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BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

TUESDAY, July 21, 1874, 1
2 o'clock, P. M.

The Board met in their chamber, No. 15 City Hall.

PRESENT :

ALDERMEN

Oliver P. C. Billings, George Koch,
Stephen V. R. Cooper, Robert McCafferty,
John Falconer, John J. Morris,
Richard Flanagan, Oswald Ottendorfer,
Edward Gilon, John Reilly.
Peter Kehr,

The President being absent, on motion of Alderman Morris, Alderman Cooper was appointed President *pro tem.*

On motion of Alderman McCafferty, the reading of the minutes of the meetings of July 8 and 10 were dispensed with.

PETITIONS.

By Alderman Billings—

Petition of the Law Telegraph Company to place certain telegraph instruments connected by wires to lines outside in the court-houses and Register's office.

Which was laid over.

By Alderman Kehr—

Petition of the members of the German Saloon-keepers' Association, requesting the repeal of the ordinance imposing a special tax for Croton water used at the various business places of the same.

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Works.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Alderman McCafferty moved that when the Board adjourns, it do so to meet on Thursday, September 3, 1874, at 2 o'clock P. M.

The President *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion.

Which was decided in the affirmative.

By Alderman Billings—

Resolved, That permission be and is hereby given to the Law Telegraph Company to place in each of the court-houses in this city, and in the office of the Register, a telegraph instrument, to occupy a space therein not exceeding four square feet, under the direction and supervision of the Commissioner of Public Works, provided such instrument, and the wires connected therewith, shall not obstruct or interfere with the regular business of the courts, nor injure or deface the walls; and that the permission hereby given shall continue only during the pleasure of the proper authorities.

Alderman McCafferty moved to refer to the Committee on Public Works.

The President *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion.

Which was decided in the negative by the following vote:

Affirmative—Aldermen Gilon, Kehr, Koch, and McCafferty—4.

Negative—Aldermen Billings, Cooper, Falconer, Flanagan, Morris, Ottendorfer, and Reilly—7.

The President *pro tem.* then put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution.

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—Aldermen Billings, Cooper, Falconer, Flanagan, Kehr, Morris, Ottendorfer, and Reilly—8.

Negative—Aldermen Gilon, Koch, and McCafferty—3.

And the same was directed to be sent to his Honor the Mayor for approval.

By Alderman Gilon—

Resolved, That Galen C. Thatcher and Charles L. Thatcher be and they are hereby appointed as Commissioners of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in the places, respectively, of John McDonough and Michael Meehan, whose terms of office have expired.

The President *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution.

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—Aldermen Billings, Cooper, Falconer, Flanagan, Gilon, Kehr, Koch, McCafferty, Morris, Ottendorfer, and Reilly—11.

And the same was directed to be sent to the Board of Assistant Aldermen for concurrence.

By Alderman Morris—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Messrs. Berch, Wambold & Backus to erect two ornamental lamps in front of their premises No. 1195 Broadway, the gas to be supplied by their own meter, and 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 *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution.

Which was decided in the affirmative.

And the same was directed to be sent to the Board of Assistant Aldermen for concurrence.

By Alderman Flanagan—

Resolved, That permission be and is hereby given to Robert G. Dunn, to erect and keep a bay-window on the Thirty-sixth street front of the building on the corner of Madison avenue and Thirty-sixth street, as shown on the annexed petition and diagram, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; the permission hereby given to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

The President *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution.

Which was decided in the affirmative.

And the same was directed to be sent to the Board of Assistant Aldermen for concurrence.

By the same—

Resolved, That permission be and is hereby given to Mary A. Dubois, First Directress of the Nursery and Childs' Hospital, to release that portion of land contained in a perpetual lease, made by the City of New York, to the said Nursery and Childs' Hospital, described on a map or diagram accompanying a petition of the said Mary A. Dubois, being the northeast corner of Fifty-first street and Lexington avenue, twenty-three feet three inches on Fifty-first street, and thirty-four feet eleven inches on Lexington avenue, the said release shall not impair, alter or affect in any wise the lease now existing between the City of New York and the said Nursery and Childs' Hospital.

The President *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution.

Which was decided in the affirmative.

And the same was directed to be sent to the Board of Assistant Aldermen for concurrence.

By the same—

Resolved, That Richard Seybold be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place and stead of Charles Schneider, whose term has expired.

The President *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution.

Which was decided in the affirmative.

And the same was directed to be sent to the Board of Assistant Aldermen for concurrence.

By the same—

Resolved, That permission be and is hereby given to Louis Gerhken to place a watering-trough in front of his premises, situated on the northwest corner of Spring and Thompson streets, at his own expense and under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and such permission hereby given to remain only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

The President *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution.

Which was decided in the affirmative.

And the same was directed to be sent to the Board of Assistant Aldermen for concurrence.

By the same—

Resolved, That Edward H. Fletcher be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place of Edward C. Ripley, whose term of office has expired.

The President *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution.

Which was decided in the affirmative.

And the same was directed to be sent to the Board of Assistant Aldermen for concurrence.

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Resolved, That Edward H. Fletcher be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place of Edward C. Ripley, whose term of office has expired.

The President *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution.

Which was decided in the affirmative.

And the same was directed to be sent to the Board of Assistant Aldermen for concurrence.

By the same—

Resolved, That Edward H. Fletcher be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place of Edward C. Ripley, whose term of office has expired.

The President *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution.

Which was decided in the affirmative.

And the same was directed to be sent to the Board of Assistant Aldermen for concurrence.

By the same—

Resolved, That Edward H. Fletcher be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place of Edward C. Ripley, whose term of office has expired.

The President *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution.

Which was decided in the affirmative.

And the same was directed to be sent to the Board of Assistant Aldermen for concurrence.

By the same—

Resolved, That permission be and is hereby given Mrs. W. S. Merrill to erect a bay-window on the Twenty-first street side of the house No. 1 Gramercy Park, as shown on the accompanying diagram, provided the work be done at her own expense, under the direction of the Commissioner

of Public Works; and that the permission hereby given shall continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

The President *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution.

Which was decided in the affirmative.

And the same was directed to be sent to the Board of Assistant Aldermen for concurrence.

(G. O. 565.)

By Alderman Gilon—

Resolved, That the sidewalk on the north side of Fifty-sixth street, between Eighth and Ninth avenues, opposite Nos. 339 and 341, be flagged full width, where not already done, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was laid over.

By Alderman Morris—

Resolved, That permission be and is hereby given to the Delaware and Hudson Canal Company to make the projections, shown on the accompanying diagram, to the fronts of their new building, on the corner of Church and Cortlandt streets, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; the permission hereby given to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

The President *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution.

Which was decided in the affirmative.

And the same was directed to be sent to the Board of Assistant Aldermen for concurrence.

By Alderman Cooper—

Resolved, That William A. Wienecke be and he is hereby reappointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, his term of office having expired.

The President *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution.

Which was decided in the affirmative.

And the same was directed to be sent to the Board of Assistant Aldermen for concurrence.

By Alderman Cooper—

Resolved, That William A. Thorp be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place of Luther Wise, whose term of office has expired.

The President *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution.

Which was decided in the affirmative.

And the same was directed to be sent to the Board of Assistant Aldermen for concurrence.

By Alderman Gilon—

Resolved, That John W. Thorp be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place of Luther Wise, whose term of office has expired.

The President *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution.

Which was decided in the affirmative.

And the same was directed to be sent to the Board of Assistant Aldermen for concurrence.

By Alderman Morris—

Resolved, That the Comptroller of the City of New York be and he is hereby authorized and directed, on behalf of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, to execute a lease from Mrs. Ella Wehrkamp, of the building on the northwest corner of Third avenue and One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street, for a period of five years, at an annual rental of eleven hundred dollars per annum, payable quarterly; said premises, when so leased, to be designated and known as the place for holding the District Court of the City of New York for the Tenth Judicial District, and the Court for the Sixth Police District; and the Justices and Clerks of said Courts are hereby directed to occupy the said premises, when so leased, for the purposes aforesaid.

Alderman Flanagan moved to refer to the Committee on Law Department.

The President *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion.

Which was decided in the negative.

By Alderman Kehr—

Whereas, There is a vacancy in the Board of Excise Commissioners now existing; and

Whereas, It is the desire of a large number of citizens that an adopted citizen of German nationality should be appointed to fill the same; therefore, be it

Resolved, That we, the Board of Aldermen, as the representatives of the citizens, most respectfully request his Honor the Mayor to appoint an adopted citizen of German nationality to fill the vacancy now existing in the Board of Excise Commissioners.

The President *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would agree with said preamble and resolution.

Which was decided in the negative by the following vote:

Affirmative—Aldermen Cooper, Flanagan, Gilon, Kehr, Koch, Ottendorfer, and Reilly—7.

Negative—Aldermen Billings, Falconer, McCafferty, and Morris—4.

Aldermen Billings and Falconer asked to be excused from voting, but the Board denied the request.

Subsequently Alderman Kehr moved a reconsideration of the above vote.

The President *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion.

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—Aldermen Billings, Cooper, Falconer, Flanagan, Gilon, Kehr, Koch, Morris, Ottendorfer, and Reilly—10.

Negative—Alderman McCafferty—1.

Alderman Reilly moved the adoption of the preamble and resolution.

Alderman Billings moved to lay the motion of Alderman Reilly on the table.

The President *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion.

Which was decided in the affirmative.

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Alderman Koch moved to discharge the Committee on Street Pavements from the further consideration of the following resolutions from the Board of Assistant Aldermen:

(G. O. 567.)

Resolved, That Thirty-third street, from First avenue to the East river, be paved with Belgian or trap-block pavement, and that at the several intersecting streets and avenues crosswalks be laid where not now laid, and relaid where those now laid are, in the opinion of the Commissioner of Public Works, not in good repair, or are not upon a grade adapted to the grade of the proposed new pavement, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

(G. O. 568.)

Resolved, That Sixty-fifth street, between First and Third avenues, be paved with Belgian or trap-block pavement, and that at the several intersecting streets and avenues crosswalks be laid where not now laid, and relaid where those now laid are, in the opinion of the Commissioner of Public Works, not in good repair, or are not upon a grade adapted to the grade of the proposed new pavement, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

(G. O. 569.)

Resolved, That One Hundred and Twentieth street, from First to Second avenue, be paved with Belgian or trap-block pavement, and that at the several intersecting streets and avenues crosswalks be laid where not now laid, and relaid where those now laid are, in the opinion of the Commissioner of Public Works, not in good repair, or are not upon a grade adapted to the grade of the proposed new pavement, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Also the following, offered in this Board:

(G. O. 570.)

Resolved, That Ninety-third street, between Second and Fourth avenues, be paved with Belgian or trap-block pavement, and that at the several intersecting streets and avenues crosswalks be laid where not now laid, and relaid where those now laid are, in the opinion of the Commissioner of Public Works, not in good repair, or are not upon a grade adapted to the grade of the proposed new pavement, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

(G. O. 571.)

Resolved, That Forty-fourth street, from First to Third avenue, be paved with Belgian or trap-block pavement, and that at the several intersecting streets and avenues crosswalks be laid where not now laid, and relaid where those now laid are, in the opinion of the Commissioner of Public Works, not in good repair, or are not upon a grade adapted to the grade of the proposed new pavement, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

The President *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion.

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—Aldermen Billings, Cooper, Falconer, Gilon, Kehr, Koch, McCafferty, and Ottendorfer—8.

Negative—Aldermen Flanagan, Morris, and Reilly—3.

He then moved that the resolutions be severally laid over.

The President *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion.

Which was decided in the affirmative.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM DEPARTMENTS AND CORPORATION OFFICERS.

The President *pro tem.* laid before the Board the following communication from the Department of Finance:

CITY OF NEW YORK, DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, July 18, 1874.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen:

Weekly statement, showing the appropriations made under the authority contained in sec. 112, chap. 335, Laws of 1873, for carrying on the Common Council, from January 1 to December 31, 1874, both days inclusive, and of the payments made up to and including the date hereof, for and on account of each appropriation:

Title of Appropriations.	Amt. of Appropriations.	Payments.
City Contingencies.	\$7,000 00	\$2,172 28
Contingencies, Clerk of the Common Council.	1,500 00	250 14
Salaries, Common Council.	185,000 00	90,444 87
AND. H. GREEN,		
Comptroller.		

Which was received, ordered on file, and directed to be printed in the minutes.

The President *pro tem.* laid before the Board the following communication from the Department of Public Works:

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, Room 19, City Hall, NEW YORK, July 14, 1874.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen:

GENTLEMEN—In reply to a resolution of your Honorable Board, adopted May 28th last, requesting me to furnish you "as soon as practicable a statement of the expenditures of the Department of Public Works on taxation and trust accounts, during the years 1871, 1872, and 1873, showing what portion of such expenditures is properly chargeable to the permanent debt of the city; also a statement of appropriations raised by taxa-

tion for said Department, the amount of revenue collected from all sources by the Department, and the amount of assessments levied, or to be levied, for street improvements," I have the honor to report as follows:

The expenditures of the Department on taxation account, for the current expenses of the Department, maintenance of streets, roads, avenues, aqueduct and reservoirs, Croton pipes, sewers, public buildings, lighting and maintaining public lamps, furnishing supplies to public offices and courts, salaries, etc., were:

In 1871.....	\$3,175,192 79
" 1872.....	1,862,399 79
" 1873.....	1,474,370 66
Reduction in 1872 over 1871.....	\$1,312,793 00
" 1873 " 1871.....	1,700,822 13

The appropriations raised by taxation to meet these expenditures were:

In 1871.....	\$1,798,517 41
" 1872.....	2,150,000 00
" 1873.....	1,514,370 00

There was a deficiency in 1871 of \$1,376,675.38 and a surplus for the benefit of the general fund—

In 1872, of.....	\$287,600 21
" 1873, of.....	39,999 34

The expenditures of the Department on account of the Assessment Fund Debt, for various street improvements, were:

In 1871.....	\$5,448,429 43
" 1872.....	2,375,705 43
" 1873.....	4,404,572 66

Total.....\$12,288,707 52

This fund is designated by the Finance Department as "Temporary Debt;" but it is proper to state that a considerable portion of the assessments are payable by the city, and the assessment bonds representing such assessments should be redeemed by the issue of a permanent debt fund bond, and included in the permanent debt of the city. The exact amount of assessments chargeable to the city at large, for works carried on during the years 1871, 1872, and 1873, is not known to this Department, but must be several millions of dollars.

The expenditures of the Department on account of the permanent debt, for construction of reservoirs, alterations of the aqueduct, extension and improvement of Croton water mains, reconstruction of sewers, etc., were:

In 1871.....	\$3,137,469 56
" 1872.....	1,699,612 40
" 1873.....	1,804,311 91

Total.....\$6,641,393 87

The revenues collected by the Department, and paid into the general fund and the sinking fund of the city, were:

In 1871, for Croton water rent, penalties and taps...	\$1,207,089 16
In 1872, for vault and sewer permits, and sales of buildings and sundry materials.	104,356 64
Total.....	\$1,311,445 80

In 1873, for Croton water rent, penalties and taps...	\$1,366,645 98
In 1872, for vault and sewer permits, and sales of buildings and sundry materials.	94,155 13
Total.....	1,460,801 11

In 1873, for Croton water rent, penalties and taps...	\$1,428,931 18
In 1873, for vault and sewer permits, and sales of buildings and sundry materials.	117,329 04
Total.....	1,546,260 22

Total receipts for the three years.....\$4,318,507 13

Assuming the expenditures on account of street improvements to be temporary debt, as erroneously represented by the Finance Department, the following will show the increase of the permanent debt chargeable to the operations of this Department:

In 1871, deficiency in taxation account.....	\$1,376,675 38
In 1871, expenditures on account of permanent debt.....	3,137,469 56
Total.....	\$4,514,144 94

In 1871, less revenue collected and paid into the treasury.....	1,311,445 80
Net increase of debt.....	\$3,202,699 14

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Ever since public attention has been drawn to the enormous increase of the City debt, notwithstanding the great reductions of expenditures made by this and other Departments, and other retrenchments expected from a reform government, the present head of the Finance Department has sought to create the impression that such increase of the debt was principally due to extravagant prosecution of unnecessary up-town improvements carried on by this Department. I consider this a proper time and opportunity to fix the responsibility for the heavy burden imposed upon the city at large for up-town improvements where it belongs.

The laying out, opening and improvement of

Your Committee are aware that it is not in the power of the Common Council to direct the work to be done at present, no matter how great the necessity, for the reason that there is no appropriation provided in advance for its payment; nor is it in the power of the Common Council to make an appropriation for this, or any other purpose. That power is vested by law exclusively in the Board of Estimate and Apportionment. But one course, therefore, remains to be pursued, that will effect the purpose in view, viz.: to request that Board to appropriate a sum sufficient to pay for the paving. If the request of the Common Council is granted, and the money appropriated, then the Department of Public Works, by the adoption of the proper resolution, which is herewith submitted, will be authorized to proceed with the work.

Assuming that the necessity and importance of the work will warrant the favorable consideration of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, and induce that Board to appropriate the money needed, your Committee respectfully offer for your adoption the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the Board of Estimate and Apportionment be and is hereby respectfully requested to appropriate the sum of fifteen thousand dollars for the purpose of paving with Belgian pavement the streets and roadways of West Washington Market; and, be it further

Resolved, That the Commissioners of Public Works be and he is hereby authorized and directed (should the Board of Estimate and Apportionment appropriate the money necessary, as above requested) to cause the streets and roadways of West Washington Market to be paved with Belgian or trap-block pavement, the work to be done and materials to be furnished by contract, as provided in chapter 335, Laws of 1873, with the lowest responsible bidder.

JOHN J. MORRIS,
PETER KEHR,
Committee on Markets.

The President *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolutions.

Which was decided in the affirmative.

(G. O. 573.)

The Committee on Public Works of the Board of Aldermen, to whom was referred the annexed resolution from the Board of Assistant Aldermen, requesting the Commissioner of Public Works to have the names of different streets placed on the street-lamps at corners where not now done, respectfully

REPORT:

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

Resolved, That the Commissioner of Public Works be and he is respectfully requested to have the names of the different streets placed on the street-lamps at corners where not now done.

GEORGE KOCH,
JOHN J. MORRIS,
Committee on Public Works.

Which was laid over.

The Committee on Public Works of the Board of Aldermen, to whom was referred the annexed resolution from the Board of Assistant Aldermen, in favor of permitting John Winters to place lamp-post and lamp in front of his premises No. 202 East Sixty-fifth street, respectfully

REPORT:

That, having examined the subject, they believe the proposed permission should be granted. They therefore recommend that the action of the Board of Assistant Aldermen, in adopting said resolution, be concurred in.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to John Winters to place a lamp-post and lamp in front of his premises No. 202 East Sixty-fifth street, the gas to be supplied from his own meter, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; such permission to remain only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

GEORGE KOCH,
JOHN J. MORRIS,
Committee on Public Works.

The President *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution.

Which was decided in the affirmative.

And the same was directed to be sent to his Honor the Mayor for approval.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

Alderman Billings called from the table, as provided in Section 13, of Chapter 335, Laws of 1873, the following veto messages of his Honor the Mayor, viz.: An ordinance to regulate permits for showcases, stands, etc.

The President *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would agree to adopt said ordinance, notwithstanding the objections of his Honor the Mayor.

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—Aldermen Billings, Cooper, Falconer, Flanagan, Gilon, Kehr, Koch, McCafferty, Morris, Ottendorfer, and Reilly—11.

Alderman Billings called from the table, as above provided, a veto message of his Honor the Mayor, of a resolution assigning rooms at present occupied by the Special Term of the Supreme Court to the Marine Court.

The President *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would agree to adopt said resolution, notwithstanding the objections of his Honor the Mayor.

Which was decided in the negative by the following vote:

Affirmative—Aldermen Billings, Flanagan, Gilon, McCafferty, and Reilly—5.

Negative—Aldermen Cooper, Falconer, Kehr, Koch, Morris, and Ottendorfer—6.

The President *pro tem.* called from the table, as above provided, a veto message from his Honor the Mayor of a preamble and resolution directing the Commissioner of Public Works to take pos-

sition of a room in the New Court-house unlawfully occupied by the Commissioners for the completion of the said Court-house.

Alderman Ottendorfer moved to take from on file a communication from the Commissioners for the Completion of the New Court-house in relation to the occupancy of the room in question.

The President *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion.

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—Aldermen Billings, Cooper, Falconer, Gilon, Kehr, Koch, Morris, Ottendorfer, and Reilly—9.

Negative—Aldermen Flanagan and McCafferty—2.

OFFICE OF THE NEW
COUNTY COURT-HOUSE COMMISSION, }
NEW YORK, July 21, 1874. }

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen:

We, the undersigned appointed Commissioners to complete the new County Court-house, for the purpose of correcting any misapprehension that may exist on the subject, respectfully state to your Honorable Body,

That, immediately upon our appointment, we repeatedly sought to obtain an office in the New County Court-house from the Chairman of the Committee of County Offices of the Board of Supervisors, said Committee being then in possession of said building, and subsequently from the Commissioner of Public Works; but that all our efforts, after a negotiation extending over several weeks, were wholly fruitless; that, meanwhile, we were obliged, to the great detriment of the business of the Commission, to meet here and there about the building as the convenience of various Courts and offices might at the moment allow. Of fifteen meetings of this Commission then held, five being convened in the General Term, Superior Court; three in an apartment of the Department of Finance; two in jury-rooms of the Superior Court; one in the General Term, Court of Common Pleas; two in Part I., Superior Court; one in the Court of Common Pleas Chambers; and one in Part II., Court of Common Pleas; and that, in finally taking possession of a vacant room in the new County Court-house, we acted under the advice of the Counsel to the Corporation.

We, therefore, respectfully represent to your Honorable Body that the passage of a certain resolution calling for our ejection from our present office over the veto of his Honor the Mayor, would interfere seriously with the business of this Commission, probably entail additional expense upon the public treasury, and be productive of no benefit either to your Board or to the public interests in general, and we hope you may deem it wise and of good policy for us to remain in undisturbed occupation of said office.

Very truly yours,

JOHN P. CUMMING,
THOS. B. TAPPEN,
SMITH E. SHAW,

Commissioners of the New County Court-house.

The communication having been read,

The President *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would agree to adopt said preamble and resolution notwithstanding the objections of his Honor the Mayor.

Which was decided in the negative by the following vote:

Affirmative—Aldermen Billings, Cooper, Falconer, Flanagan, Gilon, Kehr, Koch, McCafferty, Morris, Ottendorfer, and Reilly—8.

Negative—Aldermen Gilon, Kehr, and Ottendorfer—3.

The President *pro tem.* called from the table veto messages from his Honor the Mayor of resolutions and ordinances to—

Regulate and grade Ninety-ninth street, from Eighth to Eleventh avenue.

Regulate and grade Ninety-seventh street, from First to Fifth avenue.

Regulate and grade Avenue A, from One Hundred and Sixth to One Hundred and Sixteenth street.

Regulate and grade One Hundred and Eighteenth street, from Fourth to Fifth avenue.

Flag west side of Ninth avenue, from Fifty-ninth to Sixtieth street.

And to curb, gutter, and flag, full width, both sides of One Hundred and Thirty-first street, from Fourth to Fifth avenue.

And stated that inasmuch as the time allowed by law for their consideration had expired, they were severally ordered on file.

RESOLUTIONS RESUMED.

By Alderman McCafferty—

Whereas, it has come to the knowledge of the Board that a room in the building in the Park, commonly known as the New County Court-house, has been taken possession of by or under direction of a so-called Board of Commissioners for the completion of the said building; and

Whereas, the said building now and since the passage of chap. 304, Laws of 1874, is the property of the Corporation of the City of New York, subject to the control of this Board, and the care of the Commissioner of Public Works, ordinary courtesy, therefore, would seem to dictate that an application for permission to occupy the apartments therein should be made to this Board before depriving their Committees of the use of such room for their meetings; be it therefore

Resolved, That the Commissioner of Public Works be and he is hereby directed to take possession of the room in the building in the Park, known as the New County Court-house, being the room used by the Committees of the Board of Supervisors, and retain possession of the same until the further direction of this Board.

Which was ordered to be printed in the minutes.

PAPERS FROM THE BOARD OF ASSISTANT ALDERMEN.

Resolution and ordinance for paving Sixty-sixth street, from Avenue A to Third avenue, as follows:

(G. O. 574.)

Resolved, That Sixty-sixth street, from Third avenue to Avenue A, be paved with Belgian or trap-block pavement, and that, at the several intersecting streets and avenues crosswalks be laid where not now laid, and relaid where those now laid are, in the opinion of the Commissioner of Public Works, not in good repair, or are not upon a grade adapted to the grade of the proposed new pavement, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Adopted by the Board of Assistant Aldermen, April 3, 1874.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, June 11, 1874.

Received from his Honor the Mayor, June 29, 1874, with his objections thereto.

In Board of Assistant Aldermen, July 13, 1874, taken up, considered, and adopted, notwithstanding the objections of his Honor the Mayor (three-fourths of all the members elected voting in favor thereof).

Which was laid over.

Resolution requesting the Commissioner of Public Works to repair Roosevelt street.

The President *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would agree to concur in adopting said resolution.

Which was decided in the affirmative.

Resolution to appoint Benjamin M. Cole a Commissioner of Deeds.

The President *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would agree to concur in adopting said resolution.

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—Aldermen Billings, Cooper, Falconer, Flanagan, Gilon, Kehr, Koch, McCafferty, Morris, Ottendorfer, and Reilly—11.

And the same was directed to be sent to his Honor the Mayor for approval.

Resolution to appoint Joseph A. Reed a Commissioner of Deeds.

The President *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would agree to concur in adopting said resolution.

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—Aldermen Billings, Cooper, Falconer, Flanagan, Gilon, Kehr, Koch, McCafferty, Morris, Ottendorfer, and Reilly—11.

And the same was directed to be sent to his Honor the Mayor for approval.

Resolution to reappoint William H. Drake a Commissioner of Deeds.

The President *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would agree to concur in adopting said resolution.

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—Aldermen Billings, Cooper, Falconer, Flanagan, Gilon, Kehr, Koch, McCafferty, Morris, Ottendorfer, and Reilly—11.

And the same was directed to be sent to his Honor the Mayor for approval.

Resolution to reappoint W. W. Gage a Commissioner of Deeds.

The President *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would agree to concur in adopting said resolution.

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—Aldermen Billings, Cooper, Falconer, Flanagan, Gilon, Kehr, Koch, McCafferty, Morris, Ottendorfer, and Reilly—11.

And the same was directed to be sent to his Honor the Mayor for approval.

Resolution to reappoint Charles N. Morse a Commissioner of Deeds.

The President *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would agree to concur in adopting said resolution.

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—Aldermen Billings, Cooper, Falconer, Flanagan, Gilon, Kehr, Koch, McCafferty, Morris, Ottendorfer, and Reilly—11.

And the same was directed to be sent to his Honor the Mayor for approval.

Resolution to reappoint Francis Mangin a Commissioner of Deeds.

The President *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would agree to concur in adopting said resolution.

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—Aldermen Billings, Cooper, Falconer, Flanagan, Gilon, Kehr, Koch, McCafferty, Morris, Ottendorfer, and Reilly—11.

And the same was directed to be sent to his Honor the Mayor for approval.

Resolution to appoint James H. Wessels a Commissioner of Deeds.

The President *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would agree to concur in adopting said resolution.

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—Aldermen Billings, Cooper, Falconer, Flanagan, Gilon, Kehr, Koch, McCafferty, Morris, Ottendorfer, and Reilly—11.

And the same was directed to be sent to his Honor the Mayor for approval.

Resolution to appoint T. E. Leahy a Commissioner of Deeds.

The President *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would agree to concur in adopting said resolution.

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—Aldermen Billings, Cooper, Falconer, Flanagan, Gilon, Kehr, Koch, McCafferty, Morris, Ottendorfer, and Reilly—11.

And the same was directed to be sent to his Honor the Mayor for approval.

Alderman Flanagan moved that the Board do now adjourn.

The President *pro tem.* put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion.

Which was decided in the affirmative.

And the President *pro tem.* announced that the Board stood adjourned until Thursday, September 3, 1874, at 2 o'clock P. M.

JOSEPH C. PINNCKEY,
Clerk.

LAW DEPARTMENT.

LAW DEPARTMENT—OFFICE OF THE
COUNSEL TO THE CORPORATION,
NEW YORK, July 20, 1874.

HON. HENRY G. STEBBINS,
President of the Department of Public Parks:

far more agreeable to the Law Department, and more satisfactory to the officials who are interested, that questions arising between the different departments and boards of the city government should be passed upon by the courts rather than by the Counsel to the Corporation, I should have much preferred that the question which has arisen as to the power of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment in making appropriations for your department should have been disposed of without an opinion from this department in relation to it. There seems to be, however, no way of obtaining a speedy decision by the courts, and as it is impossible for you, under the provisions of the charter above cited, to base your official action on the advice of any counsel other than the head of the Law Department, it becomes my imperative duty under the circumstances, in the temporary absence of the Counsel to the Corporation, to answer your letter to him without further delay.

The permanent powers of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment are derived from, and its permanent duties are defined by, the following statutes, namely: chapter 573 of the Laws of 1871, and chapters 335 and 779 of the Laws of 1873. Under these laws, since the passage of the act consolidating the city and county governments, the duty is devolved upon the Board of Estimate and Apportionment of annually preparing a "provisional estimate" of the amounts required to pay the expenses of conducting the public business of the City and County of New York. This estimate is to be submitted to the Board of Aldermen, and the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, after considering the objections and rectifications (if any are made) of the Aldermen, is to make and sign a "final estimate," which is to be certified by the Comptroller to the Board of Supervisors, who are "empowered and directed annually to cause to be raised, according to law, and collected by tax upon the estates, real and personal, subject to taxation within the City and County of New York, the said amounts so estimated and certified."

In compliance with these laws, estimates were duly made, in December last, of the amounts necessary for city and county purposes in the year 1874. Chapters 303 and 308, of the Laws of this year, authorized the Board to reconsider, revise, and redetermine such estimates; and, the city and county governments having been consolidated, the Board has combined the two estimates heretofore prepared, and made one revised estimate for the year 1874.

It will be seen, by an examination of the various statutes conferring powers and devolving duties upon the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, that in regard to a large portion of the amounts to be included in the estimate, the Board has no discretion, while in regard to the balance, its powers are almost unlimited.

It is the absolute duty of the Board to insert in the estimate the amounts required to pay the State tax, the interest on the city debt, and all salaries established by acts of the Legislature; while, with regard to the amounts to be appropriated for the current expenses of the city government, it has a discretion subject to no control, except its own sense of what is right, to increase or diminish such amounts. This power is so full and unrestricted, and the different departments of the city government (with the exception of the Dock Department, the entire expenses of which are paid by the issue of bonds) are so entirely dependent upon their annual appropriations, that the Board could, by a great reduction of the usual appropriations, cause an almost complete suspension of the business of the departments, and yet not violate the letter of the law; nor would the departments have any remedy, except through the Legislature. Such extensive powers were never entrusted in this city, prior to the year 1871, to a board composed of so few persons, and it is extremely fortunate for the city that the present Board is composed of gentlemen whose experience, intelligence, and character afford ample guarantees that they will not misuse the great powers vested in the Board, nor intentionally assume to exercise powers which the Board does not possess.

Extensive, however, as are the powers of the Board in determining the amounts to be annually raised by taxation, it is, in my opinion, perfectly clear that its powers and duties in making the annual estimate relate to but one subject, and that is the determination (except in the cases above mentioned when the Board has no discretion) of how much money raised by taxation shall be annually expended for the public business of the city. Neither with the question how much money shall be raised by the issue of bonds authorized by special acts of the Legislature, nor with the question how such money shall be expended, has the Board, in my opinion, any concern whatever. Even if the sanction of the Board is required before the Comptroller can lawfully issue such bonds, its sanction in regard to bonds of this description is a mere matter of form, and if withheld, could be compelled by mandamus. The most careful scrutiny of all the laws relating to the powers and duties of the Board will not disclose

any provision which repeals certain statutes heretofore passed, authorizing the issue of bonds for departmental purposes, or giving the Board any power or control over the moneys to be raised by the issue of such bonds.

It would seem from its action or non-action in relation to the Dock Department, that this view of the matter was taken by the Board itself.

By subdivision 11 of section 6 of chapter 574 of the Laws of 1871, the Comptroller is required, when directed by the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, to issue "Dock Bonds of the City of New York," redeemable from time to time, but not before thirty years after the date thereof, to an amount not to exceed three millions of dollars in any one year. It is then further provided as follows: "The expenses and compensation of said Board, its rents, the compensation of its appointees, the purchase money and damages awarded under subdivision 4 of this section of this act upon the acquisition of private property, the payments under the contracts mentioned in subdivision 5 of this section of this act, and for work performed under said section, and all other expenses and disbursements necessarily incurred in carrying out the said provisions of this act in keeping, maintaining, repairing, building and rebuilding the wharves belonging to the said Corporation, in dredging and cleaning slips, shall be paid out of said moneys in the manner above provided."

It will certainly not be claimed that the Board of Estimate and Apportionment could make an appropriation for the Dock Department and then provide that all salaries should be paid out of such appropriation. In fact, no such ground was taken. The Board of Estimate and Apportionment being aware of this statute, made no appropriation whatever for the Dock Department, thus leaving all its expenses, of every description, to be paid out of the proceeds of bonds.

Applying the same rule to the Department of Public Parks, it seems to me that the question whether any salaries of officers, clerks or employees can be paid out of any other moneys than those appropriated by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, and to be raised by taxation in the year 1874, is to be determined by the various laws which authorize the Comptroller to issue bonds upon the requisition of that Department, and not by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment.

There are several such laws to which you refer in your communication to that Board. Chapter 604 of the Laws of 1874, passed June 5, 1874, is "An act to provide for the surveying, laying out and monumenting of certain portions of the City and County of New York, and to provide means therefor." This is a very important law, upon the proper execution of which depends the location of all streets, roads, squares and places in that part of the city recently annexed from Westchester County. To provide the means for carrying on the work of laying out, surveying and monumenting, and devising and preparing plans authorized by this act, the eighth section thereof requires the Comptroller, when directed by the Commissioners of Parks, to issue, during the year 1874, bonds to an amount not exceeding \$100,000, payable November 1, 1875.

And the tenth section of this act is as follows:

"The Board of Estimate and Apportionment of the City of New York shall annually include in the estimate of the amounts necessary to pay the expenses of conducting the business of the Department of Public Parks of the City of New York, such sum or sums of money as shall, in the judgment and discretion of said board, be necessary to carry on the works authorized by this act."

These two sections being in the same statute, it does not admit of question that the \$100,000 of bonds were to be in addition to the amount to be appropriated by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment and raised by taxation in each year.

Again, chapter 645 of the Laws of 1874, passed June 25, 1874, is "An act to make further provision for the payment of further expenses of the local government of the City of New York."

This statute requires the Comptroller to issue bonds to an amount not exceeding two hundred and fifty thousand dollars, redeemable within thirty years, at such times, and in such amounts, and in such manner, as may be required by the Department of Public Parks, "for the improvement and regulation of the several parks, squares and public places which are now or may be under the control and management of the Department of Public Parks."

Both of these statutes are very late expressions of the will of the Legislature, having become laws but a few weeks since.

Again, Chapter 290 of the Laws of 1871, authorizes the Commissioners of Central Park (now the Department of Public Parks) to erect two buildings, known as the Metropolitan Museum of Art and the American Museum of Natural History, and to defray the expense of erecting these buildings the Comptroller is required to issue bonds redeemable in thirty years, to an amount the interest on which shall not exceed \$35,000 for each building.

In executing the powers and performing the duties which are made mandatory upon the Department of Public Parks by these several laws, it is necessary to employ a great number of persons, such as architects, meteorologists, landscape gardeners, civil and topographical engineers, surveyors, mechanics of all descriptions, laborers, and others. Many of these persons must of necessity be employed upon yearly salaries, and others are paid by the day. Now, it seems to me, that the question whether all these persons, and others whose services may be required by the Department in carrying on the works provided for in the several laws above mentioned, can be lawfully paid out of the proceeds of the bonds thereby authorized is to be determined by the laws themselves, and not by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment. In other words, the questions whether the bonds authorized by the laws above mentioned shall be issued at all, and whether the money realized from the bonds, if issued, shall be expended in the payment of salaries of officers, clerks, and employees of the Department, or whether it shall be paid to day laborers, or whether it shall all be used for the purchase of supplies and materials, are questions and matters over which the Board of Estimate and Apportionment has no jurisdiction whatever. The Board can determine how much money shall be raised for the use of the Department of Parks by taxation, and for what purposes that money shall be expended; and if it had appropriated \$200,000, instead of \$495,000, for certain purposes, its action would have been valid; but when it undertook in effect to say that no salaries of officers, clerks, or employees of the Department should be paid out of any fund but this \$495,000, I am constrained to advise you that it exceeded its lawful powers, and that its action in this respect is wholly null and void.

It is proper to add that, in coming to this conclusion, I have not overlooked the provision of the 28th section of the Charter, which declares that the aggregate expense for officers, clerks, employees, and subordinates in every department shall not exceed the total amount duly appropriated to the respective departments for such purposes. It is plain that as the Board of Estimate and Apportionment cannot appropriate for salaries any moneys except those to be raised by taxation in each current year, that the limitation as to the aggregate amount of such salaries imposed by said section 28 relates to those moneys only which are to be raised in that manner, and has no reference whatever to moneys to be raised by the issue of bonds.

Although I presume that the operations of your Department would be somewhat crippled, if the restrictions imposed by the Board in reference to payment of salaries were valid, still, if I felt any doubt about the matter, I should be disposed to uphold an action of the Board undoubtedly taken from the praiseworthy motive of lessening the expenditures of the City Government. As I do not entertain any such doubt, I have no option but to advise you to the effect above set forth, though I regret that I am compelled to express an opinion which differs from that apparently entertained by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment.

The importance of the questions submitted by you, and the fact that my opinion does differ from that of the Board, must be my excuse for having stated at length my reasons for the view which I take of the matter.

I am, sir,

Yours, very respectfully,

GEORGE P. ANDREWS,

Assistant Counsel to the Corporation.

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

The Board of Police met on the 17th day of July, 1874. Present—Messrs. Matsell, Duryee, Disbecker, and Voorhis, Commissioners.

Leaves of Absence was Granted to.

Captain Edward Walsh, 24th Precinct, 3 days (to be deducted from the 10 days allowed by resolution).

Sergeant Charles Snyder, 7th Precinct, 10 days (5 days without pay).

Precinct. Without pay.

Roundman William Delaney.....	18	2½
" Alonzo Howell.....	29	1
Patrolman Jasper G. Terry.....	28	3
" Garrett Stack.....	29	2½
" Michael Doherty.....	8	2
" Charles M. Grainger.....	6	1
" John Watson.....	29	1
" Hector Klinge.....	29	1
" James Walster.....	M'd. Sqd.	½
" James McGuire.....	14 Prec.	½
" Cornelius O'Brien.....	7	½
" Henry H. Pellet.....	25	½
" Rheinhardt Schneider.....	25	½
" Daniel J. Fagan.....	13	½
" John McDonald.....	3	½
" William Clark.....	12	½
" Patrick Calhoun.....	7	½
" John E. Dougherty.....	11	½
" John Wade.....	14	½
Doorman Leonard Walling.....	20	3

On reading and filing recommendation of the Medical Director, leave of absence for twenty days, with pay, was granted to Captain Charles McDonnell, 20th Precinct.

Parades Allowed.

Garde Lafayette, July 15, parade.
Palestine Commandery, No. 18, K. T., July 23, parade.
Montgomery Club, July 16, picnic.
George Bence Association, July 18, picnic.
Union Church Sunday School, July 17, picnic.

Commissioner Duryee, from the Finance Committee, reported favorably upon the following bills; whereupon, on motion of Commissioner Voorhis, said bills were ordered paid:

Captain Thomas Byrnes.....	\$8 25
Robert C. Brown.....	22 45
"	29 32
"	14 50
"	61 08
"	10 29
"	21 05
"	39 85
"	44 00
"	11 53
"	11 00
"	11 00
"	15 15
"	51 85
"	7 00
"	29 85
Arnold, Constable & Co.	25 00
"	16 00
"	22 50
King & C.	61 55
"	35 98
"	65 01
"	156 50
"	48 81
"	37 23
Manhattan Gas-light Co.	72 75
Westchester County Gas Co.	144 82
Suburban Gas Co.	19 95
New York Mutual Gas Co.	10 80
"	5 50
New York Gas Co.	48 39
Piersons & Co.	188 52
"	12 00
"	168 41
"	12 00
Shadky & Nastrath.	40 00
"	45 00
"	50 00
Union White Lead Co.	5 75
Thomas Russell.	45 00
John Doran.	5 80
Elizabeth Cronin.	474 60
Post-office box.	4 00
P. Fitzsimmons.	97 40
Hoover, Calhoun & Co.	293 50
"	68 70
Murphy & Nesbit.	3 50
"	2 50
"	2 50
"	2 50
"	2 50
"	2 50
"	2 50
"	2 50
Noel & Saurel.	16 22
William B. Parkin & Co.	60 00
Quintard & Co.	4 39
George Hopcroft.	144 50
E. Morgan's Sons.	12 50
C. Culkin.	4 75
Captain Clinchy.	43 60
Philip Farley.	96 00
Henry Richmond.	15 50
A. H. Williamson.	68 00
Woodward Steam Pump Co.	9 60
William Vollmer.	6 00
E. H. Reeves & Co.	33 00
"	78 00
"	3 39
Harmer, Hays & Co.	24 25
"	13 65
Murphy & Co.	924 36
"	65 00
"	218 50
L. G. Tillotson & Co.	20 40
"	1 50
"	81 50
"	7 39
"	43 42
C. Schwarzwelder & Bro.	45 50
"	10 37
Martin B. Brown.	7 50
"	5 00
"	15 00
"	5 00
"	47 50
"	24 00
"	43 20
"	175 00

Commissioner Voorhis offered the following:

Whereas, The bill of Zeigler & Co., of December 6, 1873, amounting to \$57.50, is for work heretofore ordered and delivered to this Department; and

Whereas, The property charged for in said bill is now in possession of and used by this Department; therefore be it

Resolved, In view of the above recited facts, that said bill of Zeigler & Co. for \$57.50 be paid, and the Treasurer be directed to comply herewith. Adopted.

The Finance Committee reported the following statements, with recommendation that they be entered in full in the minutes:

1. Statement showing receipts account Bureau of Street Cleaning.

2. Statement showing amount of cash on hand account Bureau of Street Cleaning.

3. Statement showing amount of cash on hand and in banks, and amount to credit of different accounts Police Department.

On motion of Commissioner Voorhis, it was

Resolved, That the statements be recommitted to the Finance Committee.

Lattimore & Dougherty, horses'oeing.....	33 00
Robert Moffit, "	63 00
Thomas Gallon, "	15 00
D. C. Carlton, "	27 00
Hathorn & Co., "	9 00
Geo. Garlan, "	9 00
John McAvoy, "	12 00
John A. Hassler, "	9 00
John F. Dunn, "	6 00
Kirk & Laidlaw, "	24 00
John Tynan, "	69 75
John Leyton, "	12 00

Adjourned to Wednesday, 29th instant.

W. B. WHITE,
Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS.

NEW YORK, July 20, 1874.

The following comprises the operations of the Department of Buildings for the week ending July 18, 1874.

W. W. ADAMS,
Superintendent.

BUREAU OF INSPECTION OF BUILDINGS.

Plans, Specifications, and Special Applications filed, examined, and passed upon:

New Buildings.

No. of plans and specifications filed and examined..... 10
No. of buildings embraced in same..... 13

Classified as follows:

First-class dwellings..... 1
Second-class dwellings..... 2
Tenements..... 1
Manufactories and workshops..... 1
Churches..... 1
Frame buildings..... 1
Total 13

Altered Buildings.

No. of plans and specifications filed and examined..... 30
No. of buildings embraced in same..... 32

Classified as follows:

First-class dwellings..... 4
Second-class dwellings..... 6
Tenements..... 1
Second-class stores..... 4
Manufactories and workshops..... 2
School-houses..... 1
Stables..... 1
Frame buildings..... 3
Total 32

Special Applications.

No. filed, examined, and passed upon..... 30
Approved..... 13
Disapproved..... 6
Pending..... 11

Total 39

ROBERT McGINNIS,
Chief of Bureau.

BUREAU OF VIOLATIONS AND APPLICATIONS.

Operations for the week ending July 18, 1874:

Complaints received from outside sources..... 11
Violations of the law reported..... 7
" removed..... 13
Unsafe buildings reported..... 22
" made safe..... 50
" taken down..... 2
Surveys held on unsafe buildings..... 0
Violation cases sent to the Attorney for prosecution..... 1
Unsafe building cases sent to the Attorney for prosecution..... 0
Violation notices served..... 18
Unsafe building notices served..... 18
Buildings surveyed as to general condition..... 32

The classification of the unsafe buildings reported is as follows:

Unsafe walls..... 15
" chimneys..... 4
" generally..... 2
" floors..... 1
Total 22

ANDREW OWENS,
Chief of Bureau.

BUREAU OF FIRE-ESCAPES AND IRON WORK.

Abstract of operations during the week ending July 18, 1874:

Buildings reported for fire-escapes..... 29
Fire-escapes provided..... 59
Arch girders tested (all approved)..... 8
Iron beams " (approved, 21; not approved, 1) 22
Iron lintels " (" 6; " " 1) 7
Notices for fire-escapes served..... 63
Cases sent to the Attorney for prosecution..... 6

CHAS. K. HYDE,
Chief of Bureau.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

Report for the week ending July 18, 1874:

Licenses granted and amounts received for licenses and fines by First Marshal:

Licenses granted..... 198
Amount received..... \$911 50

Permits issued for street stands, signs, show-cases, deliveries, etc., and amount received for same:

Permits issued..... 154
Amount received..... \$1,169 00

W. F. HAVEMEYER,
Mayor.

ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS,

&c., &c.,

PASSED BY BOTH BRANCHES OF THE
COMMON COUNCIL

AND

APPROVED BY THE MAYOR,

DURING THE WEEK ENDING JULY 18, 1874.

Resolved, That Asa L. Shipman, Jr., be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place and stead of Joseph Fitzgerald, who has failed to qualify.

Adopted by the Board of Assistant Aldermen, June 29, 1874.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, July 10, 1874.

Approved by the Mayor, July 13, 1874.

Resolved, That the name of Hiram H. Lowenthal, on the list of Commissioners of Deeds recently appointed, be changed so as to read Hymes H. Lowenthal.

Adopted by the Board of Assistant Aldermen, June 29, 1874.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, July 10, 1874.

Approved by the Mayor, July 13, 1874.

Resolved, That Lewis Levy be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, his term of office having expired.

Adopted by the Board of Assistant Aldermen, June 29, 1874.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, July 10, 1874.

Approved by the Mayor, July 13, 1874.

Resolved, That Julius L. Goldenberg be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place and stead of Henry D. Lapaugh, whose term of office has expired.

Adopted by the Board of Assistant Aldermen, June 29, 1874.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, July 10, 1874.

Approved by the Mayor, July 13, 1874.

Resolved, That Rudolph F. Rabe be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place and stead of Henry A. Munker, who has failed to qualify.

Adopted by the Board of Assistant Aldermen, June 29, 1874.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, July 10, 1874.

Approved by the Mayor, July 13, 1874.

Resolved, That Henry P. West be and he is hereby reappointed a Commissioner of Deeds, in and for the City and County of New York, his term of office having expired.

Adopted by the Board of Assistant Aldermen, June 29, 1874.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, July 10, 1874.

Approved by the Mayor, July 13, 1874.

AN ORDINANCE to amend an ordinance, entitled "An ordinance to provide for the killing of dogs in the City of New York," passed May 27, 1874.

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

SECTION 1. Section 1 of the above-entitled ordinance is hereby amended by adding thereto, at the end thereof, the following: "And the Commissioners of Police are hereby authorized and directed to cause complaint to be made to the Corporation Attorney against the owner or possessor of every dog permitted to go loose or at large within the corporate limits aforesaid, for recovery of the penalties prescribed in this ordinance; such penalty, when collected, to be accounted for semi-monthly, and paid to the Comptroller of said city, and upon the requisition of the Mayor, to be applied towards the payment of the expenses of enforcing the provisions of this ordinance."

SEC. 2. Section 2 of the above-entitled ordinance is hereby amended, and shall read as follows:

§ 2. The Mayor of the City of New York is hereby authorized and empowered to take such measures as he may deem most expedient to carry into effect the provisions of section 1 of this ordinance, and for that purpose is hereby further authorized and empowered to appoint two or more persons, each of the age of twenty-one years or upwards, in each of the Assembly Districts in the City of New York, to seize and capture all such dogs found running loose or at large, and to pay such persons so appointed for every such dog so captured and delivered at a place to be provided and designated by the Mayor, the sum of fifty cents. No person shall hinder or molest any person or persons so appointed by the Mayor, while engaged in seizing or capturing, and delivering any such dog as aforesaid, or any other person engaged in the performance of any duty enjoined by the provisions of this ordinance, under a penalty of not less than twenty-five nor more than one hundred dollars for every offence, to be sued for and recovered in the manner now provided by law or ordinance for the recovery of penalties for violations of the ordinances of the Common Council, on complaint of the person so hindered or molested; the penalty, when recovered, to be accounted for, paid, and appropriated as provided in section 1 of this ordinance. The Commissioners of Police are hereby authorized and required to cause the persons so engaged in the performance of any of the duties prescribed by this ordinance, to be protected from hindrance or molestation. Every dog mentioned in this ordinance, when so captured and delivered as aforesaid, if not claimed by the owner or any other person who may claim such dog shall, before being placed in possession thereof, pay therefor the sum of three dollars.

Sec. 3. The person authorized to pay for the capture of such dogs shall render under oath, semi-monthly, a statement of all dogs so captured and killed, and the amount paid therefor, to the Mayor of this city, who shall thereupon certify the same to the Comptroller, when a warrant for the amount shall be drawn in favor of the said Mayor for the sum thus expended, which shall be paid, and the other expenses of enforcing the provisions of this ordinance, until otherwise ordered, from the appropriation for City Contingencies.

Sec. 4. The provisions of this ordinance shall apply only to dogs owned or claimed by residents of this city, and any person who shall present any such dog, and claim payment for the capture thereof, which shall not be owned or captured within the corporate limits of this city, shall thereby incur a penalty of ten dollars. This ordinance shall apply only to any such dogs of the age of six months and upwards.

Sec. 5. Chapter XLIV. of the Revised Ordinances of 1866, and all other ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent or conflicting with the provisions of this ordinance, are hereby repealed.

Sec. 6. This ordinance shall take immediately.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, July 10, 1874.

Adopted by the Board of Assistant Aldermen, July 13, 1874.

Approved by the Mayor, July 16, 1874.

other person, within a period of forty-eight hours thereafter, shall, within six hours after the expiration of that time, be killed and destroyed, in such manner as may be determined upon by the Mayor. Any owner, or other person, who may claim any such dog, shall, before being placed in possession thereof, pay therefor the sum of three dollars.

Sec. 3. Section 3 of the above-entitled ordinance is hereby amended by adding after the word "paid," before the words "until otherwise ordered," the words "and all other expenses of enforcing the provisions of this ordinance."

Sec. 4. Section 4 of the above-entitled ordinance is hereby repealed.

Sec. 5. Sections 5, 6, and 7 of the above-entitled ordinance shall hereafter be numbered respectively 4, 5, and 6.

Sec. 6. All ordinances, or parts of ordinances, inconsistent or conflicting with the provisions of this ordinance, are hereby repealed.

Sec. 7. This ordinance shall take effect immediately.

The said ordinance, when so amended, shall read as follows:

AN ORDINANCE to provide for the killing of dogs in the City of New York.

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

Section 1. Hereafter it shall not be lawful to permit any dog to go abroad loose, or at large, in any of the streets, lanes, alleys, where not enclosed, highways, parks, or public places within the corporate limits of the City of New York, unless the head of every such dog shall be encased in a wire muzzle sufficiently large to cover the head entirely, but so constructed as to admit of the dog opening its mouth to the fullest extent, and in no case to permit the nose of the dog to protrude; the muzzle to be securely fastened around the throat and behind the ears of every such dog, under a penalty of three dollars for each offence, to be recovered against the owner, possessor, or person who harbored such dog within three days previous to the time of such dog being so found going abroad, loose, or at large, and the Commissioners of Police are hereby authorized and directed to cause complaint to be made to the Corporation Attorney against the owner or possessor of every dog permitted to go loose or at large within the corporate limits aforesaid, for recovery of the penalties prescribed in this ordinance; such penalty, when collected, to be accounted for semi-monthly, and paid to the Comptroller of said city, and upon the requisition of the Mayor, to be applied towards the payment of the expenses of enforcing the provisions of this ordinance.

Section 2. The Mayor of the City of New York is hereby authorized and empowered to take such measures as he may deem most efficient to carry into effect the provisions of section 1 of this ordinance; and for that purpose is further authorized and empowered to appoint two or more persons, each of the age of twenty-one years or upwards, in each of the Assembly Districts in the City of New York, to seize and capture all such dogs found running loose or at large, and to pay such persons so appointed for every such dog so captured and delivered at a place to be provided and designated by the Mayor, the sum of fifty cents. No person shall hinder or molest any person or persons so appointed by the Mayor, while engaged in seizing or capturing, and delivering any such dog as aforesaid, or any other person engaged in the performance of any duty enjoined by the provisions of this ordinance, under a penalty of not less than twenty-five nor more than one hundred dollars for every offence, to be sued for and recovered in the manner now provided by law or ordinance for the recovery of penalties for violations of the ordinances of the Common Council, on complaint of the person so hindered or molested; the penalty, when recovered, to be accounted for, paid, and appropriated as provided in section 1 of this ordinance. The Commissioners of Police are hereby authorized and required to cause the persons so engaged in the performance of any of the duties prescribed by this ordinance, to be protected from hindrance or molestation. Every dog mentioned in this ordinance, when so captured and delivered as aforesaid, if not claimed by the owner or any other person who may claim such dog shall, before being placed in possession thereof, pay therefor the sum of three dollars.

Section 3. The person authorized to pay for the capture of such dogs shall render under oath, semi-monthly, a statement of all dogs so captured and killed, and the amount paid therefor, to the Mayor of this city, who shall thereupon certify the same to the Comptroller, when a warrant for the amount shall be drawn in favor of the said Mayor for the sum thus expended, which shall be paid, and the other expenses of enforcing the provisions of this ordinance, until otherwise ordered, from the appropriation for City Contingencies.

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JOS. C. PINCKNEY,
Clerk C. C.

DIRECTORY

OF THE

COMMON COUNCIL.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

1. Samuel B. H. Vance, 206 West 23d street.
2. Oliver P. C. Billings, 143 East 34th street.
3. Jenkins Van Schaick, 1 University place.
4. Stephen V. R. Cooper, 218 West 51st street.
5. John Falconer, 308 East 15th street.
6. George Koch, 638 Lexington avenue.
7. Peter Kehr, 57 Seventh avenue.
8. Robert McC

LAW DEPARTMENT.

Counsel to the Corporation, Staats Zeitung Building, 3d floor; 9 A. M. to 5 P. M.
Public Administrator, 115 and 117 Nassau street, 10 A. M. to 4 P. M.
Corporation Attorney, 115 and 117 Nassau street, 8½ A. M. to 4½ P. M.
Attorney for the Collection of Arrears of Personal Taxes; Brown stone building, City Hall Park, 32 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
Attorney to the Department of Buildings, 20 Nassau street, room 52, 9 A. M. to 5 P. M.

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

NO. 300 MULBERRY STREET, ALWAYS OPEN.
Central Office.
Commissioners' Office.
Superintendent's Office.
Inspectors' Office.
Chief Clerk's Office, 8 A. M. to 5 P. M.
Property Clerk, " "
Bureau of Street Cleaning, 8 A. M. to 5 P. M.
Bureau of Elections,

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS.

CITY HALL, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
Commissioners' Office, No. 19.
Chief Clerk's Office, No. 20.
Contract Clerk's Office, No. 21.
Engineer in charge of Sewers, No. 21.
" Boulevards and Avenues, No. 18½.
Bureau of Repairs and Supplies, No. 18.
" Lamps and Gas, No. 13.
" Incumbencies, No. 13.
" Street Improvements, No. 11.
" Chief Engineer Croton Aqueduct, No. 11½.
" Water Register, No. 10.
" Water Purveyor, No. 4.
" Streets and Roads, No. 13.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CIRCORATION.

Central Office, No. 66 Third avenue, 8 A. M. to 5 P. M.
Out D'or Poor Department, No. 66 Third avenue, always open; entrance on Eleventh street.
Free Labor Bureau, Nos. 8 and 10 Clinton place, 8 A. M. to 5 P. M.
Reception Hospital, City Hall Park, northeast corner, always open.
Reception Hospital, Ninety-ninth street and Tenth avenue, always open.
Bellevue Hospital, foot of Twenty-sixth street, East river, always open.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

NOS. 127 AND 129 MERCER ST., 9 A. M. TO 4 P. M.
Commissioners' Office. Chief of Department.
Inspectors of Combustibles. Fire Marshal.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

NO. 301 MOTT STREET.
Commissioners' Office, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
Sanitary Superintendent, always open.
Register of Records, for granting burial permits, on all days of the week, except Sunday, from 7 A. M. to 6 P. M. and on Sundays from 8 A. M. to 5 P. M.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.

Commissioner's Office, 36 Union Sq., 9 A. M. to 5 P. M.

DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS.

Commissioner's Office, 346 and 348 Broadway, corner Leonard street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

DEPARTMENT OF TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS.

Commissioners' Office, brown stone building, City Hall Park, 32 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.; on Saturday, 9 A. M. to 3 P. M.
Surveyor's Bureau, 19 Chatham street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
Board of Assessors, "

DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS.

Superintendent's Office, 2 Fourth avenue, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

BOARD OF EXCISE.

Commissioners' Office, 299 Mulberry st., 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

BOARD OF EDUCATION.

CORNER GRAND AND ELM STREETS.
Office of the Board, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
Superintendent of Schools, 9 A. M. to 5 P. M.

COMMISSIONERS OF ACCOUNTS.

Office, No. 32 Chambers street (basement).

COMMISSIONERS OF EMIGRATION.

CASLE GARDEN.
Commissioners' Office, 9 A. M. to 5 P. M.
Superintendent's Office, 9 A. M. to 5 P. M.

THE CITY RECORD.

Office, No. 2, City Hall, northwest corner, basement, 8 A. M. to 6 P. M.

MISCELLANEOUS OFFICES.

HOURS 9 A. M. TO 4 P. M.
Coroner's Office, 40 East Houston street.

Sheriff's Office, first floor, northeast corner of New Court-house.

County Clerk's Office, first floor, southwest corner of New Court-house.

Surrogate's Office, first floor, southeast corner of New Court-house.

Register's Office, Hall of Records, City Hall Park.

District Attorney's Office, second floor, Old Court-house 32 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 5 P. M.

COMMISSIONER OF JURORS.

Commissioner's Office, New County Court-house, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

COURTS.

SUPREME COURT.
General Term, Special Term, Chambers, Circuit Part I, Circuit Part II, second floor, New Court-house, 10 A. M. to 3 P. M.

SUPERIOR COURT.

Part I, Part II, Third floor, New Court-house, 11 A. M. Clerks' Office. Third floor, New Court-house, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

COMMON PLEAS.

Third floor, New Court-house, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
GENERAL SESSIONS.

No. 32 Chambers street, 10 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Clerk's Office, 32 Chambers street, room 14, 10 A. M. to 4 P. M.

OVER AND TERMINER.

General Term, Special Term, No. 32 Chambers street, room 11, 10 A. M.

MARINE COURT.

General Term, room 17; Special Term, room 15; Chambers, room 18; 10 A. M. to 3 P. M. Clerk's Office, room 19, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. No. 32 Chambers street.

SPECIAL SESSIONS.

At Tombs, corner Franklin and Centre streets, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays, 10 A. M.

JUSTICES' (OR DISTRICT) COURTS.

First District—First, Second, Third, and Fifth Wards, southwest corner of Centre and Chambers streets, 10 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Second District—Fourth, Sixth and Fourteenth Wards, No. 514 Pearl street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Third District—Eighth, Ninth and Fifteenth Wards, No. 12 Greenwich avenue, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Fourth District—Tenth and Seventeenth Wards, No. 163 East Houston street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Fifth District—Seventh, Eleventh and Thirteenth Wards, No. 154 Clinton street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Sixth District—

Seventh District—Nineteenth and Twenty-second Wards, Fifty-seventh street, between Third and Lexington avenues, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Eighth District—Sixteenth and Twentieth Wards, south-

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west corner Twenty-second street and Seventh avenue, 9:30 A. M. to 4 P. M.
Ninth District—Twelfth Ward, No. 2374 Fourth avenue, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Tenth District—Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, northeast corner of Third avenue and Southern Boulevard, Harlem Bridge, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

POLICE COURTS.

First District—Fourteenth, Twenty-fourth, Twenty-fifth, Twenty-sixth, Twenty-seventh, and portion of Sanitary Precinct, Tombs, corner Franklin and Centre streets, 7 A. M. to 3 P. M.

Second District—Eighth, Ninth, Fifteenth, Sixteenth, Twenty-seventh, Twenty-eighth, and portion of Sanitary Precincts, Greenwich avenue, corner of Tenth street, 9 A. M. to 6 P. M.

Third District—Seventh, Tenth, Eleventh, Thirteenth, Seventeenth, Eighteenth, and portion of Sanitary Precinct, No. 69 Essex street, 8 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Fourth District—Nineteenth, Twenty-first, Twenty-second, Twenty-third and Nineteenth Sub-station, Fifty-seventh street, between Third and Lexington avenues, 8 A. M. to 5 P. M.

Fifth District—Twelfth Ward, No. 2374 Fourth avenue (Harlem), 8 A. M. to 4 P. M.

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

POLICE DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK,
No. 300 Mulberry Street,
New York, July 16, 1874.

PROPOSALS FOR FURNISHING—

5,000 Registry Books.

5,000 copies Election Law Pamphlets.

1,000 copies Election District Boundaries Pamphlets.

Sealed proposals for this work will be received at the Bureau of Elections, until 10 o'clock A. M., on the 30th day of July, 1874, at which time the bids will be publicly opened and read.

Samples of the proposed work may be seen, and specifications and blank form of proposals may be obtained on application to the undersigned.

By order of the Board of Police.

D. B. HASHROUCK,
Chief of the Bureau of Elections.

CENTRAL DEPARTMENT OF THE MUNICIPAL POLICE,
No. 300 Mulberry Street,
PROPERTY CLERK'S OFFICE, ROOM 39,
New York, July 14, 1874.

OWNERS WANTED BY THE PROPERTY
Clerk, 300 Mulberry street, room 39, for the following property now in his custody without claimants:—4 gross harness rings, seven revolvers, three silver watches, four coats, three pairs pants, lot furniture, opera glass, small boiler and pipe, money found in street.

C. A. ST. JOHN,
Property Clerk.

CENTRAL DEPARTMENT OF THE MUNICIPAL POLICE,
No. 300 Mulberry Street,
PROPERTY CLERK'S OFFICE, ROOM 39,
New York, June 20, 1874.

OWNERS WANTED BY THE PROPERTY
Clerk, 300 Mulberry street, Room 39, for the following articles, now in his custody, without claimants:—Case of brandy; five revolvers; seven pieces farmers' satin; chest of tea; case sardines; twenty straw hats; gold lock; money found and taken from insane person.

C. A. ST. JOHN,
Property Clerk.

HEADQUARTERS,
FIRE DEPARTMENT, CITY OF NEW YORK,
127 AND 129 MERCER STREET,
New York, July 20, 1874.

PROPOSALS FOR ALTERING THE BUILDING
No. 125 Mercer street, according to plans and specifications on file in this office, will be received at these headquarters until 10 A. M., Friday, July 31, 1874, at which time the bids will be publicly opened and read.

Two responsible sureties, residents of this city, will be required with each proposal, who must justify in double the amount of the bid. Proposals will not be considered unless sureties are named.

Proposals must be indorsed, "Proposals for altering building No. 125 Mercer street."

Plans and specifications can be seen and blank proposals furnished upon application at these headquarters.

The Commissioners reserve the right to reject any or all of the proposals submitted.

JOSEPH L. PERLEY,
ROSWELL D. HATCH,
CORNELIUS VAN COTT,
Commissioners.

FIRE DEPARTMENT, CITY OF NEW YORK,
127 and 129 Mercer Street,
New York, July 18, 1874.

PROPOSALS FOR THE ERECTION OF A
building for this Department, on the lots Nos. 130 and 132 Amity street, will be received at these headquarters until 10 o'clock A. M., July 31, 1874, at which time the bids will be publicly opened and read.

Two responsible sureties, residents of this city, will be required with each proposal, who must justify in double the amount of the bid. Proposals will not be considered unless sureties are named.

Proposals must be indorsed, "Proposals for the erection of a building on lots Nos. 130 and 132 Amity street."

Plans and specifications can be seen and blank proposals furnished upon application at these headquarters.

The Commissioners reserve the right to reject any or all of the proposals submitted.

JOSEPH L. PERLEY,
ROSWELL D. HATCH,
CORNELIUS VAN COTT,
Commissioners.

HEAD-QUARTERS,
FIRE DEPARTMENT, CITY OF NEW YORK,
127 and 129 Mercer Street,
New York, July 14, 1874.

PROPOSALS FOR FURNISHING TWO STEAM
Boilers for Engines Nos. 27 and 29 of this Department will be received at these headquarters until 10 o'clock A. M., Monday, July 27, 1874, at which time the bids will be publicly opened and read.

Two responsible sureties, residents of this city, will be required with each proposal, who must justify in double the amount of the bid. Proposals will not be considered unless sureties are named.

Proposals must be indorsed "Proposal for furnishing Steam Boilers."

Blank proposals and information will be furnished upon application to these headquarters.

The Commissioners reserve the right to reject any or all of the proposals submitted.

JOSEPH L. PERLEY,
ROSWELL D. HATCH,
CORNELIUS VAN COTT,
Commissioners.

HEAD-QUARTERS,
FIRE DEPARTMENT, CITY OF NEW YORK,
127 and 129 Mercer Street,
New York, July 14, 1874.

PROPOSALS FOR FURNISHING ONE STEAM
Boiler for Engine No. 28 of this Department will be received at these headquarters until 10 o'clock A. M., Monday, July 27, 1874, at which time the bids will be publicly opened and read.

Two responsible sureties, residents of this city, will be required with each proposal, who must justify in double the amount of the bid. Proposals will not be considered unless sureties are named.

Proposals must be indorsed "Proposal for furnishing Steam Boiler."

Blank proposals and information as to style and kind of Boiler required will be furnished upon application at these headquarters.

The Commissioners reserve the right to reject any or all of the proposals submitted.

JOSEPH L. PERLEY,
ROSWELL D. HATCH,
CORNELIUS VAN COTT,
Commissioners.

HEAD-QUARTERS,
FIRE DEPARTMENT, CITY OF NEW YORK,
127 and 129 Mercer Street,
New York, July 14, 1874.

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Blank proposals and information as to style and kind of Boiler required will be furnished upon application at these headquarters.

The Commissioners reserve the right to reject any or all of the proposals submitted.</p

DEPARTMENT PUBLIC WORKS.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS,
Commissioner's Office, Room 19, City Hall,
New York, July 16, 1874.

TO CONTRACTORS.

PROPOSALS INCLOSED IN A SEALED ENVELOPE, with the title of the work and the name of the bidder endorsed thereon (ALSO THE NUMBER OF THE WORK AS IN THE ADVERTISEMENT), will be received at this office until the 29th day of July, 1874, at 12 o'clock M., for the following works:

No. 1. Sewer in Laight street, between Varick and Hudson streets.

No. 2. Sewer in Attorney street, between Grand and Broome streets.

No. 3. Sewer in Tompkins street, between Broome and Delancey streets.

No. 4. Sewers in Lewis street, between Houston and Sixth streets.

No. 5. Sewer in Twenty-fourth street, between Second and Third avenues.

No. 6. Sewer in Fifty-third street, between First avenue and East river.

No. 7. Outler sewer in One Hundred and Forty-second street, between Boulevard and Hudson river.

No. 8. Sewer in Lexington avenue, between Sixty-seventh and Sixty-eighth streets.

No. 9. Sewers in Ninth avenue, between Sixty-fifth and Seventy-fifth streets, with branches.

No. 10. Sewer in Thirteenth avenue, between Gansevoort and Bloomfield streets, with branches in Bloomfield and Bogart streets.

No. 11. Sewer in Avenue B, between Eighty-sixth and Eighty-seventh streets, with branch in Eighty-seventh street.

No. 12. Regulating, grading, setting curb and gutter stones and flagging in Thirteenth avenue, from Eleventh to Sixteenth streets.

No. 13. Regulating, grading, setting curb and gutter stones and flagging in Forty-third street, from the Second to the Third avenue.

No. 14. Regulating, grading, setting curb and gutter stones and flagging in Seventieth street, from Third avenue to the East river.

No. 15. Regulating, grading, setting curb and gutter stones and flagging, in Ninety-third street, from Second avenue to the East river, except from First avenue to the East river.

No. 16. Regulating, grading, setting curb and gutter stones, and flagging, in Ninety-sixth street, from Eighth avenue to the Boulevard.

No. 17. Regulating, grading, setting curb and gutter stones, and flagging, in One Hundred and Third street, from First to Fifth avenue.

No. 18. Regulating, grading, setting curb and gutter stones, and flagging, in One Hundred and Twenty-sixth street, from Fifth to Eighth avenue.

No. 19. Setting curb and gutter stones, and flagging full width, in Third avenue, west side, from Sixty-sixth to Sixty-ninth street.

No. 20. Setting curb and gutter stones, and flagging full width, on the north side of Eleventh street, from Avenue D to the East river: also, on the East side of Avenue D, from Eleventh to Thirteenth street.

No. 21. Setting curb and gutter stones, and flagging full width, in Third street, from Goerck street to the East river.

No. 22. Flagging sidewalks, on south side Thirty-fourth street, between Lexington and Fourth avenues, full width.

No. 23. Flagging sidewalks, on north side of Fifty-fifth street, between Ninth and Tenth avenues.

No. 24. Flagging sidewalks, in Fifty-first street, between Tenth and Eleventh avenues, and on the north side of Fifty-first street, from Eleventh avenue to the Hudson river.

No. 25. Flagging sidewalks, on Fifty-sixth street, between Ninth and Tenth avenues.

No. 26. Paving Bank street, between West street and Thirteenth avenue, with Belgian pavement, and laying crosswalks at the intersecting streets and avenues where required.

No. 27. Paving Third street, from Goerck street to the pier foot of Third street, with Belgian pavement, and laying crosswalks at the intersecting streets and avenues where required.

No. 28. Paving Eleventh street, from one hundred feet east of Avenue D to the East river, with Belgian pavement, and laying crosswalks at the intersecting streets and avenues where required.

No. 29. Paving Twenty-fourth street, from Eleventh avenue to the North river, with Belgian or granite-block pavement, and laying crosswalks at the intersecting streets and avenues where required.

No. 30. Paving Thirty-first street, between Fourth and Lexington avenues, with Belgian pavement, and laying crosswalks at the intersecting streets and avenues where required.

No. 31. Paving Thirty-sixth street, from the Tenth to the Eleventh avenue, with Belgian pavement, and laying crosswalks at the intersecting streets and avenues where required.

No. 32. Paving Forty-third street, between Madison avenue and the Grand Central Railroad depot, with Belgian pavement, and laying crosswalks at the intersecting streets and avenues where required.

No. 33. Paving Fifty-second street, between Fourth and Fifth avenues, with Belgian pavement, and laying crosswalks at the intersecting streets and avenues where required.

No. 34. Paving Fifty-sixth street, between First avenue and East river, with Belgian pavement, and laying crosswalks at the intersecting streets and avenues where required.

No. 35. Paving Eighty-eighth street, between Third and Fourth avenues, with Belgian pavement, and laying crosswalks at the intersecting streets and avenues where required.

No. 36. Paving One Hundred and Thirty-eighth street, from Eleventh avenue, or Boulevard, to the Hudson River Railroad, with Belgian or granite-block pavement, and laying crosswalks at the intersecting streets and avenues where required.

No. 37. Paving Eleventh avenue, from Fifty-second to Fifty-ninth street, with Belgian pavement, and laying crosswalks at the intersecting streets and avenues where required.

No. 38. Paving Thirteenth or Exterior avenue, between Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth streets (half the block), with Belgian pavement, and laying crosswalks at the intersecting streets and avenues where required.

Blank forms of proposals, the specifications and agreements, the proper envelope in which to inclose the bids, and any further information desired can be obtained on application to the Contract Clerk at his office.

The Commissioner of Public Works reserves the right to reject any or all proposals, if in his judgment the same may be for the best interests of the city.

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

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS,
Commissioners' Office, 19 City Hall

CONSUMERS OF CROTON WATER ARE hereby notified that the water rents for 1874 are now due, and are payable at the office of the Water Register, Room No. 19, City Hall from 10 A. M. to 4 P. M. each day. A penalty will be added to all water rents remaining unpaid on the 1st of August.

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

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION.

DEPARTMENT OF
PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION,
No. 66 Third avenue,
New York, July 21, 1874.

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ORDINANCE OF the Common Council "In relation to the burial of strangers and unknown persons who may die in any of the public institutions of the City of New York," the Commissioners of Public Charities and Correction report as follows:

At Morgue, from foot of West Fifteenth street, July 17, 1874—Unknown man, about 35 years of age, 5 feet 10 inches high, sandy hair and goatee. Had on blue and white linen coat, blue flannel shirt, brown pants with wide rib, and low laced shoes.

DEPARTMENT OF
PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION,
No. 66 Third Avenue,
New York, July 18, 1874.

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ORDINANCE OF the Common Council "In relation to the burial of strangers and unknown persons who may die in any of the public institutions of the City of New York," the Commissioners of Public Charities and Correction report as follows:

At Morgue, from foot of West Fifteenth street, July 17, 1874—Henry D. Miller, admitted from Almshouse, June 27, 1874, age 62 years, born in Germany, 5 feet 7 inches high, gray hair, brown eyes, weight about 150 lbs. Had on brown coat, gray pants, red shirt. There has been no person to visit him, nor could any information in regard to relatives or friends be obtained from him. No effects.

By Order JOSHUA PHILLIPS,
Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF
PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION,
No. 66 Third Avenue,
New York, July 20, 1874.

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ORDINANCE OF the Common Council "In relation to the burial of strangers and unknown persons who may die in any of the public institutions of the City of New York," the Commissioners of Public Charities and Correction report as follows:

At Morgue, from Pier No. 18, North river, July 18, 1874—Unknown man, about forty-five years of age; five feet seven inches high, light brown hair. Had on black alpaca coat, dark mixed vest, dark corded pants, white shirt, with fine pleat bosom, white knit undershirt, white cotton socks, and boots. Found on his person: Brass watch and chain, two-bladed white-handle knife, bunch of keys, rubber eyeglasses, and cigar-holder case.

By Order JOSHUA PHILLIPS,
Secretary.

MORGUE—BELLEVUE HOSPITAL,
July 18, 1874.

UNKNOWN MAN FROM PIER 18, NORTH river.—Age, about forty-five years; five feet seven inches high, light brown hair.

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By Order of the Board THOMAS S. BRENNAN,
Warden.

MORGUE—BELLEVUE HOSPITAL,
July 17, 1874.

UNKNOWN MAN FROM FOOT OF FIFTEENTH street, N. R., age about 35 years, 5 feet 10 inches high, sandy hair and goatee. Had on blue and white linen coat, blue flannel shirt, brown pants (wide rib), white cotton socks and low-cut laced shoes.

By Order of the Board THOMAS S. BRENNAN,
Warden.

DEPARTMENT OF
PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION,
New York, July 14, 1874.

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ORDINANCE OF the Common Council "In relation to the burial of strangers and unknown persons who may die in any of the public institutions of the City of New York," the Commissioners of Public Charities and Correction report as follows:

DIED, at Hart's Island, July 12, 1874—Annie Carter, aged fifty years. Committed to Work-house for vagrancy July 8, and transferred to Hart's Island July 12, 1874. Dressed—two skirts, one waist, wrapper, stockings, shoes, etc.

By Order JOSHUA PHILLIPS,
Secretary.

MORGUE—BELLEVUE HOSPITAL,
July 14, 1874.

UNKNOWN MAN FROM FULTON FERRY SLIP. Age, about 60 years; 5 feet 8 inches high, gray hair, gray side whiskers, high forehead, blue eyes, spare built man; no teeth in upper jaw; teeth very much decayed on lower jaw. Had on black frock coat, black vest, dark ribbed flap pants, mixed with red; white shirt, with one plait down the bosom, and collar attached; white knit undershirt, white suspenders, with blue edge, black silk necktie, blue ribbed woolen socks, and boots. Found on his person, permit from Department of City Works, Brooklyn, marked James Shannon, 85 Claremont avenue, Brooklyn, pocket-book, silver spectacles, razor, and key.

By Order of the Board THOMAS S. BRENNAN,
Warden.

DEPARTMENT OF
PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION,
Corner of Third Avenue and Eleventh Street,
New York, July 15, 1874.

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ORDINANCE OF the Common Council "In relation to the burial of strangers and unknown persons who may die in any of the public institutions of the City of New York," the Commissioners of Public Charities and Correction report as follows:

At Morgue, from Fulton Ferry Slip, July 14, 1874—Unknown man, about 60 years of age, 5 feet 8 inches high, gray hair, gray side whiskers, high forehead, blue eyes, spare built man; no teeth in upper jaw, and much decayed on lower jaw. Had on black frock coat, dark vest, dark ribbed flap pants, mixed with red, white shirt, with one plait down the bosom, and collar attached; white knit undershirt, white suspenders, with blue edge, black silk necktie, blue ribbed woolen socks, and boots. Found on his person, permit from Department of City Works, Brooklyn, marked James Shannon, 85 Claremont avenue, pocket-book, silver spectacles, razor, and key.

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DEPARTMENT OF
PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION,
Corner of Third Avenue and Eleventh Street,
New York, July 13, 1874.

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ORDINANCE OF the Common Council "In relation to the burial of strangers and unknown persons who may die in any of the public institutions of the City of New York," the Commissioners of Public Charities and Correction report as follows:

At Charity Hospital, July 11, 1874—Adam Groosman. Fifty years of age, 5 feet 4 inches high, black hair, brown eyes, goatee. Had on light brown coat, dark gray pants, black hat, and slippers. Was one day in the hospital.

At City Prison, July 12, 1874—John Mullane. Native of Scotland; residence, Greenwich street; number not known. Married. Age, fifty years; occupation, carrying coal; clothing very poor. Committed by Justice Flammer.

At Morgue, from Pier No. 21, East river—Unknown boy. About eighteen years of age, 5 feet 4 inches high. Had on black and white checked shirt (woolen), gray patched pants, coarse white cotton socks, low cut shoes with elastic sides.

By Order JOSHUA PHILLIPS,
Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF
PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION,
No. 66 Third Avenue,
New York, July 18, 1874.

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ORDINANCE OF the Common Council "In relation to the burial of

strangers and unknown persons who may die in any of the public institutions of the City of New York," the Commissioners of Public Charities and Correction report as follows:

At Morgue, from foot of West Fifteenth street, July 17, 1874—Unknown man, about 35 years of age, 5 feet 10 inches high, sandy hair and goatee. Had on blue and white linen coat, blue flannel shirt, brown pants with wide rib, and low laced shoes.

By Order JOSHUA PHILLIPS,
Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF
PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION,
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New York, July 17, 1874.

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strangers and unknown persons who may die in any of the public institutions of the City of New York," the Commissioners of Public Charities and Correction report as follows:

DIED AT N. Y. CITY ASYLUM, WARD'S ISLAND, JULY 15, 1874.—Aaron S. Wesonitz, a native of Poland; 23 years of age; 4 feet 10 inches high; dark hair; gray eyes; weight, 150 pounds; residence in New York six years. Was received from Alms-house July 10, 1872. Had on gray coat, brown pants and vest, white shirt, straw hat, Congress gaiters. No effects. There has been no person to visit him, nor could any information be obtained of his relatives or friends.

By Order JOSHUA PHILLIPS,
Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF
PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION,
No. 66 Third Avenue,
New York, July 20, 1874.

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