind known as "Weir-wick" Cannel Coal, all to weigh 2,000 pounds to the ton, and be hand-picked and free from slate.

All of the coal is to be delivered at the various Fuel Depots and Engine-houses of the Department, in such quantities and at such times as may be from time to time directed, and the same is to be weighed in the presence of a Weighmaster, designated for that purpose by the Department, upon scales furnished by the Department, which scales are to be transported from place to place by the contractor. All as more fully set forth in the specifications to the contract, to which particular attention is directed.

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

The form of the agreement (with specifications), showing the manner of payment for the work, may be seen, and forms of proposals may be obtained at the office of the Department.

Bidders will write out the amount of their estimates in addition to inserting the same in figures.

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

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

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

Each bid or estimate shall contain and state the name and place of residence of each of the persons making the same, the names of all persons interested with him or them therein, and if no other person be so interested it shall distinctly state that fact; that it is made without any connection with any other person making an estimate for the same purpose, and is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud, and that no member of the Common Council, head of a department, chief of a bureau, deputy thereof or clerk therein, or other officer of the Corporation, is directly or indirectly interested therein, or in the supplies or work to which it relates, or in any portion of the profits thereof. The bid or estimate must be verified by the oath, in writing, of the party or parties making the estimate, that the several matters stated therein are in all respects true. Where more than one person is interested, it is requisite that the verification be made and subscribed by all the parties interested.

Each bid or estimate shall be accompanied by the consent, in writing, of two householders or freeholders of the City of New York, with their respective places of business or residence, to the effect that if the contract be awarded to the person making the estimate, they will, on its being so awarded, become bound as sureties for its faithful performance in the sum of One Thousand Five Hundred (1,500) Dollars; and that if he shall omit or

refuse to execute the same, they will pay to the Corporation any difference between the sum to which he would be entitled on its completion and that which the Corporation may be obliged to pay to the person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded at any subsequent letting, the amount in each case to be calculated upon the estimated amount of the work by which the bids are tested. The consent above mentioned shall be accompanied by the oath or affirmation, in writing, of each of the persons signing the same, that he is a householder or freeholder in the City of New York and is worth the amount of the security required for the completion of this contract, over and above all his debts of every nature, and over and above his liabilities as bail, surety or otherwise, and that he has offered himself as a surety in good faith and with the intention to execute the bond required by law. The adequacy and sufficiency of the security offered is to be approved by the Comptroller of the City of New York before the award is made and prior to the signing of the contract.

No estimate will be considered unless accompanied by either a certified check upon one of the banks of the City of New York, drawn to the order of the Comptroller, or money to the amount of seventy-five (75) dollars. Such check or money must not be inclosed in the sealed envelope containing the estimate, but must be handed to the officer or clerk of the Department who has charge of the estimate-box, and no estimate can be deposited in said box until such check or money has been examined by said officer or clerk and found to be correct. All such deposits, except that of the successful bidder, will be returned to the persons making the same within three days after the contract is awarded. If the successful bidder shall refuse or neglect, within five days after notice that the contract has been awarded to him, to execute the same, the amount of the deposit made by him shall be forfeited to and retained by the City of New York as liquidated damages for such neglect or refusal; but if he shall execute the contract within the time aforesaid, the amount of his deposit will be returned to him.

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

JAMES R. SHEFFIELD, O. H. LA GRANGE,
THOMAS STURGIS, Commissioners.

HEADQUARTERS FIRE DEPARTMENT, NEW YORK,
November 27, 1896.

TO CONTRACTORS.

SEALED PROPOSALS FOR FURNISHING 2,000 feet of 3-inch Woven Cotton, Rubber-lined Fire-hose, "Eureka Fire-hose" brand; 3,000 feet of 2½-inch Woven Cotton, Rubber-lined Fire-hose, "Paragon" brand; 1,000 feet of 1½-inch Woven Cotton, Rubber-lined Fire-hose, "Paragon" brand, will be received by the Board of Commissioners at the head of the Fire Department, at the office of said Department, Nos. 157 and 159 East Sixty-seventh street, in the City of New York, until 10 o'clock A. M. Wednesday, December 9, 1896, at which time and place they will be publicly opened by the head of said Department and read.

Special attention is directed to the test of the hose by the Fire Department and the guarantee of the hose by the contractor, required by the specifications.

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

For information as to the description of the hose to be furnished, bidders are referred to the specifications, which form part of these proposals.

The form of the agreement, with specifications, showing the manner of payment for the hose, may be seen, and forms of proposals may be obtained at the office of the Department.

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

The hose is to be delivered within ninety (90) days after the execution of the contract.

The damages to be paid by the contractor for each day that the contract may be unfulfilled after the time specified for the completion thereof shall have expired, are fixed and liquidated at the sum specified in the form of contract.

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

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

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

Each bid or estimate shall contain and state the name and place of residence of each of the persons making the same, the names of all persons interested with him or them therein, and if no other person be so interested, it shall distinctly state that fact; that it is made without any connection with any other person making an estimate for the same purpose, and is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud, and that no member of the Common Council, head of a department, chief of a bureau, deputy thereof or clerk therein, or other officer of the Corporation, is directly or indirectly interested therein, or in the supplies or work to which it relates, or in any portion of the profits thereof. The bid or estimate must be verified by the oath, in writing, of the party or parties making the estimate, that the several matters stated therein are in all respects true. Where more than one person is interested it is requisite that the verification be made and subscribed by all the parties interested.

Each bid or estimate shall be accompanied by the consent, in writing, of two householders or freeholders of the City of New York, with their respective places of business or residence, to the effect that if the contract be awarded to the person making the estimate, they will, on its being so awarded, become bound as sureties for its faithful performance in the sum of One Thousand Five Hundred (1,500) Dollars on the "Eureka Fire-hose," and One Thousand Five Hundred (1,500) Dollars on the "Paragon Hose," and that if he shall omit or refuse to execute the same, they will pay to the Corporation any difference between the sum to which he would be entitled on its completion and that which the Corporation may be obliged to pay to the person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded at any subsequent letting, the amount in each case to be calculated upon the estimated amount of the work by which the bids are tested. The consent above mentioned shall be accompanied by the oath or affirmation, in writing, of each of the persons signing the same, that he is a householder or freeholder in the City of New York and is worth the amount of the security required for the completion of this contract, over and above all his debts of every nature, and over and above his liabilities as bail, surety or otherwise, and that he has offered himself as a surety in good faith and with the intention to execute the bond required by law. The adequacy and sufficiency of the security offered is to be approved by the Comptroller of the City of New York before the award is made and prior to the signing of the contract.

For bids aggregating less than One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000) in amount, sureties will not be required.

No estimate will be considered unless accompanied by either a certified check upon one of the banks of the City of New York, drawn to the order of the Comptroller, or money to the amount of Twenty-five (25) Dollars. Such check or money must not be inclosed in the sealed envelope containing the estimate, but must be handed to the officer or clerk of the Department who has charge of the estimate-box, and no estimate can be deposited in said box until such check or money has been examined by said officer or clerk and found to be correct. All such deposits, except that of the successful bidder, will be returned to the persons making the same within three days after the contract is awarded. If the successful bidder shall refuse or neglect, within five days after notice that the contract has been awarded to him, to execute the same, the amount of the deposit made by him shall be forfeited to and retained by the City of New York as liquidated damages for such neglect or refusal; but if he shall execute the contract within the time aforesaid the amount of his deposit will be returned to him.

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

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THOMAS STURGIS, Commissioners.

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JAMES R. SHEFFIELD, O. H. LA GRANGE,
THOMAS STURGIS, Commissioners.

HEADQUARTERS FIRE DEPARTMENT, NOS. 157 AND 159 EAST SIXTY-SEVENTH STREET, NEW YORK, NOVEMBER 24, 1896.

TO CONTRACTORS.

SEALED PROPOSALS FOR FURNISHING the materials and labor and doing the work required in repairing the building of this Department, occupied as Quarters of Engine Company No. 33, at No. 15 Great Jones street, will be received by the Board of Commissioners at the head of the Fire Department, at the office of said Department, Nos. 157 and 159 East Sixty-seventh street, in the City of New York, until 10 o'clock A. M. Wednesday, December 9, 1896, at which time and place they will be publicly opened by the head of said Department and read:

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

For information as to the amount and kind of work to be done bidders are referred to the specifications which form part of these proposals.

The form of the agreement, showing the manner of payment for the work, with the specifications and terms of proposals, may be obtained at the office of the Department.

Proposals must be made separately for one or more of each of the following classes of work called for in the specification:

1. Carpenter-work.
2. Calking.
3. Plumbing.
4. Steam-fitting.

In addition to the separate bids for the above classes of work, bidders may also, if they so desire, bid for all of the classes combined in one bid.

Bidders will write out the amount of their estimate in addition to inserting the same in figures.

The work is to be completed and delivered within the time specified in the contract.

The damages to be paid by the contractors for each day that the contract may be unfulfilled after the time specified for the completion thereof shall have expired are fixed and liquidated at ten (10) dollars.

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

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

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

Each bid or estimate shall contain and state the name and place of residence of each of the persons making the same, the names of all persons interested with him or them therein, and if no other person be so interested it shall distinctly state that fact; that it is made without any connection with any other person making an estimate for the same purpose and is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud, and that no member of the Common Council, head of a department, chief of a bureau, deputy thereof or clerk therein, or other officer of the Corporation, is directly or indirectly interested therein, or in the supplies or work to which it relates, or in any portion of the profits thereof. The bid or estimate must be verified by the oath, in writing, of the party or parties making the estimate, that the several matters stated therein are in all respects true. Where more than one person is interested it is requisite that the verification be made and subscribed by all the parties interested.

Each bid or estimate shall be accompanied by the consent, in writing, of two householders or freeholders of the City of New York, with their respective places of business or residence, to the effect that if the contract be awarded to the person making the estimate, they will, on its being so awarded, become bound as sureties for its faithful performance in the sum of Five Hundred (500) Dollars, and that if he shall omit or refuse to execute the same they will pay to the Corporation any difference between the sum to which he would be entitled on its completion and that which the Corporation may be obliged to pay to the person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded at any subsequent letting, the amount in each case to be calculated upon the estimated amount of the work by which the bids are tested. The consent above mentioned shall be accompanied by the oath or affirmation, in writing, of each of the persons signing the same, that he is a householder or freeholder in the City of New York and is worth the amount of the security required for the completion of this contract, over and above all his debts of every nature, and over and above his liabilities as bail, surety or otherwise, and that he has offered himself as a surety in good faith and with the intention to execute the bond required by law. The adequacy and sufficiency of the security offered is to be approved by the Comptroller of the City of New York before the award is made and prior to the signing of the contract.

For bids aggregating less than One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000) in amount, sureties will not be required.

No estimate will be considered unless accompanied by either a certified check upon one of the banks of the City of New York, drawn to the order of the Comptroller, or money to the amount of Twenty-five (25) Dollars. Such check or money must not be inclosed in the sealed envelope containing the estimate, but must be handed to the officer or clerk of the Department who has charge of the estimate-box, and no estimate can be deposited in said box until such check or money has been examined by said officer or clerk and found to be correct. All such deposits, except that of the successful bidder, will be returned to the persons making the same within three days after the contract is awarded. If the successful bidder shall refuse or neglect, within five days after notice that the contract has been awarded to him, to execute the same, the amount of the deposit made by him shall be forfeited to and retained by the City of New York as liquidated damages for such neglect or refusal; but if he shall execute the contract within the time aforesaid the amount of his deposit will be returned to him.

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

JAMES R. SHEFFIELD, O. H. LA GRANGE,
THOMAS STURGIS, Commissioners.

HEADQUARTERS FIRE DEPARTMENT, NOS. 157 AND 159 EAST SIXTY-SEVENTH STREET, NEW YORK, November 24, 1896.

TO CONTRACTORS.

SEALED PROPOSALS FOR FURNISHING the materials and labor and doing the work required in repairing the building of the Department occupied as Quarters of Engine Company No. 45, at No. 1187 Tremont avenue, will be received by the Board of Commissioners at the head of the Fire Department, at the office of said Department, Nos. 157 and 159 East Sixty-seventh street, in the City of New York, until 10 o'clock A. M. Wednesday, December 9, 1896, at which time and place they will be publicly opened by the head of said Department and read:

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

For information as to the amount and kind of work to be done, bidders are referred to the specifications, which form part of these proposals.

The form of the agreement, showing the manner of payment for the work, with the specifications and forms of proposals, may be obtained at the office of the Department.

Proposals must be made separately for one or more of each of the following classes of work called for in the specifications:

First Class—Including the following work: Brick-work, Bluestone, Plastering and Concrete.

Second Class—Including the following work: Raising, etc., Carpenter work, Tin-roofing and Painting, etc.

Third Class—Calking.

Fourth Class—Plumbing.

In addition to the separate bids for the above classes of work, bidders may also, if they so desire, bid for all of the classes combined in one bid.

Bidders will write out the amount of their estimate in addition to inserting the same in figures.

The work is to be completed and delivered within the time specified in the contract.

The damages to be paid by the contractors for each day that the contract may be unfulfilled after the time specified for the completion thereof shall have expired, are fixed and liquidated at ten (10) dollars.

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

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

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

Each bid or estimate shall contain and state the name and place of residence of each of the persons making the same, the names of all persons interested with him or them therein, and if no other person be so interested it shall distinctly state that fact; that it is made without any connection with any other person making an estimate for the same purpose, and is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud, and that no member of the Common Council, head of a department, chief of a bureau, deputy thereof, or clerk therein, or other officer of the Corporation, is directly or indirectly interested therein, or in the supplies or work to which it relates, or in any portion of the profits thereof. The bid or estimate must be verified by the oath, in writing, of the party or parties making the estimate, that the several matters stated therein are in all respects true. Where more than one person is interested it is requisite that the verification be made and subscribed by all the parties interested.

Each bid or estimate shall be accompanied by the consent, in writing, of two householders or freeholders of the City of New York, with their respective places of business or residence, to the effect that if the contract be awarded to the person making the estimate, they will, on its being so awarded, become bound as sureties for his faithful performance in the sum of Nine Hundred (900) Dollars, and that if he shall omit or refuse to execute the same they will pay to the Corporation any difference between the sum to which he would be entitled on its completion and that which the Corporation may be obliged to pay to the person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded at any subsequent letting, the amount in each case to be calculated upon the estimated amount of the work by which the bids are tested. The consent above mentioned shall be accompanied by the oath or affirmation, in writing, of each of the persons signing the same, that he is a householder or freeholder in the City of New York, and is worth the amount of the security required for the completion of this contract, over and above all his debts of every nature, and over and above his liabilities as bail, surety or otherwise, and that he has offered himself as surety in good faith and with the intention to execute the bond required by law. The adequacy and sufficiency of the security offered is to be approved by the Comptroller of the City of New York before the award is made and prior to the signing of the contract.

For bids aggregating less than one thousand dollars (\$1,000) in amount sureties will not be required.

No estimate will be considered unless accompanied by either a certified check upon one of the banks of the City of New York, drawn to the order of the Comptroller, or money to the amount of Forty-five (45) Dollars. Such check or money must not be inclosed in the sealed envelope containing the estimate, but must be handed to the officer or clerk of the Department who has charge of the estimate-box, and no estimate can be deposited in said box until such check or money has been examined by said officer or clerk and found to be correct. All such deposits, except that of the successful bidder, will be returned to the persons making the same within three days after the contract is awarded. If the successful bidder shall refuse or neglect, within five days after notice that the contract has been awarded to him, to execute the same, the amount of the deposit made by him shall be forfeited to and retained by the City of New York as liquidated damages for such neglect or refusal; but if he shall execute the contract within the time aforesaid the amount of his deposit will be returned to him.

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

JAMES R. SHEFFIELD, O. H. LA GRANGE, THOMAS STURGIS, Commissioners.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT, CRIMINAL COURT BUILDING, CENTRE, WHITE, ELM AND FRANKLIN STREETS.

TO CONTRACTORS.

SEALED BIDS OR ESTIMATES FOR FURNISHING Five Hundred Tons of White Ash Coal, egg size, for the Riverside Hospital, at North Brother Island, under the charge of the Board of Health, will be received at the office of the Health Department, in the City of New York, until 12 o'clock P. M. of December 8, 1896. The person or persons making any bid or estimate shall furnish the same in a sealed envelope, indorsed "Bid or Estimate for Furnishing Coal for Riverside Hospital," and with his or their name or names, and the date of its presentation, to the head of said Department, at the said office, on or before the day and hour above named, at which time and place the bids or estimates received will be publicly opened by the President of said Board and read.

The Board of Health reserves the right to reject all bids or estimates, as provided in section 64, chapter 410,

Laws of 1882, if deemed to be for the public interest. No bid or estimate will be accepted from, or contract awarded to, any person who is in arrears to the Corporation upon debt or contract, or who is a defaulter, as surety or otherwise, upon any obligation to the Corporation.

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

The Coal to be of good quality, and the quantity that will be required will be about Five Hundred (500) Tons of White Ash Coal, egg size, to be well screened and in good order, each ton to be 2,240 pounds, in accordance with the specifications attached to and which form a part of the contract aforesaid.

Delivery to be made at the Riverside Hospital, at North Brother Island, at the time required by the Board of Health; any changes in the time or place of delivery, however, may be made, in writing, by the Board of Health.

The above quantity is estimated and approximated only, and bidders are notified that the Board of Health reserves the right to increase or diminish said quantities by an amount not exceeding fifteen per cent. of the estimated quantities, and the contractor will be paid therefor only at the rate or price named in the contract, and that in case the above-named quantity shall not be required by the Department, no allowance will be made for any real or supposed damage or loss of profit.

The person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded will be required to give security for the performance of the contract by his or their bond, with two sufficient sureties, each in the penal sum of 1,200 dollars.

Each bid or estimate shall contain and state the name and place of residence of each of the persons making the same, the names of all persons interested with him or them therein, and if no other person be so interested it shall distinctly state that fact; also that it is made without any connection with any other person making an estimate for the same purpose, and is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud, and that no member of the Common Council, head of a Department, Chief of a Bureau, deputy thereof, or clerk therein, or other officer of the Corporation, is directly or indirectly interested therein, or in the supplies or work to which it relates, or in any portion of the profits thereof. The bid or estimate must be verified by the oath, in writing, of the party or parties making the estimate that the several matters therein stated are in all respects true. Where more than one person is interested, it is requisite that the verification be made and subscribed by all the parties interested.

Bidders will be required to furnish testimonials that they are engaged in the coal business in the City of New York, and have the plant necessary to carry out promptly and regularly the contract, if it be awarded, to the entire satisfaction of the Board of Health, and must furnish an undertaking for the faithful performance of all the provisions thereof in the manner provided by law, executed by two householders or freeholders of the City of New York, each justifying in the penal sum of 3,000 dollars, and agreeing that if he shall omit or refuse to execute the said contract they will pay to the Corporation any difference between the sum to which he would be entitled on its completion and that which the Corporation may be obliged to pay to the person or persons to whom the contract shall be awarded at any subsequent letting, the amount in each case to be calculated upon the estimated amount of the work by which the bids are tested. The consent above mentioned shall be accompanied by the oath or affirmation, in writing, of each of the persons signing the same, that he is a householder or freeholder in the City of New York, and is worth the amount of the security required for the completion of this contract, over and above all his debts of every nature, and over and above his liabilities as bail, surety or otherwise, and that he has offered himself as a surety in good faith and with the intention to execute the bond required by law. The adequacy and sufficiency of the security offered is to be approved by the Comptroller of the City of New York.

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

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

Bidders are cautioned to examine the form of contract and the specifications for particulars before making their estimates. Bidders will write out the amount of their estimate in addition to inserting the same in figures.

Payment for the Coal will be made by requisition on the Comptroller, and as more specifically and particularly is set forth in the contract form.

Bidders are informed that no deviation from the contract and specifications will be allowed unless under the written instruction of the Board of Health.

The form of the agreement, including specifications, showing the manner of payment, will be furnished at the office of the Department, Criminal Court Building, Centre, White, Elm and Franklin streets.

CHARLES G. WILSON, GEORGE B. FOWLER, M. D., ALVAH H. DOLY, M. D., THEODORE ROOSEVELT, Commissioners.

Dated New York, November 25, 1896.

DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS.

(WORK OF CONSTRUCTION UNDER NEW PLAN.)

(No. 556.)

PROPOSALS FOR ESTIMATES FOR FURNISHING GRANITE STONES FOR BULKHEAD OR RIVER WALL.

ESTIMATES FOR FURNISHING GRANITE Stones for bulkhead or river wall will be received by the Board of Commissioners at the head of the Department of Docks, at the office of said Department, on Pier "A," foot of Battery place, North river, in the City of New York, until 12 o'clock M. of

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at which time and place the estimates will be publicly opened by the head of said Department. The award of the contract, if awarded, will be made as soon as practicable after the opening of the bids.

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

The bidder to whom the award is made shall give security for the faithful performance of the contract, in the manner prescribed and required by ordinance, in the sum of Twelve thousand Dollars.

The Engineer's estimate of the work to be done is as follows:

To be furnished, cut in accordance with specifications.

About 1,000 pieces of Granite, consisting of:

Class 1.—About 450 Headers and 450 Stretchers, containing about 18,500 cubic feet.

Class 2.—About 100 Coping-stones, containing about 8,000 cubic feet.

For further particulars see the drawings referred to in the specifications forming part of the contract.

N. B.—As the above-mentioned quantities of cubic feet, though stated with as much accuracy as is possible, in advance, are approximate only, bidders are required to submit their estimates upon the following express conditions, which shall apply to and become a part of every estimate received:

1st. Bidders must satisfy themselves, by personal examination of similar stones now owned by the Department of Docks and of the plans and by such other means as they may prefer, as to the accuracy of the foregoing Engineer's estimate, and shall not at any time after the submission of an estimate dispute or complain of the above statement of quantities, nor assert that there was any misunderstanding in regard to the nature or amount of the work to be done.

2d. Bidders will be required to complete the entire work to the satisfaction of the Department of Docks and in substantial accordance with the specifications of the contract and the plans therein referred to. No extra compensation beyond the amount payable for the work before mentioned, which shall be actually performed at the price therefor, per cubic foot, to be specified by the lowest bidder, shall be due or payable for the entire work.

The first delivery of granite under this contract will be made as soon as practicable after the date of the execution of this contract, and will proceed thereafter with reasonable dispatch, and all the work to be done under this contract is to be fully completed on or before the 1st day of May, 1897, and the amounts in each delivery are to be divided between the several classes, as ordered by the Engineer-in-Chief. The damages to be paid by the contractor for each day that the contract may be unfulfilled after the time fixed for the fulfillment thereof has expired, are, by a clause in the contract, determined, fixed and liquidated at Fifty Dollars per day.

Bidders will state in their estimates a price, per cubic foot, for the stones to be furnished, in conformity with the approved form of agreement and the specifications therein set forth, by which price the bids will be tested. This price is to cover all expenses of every kind involved in or incidental to the fulfillment of the contract, including any claim that may arise through delay, from any cause, in the performing of the work thereunder.

Bidders will distinctly write out, both in words and in figures, the amount of their estimates for doing the work.

The person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded will be required to attend at this office, with the sureties offered by him or them, and execute the contract within five days from the date of the service of a notice to that effect and in case of failure or neglect so to do he or they will be considered as having abandoned it and as in default to the Corporation, and the contract will be readvertised and relet, and so on until it be accepted and executed.

Bidders are required to state in their estimates their names and places of residence, the names of all persons interested with them therein, and if no other person be so interested the estimate shall distinctly state the fact; also that the estimate is made without any consultation, connection or agreement with, and the amount thereof has not been disclosed to, any other person or persons making an estimate for the same purpose, and is not higher than the lowest regular market price for the same kind of labor or material, and is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud; that no combination or pool exists of which the bidder is a member, or in which the bidder is directly or indirectly interested, or of which the bidder has knowledge, either personal or otherwise, to bid a certain price, or not less than a certain price for said labor or material, or to keep others from bidding thereon; and also that no member of the Common Council, Head of a Department, Chief of a Bureau, Deputy thereof, or Clerk therein, or any other officer or employee of the Corporation of the City of New York, or any of its departments, is directly or indirectly interested in the estimate or in the supplies or work to which it relates, or in any portion of the profits thereof, and has not been given, offered or promised, either directly or indirectly, any pecuniary or other consideration by the bidder, or anyone in his behalf, with a view to influencing the action or judgment of such officer or employee in this or any other transaction heretofore had with this Department, which estimate must be verified by the oath, in writing, of the party making the estimate, that the several matters stated therein are in all respects true. Where more than one person is interested it is requisite that the verification be made and subscribed by all the parties interested.

In case a bid shall be submitted by or in behalf of any corporation, it must be signed in the name of such corporation by some duly authorized officer or agent thereof, who shall also subscribe his own name and office. If practicable the seal of the corporation should also be affixed.

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

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

Bidders are informed that no deviation from the specifications will be allowed unless under the written instructions of the Engineer-in-Chief.

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

THE RIGHT TO DECLINE ALL THE ESTIMATES IS RESERVED IF DEEMED FOR THE INTERESTS OF THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

Bidders are requested, in making their bids or estimates, to use the blank prepared for that purpose by the Department, a copy of which, together with the form of the agreement, including specifications, and showing the manner of payment for the work, can be obtained upon application therefor at the office of the Department.

EDWARD C. O'BRIEN, EDWIN EINSTEIN, JOHN MONKS, Commissioners of the Department of Docks.

Dated New York, November 5, 1896.

DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS, PIER "A," BATTERY PLACE, NORTH RIVER, NEW YORK, November 23, 1896.

LEWIS J. PHILLIPS, AUCTIONEER, WILL sell at public auction, at Pier "A," Battery place, in the City of New York, on

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at 12 o'clock noon, the right to collect and retain all wharfage and craning which may accrue or become due for the use and occupation by vessels of more than five tons burden, in the manner and at the rates prescribed by law, at the following-named wharf property:

For a Term of Ten Years, from January 1, 1897, with the Privilege of two Renewals of Ten Years each, at an advance in the Annual Rental for each Renewal of Ten per cent.

Lot No. 1. Northerly side and outer end of Pier, old 60, North river, at the foot of West Thirteenth street, including the whole surface of said pier, with the privilege of erecting and maintaining thereon such ice-bridges, scales, tally-houses and engines as may be necessary for the ice business.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF SALE:

The premises must be taken in the condition in which they may be at the commencement of the term of the lease, and no claim or demand that the premises or property are not in suitable and tenantable condition at the commencement of the term will be allowed by this Department.

All repairs, maintaining or rebuilding required or necessary to be done to or upon the premises, or any part thereof, or structures erected thereon, during the continuance of the term of the lease, shall be done by and at the cost and expense of the lessee or purchaser.

No claim or demand will be considered or allowed by the Department for any loss or deprivation of wharfage or otherwise, resulting from or occasioned by any delay on account or by reason of the premises, or any part thereof, being occupied for or on account of any repairs, rebuilding or dredging.

The upset price of the parcels or premises exposed or offered for sale will be announced by the auctioneer at the time of sale.

The Department will do all dredging at Lot No. 1, whenever it shall deem it necessary or advisable so to do.

The term for which leases are sold will commence at the date mentioned in the advertisement, and the rents accruing therefor will be payable from that date in each case.

Each purchaser of a lease will be required, at the time of the sale, to pay, in addition to the auctioneer's fees, to the Department of Docks, twenty-five per cent. (25%) of the amount of annual rent bid, as security for the execution of the lease, which twenty-five per cent. (25%) will be applied to the payment of the rent first accruing under the lease when executed, or will be forfeited to the Department if the purchaser neglects or refuses to execute the lease, with good and sufficient surety or sureties, to be approved by the Department, within ten days after being notified that the lease is prepared and ready for execution at the office of the Department of Docks, Pier "A," North river, Battery place.

The Department expressly reserves the right to resell the lease or premises bid off, by those failing, refusing or neglecting to comply with these terms and conditions, the party so failing, refusing or neglecting to be liable to the Corporation of the City of New York for any deficiency resulting from or occasioned by such resale.

Lessees will be required to pay their rent quarterly, in advance, in compliance with the terms and conditions of the lease prepared and adopted by the Department.

Not less than two sureties, each to be a householder or freeholder in the State of New York, to be approved by the Board of Docks, will be required under each lease to enter into a bond or obligation, jointly and severally, with the lessee, in the sum of double the annual rent, for the faithful performance of all the covenants and conditions of the lease, the names and addresses of the sureties to be submitted at the time of sale.

Each purchaser will be required to agree that he will, upon ten days' notice so to do, execute a lease, with sufficient surety as aforesaid, in the form now used by this Department, a copy of which may be seen and examined upon application to the Secretary, at the office of the Department, Pier "A," Battery place.

If this Department requires, at any time, any of the said wharf property for the purpose of building and constructing wharves, piers, bulkheads, basins, docks or slips, or either of them, according to and under the "new plan," then and in that case, on notice given by said Department to said lessees or their assigns, the said lease shall immediately terminate and be of no effect, and the said premises be returned to the exclusive control and uses of the said Department, as more particularly set forth in the form of lease above referred to.

No person will be received as a lessee or surety who is delinquent on any former lease from this Department or the Corporation.

No bid will be accepted from any person who is in arrears to this Department or the Corporation, upon debt or contract, or who is a defaulter, as surety or otherwise, upon any obligation to this Department or to the Corporation of the City of New York.

The auctioneer's fees (\$25) on each lot or parcel must be paid by the purchasers thereof respectively at the time of sale.

EDWARD C. O'BRIEN, EDWIN EINSTEIN, JOHN MONKS, Commissioners of the Department of Docks.

(WORK OF CONSTRUCTION UNDER NEW PLAN.)

TO CONTRACTORS. (No. 555.)

PROPOSALS FOR ESTIMATES FOR FURNISHING ABOUT 4,000 BARRELS OF PORTLAND CEMENT.

ESTIMATES FOR FURNISHING ABOUT 4,000 barrels of Portland Cement will be received by the Board of Commissioners at the head of the Department of Docks, at the office of said Department, on Pier "A," foot of Battery place, North river, in the City of New York, until 12 o'clock M. of

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at which time and place the estimates will be publicly opened by the head of said Department. The award of the contract, if awarded, will be made as soon as practicable after the opening of the bids.

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

The bidder to whom the award is made shall give security for the faithful performance of the contract in the manner prescribed and required by ordinance, in the sum of Four thousand Dollars.

The cement required under this contract must be "Portland" cement, fully up to the standard of the best brands imported, and average at least 400 pounds gross weight to the barrel.

The quantity to be delivered under this contract is about 4,000 barrels.

It is estimated that about 2,500 barrels of this cement will be required to be quick-setting, and that about 1,500 barrels will be slow-setting, and it is further estimated that the deliveries will be required to be made so

that about 1,000 barrels per week, more or less, will be furnished in each week.

It is expected that about 2,000 barrels will be required to be delivered at West Fifty-seventh Street Yard, and that about 2,000 barrels will be required to be delivered at East Twenty-fourth Street Yard.

The contract is to be fully completed and to terminate on the 1st day of February, 1897.

The damages to be paid by the contractor for each day that the contract or any part thereof may be unfulfilled after the respective times specified for the fulfillment thereof may have expired. Sundays and holidays not to be excepted, are, by a clause in the contract, fixed and liquidated at Fifty Dollars per day.

The empty barrels will be relinquished to the contractor as provided for in the specifications, and bidders must estimate the value of the empty barrels when considering the price for which they will furnish the cement under this contract.

Bidders will state in their estimates a price for each barrel of cement to be furnished, in conformity with the approved form of agreement and the specifications therein set forth, by which prices the bids will be tested. These prices are to cover all expenses of every kind involved in or incidental to the fulfillment of the contract, including any claim that may arise through delay, from any cause, in the receiving of the material by the Department. The award of the contract, if awarded, will be made to the bidder who is the lowest for doing the whole of the work and whose estimate is regular in all respects.

Bidders will distinctly write out, both in words and in figures, the amount of their estimates for furnishing this material.

The person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded will be required to attend at this office with the sureties offered by him or them, and execute the contract within five days from the date of the service of a notice to that effect, and in case of failure or neglect to do so, he or they will be considered as having abandoned it and as in default to the Corporation, and the contract will be readvertised and relet, and so on until it be accepted and executed.

Bidders are required to state in their estimates their names and places of residence, the names of all persons interested with them therein, and if no other person be so interested, the estimate shall distinctly state the fact; also that the estimate is made without any consultation, connection or agreement with, and the amount thereof has not been disclosed to, any other person or persons making an estimate for the same purpose and is not higher than the lowest regular market price for the same kind of labor or material, and is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud; that no combination or pool exists of which the bidder is a member, or in which the bidder is directly or indirectly interested or of which the bidder has knowledge, either personal or otherwise, to bid a certain price or not less than a certain price for said labor or material, or to keep others from bidding thereon; and also that no member of the Common Council, Head of a Department, Chief of a Bureau, Deputy thereof, or Clerk therein, or any other officer or employee of the Corporation of the City of New York, or any of its departments, is directly or indirectly interested in this estimate, or in the supplies or work to which it relates, or in any portion of the profits thereof, and has not been given, offered or promised, either directly or indirectly, any pecuniary or other consideration by the bidder or anyone in his behalf with a view to influencing the action or judgment of such officer or employee in this or any other transaction heretofore had with this Department, which estimate must be verified by the oath, in writing, of the party making the estimate, that the several matters stated therein are in all respects true. Where more than one person is interested it is requisite that the verification be made and subscribed by all the parties interested.

In case a bid shall be submitted by or in behalf of any corporation, it must be signed in the name of such corporation by some duly authorized officer or agent thereof, who shall also subscribe his own name and office. If practicable the seal of the corporation should also be affixed.

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

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

Bidders are informed that no deviation from the specifications will be allowed, unless under the written instructions of the Engineer-in-Chief.

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

THE RIGHT TO DECLINE ALL THE ESTIMATES IS RESERVED IF DEEMED FOR THE INTEREST OF THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

Bidders are requested, in making their bids or estimates, to use the blank prepared for that purpose by the Department, a copy of which, together with the form of the agreement, including specifications, and showing the manner of payment for the material, can be obtained upon application therefor at the office of the Department.

EDWARD C. O'BRIEN, EDWIN EINSTEIN, JOHN MONKS, Commissioners of the Department of Docks.

Dated NEW YORK, November 24, 1896.

DEPT. OF PUBLIC CHARITIES.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES.

PROPOSALS FOR FRESH COWS' MILK FOR the year 1897. Sealed bids or estimates for furnishing Fresh Cows' Milk for the year ending December 31, 1897, will be received at the office of the Department of

Public Charities, No. 66 Third avenue, in the City of New York, until 10 A. M. Wednesday, December 9, 1896. The person or persons making any bid or estimate shall furnish the same in a sealed envelope, indorsed "Bid or Estimate for Fresh Cows' Milk for the year 1897," and with his or their name or names, and the date of presentation, to the head of said Department, at the said office, on or before the day and hour above named, at which time and place the bids or estimates received will be publicly opened by the President, or his duly authorized agent, of said Department and read.

THE BOARD OF PUBLIC CHARITIES RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REJECT ALL BIDS OR ESTIMATES IF DEEMED TO BE FOR THE PUBLIC INTEREST, AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 64, CHAPTER 410, LAWS OF 1882.

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

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

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

Any bidder for this contract must be known to be engaged in and well prepared for the business, and must have satisfactory testimonials to that effect; and the person or persons to whom a contract may be awarded will be required to give security for the performance of the contract by his or their bond, with two sufficient sureties, each in the penal amount of TEN THOUSAND (10,000) DOLLARS.

Each bid or estimate shall contain and state the name and place of residence of each of the persons making the same, the names of all persons interested with him or them therein, and if no other person be so interested it shall distinctly state that fact; also that it is made without any connection with any other person making an estimate for the same purpose and is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud; and that no member of the Common Council, head of a department, chief of a bureau, deputy thereof, or clerk therein, or other officer of the Corporation is directly or indirectly interested therein, or in the supplies or work to which it relates, or in any portion of the profits thereof. The bid or estimate must be verified by the oath, in writing, of the party or parties making the estimate, that the several matters stated therein are in all respects true. Where more than one person is interested it is requisite that the verification be made and subscribed by all the parties interested.

Each bid or estimate shall be accompanied by the consent, in writing, of two householders or freeholders in the City of New York, with their respective places of business or residence, to the effect that if the contract be awarded to the person making the estimate, they will, upon its being so awarded, become bound as his sureties for its faithful performance, and that if he shall omit or refuse to execute the same, they will pay to the Corporation any difference between the sum to which he would be entitled on its completion and that which the Corporation may be obliged to pay to the person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded at any subsequent letting; the amount in each case to be calculated upon the estimated amount of the Milk by which the bids are tested. The consent above mentioned shall be accompanied by the oath or affirmation, in writing, of each of the persons signing the same, that he is a householder or freeholder in the City of New York, and is worth the amount of the security required for the completion of this contract, over and above all his debts of every nature, and over and above his liabilities as bail, surety or otherwise; and that he has offered himself as a surety in good faith and with the intention to execute the bond required by section 12 of chapter 7 of the Revised Ordinances of the City of New York, if the contract shall be awarded to the person or persons for whom he consents to become surety. The adequacy and sufficiency of the security offered to be approved by the Comptroller of the City of New York.

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

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

Bidders will write out the amount of their estimate in addition to inserting the same in figures.

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

The form of the contract, including specifications, and showing the manner of payment, can be obtained at the office of the Department, and bidders are especially cautioned to examine each and all of its provisions carefully, as the Board of Public Charities will insist upon its absolute enforcement in every particular.

Dated NEW YORK, November 23, 1896.
SILAS C. CROFT, President; JOHN P. FAURE, Commissioner, JAMES R. O'BRIEN, Commissioner, Department of Public Charities.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES.

PROPOSALS FOR FRESH FISH, ETC., FOR 1897. Sealed Bids or Estimates for Furnishing, during the year ending December 31, 1897,

FRESH FISH, ETC.

—will be received at the office of the Department of Public Charities, No. 66 Third avenue, in the City of New York, until 10 o'clock A. M. of Wednesday, December 9, 1896. The person or persons making any bid or estimate shall furnish the same in a sealed envelope, indorsed "Bid or Estimate for Fresh Fish, etc., for the year ending December 31, 1897," and with his or their name or names, and the date of presentation, to the head of said Department, at the said office, on or before the day and hour above named, at which time and place the bids or estimates received will be publicly opened by the President, or his duly authorized agent, of said Department and read.

THE BOARD OF PUBLIC CHARITIES RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REJECT ALL BIDS OR ESTIMATES IF DEEMED TO BE FOR THE PUBLIC INTEREST, AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 64, CHAPTER 410, LAWS OF 1882.

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

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

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

Any bidder for this contract must furnish testimonials that he is engaged in the business of selling fish in the City of New York, and has the plant necessary to carry out promptly and regularly the contract, if it be awarded, to the entire satisfaction of the Commissioners of Public

Charities, and the person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded will be required to give security for the performance of the contract by his or their bond, with two sufficient sureties, each in the penal amount of TEN THOUSAND (10,000) DOLLARS.

Each bid or estimate shall contain and state the name and place of residence of each of the persons making the same, the names of all persons interested with him or them therein, and if no other person be so interested it shall distinctly state that fact; also that it is made without any connection with any other person making an estimate for the same purpose, and is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud, and that no member of the Common Council, head of a department, chief of a bureau, deputy thereof or clerk therein, or other officer of the Corporation is directly or indirectly interested therein, or in the supplies or work to which it relates, or in any portion of the profits thereof. The bid or estimate must be verified by the oath, in writing, of the party or parties making the estimate, that the several matters stated therein are in all respects true. Where more than one person is interested, it is requisite that the verification be made and subscribed by all the parties interested.

Each bid or estimate shall be accompanied by the consent, in writing, of two householders or freeholders in the City of New York, with their respective places of business or residence, to the effect that if the contract be awarded to the person making the estimate, they will, upon its being so awarded, become bound as his sureties for its faithful performance, and that if he shall omit or refuse to execute the same, they shall pay to the Corporation any difference between the sum to which he would be entitled on its completion and that which the Corporation may be obliged to pay to the person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded at any subsequent letting, the amount in each case to be calculated upon the estimated amount of the Fresh Fish, etc., by which the bids are tested. The consent above mentioned shall be accompanied by the oath or affirmation, in writing, of each of the persons signing the same, that he is a householder or freeholder in the City of New York, and is worth the amount of the security required for the completion of this contract, over and above all his debts of every nature, and over and above his liabilities as bail, surety or otherwise; and that he has offered himself as a surety in good faith and with the intention to execute the bond required by section 12 of chapter 7 of the Revised Ordinances of the City of New York, if the contract shall be awarded to the person or persons for whom he consents to become surety. The adequacy and sufficiency of the security offered to be approved by the Comptroller of the City of New York.

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

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

Bidders will write out the amount of their estimate in addition to inserting the same in figures.

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

The form of the contract, including specifications, and showing the manner of payment, can be obtained at the office of the Department, and bidders are especially cautioned to examine each and all of its provisions carefully, as the Board of Public Charities will insist upon its absolute enforcement in every particular.

Dated NEW YORK, November 23, 1896.
SILAS C. CROFT, President, JOHN P. FAURE, Commissioner, JAMES R. O'BRIEN, Commissioner, Department of Public Charities.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES.

PROPOSALS FOR CONDENSED COW'S MILK, 1897. Sealed bids or estimates for furnishing Condensed Cow's Milk for the year 1897 will be received at the office of the Department of Public Charities, No. 66 Third avenue, in the City of New York, until 10 o'clock A. M. of Wednesday, December 9, 1896. The person or persons making any bid or estimate shall furnish the same in a sealed envelope, indorsed "Bid or Estimate for Condensed Cow's Milk, 1897," and with his or their name or names, and the date of presentation, to the head of said Department, at the said office, on or before the day and hour above named, at which time and place the bids or estimates received will be publicly opened by the President, or his duly authorized agent, of said Department and read.

THE BOARD OF PUBLIC CHARITIES RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REJECT ALL BIDS OR ESTIMATES IF DEEMED TO BE FOR THE PUBLIC INTEREST, AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 64, CHAPTER 410, LAWS OF 1882.

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

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

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

Any bidder for this contract must be known to be engaged in and well prepared for the business, and must have satisfactory testimonials to that effect; and the person or persons to whom a contract may be awarded will be required to give security for the performance of the contract by his or their bond, with two sufficient sureties, each in the penal amount of TEN THOUSAND (10,000) DOLLARS.

Each bid or estimate shall contain and state the name and place of residence of each of the persons making the same, the names of all persons interested with him or them therein, and if no other person be so interested it shall distinctly state that fact; also that it is made without any connection with any other person making an estimate for the same purpose, and is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud; and that no member of the Common Council, head of a department, chief of a bureau, deputy thereof or clerk therein, or other officer of the Corporation is directly or indirectly interested therein, or in the supplies or work to which it relates, or in any portion of the profits thereof. The bid or estimate must be verified by the oath, in writing, of the party or parties making the estimate, that the several matters stated therein are in all respects true. Where more than one person is interested, it is requisite that the verification be made and subscribed by all the parties interested.

Each bid or estimate shall be accompanied by the consent, in writing, of two householders or freeholders in the City of New York, with their respective places of business or residence, to the effect that if the contract be awarded to the person making the estimate, they will, upon its being so awarded, become bound as his sureties for its faithful performance, and that if he shall omit or refuse to execute the same, they will pay to the Corpora-

tion any difference between the sum to which he would be entitled upon its completion and that which the Corporation may be obliged to pay to the person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded at any subsequent letting, the amount in each case to be calculated upon the estimated amount of the Condensed Cow's Milk by which the bids are tested. The consent above mentioned shall be accompanied by the oath or affirmation, in writing, of each of the persons signing the same, that he is a householder or freeholder in the City of New York, and is worth the amount of the security required for the completion of this contract, over and above all his debts of every nature, and over and above his liabilities as bail, surety or otherwise; and that he has offered himself as a surety in good faith and with the intention to execute the bond required by section 12 of chapter 7 of the Revised Ordinances of the City of New York, if the contract shall be awarded to the person or persons for whom he consents to become surety. The adequacy and sufficiency of the security offered to be approved by the Comptroller of the City of New York.

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

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

Bidders will write the amount of their estimate in addition to inserting the same in figures.

Payment will be made by a requisition on the Comptroller, in accordance with the terms of the contract.

The form of the contract, including specifications, and showing the manner of payment, can be obtained at the office of the Department, and bidders are especially cautioned to examine each and all of its provisions carefully, as the Board of Public Charities will insist upon its absolute enforcement in every particular.

Dated NEW YORK, November 23, 1896.
SILAS C. CROFT, President; JOHN P. FAURE, Commissioner, JAMES R. O'BRIEN, Commissioner, Department of Public Charities.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES.

PROPOSALS FOR POULTRY FOR THE YEAR 1897. Sealed bids or estimates for furnishing Poultry for the year ending December 31, 1897, will be received at the office of the Department of Public Charities, No. 66 Third avenue, in the City of New York, until 10 A. M. Wednesday, December 9, 1896. The person or persons making any bid or estimate shall furnish the same in a sealed envelope, indorsed "Bid or Estimate for Poultry for the year 1897," and with his or their name or names, and the date of presentation, to the head of said Department, at the said office, on or before the day and hour above named, at which time and place the bids or estimates received will be publicly opened by the President, or his duly authorized agent, of said Department and read.

THE BOARD OF PUBLIC CHARITIES RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REJECT ALL BIDS OR ESTIMATES IF DEEMED TO BE FOR THE PUBLIC INTEREST, AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 64, CHAPTER 410, LAWS OF 1882.

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

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

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

Any bidder for this contract must be known to be engaged in and well prepared for the business, and must have satisfactory testimonials to that effect; and the person or persons to whom a contract may be awarded will be required to give security for the performance of the contract by his or their bond, with two sufficient sureties each in the penal amount of FIVE THOUSAND (5,000) DOLLARS.

Each bid or estimate shall contain and state the name and place of residence of each of the persons making the same, the names of all persons interested with him or them therein, and if no other person be so interested it shall distinctly state that fact; also that it is made without any connection with any other person making an estimate for the same purpose, and is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud; and that no member of the Common Council, head of a department, chief of a bureau, deputy thereof or clerk therein, or other officer of the Corporation is directly or indirectly interested therein, or in the supplies or work to which it relates, or in any portion of the profits thereof. The bid or estimate must be verified by the oath, in writing, of the party or parties making the estimate, that the several matters stated therein are in all respects true. Where more than one person is interested, it is requisite that the verification be made and subscribed by all the parties interested.

Each bid or estimate shall be accompanied by the consent, in writing, of two householders or freeholders in the City of New York, with their respective places of business or residence, to the effect that if the contract be awarded to the person making the estimate, they will, upon its being so awarded, become bound as his sureties for its faithful performance; and that if he shall omit or refuse to execute the same, they will pay to the Corporation any difference between the sum to which he would be entitled on its completion and that which the Corporation may be obliged to pay to the person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded at any subsequent letting; the amount in each case to be calculated upon the estimated amount of the Poultry by which the bids are tested. The consent above mentioned shall be accompanied by the oath or affirmation, in writing, of each of the persons signing the same that he is a householder or freeholder in the City of New York, and is worth the amount of the security required for the completion of this contract over and above all his debts of every nature, and over and above his liabilities, as bail, surety or otherwise, and that he has offered himself as surety in good faith and with the intention to execute the bond required by section 12 of chapter 7 of the Revised Ordinances of the City of New York, if the contract shall be awarded to the person or persons for whom he consents to become surety. The adequacy and sufficiency of the security offered to be approved by the Comptroller of the City of New York.

No bid or estimate will be considered unless accompanied by either a certified check upon one of the State or National banks of the City of New York, drawn to the order of the Comptroller, or money to the amount of five per centum of the amount of the security required for the faithful performance of the contract. Such check or money must not be inclosed in the sealed envelope containing the estimate but must be handed to the officer or clerk of the Department who has charge of the estimate-box, and no estimate can be deposited in said box until such check or money has

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

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

Bidders will write out the amount of estimate in addition to inserting the same in figures.

Payment will be made by a requisition on the Comptroller, in accordance with the terms of the contract.

The form of the contract, including specifications, and showing the manner of payment, can be obtained at the office of the Department, and bidders are cautioned to examine each and all of their provisions carefully, as the Board of Public Charities will insist upon its absolute enforcement in every particular.

Dated New York, November 25, 1896.

SILAS C. CROFT, President; JOHN P. FAURE, Commissioner, JAMES R. O'BRIEN, Commissioner, Department of Public Charities.

PROPOSALS FOR TWENTY-TWO THOUSAND (22,000) tons of white ash coal for 1897.—Sealed bids or estimates for furnishing the Department of Public Charities, during the year 1897, as may be required and in accordance with the specifications,

TWENTY-TWO THOUSAND (22,000) TONS (2,240 POUNDS EACH) OF WHITE ASH COAL—will be received at the office of the Department of Public Charities, No. 66 Third Avenue, in the City of New York, until 10 o'clock A.M. of Wednesday, December 9, 1896. The person or persons making any bid or estimate shall furnish the same in a sealed envelope indorsed "Bid or Estimate for 22,000 Tons of White Ash Coal," and with his or their name or names, and the date of presentation, to the head of said Department, at the said office, on or before the day and hour above named, at which time and place the bids or estimates received will be publicly opened by the President, or his duly authorized agent, of said Department and read.

THE BOARD OF PUBLIC CHARITIES RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REJECT ALL BIDS OR ESTIMATES IF DEEMED TO BE FOR THE PUBLIC INTEREST, AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 64, CHAPTER 410, LAWS OF 1882.

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

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

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

Any bidder for this contract must be known to be engaged in and well prepared for the business, and must have satisfactory testimonials to that effect, and the person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded will be required to give security for the performance of the contract, by his or their bond, with two sufficient sureties, each in the penal sum of FORTY THOUSAND (\$40,000) DOLLARS.

Each bid or estimate shall contain and state the name and place of residence of each of the persons making the same, the names of all persons interested with him or them therein, and if no other person be so interested, it shall distinctly state that fact; also that it is made without any connection with any other person making an estimate for the same purpose and is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud, and that no member of the Common Council, head of a department, chief of a bureau, deputy thereof, or clerk therein, or other officer of the Corporation, is directly or indirectly interested therein, or in the supplies or work to which it relates, or in any portion of the profits thereof. The bid or estimate must be verified by the oath, in writing, of the party or parties making the estimate, that the several matters stated therein are in all respects true. When more than one person is interested, it is requisite that the verification be made and subscribed by all the parties interested.

Each bid or estimate shall be accompanied by the consent, in writing, of two householders or freeholders in the City of New York, with their respective places of business or residence, to the effect that if the contract be awarded to the person making the estimate they will, on its being so awarded, become bound as his sureties for its faithful performance, and that if he shall omit or refuse to execute the same, they will pay to the Corporation any difference between the sum to which he would be entitled on its completion and that which the Corporation may be obliged to pay to the person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded at any subsequent letting, the amount in each case to be calculated upon the estimated amount of the articles by which the bids are tested. The consent above mentioned shall be accompanied by the oath or affirmation, in writing, of each of the persons signing the same, that he is a householder or freeholder in the City of New York, and is worth the amount of the security required for the completion of this contract, over and above all his debts of every nature, and over and above his liabilities as bail, surety or otherwise, and that he has offered himself as a surety in good faith and with the intention to execute the bond required by section 12 of chapter 7 of the Revised Ordinances of the City of New York, if the contract shall be awarded to the person or persons for whom he consents to become surety. The adequacy and sufficiency of the security offered to be approved by the Comptroller of the City of New York.

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

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

Bidders will write out the amount of their estimates in addition to inserting the same in figures.

Payment will be made by a requisition on the Comptroller, in accordance with the terms of the contract.

The form of the contract, including specifications, and showing the manner of payment, will be furnished at the office of the Department, and bidders are cautioned

to examine each and all of its provisions carefully, as the Board of Public Charities will insist upon its absolute enforcement in every particular.

Dated New York, November 25, 1896.

SILAS C. CROFT, President; JOHN P. FAURE, Commissioner, JAMES R. O'BRIEN, Commissioner, Department of Public Charities.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES, No. 66 THIRD AVENUE, N.Y.C., November 21, 1896.

PROPOSALS FOR HOSPITAL SUPPLIES FOR the Department of Public Charities for 1897. Sealed bids or estimates for furnishing the following Hospital Supplies will be received at the Department of Public Charities, in the City of New York, until 10 o'clock A.M. of Thursday, December 3, 1896. The person or persons making any bid or estimate shall furnish the same in a sealed envelope, indorsed "Bid or Estimate for Hospital Supplies," with his or their name or names, and the date of presentation, to the head of said Department, at the said office, on or before the day and hour above named, at which time and place the bids or estimates received will be publicly opened by the President, or his duly authorized agent, of said Department and read.

I. Articles to be delivered in instalments as may be required during the year 1897.

1. 3,800 wine-gallons of MEDICINAL ALCOHOL (94 per cent. by volume) to be delivered in lots of not less than five barrels at a time. Each invoice is to be accompanied by a gauger's certificate. The bidder is to make his bid on the basis of wine-gallons, and irrespective of any disposition to be made of the empty barrels.

2. 2,300 wine-gallons, of two stamp, copper distilled, PURE RYE WHISKEY, to be delivered in lots of not less than five barrels at a time. The whiskey is to be not less than two years old from the date of the warehouse entry stamp, and to be consigned by bill of lading to the Department of Public Charities. Upon arrival of each shipment in the City of New York, it shall be carted, at the expense of the contractor, directly to the General Drug Department, on the grounds of Bellevue Hospital. The gauger's certificate is to be attached to the bill. The bidder is to make his bid on the basis of proof-gallons, and irrespective of any disposition to be made of the empty barrels.

3. 9,500 pounds of pure, colorless (white) MEDICINAL CARBOLIC ACID, in 10-pound tins, packed ten in a case.

4. 1,500 pounds of pure, colorless (white) MEDICINAL CARBOLIC ACID, in 1-pound, unlettered, round, flint-glass bottles, provided with red "Carbolic Acid" and "Poison" labels, and packed securely fifty in a case.

N.B.—Any Carbolic Acid delivered under either of the two preceding sections, which acquires a pink or red tint within three months after its delivery, shall be taken back by the contractor and replaced by colorless (white) acid.

5. 1,040 pounds of pure "CRYSTAL" CASTOR OIL, in 40-pound tin cans.

6. 200 pounds of CRYSTALLIZED CHLORAL HYDRATE, in 1-pound glass-stoppered bottles, packed twenty-five in a case.

7. 1,400 pounds of pure CHLOROFORM, in 10-pound tin cans, the corks of which are to be hermetically sealed with soft solder and to be packed ten in a case.

8. 100 ounces of anhydrous crystallized COCAINE HYDRO-CHLORATE, in ½-ounce vials, original packages of the manufacturer.

9. 40 ½-barrels (fifteen gallon each) of pure NORWEGIAN COD LIVER OIL (non-freezing Lofoden), in original packages. To be delivered, in lots of not less than eight ½-barrels, directly out of bond to this Department.

10. 100 pounds of CREOSOTE, from Beechwood Tar, in 5-pound bottles.

11. 3,600 pounds of pure MEDICINAL GLYCERIN, in barrels holding about 400 pounds.

12. 2,000 pounds of pure MEDICINAL GLYCERIN, in 5-gallon "hinge-cover box cans" (Garrison's pattern).

13. 7,000 pounds of best GREEN SOAP (Sapo Mollis, U.S.P.), free from added impurities, in kegs.

14. 10,000 pounds of MEDICINAL SOLUTION OF HYDROGEN DIOXIDE, in 1-pound amber bottles, packed twenty-five in a case.

15. 1,500 ounces of ICHTHYOL (Ammonium Salt), in original 1-ounce packages.

16. 100 ounces of MORPHINE SULPHATE, in ½-ounce vials, original packages of the manufacturer.

17. 3,600 ounces of QUININE SULPHATE, in 100-ounce cans, original packages of the manufacturer.

18. 150 pounds of SALICYLIC ACID, in ¼-pound cartons.

19. 250 pounds of SODIUM SALICYLATE, yielding a colorless solution with distilled water. To be delivered in ½-pound cartons.

20. 75 pounds of SALOL, in ¼ pound cartons.

21. 300 ounces of ANTIPYRINE (Knorr), in original 1-ounce packages.

22. 300 ounces of ARISTOL, in original 1-ounce packages.

23. 1,500 ounces of PHENACETIN (Bayer), in original 1-ounce packages.

24. 200 ounces of SALOPHEN, in original 1-ounce packages.

25. 400 ounces of SULFONAL (Bayer), in original 1-ounce packages.

26. 800 ounces of TRIONAL, in original 1-ounce packages.

27. 600,000 yards of BLEACHED ABSORBENT HOSPITAL GAUZE, equal to the sample or samples exhibited or selected, in bolts of one hundred yards (not more than two pieces to the bolt), and securely wrapped in paper (not more than three bolts in a package) so as to exclude dust. To be delivered in well covered bales, protected on at least two sides with wood, or in boxes, each bale or box to contain 2,400 yards, and to be delivered in lots of not less than ten bales or boxes at a time.

N.B.—No bid will be accepted on any sample which has not, previous to the day on which the bids are opened, been approved by the Department as being suitable for the purposes for which the Gauze is needed.

28. 12,000 pounds of ABSORBENT COTTON, equal to the sample exhibited, in 1-pound packages containing a full pound of cotton each, irrespective of wrapper, tissue paper, etc. To be delivered in boxes containing fifty pounds, and in lots of not less than 1,000 pounds at a time.

29. 5,000 pounds of ABSORBENT LINT, equal to the sample exhibited, and equivalent to it in superficial area. To be delivered in 1-pound packages, containing a full pound of lint each, irrespective of wrappers, etc. To be packed fifty pounds in a box, and to be delivered in lots of not less than 400 pounds at a time.

30. 200 cylinders (each of a cubic capacity of about eleven and one-half gallons) of COMPRESSED OXYGEN GAS, for medicinal purposes, at a pressure of not less than two hundred and twenty pounds to the square inch, free from carbon dioxide, chlorine or other deleterious contaminations, and containing not more than ten per cent. of air, as shown by analysis at the General Drug Department.

N.B.—No bid for Oxygen will be accepted from any person or firm which cannot be reached by telephone within the City of New York.

31. 400 pounds of NATURAL REEF SPONGE, to weigh about 120 to the pound. To be equal to the sample exhibited, and to be delivered in bales containing not more than fifty pounds.

32. 21,000 pounds of EXTRA COARSE GRANULATED SUGAR, in lots of not less than seven barrels at a time.

33. 20 gross of CLINICAL THERMOMETERS, to be substantially made, with single bulb, plain front, indestructible index, flat back, having each even degree plainly numbered, the graduation between 94° and 100° F. extending over a space not shorter than 1½ inches, and to be correct within 0.2 of a degree, as determined by the standard thermometer at the General Drug Department. The thermometers are to be delivered in hard rubber cases and the empty cases returned to the contractor.

II.—Articles to be delivered at once, or as soon as practicable after the Contract is awarded.

34. 514 gross of BOTTLES and VIALS, green ware, free from defects, of the sizes described below, and securely packed in boxes suitable for shipping. In all cases, the bottles and vials, when holding the full amount of the corresponding measure of water at 60° F., must not be completely filled thereby, but a sufficient space must remain between the surface of the liquid and the inserted cork to permit a free agitation of the contents. The sizes, styles and quantities required are as follows:

	Quantity in gross.	Sizes.	Number of gross in a box.
Round prescription; green....	110	1-oz.	5
	130	2-oz.	5
	120	4-oz.	3
	130	8-oz.	2
Union oval; green.....	10	32-oz.	1
	4	16-oz.	1
	10	32-oz.	1

35. 1,280 gross of EXTRA-LONG TAPER CORKS, equal to the samples exhibited, of the following sizes. All to be delivered in five-grooved, properly marked:

No. 2, 25 gross; No. 3, 200 gross; No. 4, 320 gross; No. 5, 275 gross; No. 6, 250 gross; No. 7, 90 gross; No. 8, 105 gross.

36. 5,000 pounds of genuine imported CONTI'S WHITE CASTLE SOAP, in original boxes. A Public Weigher's Certificate, showing the gross weight, and also the tare, is to be attached to the bill.

37. 20 gross of graduated MEDICINE DROPPERS, equal to the sample exhibited.

38. 15 gross of MEDICINE GLASSES, equal to the sample exhibited.

Prices are to be given net.

The articles, supplies, goods, wares and merchandise are to be delivered, free of expense, at the General Drug Department on the grounds of Bellevue Hospital, East Twenty-sixth street, east of First Avenue, and are to be delivered in such quantities and at such times as may be required.

The quality of the Hospital Supplies must conform in every respect to the specifications and samples, and bidders are cautioned to examine both specifications and samples of the articles required before making their estimates.

Bidders will state the price for each article, by which the bids will be tested, and write out the amount of their estimate in addition to inserting the same in figures.

THE BOARD OF PUBLIC CHARITIES RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REJECT ALL BIDS OR ESTIMATES IF DEEMED TO BE FOR THE PUBLIC INTEREST, AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 64, CHAPTER 410, LAWS OF 1882.

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

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

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

Any bidder for this contract must be known to be engaged in and well prepared for the business, and must have satisfactory testimonials to that effect, and the person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded will be required to give security for the performance of the contract, by his or their bond, with two sufficient sureties, in the penal amount of fifty (50) per cent. of the bid for each article.

Each bid or estimate shall contain and state the name and place of residence of each of the persons making the same, the names of all persons interested with him or them therein, and if no other person be so interested, it shall distinctly state that fact; also that it is made without any connection with any other person making an estimate for the same purpose, and is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud, and that no member of the Common Council, head of a department, chief of a bureau, deputy thereof or clerk therein, or other officer of the Corporation, is directly or indirectly interested therein, or in the supplies or work to which it relates, or in any portion of the profits thereof. The bid or estimate must be verified by the oath, in writing, of the party or parties making the estimate that the several matters stated therein are in all respects true. When more than one person is interested it is requisite that the verification be made and subscribed by all the parties interested.

Each bid or estimate shall be accompanied by the consent, in writing, of two householders or freeholders in the City of New York, with their respective places of business or residence, to the effect that if the contract be awarded to the person making the estimate, they will, on its being so awarded, become bound as his sureties for its faithful performance, and that if he shall omit or refuse to execute the same, they will pay to the Corporation any difference between the sum to which he would be entitled on its completion and that which the Corporation may be obliged to pay to the person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded at any subsequent letting, the amount in each case to be calculated upon the estimated amount of the supplies by which the bids are tested. The consent above mentioned shall be accompanied by the oath or affirmation, in writing, of each of the persons signing the same, that he is a householder or freeholder in the City of New York, and is worth the amount of the security required for the completion of this contract, over and above all his debts of every nature, and over and above his liabilities as bail, surety or otherwise, and that he has offered himself as a surety in good faith, and with the intention to execute the bond required by section 12 of chapter 7 of the Revised Ordinances of the City of New York, if the contract shall be awarded to the person or persons for whom he consents to become surety. The adequacy and sufficiency of the security offered to be approved by the Comptroller of the City of New York.

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

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

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

The form of the contract, including specifications, and showing the manner of payment, can be obtained at the office of the Department, and bidders are cautioned to examine each and all of its provisions carefully, as the Board of Public Charities will insist upon its absolute enforcement in every particular.

SILAS C. CROFT, President; JOHN P. FAURE, Commissioner, JAMES R. O'BRIEN, Commissioner, Department of Public Charities.

BOARD OF CITY RECORD.

OFFICE OF THE CITY RECORD, No. 2 CITY HALL, NEW YORK, November 25, 1896.

PROPOSALS TO PRINT AND BIND, IN PAMPHLET AND IN BOOK FORM, THE INDEXES TO THE RECORDS OF BIRTHS, MARRIAGES AND DEATHS KEPT BY THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK, FOR THE YEAR 1897.

ESTIMATES FOR SUPPLYING THE CITY Government with Printed Indexes to the Records of Births, Marriages and Deaths kept by the Health Department and to compile and bind them in monthly and annual volumes, will be received at the office of the Supervisor of the City Record, in the City Hall, until 12 o'clock M. of Tuesday, the 2nd day of December, 1896. The said estimates will be publicly opened and read at a meeting of the Board of City Record, to be held in the Mayor's Office at or about the time above-mentioned.

Each person making an estimate shall inclose it in a sealed envelope, indorsed "Estimate for Printing and Binding the Indexes to Health Records," and with his name and the date of its presentation.

Each estimate shall state the name and place of residence of the person making it; if there is more than one such person their names and residences must be given; and if only one person is interested in the estimate it must distinctly state that fact; also, that it is made without any connection with any other person making an estimate for the same purpose and is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud, and that no member of the Common Council, head of a department, chief of a bureau, deputy thereof, or clerk therein, or other officer of the Corporation, is directly or indirectly interested therein, or in the supplies or work to which it relates, or in any portion of the profits thereof. The estimate must be verified by the oath, in writing, of the party or parties making the estimate, that the several matters stated therein are in all respects true. Where more than one person is interested it is requisite that the verification be made and subscribed by all the parties interested.

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

The amount of security required upon the execution of the contract will be in each case fifty per cent. of the cost of the articles awarded; the amount of preliminary security to be given until the award is made, and in which the sureties shall justify, shall be Three Hundred and Seventy-five Dollars.

Should the person to whom the contract may be awarded neglect or refuse to accept the contract within five days after written notice that the same has been awarded to his bid or proposal, and that the adequacy and sufficiency of the security offered has been approved by the Comptroller, or if he accept but do not execute the contract and give the proper security, he shall be considered as having abandoned it and as in default to the Corporation, and the contract will be readvertised and relet, as provided by law.

No estimates will be accepted from, or a contract awarded to, any person who is in arrears to the Corporation upon debt or contract, or who is a defaulter, as surety or otherwise, upon any obligation to the Corporation, and no estimates will be accepted from, or a contract awarded to, any person not having at the time of making his estimate full, suitable and sufficient facilities for performing the work specified in his estimate.

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

Permission will not be given for the withdrawal of any bid or estimate, and the right is expressly reserved by the undersigned City officers to reject any or all bids which may be deemed prejudicial to the public interests.

Copies of the specifications may be seen at the office of the Commissioner of Public Works, and may be procured from the Supervisor of the City Record, at No. 2 City Hall, where samples of the work may also be seen.

WILLIAM L. STRONG, Mayor; FRANK J. M. SCOTT, Counsel to the Corporation; CHARLES H. T. COLLIS, Acting Commissioner of Public Works. JOHN A. SLEICHER, Supervisor of the City Record.

OFFICE OF THE CITY RECORD, No. 2 CITY HALL, NEW YORK, November 21, 1896.

PROPOSALS FOR FURNISHING STATIONERY FOR THE USE OF COURTS AND THE DEPARTMENTS AND BUREAUS OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

TO STATIONERS.

SEALED ESTIMATES FOR SUPPLYING THE CITY Government with Stationery, Paper, Ink, Pens, Pencils, Penholders, Rubber Bands, etc., will be received at the office of the Supervisor of the City Record, Room No. 2 City Hall, until 12 o'clock M. of Thursday, December 17, 1896, at or about which time said estimates will be publicly opened and read in the office of the Mayor.

Each person making an estimate shall inclose it in an envelope, sealed with sealing-wax, indorsed "Estimate for Furnishing Stationery," and with his name and the date of its presentation.

Each estimate shall state the name and place of residence of the person making it; if there is more than one such person, their names and residences must be given; and if only one person is interested in the estimate it must distinctly state that fact; also, that it is made without any connection with any other person making an estimate for the same purpose and is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud, and that no member of the Common Council, head of a department, chief of a bureau, deputy thereof, or clerk therein, or other officer of the Corporation, is directly or indirectly interested therein, or in the supplies or work to which it relates, or in any portion of the profits thereof. The estimate must be verified by the oath, in writing, of the party or parties making the estimate, that the several matters stated therein are in all respects true. When more than one person is interested it is requisite that the verification be made and subscribed by all the parties interested.

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

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

The amount of security required upon the execution of the contract will be in each case fifty per cent. of the estimated cost of the articles awarded to each contractor; the amount of preliminary security to be given, until each award, and in which the sureties shall justify, shall be One Thousand Dollars.

Should the person to whom the contract may be awarded neglect or refuse to accept the contract within five days after written notice that the same has been awarded to his bid or proposal, and that the adequacy and sufficiency of the security offered has been approved by the Comptroller, or if he accept but do not execute the contract and give the proper security, he shall be considered as having abandoned it and as in default to the Corporation, and the contract will be readvertised and relet, as provided by law.

No estimate will be accepted from, or contract awarded to, any person who is in arrears to the Corporation upon debt or contract, or who is a defaulter, as surety or otherwise, upon any obligation to the Corporation, and no estimate will be accepted from, or a contract awarded to, any person not having at the time of making his estimate full, suitable and sufficient facilities for performing the work specified in his estimate.

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

Permission will not be given for the withdrawal of any bid or estimate, and the right is expressly reserved by the undersigned City officers to reject any or all bids which may be deemed prejudicial to the public interests.

Bids must be made on each item separately, and the aggregate for each schedule, or for any part of each schedule, that may be indicated in the specifications or required, must be given. The contract may be awarded, in the discretion of the Board of City Record, by items or by schedules, or parts of schedules, except when the law provides to the contrary.

The Stationery is to be put up in packages according to schedules to be furnished to the contractors by the Supervisor of the City Record, and according to the most approved methods followed in the stationery trade for the preservation of goods. The contractors must complete the delivery of the goods at the office of the City Record within thirty days from the execution of the contracts, and must give preference in deliveries to such articles as the Supervisor may direct.

DESCRIPTION OF ARTICLES.
For particulars as to the quantities and kinds of Stationery, reference must be had to the specifications, copies of which may be procured from the Supervisor of the City Record, or may be seen in the Department of Public Works. When the description of an article is not complete in the specifications, and no sample is on file in the Department of Public Works or the office of the City Record, the contractor must supply an article in every respect like that in use in the Department making the requisition, unless otherwise directed by the Supervisor of the City Record.

WILLIAM L. STRONG, Mayor; FRANCIS M. SCOTT, Counsel to the Corporation; C. H. T. COLLIS, Commissioner of Public Works.

JOHN A. SLEICHER, Supervisor of the City Record.

OFFICE OF THE CITY RECORD, No. 2 CITY HALL, NEW YORK, November 16, 1896.
PROPOSALS TO SUPPLY PRINTED, LITHOGRAPHED OR STAMPED FORMS, BLANKS, PAMPHLETS AND STATIONERY, I. E., OFFICIAL WRITING PAPER AND ENVELOPES TO THE COURTS AND BUREAUS OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK FOR THE YEAR 1897.

SEALED ESTIMATES FOR SUPPLYING THE CITY GOVERNMENT WITH PRINTED, LITHOGRAPHED OR STAMPED FORMS, PAMPHLETS, AND STATIONERY, I. E., OFFICIAL WRITING PAPER AND ENVELOPES, ETC., will be received at the office of the Supervisor of the City Record, in the City Hall, until 12 o'clock M., on Tuesday, December 15. The said estimates will be publicly opened and read at a meeting of the Board of City Record to be held in the Mayor's Office at or about the time above-mentioned.

Each person making an estimate shall inclose it in an envelope sealed with sealing-wax, indorsed "Estimate for Furnishing Printed, Lithographed or Stamped Matter," and with his name and the date of its presentation.

Each estimate shall state the name and place of residence of the person making it; if there are more than one such person, their names and residences must be given; and if only one person is interested in the estimate it must distinctly state that fact; also, that it is made without any connection with any other person making an estimate for the same purpose, and is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud; and that no member of the Common Council, head of a department, chief of a bureau, deputy thereof or clerk therein, or other officer of the Corporation is directly or indirectly interested therein or in the supplies or work to which it relates, or in any portion of the profits thereof.

The estimate must be verified by the oath, in writing, of the party or parties making the estimate that the several matters stated therein are in all respects true. Where more than one person is interested it is requisite that the verification be made and subscribed by all the parties interested.

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

The amount of security required upon the execution of the contract will be in each case fifty per cent. of the cost of the articles awarded to each contractor; the amount of preliminary security to be given until each award, and in which the sureties shall justify, shall be Sixteen Hundred Dollars.

Should the person to whom the contract may be awarded neglect or refuse to accept the contract within five days after written notice that the same has been awarded to his bid or proposal, and that the adequacy and sufficiency of the security offered has been approved by the Comptroller, or if he accept but does not execute the contract and give the proper security, he shall be considered as having abandoned it and as in default to the Corporation, and the contract will be readvertised and relet, as provided by law.

No estimates will be accepted from, or a contract awarded to, any person who is in arrears to the Corporation upon debt or contract, or who is a defaulter, as surety or otherwise, upon any obligation to the Corporation, and no estimates will be accepted from, or a contract awarded to, any person not having at the time of making his estimate full, suitable and sufficient facilities for performing the work specified in his estimate.

No estimate will be received or considered unless accompanied by either a certified check upon one of the State or National banks of the City of New York, drawn to the order of the Comptroller, or money to the amount of Eight Hundred Dollars, fifty per centum of the amount of the preliminary security required for the faithful performance of the contract. Such check or money must not be inclosed in the sealed envelope containing the estimate, but must be handed to the Supervisor of the City Record who has charge of the estimate-box; and no estimate will be deposited in said box until such check or money has been examined by said Supervisor and found to be correct. All such deposits, except that of a successful bidder, will be returned to the persons making the same within three days after the contract is awarded. If a successful bidder shall refuse or neglect, within five days after notice that the contract has been awarded to him to execute the same, the amount of the deposit made by him shall be forfeited and retained by the City of New York as liquidated damages for such neglect or refusal; but if he shall execute the contract within the time aforesaid the amount of his deposit will be returned to him.

Permission will not be given for the withdrawal of any bid or estimate, and the right is expressly reserved by the undersigned City officers to reject any or all bids which may be deemed prejudicial to the public interests.

The contract for printing and lithographing, etc., may be awarded, in the discretion of the Board of City Record, item by item, or Department by Department, to different bidders, or, as a whole, to the lowest responsible bidder in the aggregate—unless there be an item involving more than five hundred dollars, or several items each involving the expenditure of a like sum, in which case a contract or contracts will be made with the lowest bidder or bidders on such item or items, and the contract for the remainder of the work for the Department will be awarded to the bidder ascertained to be lowest after the deduction of such item or items. The bids must, therefore, be in detail on the items required for a Department or Court, and also the aggregate bid for such Department or Court on which bids are offered.

The printed or lithographed blanks, etc., must be folded, and be put up in packages by the contractors, according to the directions of the Supervisor of the City Record.

The contractor, or contractors, must complete the delivery of the blanks, etc., at the office of the City Record within ninety (90) days from the execution of the contract or contracts, unless the work is delayed by a Court, Department, Board or Bureau. From the operations of this rule are excepted the calculation cards for the Department of Taxes, and other blanks, "copy" for which cannot be prepared until the tax rate for 1897 has been fixed. Provision will be made for payment of a proportionate part of the contract price, when it shall appear that the contractor has done his work, until temporary stayed by the inability of a Department, etc., to furnish "copy."

As many of the printed forms will be made worthless by typographical errors, or by mistakes in the preparation of samples, proofs must be furnished.

Particular care must be taken that the names of the new incumbents of offices are put upon the blanks.

The delivery of the work must begin within five days from the execution of the contracts, and be continued in such a manner that the immediate needs of the Department shall be supplied.

For particulars as to the quantities and kinds of Printing and Lithographing, reference must be had to the samples and specifications on file in the Department of Public Works or in the office of the City Record, No. 2, City Hall. The kinds of paper to be used are indicated on the samples. Copies of the specifications may be procured from the Supervisor of the City Record.

By order of

WILLIAM L. STRONG, Mayor; FRANCIS M. SCOTT, Counsel to the Corporation; C. H. T. COLLIS, Commissioner of Public Works.

JOHN A. SLEICHER, Supervisor of the City Record.

DAMAGE COMM.—23-24 WARDS.

PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF CHAPTER 537 OF THE LAWS OF 1893, ENTITLED "AN ACT PROVIDING FOR ASCERTAINING AND PAYING THE AMOUNT OF DAMAGES TO LANDS AND BUILDINGS SUFFERED BY REASON OF CHANGES OF GRADE OF STREETS OR AVENUES, MADE PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 721 OF THE LAWS OF 1887, PROVIDING FOR THE DEPRESSION OF RAILROAD TRACKS IN THE TWENTY-THIRD AND TWENTY-FOURTH WARDS, IN THE CITY OF NEW YORK, OR OTHERWISE," AND THE ACTS AMENDATORY THEREOF AND SUPPLEMENTAL THERETO, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, THAT PUBLIC MEETINGS OF THE COMMISSIONERS, APPOINTED PURSUANT TO SAID ACTS, WILL BE HELD AT ROOM 58, SCHERERHORN BUILDING, No. 96 Broadway, in the City of New York, on Monday, Wednesday and Friday of each week, at 2 o'clock P. M., until further notice.

Dated New York, October 30, 1896.
DANIEL LORD, JAMES M. VARNUM, GEORGE W. STEPHENS, Commissioners.
LAMONT McLOUGHLIN, Clerk.

DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS.

DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS, No. 220 FOURTH AVENUE, NEW YORK, June 23, 1896.

NOTICE TO OWNERS, ARCHITECTS AND BUILDERS.

THE DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS HAS established a branch office at junction of Third and Courtlandt avenues, where all plans for the erection or alteration of buildings above the Harlem river may be submitted and filed.

STEVENS CONSTANCE, Superintendent Buildings.

SUPREME COURT.

In the matter of the application of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title, wherever the same has not been heretofore acquired, to the lands, tenements and hereditaments required for the purpose of opening McCLELLAN STREET, (although not yet named by proper authority), from Jerome avenue to Morris avenue, as the same has been heretofore laid out and designated as a first-class street or road, in the Twenty-third Ward of the City of New York.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT WE, THE undersigned, were appointed by an order of the Supreme Court, bearing date the 27th day of October, 1896, Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment for the purpose of making a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the loss and damage, if any, or of the benefit and advantage, if any, as the case may be, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled unto or interested in the lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises required for the purpose by and in consequence of opening the above-mentioned street or avenue, the same being particularly set forth and described in the petition of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, and also in the notice of the application for the said order thereto attached, filed herein in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New York on the 14th day of November, 1896, and a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the value of the benefit and advantage of said street or avenue so to be opened or laid out and formed, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled unto or interested in the said respective lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises not required for the purpose of opening, laying out and forming the same, but benefited thereby, and of ascertaining and defining the extent and boundaries of the respective tracts or parcels of land to be taken or to be assessed therefor, and of performing the trusts and duties required of us by chapter 16, title 5, of the act entitled "An act to consolidate into one act and to declare the special and local laws affecting public interests in the City of New York," passed July 1, 1882, and the acts or parts of acts in addition thereto or amendatory thereof.

All parties and persons interested in the real estate taken or to be taken for the purpose of opening the said street or avenue, or affected thereby, and having any claim or demand on account thereof, are hereby required to present the same, duly verified, to us, the undersigned Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment, at our office, Nos. 90 and 92 West Broadway, ninth floor, in the City of New York, with such affidavits or other proofs as the said owners or claimants may desire, within twenty days after the date of this notice.

And we, the said Commissioners, will be in attendance at our said office on the 28th day of December, 1896, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon of that day, to hear the said parties and persons in relation thereto, and at such time and place, and at such further or other time and place as we may appoint, we will hear such owners in relation thereto and examine the proofs of such claimant or claimants, or such additional proofs and allegations as may then be offered by such owner or on behalf of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York.

Dated New York, December 3, 1896.
AUGUST H. DIEHL, J. ASPINWALL HODGE, JR., MICHAEL COLEMAN, Commissioners.
JOHN P. DUNN, Clerk.

In the matter of the application of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title, wherever the same has not been heretofore acquired, to the lands, tenements and hereditaments required for the purpose of opening CLARKE PLACE (although not yet named by proper authority), from Jerome avenue to the Concourse, as the same has been heretofore laid out and designated as a first-class street or road, in the Twenty-third Ward of the City of New York.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT WE, THE undersigned, were appointed by an order of the Supreme Court, bearing date the 27th day of October, 1896, Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment for the purpose of making a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the loss and damage, if any, or of the benefit and advantage, if any, as the case may be, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled unto or interested in the lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises required for the purpose by and in consequence of opening the above-mentioned street or avenue, the same being particularly set forth and described in the petition of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, and also in the notice of the application for the said order thereto attached, filed herein in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New York on the 14th day of November, 1896, and a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the value of the benefit and advantage of said street or avenue so to be opened or laid out and formed, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled unto or interested in the said respective lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises not required for the purpose of opening, laying out and forming the same, but benefited thereby, and of ascertaining and defining the extent and boundaries of the respective tracts or parcels of land to be taken or to be assessed therefor, and of performing the trusts and duties required of us by chapter 16, title 5, of the act entitled "An act to consolidate into one act and to declare the special and local laws affecting public interests in the City of New York," passed July 1, 1882, and the acts or parts of acts in addition thereto or amendatory thereof.

All parties and persons interested in the real estate taken or to be taken for the purpose of opening the said street or avenue, or affected thereby, and having any claim or demand on account thereof, are hereby required to present the same, duly verified, to us, the undersigned Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment, at our office, Nos. 90 and 92 West Broadway, ninth floor, in the City of New York, with such affidavits or other proofs as the said owners or claimants may desire, within twenty days after the date of this notice.

And we, the said Commissioners, will be in attendance at our said office on the 28th day of December, 1896, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon of that day, to hear the said parties and persons in relation thereto, and at such time and place, and at such further or other time and place as we may appoint, we will hear such owners in relation thereto and examine the proofs of such claimant or claimants, or such additional proofs and allegations as may then be offered by such owner or on behalf of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York.

Dated New York, December 3, 1896.
FRANCIS D. HOYT, WILLIAM M. LAWRENCE, LAWRENCE GODKIN, Commissioners.
JOHN P. DUNN, Clerk.

In the matter of the application of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title, wherever the same has not been heretofore acquired, to the lands, tenements and hereditaments required for the purpose of opening EAST ONE

HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-EIGHTH STREET, formerly Mechanic street (although not yet named by proper authority), from the Southern Boulevard to Boston road, as the same has been heretofore laid out and designated as a first-class street or road, in the Twenty-fourth Ward of the City of New York.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT WE, THE undersigned, were appointed by an order of the Supreme Court, bearing date the 14th day of October, 1896, Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment for the purpose of making a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the loss and damage, if any, or of the benefit and advantage, if any, as the case may be, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled unto or interested in the lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises required for the purpose by and in consequence of opening the above-mentioned street or avenue, the same being particularly set forth and described in the petition of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, and also in the notice of the application for the said order thereto attached, filed herein in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New York on the 14th day of November, 1896, and a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the value of the benefit and advantage of said street or avenue so to be opened or laid out and formed, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled unto or interested in the said respective lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises not required for the purpose of opening, laying out and forming the same, but benefited thereby, and of ascertaining and defining the extent and boundaries of the respective tracts or parcels of land to be taken or to be assessed therefor, and of performing the trusts and duties required of us by chapter 16, title 5, of the act entitled "An act to consolidate into one act and to declare the special and local laws affecting public interests in the City of New York," passed July 1, 1882, and the acts or parts of acts in addition thereto or amendatory thereof.

All parties and persons interested in the real estate taken or to be taken for the purpose of opening the said street or avenue, or affected thereby, and having any claim or demand on account thereof, are hereby required to present the same, duly verified, to us, the undersigned Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment, at our office, Nos. 90 and 92 West Broadway, ninth floor, in the City of New York, with such affidavits or other proofs as the said owners or claimants may desire, within twenty days after the date of this notice.

And we, the said Commissioners, will be in attendance at our said office on the 28th day of December, 1896, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon of that day, to hear the said parties and persons in relation thereto, and at such time and place, and at such further or other time and place as we may appoint, we will hear such owners in relation thereto and examine the proofs of such claimant or claimants, or such additional proofs and allegations as may then be offered by such owner or on behalf of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York.

Dated New York, December 3, 1896.
FIELDING L. MARSHALL, A. P. W. KINNAN, FRANCIS J. THOMSON, Commissioners.
HENRY DE FOREST BALDWIN, Clerk.

In the matter of the application of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title, wherever the same has not been heretofore acquired, to the lands, tenements and hereditaments required for the purpose of opening EAST ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-SIXTH STREET (although not yet named by proper authority), from Webster avenue to Third avenue, as the same has been heretofore laid out and designated as a first-class street or road, in the Twenty-fourth Ward of the City of New York.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT WE, THE undersigned, were appointed by an order of the Supreme Court, bearing date the 14th day of October, 1896, Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment for the purpose of making a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the loss and damage, if any, or of the benefit and advantage, if any, as the case may be, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled unto or interested in the lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises required for the purpose by and in consequence of opening the above-mentioned street or avenue, the same being particularly set forth and described in the petition of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, and also in the notice of the application for the said order thereto attached, filed herein in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New York on the 14th day of November, 1896, and a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the value of the benefit and advantage of said street or avenue so to be opened or laid out and formed, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled unto or interested in the said respective lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises not required for the purpose of opening, laying out and forming the same, but benefited thereby, and of ascertaining and defining the extent and boundaries of the respective tracts or parcels of land to be taken or to be assessed therefor, and of performing the trusts and duties required of us by chapter 16, title 5, of the act entitled "An act to consolidate into one act and to declare the special and local laws affecting public interests in the City of New York," passed July 1, 1882, and the acts or parts of acts in addition thereto or amendatory thereof.

All parties and persons interested in the real estate taken or to be taken for the purpose of opening the said street or avenue, or affected thereby, and having any claim or demand on account thereof, are hereby required to present the same, duly verified, to us, the undersigned Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment, at our office, Nos. 90 and 92 West Broadway, ninth floor, in the City of New York, with such affidavits or other proofs as the said owners or claimants may desire, within twenty days after the date of this notice.

And we, the said Commissioners, will be in attendance at our said office on the 28th day of December, 1896, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon of that day, to hear the said parties and persons in relation thereto, and at such time and place, and at such further or other time and place as we may appoint, we will hear such owners in relation thereto and examine the proofs of such claimant or claimants, or such additional proofs and allegations as may then be offered by such owner, or on behalf of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York.

Dated New York, December 3, 1896.
WILLIS FOWLER, WILLIAM M. LAWRENCE, JOHN LERCH, Commissioners.
HENRY DE FOREST BALDWIN, Clerk.

In the matter of the application of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title, wherever the same has not been heretofore acquired, to the lands, tenements and hereditaments required for the purpose of opening MARCY PLACE (although not yet named by proper authority), from Jerome avenue to the Concourse, as the same has been heretofore laid out and designated as a first-class street or road, in the Twenty-third Ward of the City of New York.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT WE, THE undersigned, were appointed by an order of the Supreme Court, bearing date the 27th day of October, 1896, Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment for the purpose of making a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the loss and damage, if any, or of the benefit and advantage, if any, as the case may be, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled unto or interested in the lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises required for the purpose by and in consequence of opening the above-mentioned street or avenue, the same being particularly set forth and described in the petition of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, and also in the notice of the application for the said order thereto attached, filed herein in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New York on the 14th day of November, 1896, and a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the value of the benefit and advantage of said street or avenue so to be opened

Twenty-fourth Ward of the City of New York.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT WE, THE undersigned, were appointed by an order of the Supreme Court, bearing date the 14th day of October,

1896, Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment for the purpose of making a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the loss and damage, if any, or of the benefit and advantage, if any, as the case may be, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled unto or interested in the lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises required for the purpose by and in consequence of opening the above-mentioned street or avenue, the same being particularly set forth and described in the petition of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, and also in the notice of the application for the said order thereto attached, filed herein in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New York on the 14th day of November, 1896, and a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the value of the benefit and advantage of said street or avenue so to be opened or laid out and formed, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled unto or interested in the said respective lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises not required for the purpose of opening, laying out and forming the same, but benefited thereby, and of ascertaining and defining the extent and boundaries of the respective tracts or parcels of land to be taken or to be assessed therefor, and of performing the trusts and duties required of us by chapter 16, title 5, of the act entitled "An act to consolidate into one act and to declare the special and local laws affecting public interests in the City of New York," passed July 1, 1882, and the acts or parts of acts in addition thereto or amendatory thereof.

All parties and persons interested in the real estate taken or to be taken for the purpose of opening the said street or avenue, or affected thereby, and having any claim or demand on account thereof, are hereby required to present the same, duly verified, to us, the undersigned Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment, at our office, Nos. 90 and 92 West Broadway, ninth floor, in the City of New York, with such affidavits or other proofs as the said owners or claimants may desire, within twenty days after the date of this notice.

And we, the said Commissioners, will be in attendance at our said office on the 17th day of December, 1896, at 10.30 o'clock in the forenoon of that day, to hear the said parties and persons in relation thereto, and at such time and place, and at such further or other time and place as we may appoint, we will hear such owners in relation thereto and examine the proofs of such claimant or claimants, or such additional proofs and allegations as may then be offered by such owner, or on behalf of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York.

Dated New York, November 23, 1896.
ARTHUR BERRY, CHAS. H. CRONIN, JULIAN B. SHOPE, Commissioners.
JOHN P. DUNN, Clerk.

In the matter of the application of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title, wherever the same has not been heretofore acquired, to the lands, tenements and hereditaments required for the purpose of opening the City of New York, or any right, title or interest therein not extinguishable by public authority mentioned and described in the first section of an act entitled "An act to provide for an addition to Riverside Park, in the City of New York," being chapter 727 of the Laws of 1896.

PURSUANT TO THE STATUTES IN SUCH cases made and provided, notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the Supreme Court of the State of New York, at a Special Term of said Court to be held at Part I. thereof, in the County Court-house, in the City of New York, on Monday, the 7th day of December, 1896, at the opening of the Court on that day, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon, for the appointment of Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment in the above-entitled matter. The nature and extent of the improvement hereby intended is the acquisition of title by The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, for the use of the public, to all the real estate not owned by The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, or any right, title or interest therein not extinguishable by public authority, mentioned and described in the first section of an act entitled "An act to provide for an addition to Riverside Park, in the City of New York," being chapter 727 of the Laws of 1896, being the following-described lots, pieces or parcels of land, viz.:

Beginning at the northeasterly corner of One Hundred and Twenty-second street and Riverside avenue, and running thence northerly along the easterly side of Riverside avenue for a distance of 450 feet; thence easterly and parallel with One Hundred and Twenty-second street for a distance of 200 feet to the westerly side of the avenue known as Claremont avenue; thence southerly along the westerly side of Claremont avenue for a distance of 450 feet to the northerly side of One Hundred and Twenty-second street; thence westerly along the northerly side of One Hundred and Twenty-second street for a distance of 200 feet to the Riverside avenue to the point or place of beginning.

Dated New York, November 23, 1896.
FRANCIS M. SCOTT, Counsel to the Corporation,
No. 2 Tryon Row, New York City.

In the matter of the application of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title, wherever the same has not been heretofore acquired, to the lands, tenements and hereditaments required for the purpose of opening PARK STREET, although not yet named by proper authority, from East One Hundred and Forty-ninth street to Westchester avenue, as the same has been heretofore laid out and designated as a first-class street or road, in the Twenty-third Ward of the City of New York.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT WE, THE undersigned, were appointed by an order of the Supreme Court, bearing date the 14th day of October, 1896, Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment for the purpose of making a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the loss and damage, if any, or of the benefit and advantage, if any, as the case may be, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled unto or interested in the lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises required for the purpose by and in consequence of opening the above-mentioned street or avenue, the same being particularly set forth and described in the petition of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, and also in the notice of the application for the said order thereto attached, filed herein in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New York on the 14th day of November, 1896, and a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the value of the benefit and advantage of said street or avenue so to be opened or laid out and formed, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled unto or interested in the said respective lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises not required for the purpose of opening, laying out and forming the same, but benefited thereby, and of ascertaining and defining the extent and boundaries of the respective tracts or parcels of land to be taken or to be assessed therefor, and of performing the trusts and duties required of us by chapter 16, title 5, of the act entitled "An act to consolidate into one act and to declare the special and local laws affecting public interests in the City of New York," passed July 1, 1882, and the acts or parts of acts in addition thereto or amendatory thereof.

All parties and persons interested in the real estate taken or to be taken for the purpose of opening the said street or avenue, or affected thereby, and having any claim or demand on account thereof, are hereby required to present the same, duly verified, to us, the undersigned Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment, at our office, Nos. 90 and 92 West Broadway, ninth floor, in the City of New York, with such affidavits or other proofs as the said owners or claimants may desire, within twenty days after the date of this notice.

And we, the said Commissioners, will be in attendance at our said office on the 17th day of December, 1896, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon of that day, to hear the said parties and persons in relation thereto, and at such

time and place, and at such further or other time and place as we may appoint, we will hear such owners in relation thereto and examine the proofs of such claimant or claimants, or such additional proofs and allegations as may then be offered by such owner or on behalf of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York.

Dated New York, November 23, 1896.
ARTHUR BERRY, GEO. E. HYATT, MARTIN S. COHEN, Commissioners.
JOHN P. DUNN, Clerk.

In the matter of the application of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title, wherever the same has not been heretofore acquired, to the lands, tenements and hereditaments required for the purpose of opening TUDOR PLACE (although not yet named by proper authority), from Walton avenue to the Concourse, as the same has been heretofore laid out and designated as a first-class street or road, in the Twenty-third Ward of the City of New York.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT WE, THE undersigned, were appointed by an order of the Supreme Court, bearing date the 27th day of October, 1896, Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment for the purpose of making a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the loss and damage, if any, or of the benefit and advantage, if any, as the case may be, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled unto or interested in the lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises required for the purpose by and in consequence of opening the above-mentioned street or avenue, the same being particularly set forth and described in the petition of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, and also in the notice of the application for the said order thereto attached, filed herein in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New York on the 14th day of November, 1896, and a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the value of the benefit and advantage of said street or avenue so to be opened or laid out and formed, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled unto or interested in the said respective lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises not required for the purpose of opening, laying out and forming the same, but benefited thereby, and of ascertaining and defining the extent and boundaries of the respective tracts or parcels of land to be taken or to be assessed therefor, and of performing the trusts and duties required of us by chapter 16, title 5, of the act entitled "An act to consolidate into one act and to declare the special and local laws affecting public interests in the City of New York," passed July 1, 1882, and the acts or parts of acts in addition thereto or amendatory thereof.

All parties and persons interested in the real estate taken or to be taken for the purpose of opening the said street or avenue, or affected thereby, and having any claim or demand on account thereof, are hereby required to present the same, duly verified, to us, the undersigned Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment, at our office, Nos. 90 and 92 West Broadway, ninth floor, in the City of New York, with such affidavits or other proofs as the said owners or claimants may desire, within twenty days after the date of this notice.

And we, the said Commissioners, will be in attendance at our said office on the 17th day of December, 1896, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon of that day, to hear the said parties and persons in relation thereto, and at such time and place, and at such further or other time and place as we may appoint, we will hear such owners in relation thereto and examine the proofs of such claimant or claimants, or such additional proofs and allegations as may then be offered by such owner or on behalf of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York.

Dated New York, November 23, 1896.
EDWARD S. KAUFMAN, JACOB KATZ, ROBT. L. WENSLEY, Commissioners.
HENRY DE FOREST BALDWIN, Clerk.

In the matter of the application of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title, wherever the same has not been heretofore acquired, to the lands, tenements and hereditaments required for the purpose of opening ST. ANN'S AVENUE, (although not yet named by proper authority), from East One Hundred and Thirtieth street to East One Hundred and Thirtieth street, as the same has been heretofore laid out and designated as a first-class street or road, in the Twenty-third Ward of the City of New York.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT WE, THE undersigned, were appointed by an order of the Supreme Court, bearing date the 14th day of October, 1896, Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment for the purpose of making a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the loss and damage, if any, or of the benefit and advantage, if any, as the case may be, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled unto or interested in the lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises required for the purpose by and in consequence of opening the above-mentioned street or avenue, the same being particularly set forth and described in the petition of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, and also in the notice of the application for the said order thereto attached, filed herein in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New York on the 14th day of November, 1896, and a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the value of the benefit and advantage of said street or avenue so to be opened or laid out and formed, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled unto or interested in the said respective lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises not required for the purpose of opening, laying out and forming the same, but benefited thereby, and of ascertaining and defining the extent and boundaries of the respective tracts or parcels of land to be taken or to be assessed therefor, and of performing the trusts and duties required of us by chapter 16, title 5, of the act entitled "An act to consolidate into one act and to declare the special and local laws affecting public interests in the City of New York," passed July 1, 1882, and the acts or parts of acts in addition thereto or amendatory thereof.

All parties and persons interested in the real estate taken or to be taken for the purpose of opening the said street or avenue, or affected thereby, and having any claim or demand on account thereof, are hereby required to present the same, duly verified, to us, the undersigned Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment, at our office, Nos. 90 and 92 West Broadway, ninth floor, in the City of New York, with such affidavits or other proofs as the said owners or claimants may desire, within twenty days after the date of this notice.

And we, the said Commissioners, will be in attendance at our said office on the 17th day of December, 1896, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon of that day, to hear the said parties and persons in relation thereto, and at such time and place, and at such further or other time and place as we may appoint, we will hear such owners in relation thereto and examine the proofs of such claimant or claimants, or such additional proofs and allegations as may then be offered by such owner or on behalf of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York.

Dated New York, November 23, 1896.
WM. L. STONE, JR., A. P. W. KINNAN, PETER P. BRADY, Commissioners.
HENRY DE FOREST BALDWIN, Clerk.

In the matter of the application of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title, wherever the same has not been heretofore acquired, to the lands, tenements and hereditaments required for the purpose of opening PERRY AVENUE, (although not yet named by proper authority), extending from the Southern Boulevard to Moshulu Parkway, in the Twenty-fourth Ward of the City of New York, as the same has been heretofore laid out and designated as a first-class street or road.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BILL of costs, charges and expenses incurred by reason of the proceedings in the above-entitled matter, will

be presented for taxation to one of the Justices of the Supreme Court, at a Special Term thereof, Part I., to be held in and for the City and County of New York, at the County Court-house, in the City of New York, on the 11th day of December, 1896, at 10.30 o'clock in the forenoon of that day, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon, and that the said bill of costs, charges and expenses has been deposited in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New York, there to remain for and during the space of ten days, as required by law.

Dated New York, November 27, 1896.
LLOYD McKIM GARRISON, J. DE COURCEY
RELAND, WILLIAM M. LAWRENCE, Commissioners.
HENRY DE FOREST BALDWIN, Clerk.

In the matter of the application of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title, wherever the same has not been heretofore acquired, to the lands, tenements and hereditaments required for the purpose of opening CLINTON AVENUE (although not yet named by proper authority), from Boston road and East One Hundred and Sixty-ninth street to Crotona Park, in the Twenty-third Ward of the City of New York, as the same has been heretofore laid out and designated as a first-class street or road.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BILL of costs, charges and expenses incurred by reason of the proceedings in the above-entitled matter, will be presented for taxation to one of the Justices of the Supreme Court, at a Special Term thereof, Part I., to be held in and for the City and County of New York, at the County Court-house, in the City of New York, on the 10th day of December, 1896, at 10.30 o'clock in the forenoon of that day, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon, and that the said bill of costs, charges and expenses has been deposited in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New York, there to remain for and during the space of ten days, as required by law.

Dated New York, November 24, 1896.
HORACE H. CHITTENDEN, CHARLES D. BURRILL, BOUDINOT KEITH, Commissioners.
HENRY DE FOREST BALDWIN, Clerk.

In the matter of the application of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title, wherever the same has not been heretofore acquired, to the lands, tenements and hereditaments required for the purpose of opening and extending EAST ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-THIRD STREET (although not yet named by proper authority), from Webster avenue to Third avenue, as the same has been heretofore laid out and designated as a first-class street or road, in the Twenty-fourth Ward of the City of New York.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BILL of costs, charges and expenses incurred by reason of the proceedings in the above-entitled matter, will be presented for taxation to one of the Justices of the Supreme Court, at a Special Term thereof, Part I., to be held in and for the City and County of New York, at the County Court-house, in the City of New York, on the 9th day of December, 1896, at 10.30 o'clock in the forenoon of that day, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon, and that the said bill of costs, charges and expenses has been deposited in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New York, there to remain for and during the space of ten days, as required by law.

Dated New York, November 20, 1896.
JOHN FRANKENHEIMER, WALTER J. BURKE, JEREMIAH PANGBURN, Commissioners.
JOHN P. DUNN, Clerk.

In the matter of the application of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title, wherever the same has not been heretofore acquired, to the lands, tenements and hereditaments required for the purpose of opening LORING PLACE (although not yet named by proper authority), from University avenue to Hampden street, as the same has been heretofore laid out and designated as a first-class street or road, in the Twenty-fourth Ward of the City of New York.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BILL of costs, charges and expenses incurred by reason of the proceedings in the above-entitled matter will be presented for taxation to one of the Justices of the Supreme Court, at a Special Term thereof, Part I., to be held in and for the City and County of New York, at the County Court-house, in the City of New York, on the 9th day of December, 1896, at 10.30 o'clock in the forenoon of that day, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon, and that the said bill of costs, charges and expenses has been deposited in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New York, there to remain for and during the space of ten days, as required by law.

Dated New York, November 20, 1896.
WM. J. AMEND, JOHN A. O'CONNOR,
ARTHUR C. BUITS, Commissioners.
JOHN P. DUNN, Clerk.

In the matter of the application of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title, wherever the same has not been heretofore acquired, to the lands, tenements and hereditaments required for the purpose of opening Tenth Avenue (although not yet named by proper authority), between the lines of Academy street and Kingsbridge road, in the Twelfth Ward of the City of New York.

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED COMMISSIONERS of Estimate and Assessment in the above-entitled matter, hereby give notice to all persons interested in this proceeding, and to the owner or owners, occupant or occupants of all houses and lots and improved and unimproved lands affected thereby, and to all others whom it may concern, to wit:

First—That we have completed our estimate and assessment, and that all persons interested in this proceeding, or in any of the lands affected thereby, and having objections thereto, do present their said objections, in writing, duly verified, to us, at our office, Nos. 90 and 92 West Broadway, ninth floor, in said city, on or before the 21st day of December, 1896, and that we, the said Commissioners, will hear parties so objecting within the ten week-days next after the said 21st day of December, 1896, and for that purpose will be in attendance at our said office on each of said ten days at 2 o'clock p.m.

Second—That the abstract of our said estimate and assessment, together with our damage and benefit maps, and also all the affidavits, estimates and other documents used by us in making our report, have been deposited in the Department of Public Works of the City of New York, No. 150 Nassau street, in the said city, there to remain until the 22d day of December, 1896.

Third—That the limits of our assessment for benefit include all those lots, pieces or parcels of land situate, lying and being in the City of New York, which taken together are bounded and described as follows, viz.: On the north by the bulkhead-line Harlem river; on the south by the northerly side of Academy street; on the east by the westerly side of Ninth avenue, from the bulkhead-line Harlem river, to the middle line of the block between Two Hundred and Tenth street and Two Hundred and Eleventh street, and thence by the middle line of the blocks between Ninth avenue and Tenth avenue to the northerly side of Academy street, and on the west by a line drawn parallel to Kingsbridge road and distant about 200 feet westerly from the westerly side thereof from the bulkhead-line Harlem river to the southerly side of Two Hundred and Fourteenth street produced; thence by the easterly side of Kingsbridge road to the northerly side of Two Hundred and Twelfth street; thence by a line drawn parallel to Tenth avenue and distant about 300 feet westerly from the westerly side thereof to a line drawn parallel to Two Hundred and Eleventh street and distant about 100 feet southerly from the southerly side thereof, and thence by a line drawn parallel to Tenth avenue and distant about 250 feet westerly from the westerly side thereof to the

northerly side of Academy street; excepting from said area all streets, avenues, roads, or portions thereof, heretofore legally opened, as such area is shown upon our benefit map deposited as aforesaid.

Fourth—That our report herein will be presented to a Special Term of the Supreme Court, Part III., of the State of New York, to be held in and for the City and County of New York, at the County Court-house, in the City of New York, on the 25th day of January, 1897, at the opening of the Court on that day, and that then and there, or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard thereon, a motion will be made that the said report be confirmed.

Dated New York, September 28, 1896.
THOS. C. T. CRAIN, Chairman; SAMUEL W. MILBANK, WILLIAM T. GRAY, Commissioners.
JOHN P. DUNN, Clerk.

In the matter of the application of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title to certain pieces or parcels of land for a Public Park, at Twenty-seventh and Twenty-eighth streets, between Ninth and Tenth avenues, in the Twelfth Ward of the City of New York, as selected, located, laid out and established by the Board of Street Opening and Improvement of the City of New York, under and in pursuance of chapter 300 of Laws of 1887, as amended by chapter 69 of the Laws of 1895.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT WE, THE undersigned, were appointed by an order of the Supreme Court, bearing date the 4th day of September, 1896, Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment for the purpose of making a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the loss and damage, if any, or of the benefit and advantage, if any, as the case may be, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled unto or interested in the lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises required for the purpose by and in consequence of opening the above-mentioned park, the same being particularly set forth and described in the petition of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, and also in the notice of the application for said order thereto attached, filed herein in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New York on or about the 9th day of October, 1896, and a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the value of the benefit and advantage of said park so to be opened or laid out and formed, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled unto or interested in the said respective lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises not required for the purpose of opening, laying out and forming the same, but benefited thereby, and of performing the trusts and duties required of us by chapter 300 of the Laws of 1887, passed May 13, 1887, entitled "An act to provide for the location, acquisition, construction and improvement of additional public parks in the City of New York," and the acts or parts of acts in addition thereto or amendatory thereof. The area of assessment in said proceeding has been fixed as being bounded on the north by Thirtieth street, on the south by Twentieth street, on the east by the Eighth avenue, on the west by the Hudson river.

All parties and persons interested in the real estate taken or to be taken for the purpose of opening the said park, or affected thereby, and having any claim or demand on account thereof, are hereby required to present the same, duly verified, to us, the undersigned Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment, at our office, Room 1, fourth floor, No. 2 Tryon Row, in the City of New York, with such affidavits or other proofs as the said owners or claimants may desire, within twenty days after the date of this notice.

And we, the said Commissioners, will be in attendance at our said office on the 11th day of December, 1896, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon of that day, to hear the said parties and persons in relation thereto, and at such time and place, and at such further or other time and place as we may appoint, we will hear such owners in relation thereto and examine the proofs of such claimant or claimants, or such additional proofs and allegations as may then be offered by such owner or on behalf of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York.

Dated New York, November 9, 1896.
THOMAS COSTIGAN, WILLIAM HALPIN,
JOHN JORDAN, JR., Commissioners.
FRANCIS W. COLES, JR., Clerk.

In the matter of the application of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, relative to acquiring title, wherever the same has not been heretofore acquired, to the lands, tenements and hereditaments required for the purpose of opening KINGSBRIDGE ROAD (although not yet named by proper authority), from Webster avenue to the Harlem river, as the same has been heretofore laid out and designated as a first-class street or road in the Twenty-fourth Ward of the City of New York.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT WE, THE undersigned, were appointed by an order of the Supreme Court, bearing date the 26th day of October, 1896, Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment for the purpose of making a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the loss and damage, if any, or of the benefit and advantage, if any, as the case may be, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled unto or interested in the lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises required for the purpose by and in consequence of opening the above-mentioned street or avenue, the same being particularly set forth and described in the petition of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, and also in the notice of the application for the said order thereto attached, filed herein in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New York on the 14th day of November, 1896, and a just and equitable estimate and assessment of the value of the benefit and advantage of said street or avenue so to be opened or laid out and formed, to the respective owners, lessees, parties and persons respectively entitled unto or interested in the said respective lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises not required for the purpose of opening, laying out and forming the same, but benefited thereby, and of ascertaining and defining the extent and boundaries of the respective tracts or parcels of land to be taken or to be assessed therefor, and of performing the trusts and duties required of us by chapter 16, title 5, of the act entitled "An act to consolidate into one act and to declare the special and local laws affecting public interests in the City of New York," passed July 1, 1882, and the acts or parts of acts in addition thereto or amendatory thereof.

All parties and persons interested in the real estate taken or to be taken for the purpose of opening the said street or avenue, or affected thereby, and having any claim or demand on account thereof, are hereby required to present the same, duly verified, to us, the undersigned Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment, at our office, Nos. 90 and 92 West Broadway, ninth floor, in the City of New York, with such affidavits or other proofs as the said owners or claimants may desire, within twenty days after the date of this notice.

And we, the said Commissioners, will be in attendance at our said office on the 18th day of December, 1896, at 10.30 o'clock in the forenoon of that day, to hear the said parties and persons in relation thereto, and at such time and place, and at such further or other time and place as we may appoint, we will hear such owners in relation thereto and examine the proofs of such claimant or claimants, or such additional proofs and allegations as may then be offered by such owner or on behalf of The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York.

Dated New York, November 24, 1896.
HENRY L. NELSON, WM. J. BROWNE, H. B. CLOSSON, Commissioners.
JOHN P. DUNN, Clerk.

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