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LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

STATED SESSION.

TUESDAY, December 17, 1878,
2 o'clock P. M.

The Board met in their chamber, No. 16 City Hall.

PRESENT :

ALDERMEN

William Bennett,
Bernard Biglin,
Thomas Carroll,
Ferdinand Ehrhart,
Robert C. Foster,
William H. Gedney,
John W. Guntzer,

John W. Jacobus,
Patrick Keenan,
Terence Kiernan,
Samuel A. Lewis,
John J. Morris,
Henry C. Perley,
Lewis J. Phillips,

Joseph C. Pinckney,
Bryan Reilly,
William Sauer,
Thomas Sheils,
James J. Slevin,
Louis C. Waelner.

In the absence of the President, on motion of Alderman Lewis, Alderman Morris was appointed President pro tem.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

PETITIONS.

By Alderman Pinckney—

Remonstrance of residents and others of the Twenty-third Ward against the extension of the tracks of the Harlem Bridge, Morrisania and Fordham Railway Company.

Which was laid over in connection with G. O. 364.

By Alderman Lewis—

Petition for the flagging of the south side of Eighty-fifth street, 100 feet west of Lexington avenue.

NEW YORK, December 12, 1878.

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

We, as property owners and residents of Eighty-fifth street, between Lexington and Fourth avenues, are desirous of having flagging laid on the south side, about 100 feet west of Lexington avenue on said Eighty-fifth street, and would respectfully petition you to have the appropriate resolution passed to authorize the Commissioner of Public Works to have the necessary work done, as want of proper flagging causes to pedestrians a constant threat both to life and limb.

Most respectfully yours,

Joseph Mayer, 126 E. 85th st.
Simon Seligman, 108 E. 85th st.
Whitman V. White, M. D., 118 E. 85th st.
Francis A. Thomas, M. D., 114 E. 85th st.
Samuel Udell, 128 E. 85th st.
Judson Haskell, 1260 Lexington ave.
W. H. Merriam, 71 E. 85th st.
Martha McIntosh, K. McIntosh, att'y.
Paul W. Allen, M. D., 104 E. 85th st.
G. A. White, grocer, 132 E. 85th st.

William Grout, 127 E. 85th st.
John T. Tully, 130 E. 85th st.
Henry Berning, cor. 85th st. and 4th ave.
C. A. Smith, 109 East 85th st.
John A. Dunscomb, Lexington ave. and 85th st., N. E. corner.
George W. Cole, 107 Eighty-fifth st.
Geo. Wm. Smith, 109 E. 85th st.
Chas. Smith, 109 E. 85th st.

Whereupon he offered the following :

Resolved, That the south side of Eighty-fifth street, one hundred feet west of Lexington avenue, 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 referred to the Committee on Public Works.

By Alderman Slevin—

Petition of property-owners and others, asking that the square at the intersection of Canal and Walker streets be named "Harry Howard Square."

NEW YORK, December, 1878.

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

GENTLEMEN—Your petitioners, owners of, and merchants and tradesmen doing business upon the property forming the intersection of Canal and Walker streets in this city, respectfully represent that the value of the property owned and occupied by them would be materially enhanced, and the business operations in that locality largely increased by the adoption of a specific designation for the area formed by the intersection of said streets.

We therefore petition your Honorable Body for the passage of such resolution or ordinance as may be necessary henceforward to have said area known and distinguished as "Harry Howard Square."

By granting our request, you will not only confer a great benefit upon us, but you will pay a deserved compliment to one of our best-known citizens, who for forty years has been a resident of the locality, was for a quarter of a century connected with the Volunteer Fire Department of the city, during ten years of which he filled the positions of Assistant and Chief Engineer. Discharging with remarkable fidelity his every public trust, he has earned this recognition of his services to the people of the metropolis as Fireman, Member of Assembly, Alderman, and Receiver of Taxes, as well as by faithful and efficient service to his fellow-citizens in many other capacities.

And your petitioners will ever pray.

N. Cowen, 158, 160, 162, 213, 215 217, 219 Canal st.
Alex. Patton, 216, 218, 220 Canal st., 95 and 97 Baxter st.
S. Stone, 195 and 197 Canal st.
F. & G. Haag, 113 Canal, and 99 to 103 Elm sts.
I. J. Genz, 203, 205, 207, 209 and 211 Canal st.
H. H. Upham & Co., 250 and 252 Canal st.
R. I. Edwards, 113 and 115 Walker st.
Oxley & Giddings, 113 and 115 Walker st.

John Stemme, 193 Canal st.
Jacob Davidson, 134, 136, 164, 166, 168 and 170 Canal st.
Henry Immen, 191 Canal st.
G. P. Kato, 119 Walker st.
H. H. Thayer, 250 and 252 Canal st.
John R. Graham, 206 to 212 Canal st.
George Kuttler, 214 Canal st., cor. of Baxter.
Geo. W. Jarvis, 221 Canal, N. W. cor. of Baxter.
J. J. Jenkins, Canal st.
W. Scott Jarvis, do.

Whereupon he offered the following :

Resolved, That the square bounded by Canal, Walker, Baxter, and Mulberry streets be and the same is hereby designated as Harry Howard Square.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

INVITATION

To attend the annual reception of the Grand Supreme Council of the World, at Walhalla Hall, on Tuesday evening, December 24, 1878, as follows :

HEADQUARTERS DOVER POST 112, }
DELAWARE, G. A. R. }

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

GENTLEMEN—The Grand Supreme Council of the World extend to your Honorable Body an invitation to attend their annual reception at Walhalla Hall, 48-52 Orchard street, New York City, on Christmas Eve, Tuesday, December 24, 1878. There will be present on this occasion delegates from all the branches of the Post in the world.

As this is the first public reception of this Post held in your city, the delegates from the foreign Posts will consider it a high honor to have your Honorable Body visit them on this occasion.

We will do our utmost to make your visit both pleasant and agreeable, and show by our courtesy to your Honorable Body the honor this Post holds the representatives of the first city of the world.

We remain, respectfully yours,

JOS. SCHULUM, Grand Comm. of the World ;
JOHN J. CARMODY, Deputy Grand Comm. of the World ;
WILLIAM DONNELLY, Commander of the U. S. ;
ANDREW I. BRUSH, Commander of Utah ;
DANIEL O'BRIEN, Commander of Great Britain and Ireland ;
JOHN J. SIGERSON, Commander of Mexico ;
MICHAEL FEENEY, Commander of Oregon ;
F. H. H. KRAGER, Commander of the Post ;
CHAS. L. RHOADS, Grand Sect. of the World ;
EDWARD E. RACKETT, Asst. Grand Sect. of the World ;
WILLIAM YORKEY, Adj.-General ;
MICH. FLOOD, Private Sect. to the Grand Comm. ;
DENNIS KILLERLANE, Grand Chaplain of the World.

Which was accepted.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

By Alderman Sauer—

Whereas, The Harlem Bridge, Morrisania and Fordham Railway Company, by resolution of their Board of Directors, and by consent of one-half in value of property owners on the line of the extension, as required by law, have taken proceedings for the extension of the tracks of their road, from the present southerly terminus thereof, to, along, and upon the Harlem Bridge and Third avenue to One Hundred and Twenty-ninth street ; and

Whereas, The completion of the Elevated Railroad on Third avenue to that point makes it desirable that the application of the first named road for authority to extend its road should be granted, and that the facilities to be offered for rapid transit over the Elevated Road should be enjoyed by the people of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards ; therefore be it

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby granted to the Harlem Bridge, Morrisania and Fordham Railway Company to extend its tracks upon, to, and across the Harlem Bridge, and on and along the Third avenue to a point at or near One Hundred and Twenty-ninth street, and to operate said road so extended, and to run cars thereon, with such switches, turnouts, and tables as may be necessary, provided that said company shall run cars from said terminus until 1 A. M., and shall not charge any increased fares, by reason of such extension ; and that this permission shall continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

In the matter of the application of the Harlem Bridge, Morrisania and Fordham Railway Company, for authority to construct an extension of its tracks from the northerly end of Harlem Bridge to and along the Third avenue, at One Hundred and Twenty-ninth street, in the City of New York.

The undersigned, owners of property bounded on the Third avenue, north of One Hundred and Twenty-ninth street, and being owners of one-half in value on that portion of Third avenue upon which the said extension of track is proposed to be constructed and operated, do hereby consent to the said construction and operation of said track by said company, with suitable turnouts and switches, on said Third avenue.

Dated December, 1878.

Valuation on
assessment roll.

\$167,000 Third Avenue R. R. Co., by Samuel L. Phillips, President, for lots, Wards Nos. from 36 to 40, inclusive.

\$23,000 H. Hart, for lots, Ward No. 33, and William Remsen, for lots, Ward No. 33.

City and County of New York, ss. :

Henry Spratley, being duly sworn, says : I am acquainted with the parties signing the foregoing consent, they severally signed the original of the same in my presence.

The signatures represent over one-half of the assessed value of the property shown on the annexed diagram, the whole value thereof being on the assessment roll, \$289,000, and the owners so consenting representing an assessed value of \$190,000. The foregoing is a true copy of the diagram, consent and signatures.

HENRY SPATLEY.

Sworn to before me, December 17, 1878.

J. E. LUDDEN, Notary Public.

At a regularly called meeting of the Directors of the Harlem Bridge, Morrisania and Fordham Railway Company, held this 13th day of December, 1878, at the office of William Remsen, Esq., No. 5 Wall street, New York City, at three o'clock P. M.

Directors present—Harford B. Kirk, Mathew B. Wynkoop, William Remsen, John J. Hallenbeck, William Cauldwell, Albert B. Whitney, Horace P. Whitney, Henry Spratley, and Henry Hart. The following resolutions were adopted, two-thirds of all the Directors of said company voting in favor thereof :

Resolved, That the Harlem Bridge, Morrisania and Fordham Railway Company extend the tracks of said road across the Harlem Bridge, and along Third avenue to One Hundred and Twenty-ninth street, and that the southerly terminus of said road shall be at Third avenue and One Hundred and Twenty-ninth street, or as near thereto as may be practicable, and that these proceedings and a proper survey and map attached thereto be duly filed as required by law.

Resolved, That application be made on behalf of this company, by the President and Secretary, for the consent of the property owners on the line of the extension and to the proper public authorities, for their consent for such extension as required by law.

Resolved, That the President and Secretary of said company be authorized to take the necessary proceedings for such extension.

I hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy from the minutes of a meeting held December 13, 1878.

HENRY SPATLEY, Secretary.

Alderman Pinckney called up a remonstrance against granting the privilege asked, which was laid over in connection with G. O. 364, which is as follows :

NEW YORK, December 16, 1878.

To the Hon. Common Council of the City of New York :

GENTLEMEN—The undersigned residents and persons doing business in the Twenty-third Ward hereby respectfully but earnestly protest against the passage of the resolution pending before your Honorable Body to permit the "Harlem Bridge, Morrisania and Fordham Railway Company" to lay rails and run their cars across Harlem Bridge, for the reason that this bridge is the only connection between the business centres of the city and the annexed wards, and is at present entirely inadequate to the demands of business. The roadways are so narrow that the rails and cars would occupy almost the entire carriageways, and prevent the free use and passage of other vehicles, and tend to increase the almost constant blockades occasioned by opening the draw for passing vessels. To add further obstructions to the already crowded bridge, with a rapidly increasing travel, would not only impede business but would largely increase the dangers of transit.

Therefore your petitioners would respectfully ask to be heard before a proper committee of your Honorable Body before action is taken upon said resolution.

Respectfully,

John Eichler, cor. 169th st. and 3d ave.
William Ebling, cor. 156th st. and St. Ann's ave.
Martin Norz, Jr., cor. 3d ave. and 135th st.
Wm. H. Moadinger, 3d ave. and 143d st.
John H. Schilling, 3d ave., cor. of 146th st.
A. & J. Bowes, 3d ave. and 161st st.

Bremmer Fitzgerald, Southern Boulevard.
A. M. Smith, 134th st. and Willis ave.
M. Tyrrell.
John W. Pawover, 138th st. and 3d ave.
G. C. Smith, 139th st., near 3d ave.
Lewis & Thomas Tornont.

Alderman Pinckney moved to refer the whole subject to the Committee on Railroads.

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

Which was decided in the negative, on a division called by Alderman Sauer, viz.:

Affirmative—Aldermen Gedney, Jacobus, Morris, Perley, Phillips, Pinckney, Reilly, and Waehner—8.
Negative—Aldermen Bennett, Biglin, Carroll, Ehrhart, Foster, Guntzer, Keenan, Kiernan, Lewis, Sauer, Sheils, and Slevin—12.

Alderman Sauer presented the following petition, asking for the adoption of the resolution granting the privilege asked.

To the Honorable the Common Council:

The undersigned, residents of the Twenty-third Ward, respectfully petition your Honorable Body to pass a resolution directing the Harlem Bridge, Morrisania and Fordham Railway Company to extend its tracks across Harlem Bridge and along Third avenue to One Hundred and Twenty-ninth street, at the terminus of the Elevated Railroad, to connect with rapid transit.

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Charles Bathgate, Boston ave.
John Callan, Fairmont, Twenty-fourth Ward.
Peter Hermann, Morrisania, Twenty-third Ward.
Henry Zeltner, Third ave. and 170th st.
John Damm, Third ave., near 169th st.
H. J. Duchartt.
Martin J. Klog.
Wm. Siegel, Third ave., cor. 169th st.
Chas. H. Kirk, Morrisania.
William Bohner, Third ave. and 166th st.
W. Farrington, 140th st.
Louis A. Risse, City Surveyor, 139th st. and Alexander ave.
E. Anderson, 135th st., bet. Alexander and Willis ayes.
R. Danfield, 170th st.
Joseph Pfluger, 3d ave., near 169th st.
Henry A. Sherwood, Washington ave. and 169th street.
Wm. L. Hauffmann, Washington ave. and 169th st.
M. T. Farrington, 140th st.
Wm. B. Garrison, 169th st.
W. H. Webster, Washington ave., 166th st.
Louis Wurm, 3d ave., near 134th st.
Wm. Schaefer, 3d ave., bet. 133d and 134th sts.
James La Coste, Residents 23d Ward.
G. Haffen, "
Wright Knapp, "
John Muller, "
Chs. Schuh, "
Wm. H. Huber, "
John Hartmayer, "
George Carlock, "
Daniel Malone, "
Kelleog C. Egdooe, "
John H. Summerhorn, "
A. H. Mitchell, "
Timothy Gaffney, "
William Nicholson, "
Alfred Knapp, "
Amander J. Bossert, "
John Hotaling, "
Henry Birchall, "
Geo. B. Robbins, "
John Norz, "
Thomas Morris, "
Chas. A. Berhollergen, "
Church E. Gates & Co., "
John F. Steeves, "
John B. Devlin, 136th st., near Willis ave.
Louis P. Beck, 3d ave. and 135th st.
Thomas Melhur, 3d ave. and 135th st.
H. P. Sandford, 136th st.
Charles Stern, 3d ave., corner 136th st.
John Magee, 3d ave. and 137th st.
Pelham Mooney, 3d ave., between 137th and 138th sts.

Louis Falk, 165th st. and Third ave.
Edward Kirk, Third ave., near 165th st.
Ech. Rabb, Third ave., near 165th st.
Frank Tichter, Morrisania.
Jacob Blane, Morrisania.
Jacob Haag, Morrisania.
H. W. Denicke, Third ave., corner 168th st.
A. H. Westervelt, Franklin ave. and 168th st.
Charles J. Allen, apothecary, cor. Franklin ave. and 168th st.
Geo. Halsey, 3d ave. and 137th st.
J. C. Stichbe, Elton ave.
Chas. C. V. Matthes.
James Tier, 3d ave. and 135th st.
Theodore Young, 3d ave. and 138th st.
Geo. W. Gaffney, 3d ave. and 138th st.
David Nelson, 3d ave. and 138th st.
Alexander Christie, 3d ave. and 138th st.
Henry Van Zandt.
P. G. Kimball, 3d ave. and 140th st.
S. E. Tyler, Willis ave. and 136th st.
D. Hotaling, 3d ave. and 135th st.
Wm. K. Taylor, 3d ave. and 133d st.
Mitchel Levy, 159th st., near 3d ave.
Robert N. Tap, Tremont.
Henry Spratley, Morrisania, N. Y. City.
Morrisania Rifle Range, by A. G. Genez, Shooting Master.
James Dickson, 169th st. and Railroad ave.
Geo. W. Ditchell, 2 New Chambers st., 169th st. and Boston road.
Thos. Townchow, 9 Chambers st.
Gustavus Levy, 159th st. near 3d ave.
Francis H. Corr.
E. O'Brien.
James J. Doherty.
Fred. W. Busch.
Russell Parker.
Ad. Spreck.
S. Hufl.
Thos. A. Blorwelt.
A. J. Horn.
B. F. Frisbie.
John J. Blarwelt.
W. H. Hayden.
J. L. Pond.
Frank P. Mott.
Anna M. Mott.
N. Stebbin Smith.
B. M. Chane.
John O'Brien.
John Corbett, Jr.
John Corbett, Sr.
Ferdinand Ruser.
Jacob A. Beserner.
Isidor Laeble.
Joseph Buehler.

Alderman Waehner offered the following amendment:

Provided, That the said bridge be put into repair, after the laying of said tracks, at the expense of said company, and that the said company keep said bridge in good repair between the tracks.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative, on a division, viz.:

Affirmative—Aldermen Bennett, Biglin, Carroll, Ehrhart, Foster, Gedney, Guntzer, Jacobus, Keenan, Kiernan, Lewis, Morris, Perley, Phillips, Pinckney, Reilly, Sauer, Sheils, Slevin, and Waehner—20.

By Alderman Reilly—

Resolved, That his Honor the Mayor be and he is hereby respectfully requested to return to this Board for amendment an ordinance, passed at the last meeting, entitled, "An ordinance to amend section 52 of article IV., chapter VII., of the Ordinances of 1866, relating to the Public Markets."

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

By Alderman Keenan—

Resolved, That permission be and is hereby given to William Riesz to retain the meat-rack in front of his premises, No. 810 Sixth avenue, and to hang meat thereon; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

Alderman Phillips moved to amend by providing that the same shall not be less than nine feet from the sidewalk.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

By Alderman Perley—

Resolved, That Jacob Tobias be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York.

Which was referred to the Committee on Salaries and Offices.

By Alderman Reilly—

Whereas, It is alleged that the New York Elevated Railroad Company has, without warrant or authority of law, changed the route of its road, and in so doing has encroached upon the Battery Park, in clear violation of the regulations prescribed by the "Rapid Transit Commissioners," and the confirmation thereof by the Common Council, September 6, 1875; and

Whereas, It is alleged that the Department of Public Parks, by a revocable right of way or grant to use the Battery grounds, dated July 3, 1878, inadvertently, no doubt, and without due consideration, sanctioned this departure from the prescribed route of the said road, as so laid out and established, as aforesaid, to the manifest advantage of said company, who are now, in addition to its occupation by the track of the company, constructing a depot thereon, but to the great disadvantage of the public, who are entitled to the free and exclusive use of this, the only public pleasure ground in the lower part of the city; be it therefore

Resolved, That the Department of Public Parks be and is hereby directed to revoke the permission to the New York Elevated Railroad Company, given by a revocable agreement dated July 3, 1878, to use a portion of the Battery Park for the structure of the said elevated railroad; and be it further

Resolved, That the Counsel to the Corporation be and he is hereby authorized and directed to take so many and such legal proceedings against the said New York Elevated Railroad Company as may be necessary to compel the said company to construct its road on the route designated by the Rapid Transit Commissioners, and approved by the Common Council September 6, 1875, and to restore the grounds within the Battery enclosure to the same condition as before such occupation or use by the said railroad company.

Alderman Foster moved to refer to the Committee on Streets.

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

Which was decided in the negative.

Alderman Waehner moved to amend by inserting the words "it is alleged" after the "Whereas" in both paragraphs of the preamble; also, by striking out the word "has" in the second paragraph.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

Alderman Pinckney moved to amend by striking out the words "no doubt," and inserting the word "perhaps."

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

Which was decided in the negative.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative, on a division, viz.:

Affirmative—Aldermen Bennett, Biglin, Carroll, Ehrhart, Gedney, Guntzer, Jacobus, Keenan, Kiernan, Morris, Perley, Pinckney, Reilly, Sauer, Sheils, Slevin, and Waehner—17.
Negative—Aldermen Foster, Lewis, and Phillips—3.

Alderman Pinckney moved that when this Board adjourns, it do so to meet on Friday next, the 19th inst., 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 Carroll—

Resolved, That William H. H. Abell be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place of Boltis M. Segee, who failed to qualify.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative, viz.:

Affirmative—Aldermen Bennett, Biglin, Carroll, Ehrhart, Foster, Gedney, Guntzer, Jacobus, Keenan, Kiernan, Lewis, Morris, Perley, Phillips, Pinckney, Reilly, Sauer, Sheils, Slevin, and Waehner—20.

By Alderman Reilly—

Resolved, That Frank O'Hara be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place of Charles A. Magnus, who has failed to qualify.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative, on a division, viz.:

Affirmative—Aldermen Bennett, Biglin, Carroll, Ehrhart, Foster, Guntzer, Jacobus, Keenan, Kiernan, Lewis, Morris, Perley, Phillips, Pinckney, Reilly, Sauer, Sheils, Slevin, and Waehner—19.

(G. O. 380.)

By Alderman Biglin—

Resolved, That the Comptroller be and he is hereby authorized and directed to draw a warrant in favor of D. T. Ames, for the sum of two hundred and ten dollars, to be in full payment for engrossing and framing preamble and resolutions passed by the Common Council in commendation of the crew of the Columbia College Rowing Club for winning the "Visitors' Cup" at the Henley Regatta, July 4 and 5, 1878, the amount to be charged to the appropriation for "City Contingencies."

Which was laid over.

PAPER RETURNED, BY REQUEST, FROM HIS HONOR THE MAYOR.

AN ORDINANCE to amend section 52, article 4, chapter VII. of the Ordinances of 1866, relating to the public markets.

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

Section 1. Section 52, article 4, chapter VII. of the Ordinances of 1866, is hereby amended by adding thereto the following: "But no such permit shall be granted to any person who is not a citizen of the United States and of the State of New York, and a resident of the City and County of New York, and any person while holding any such permit who shall cease to be a resident of said city, shall thereby forfeit the permission so granted to him or her, and all rights and interests connected therewith, or that may have accrued thereunder," so that said section, when so amended, shall read as follows:

Sec. 52. He may, with the consent of the Comptroller, grant permits in writing to such persons as may be proper, at a daily rate to be mentioned therein, to occupy stands in the public markets, and may at any time, with like consent, annul such permits. But no such permit shall be granted to any person who is not a citizen of the United States and an inhabitant of this State, residing within the corporate limits of the City of New York, and any such person, while holding any such permit, who shall cease to be a resident of said city, shall thereby forfeit the permission so granted, and all rights and interests connected therewith, or that may have accrued thereunder.

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

Sec. 3. This ordinance shall take effect immediately.

Whereupon Alderman Reilly offered the following amendment:

To amend section 1 by striking out all after the word "amended," in the second line, and inserting in lieu thereof the following, "and shall read as follows:

§ 52. "He may, with the consent of the Comptroller, grant permits in writing to such persons as may be proper, at a daily rate to be mentioned therein, to occupy stands in the public markets, and may, at any time, with like consent, annul such permits. But no such permits shall be granted to any person who is not a citizen of the United States and an inhabitant of the State of New York; and any such person, while holding any such permit, who shall not be a resident of this State, shall thereby forfeit the permission so granted, and all rights and interests connected therewith, or that may have accrued thereunder."

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

The President pro tem. then put the question whether the Board would agree with said ordinance as amended.

Which was decided in the affirmative, viz.:

Affirmative—Aldermen Bennett, Carroll, Foster, Guntzer, Keenan, Kiernan, Lewis, Reilly, Sauer, Sheils, Slevin, and Waehner—12.

Negative—Aldermen Biglin, Ehrhart, Jacobus, Morris, Perley, Phillips, and Pinckney—7.

Also the following:

Resolved, That Emanuel M. Goodhart be and he is appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place of Albert Bach, who has failed to qualify.

Which was referred to the Committee on Salaries and Offices.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS RESUMED.

By Alderman Lewis—

Resignation of Anthony Hartman as a Commissioner of Deeds.

Which was accepted.

By the same—

Resolved, That Patrick McCabe be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place of Anthony Hartman, resigned.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative, on a division, viz.:

Affirmative—Aldermen Bennett, Biglin, Carroll, Ehrhart, Foster, Gedney, Guntzer, Jacobus, Keenan, Kiernan, Lewis, Morris, Perley, Phillips, Pinckney, Reilly, Sauer, Sheils, Slevin, and Waehner—20.

By Alderman Sauer—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to M. H. Stern to extend a show-window, three feet inside the stoop line, in front of his premises No. 2 Barclay street, in accordance with the annexed diagram, the consent of the adjoining property owners having been first obtained and is hereto appended; 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.

By Alderman Carroll—

Resolved, That James H. Caulfield be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place of Wm. F. Cosgrove, 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, on a division, viz.:

Affirmative—Aldermen Bennett, Biglin, Carroll, Ehrhart, Foster, Guntzer, Jacobus, Keenan, Kiernan, Lewis, Morris, Perley, Phillips, Pinckney, Reilly, Sauer, Sheils, and Waehner—18.

By Alderman Perley—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Jacob Rothschild to place a bay or show window at his premises Nos. 40 and 42 East Fourteenth street (as annexed diagram), the work to be done at his own expense, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, consent of the adjoining property owners being obtained and hereunto annexed.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

By Alderman Ehrhart—

Resolved, That Franz Unger be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place of Thomas C. Vache, who has failed to qualify. The President pro tem. put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution. Which was decided in the affirmative, on a division, viz. :
Affirmative—Aldermen Bennett, Biglin, Carroll, Ehrhart, Foster, Gedney, Guntzer, Jacobus, Keenan, Kiernan, Lewis, Morris, Perley, Phillips, Pinckney, Reilly, Sauer, and Wachner—18.

By Alderman Slevin—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to James Gogerty to place signs to project three feet from balcony in front of premises No. 699 Seventh avenue; 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.

By Alderman Keenan—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to "New York Athletic Club" to place a banner across Broad street, between Exchange place and Wall street, the work to be done at their own expense, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; such permission to continue only one month from date.
The President pro tem. put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution. Which was decided in the affirmative.

By Alderman Ehrhart—

Resolved, That permission be and is hereby given to Martin Haupt to place and keep a storm-door, 3 x 6 x 9 feet high, in front of the entrance to his premises No. 92 Avenue A, southeast corner of Sixth street; 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.

By Alderman Sauer—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to George Finrich, of No. 147 West Thirty second street, to retain sign in front of his premises; the same 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.

By Alderman Foster—

Resolved, That Eighteenth street, between Broadway and Fourth avenue, be paved with granite-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.
Which was referred to the Committee on Public Works.

By the same—

Resolved, That permission be and is hereby given to Henry Harper to retain the meat-rack now in front of his premises No. 403 Tenth avenue, and to hang meat thereon; 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.

By Alderman Keenan—

Resolved, That Cornelius W. Campbell be and is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place of M. Thornton Wallace, who failed to qualify.
The President pro tem. put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution. Which was decided in the affirmative, viz. :
Affirmative—Aldermen Bennett, Biglin, Carroll, Ehrhart, Foster, Gedney, Guntzer, Jacobus, Keenan, Kiernan, Lewis, Morris, Perley, Phillips, Pinckney, Reilly, Sauer, Sheils, Slevin, and Wachner—20.

By Alderman Ehrhart—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Michael Springer to retain meat-rack in front of his premises No. 109 Essex street; 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.

By Alderman Sheils—

Resolved, That Andrew J. White be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place of William C. Southwick, who has failed to qualify.
The President pro tem. put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution. Which was decided in the affirmative, viz. :
Affirmative—Aldermen Bennett, Biglin, Carroll, Ehrhart, Foster, Gedney, Guntzer, Jacobus, Keenan, Kiernan, Lewis, Morris, Perley, Phillips, Pinckney, Reilly, Sauer, Sheils, Slevin, and Wachner—20.

By Alderman Reilly—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to E. Benzinger to erect a barber's pole in front of premises No. 9 Catharine slip; 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.

By Alderman Bennett—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Philip Rothman to retain a barber's pole in front of his premises No. 713 Washington street; 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.

By Alderman Sauer—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Charles Rose to erect a post at the curb-stone for the purpose of displaying thereon a horseshoe as a sign, in front of his premises No. 52 West Thirty-first street; 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.

By Alderman Keenan—

Resolved, That James Brice be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place of James T. Montgomery, who has failed to qualify.
The President pro tem. put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution. Which was decided in the affirmative, viz. :
Affirmative—Aldermen Bennett, Biglin, Carroll, Ehrhart, Foster, Gedney, Guntzer, Keenan, Kiernan, Lewis, Morris, Perley, Phillips, Pinckney, Reilly, Sauer, Sheils, Slevin, and Wachner—19.

By Alderman Sauer—

Resolved, That permission be and is hereby given to William G. Faist to retain three signs now in front of his premises No. 560 Tenth avenue; 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.

By Alderman Keenan—

Resolved, That permission be and is hereby given to Joseph Dillon to retain the ornamental sign now in front of No. 804 Sixth avenue; 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.

By Alderman Reilly—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to James J. Walsh to place and keep a newstand inside the stoop line on the northwest corner of Wall and Front streets, the size of the said stand not to exceed 5 by 2 feet, the consent of the occupants of the premises having been first obtained; 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.

By Alderman Sauer—

Resolved, That permission be and is hereby given to E. B. Overton to retain the portico now in front of No. 23 East Seventeenth street; 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.

By Alderman Sheils—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to O'Neil & Co. to retain meat-rack in front of their premises No. 211 Hudson street; 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.

By Alderman Bennett—

Resolved, That permission be and is hereby given to D. Wertheimer to retain the meat-rack now in front of his place of business No. 219 Spring street; 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.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE 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, December 14, 1878.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen:

Weekly statement, showing the appropriations made under the authority contained in section 112, chapter 335, Laws of 1873, for carrying on the Common Council from January 1 to December 31, 1878, 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.	Am't of Appropriations.	Payments.
City Contingencies	\$1,250 00	\$621 00
Contingencies—Clerk of the Common Council	250 00	248 23
Salaries—Common Council	108,990 00	99,843 06

JOHN KELLY, Comptroller.

Which was ordered on file.

REPORTS.

(G. O. 381.)

The Committee on Finance, to whom was referred the annexed bill of Thomas Canary, for coaches furnished the members of the Common Council on the occasion of the funeral of the late Assistant Alderman Henry A. Linden, amounting to \$150, respectfully

REPORT:

That the bill appears to be correct, and is a valid claim against the city. It should, therefore, be paid. The following resolution is respectfully offered for your adoption:

Resolved, That the Comptroller be and he is hereby authorized and directed to draw a warrant in favor of Thomas Canary for the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars, in full payment of the annexed bill for coaches furnished on the occasion of the funeral of the late Assistant Alderman Henry A. Linden; the amount to be charged to the appropriation for "City Contingencies."

PATRICK KEENAN, } Committee
JAMES J. SLEVIN, } on
JOHN J. MORRIS, } Finance.
SAMUEL A. LEWIS, }

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 382.)

The Committee on Finance, to whom was referred the annexed bill of Ashley W. Cole, for services rendered as stenographer for the Special Committee on Investigation of District Courts, amounting to \$70, respectfully

REPORT:

That the same Special Committee, by resolution approved May 9, 1878, was empowered to obtain the services of a stenographer, and that Mr. Cole was so selected, performed services at the several meetings of the Committee, as specified in the bill. The claim is verified by the affidavit of Mr. Cole, and is certified as correct by the chairman of the Special Committee.

Your Committee believe it is a legal charge and should be paid. The following resolution is therefore respectfully offered for your adoption:

Resolved, That the Comptroller be and he is hereby authorized and directed to draw a warrant in favor of Ashley W. Cole for the sum of seventy dollars, to be in full payment for bill annexed, for services as stenographer, rendered the Special Committee on Investigation of District Courts; the amount to be charged to the appropriation for "City Contingencies."

PATRICK KEENAN, } Committee
JAMES J. SLEVIN, } on
SAMUEL A. LEWIS, } Finance.

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 383.)

The Committee on Public Works, to whom were referred the annexed resolution and ordinance in favor of flagging sidewalk on the south side of Seventy-fourth street, between Fourth and Madison avenues, four feet wide, where not already done, respectfully

REPORT:

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

Resolved, That the sidewalk on the southerly side of Seventy-fourth street, between Fourth and Madison avenues, be flagged and reflagged a space four feet wide, where not already done, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

THOMAS SHEILS, } Committee
THOS. CARROLL, } on
J. C. PINCKNEY, } Public Works.
B. BIGLIN, }

Which was laid over.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

Alderman Sauer called up G. O. 364, being a resolution and ordinance, as follows:

Whereas, The completion of the Elevated Railroad on Third avenue, as far north as One Hundred and Twenty-ninth street, is regarded as virtually accomplished; and
Whereas, It is desirable that the rapid transit facilities thus to be afforded should be utilized by the citizens of the new wards; and

Whereas, The Directors of the Harlem Bridge, Morrisania and Fordham Railway Company have signaled their willingness to extend their rails to the terminus of the Elevated Railroad, and carry their passengers to and fro, without extra charge, provided permission be given that corporation to do so; therefore be it

Resolved, That permission be and is hereby granted to the Harlem Bridge, Morrisania and Fordham Railway Company to extend its tracks, with a flat rail, on and across the bridge, and run its cars from its present terminus in Third avenue, on the northerly side of the Harlem river, over and across the Harlem bridge, and upon and along so much of Third avenue as may be necessary to connect with the New York Elevated Railroad at One Hundred and Twenty-ninth street, with such switches, turnouts, and turntables as may be necessary to operate such road and cars; this permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.
Which was ordered on file.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS AGAIN RESUMED.

Alderman Reilly moved that the Board do now adjourn.

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

Which was decided in the negative, on a division called by Alderman Reilly, viz. :

Affirmative—Aldermen Gedney, Keenan, Phillips, Reilly, Slevin, and Wachner—6.

Negative—Aldermen Bennett, Biglin, Carroll, Ehrhart, Foster, Guntzer, Jacobus, Kiernan, Lewis, Morris, Perley, Pinckney, Sauer, and Sheils—14.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS RESUMED.

Alderman Sauer called up G. O. 366, being a resolution, as follows:

Resolved, That the salary of Thomas F. O'Brien, M. D., Physician of the County Jail, be and is hereby fixed at the sum of one thousand dollars per annum, payable monthly, to date from January 1, 1879.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative, on a division, viz. :

Affirmative—Aldermen Bennett, Biglin, Carroll, Ehrhart, Foster, Guntzer, Jacobus, Keenan, Kiernan, Lewis, Perley, Phillips, Pinckney, Sauer, Sheils, Slevin, and Wachner—17.

Negative—Alderman Morris—1.

Alderman Reilly was excused from voting.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS AGAIN RESUMED.

Alderman Bennett 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 negative, on a division called by Alderman Reilly, viz. :

Affirmative—Aldermen Bennett, Biglin, Foster, Gedney, and Sauer—5.

Negative—Aldermen Carroll, Ehrhart, Guntzer, Jacobus, Keenan, Kiernan, Lewis, Morris, Perley, Phillips, Pinckney, Reilly, Sheils, Slevin, and Wachner—15.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS AGAIN RESUMED.

Alderman Carroll called up G. O. 334, being a resolution and ordinance, as follows :
Resolved, That the sidewalk (west side) of First avenue, between Fifty-ninth and Sixtieth streets, 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.

The President pro tem. put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution. Which was decided in the affirmative, on a division, viz.:
Affirmative—Aldermen Bennett, Biglin, Carroll, Ehrhart, Foster, Gedney, Guntzer, Jacobus, Keenan, Kiernan, Lewis, Morris, Perley, Phillips, Pinckney, Reilly, Sauer, Sheils, Slevin, and Waehner—20.

Alderman Carroll called up G. O. 369, being a resolution, as follows :
Resolved, That Croton-mains be laid in Seventy-third street, between First and Second avenues, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, as provided in section 2, chapter 477, Laws 1875.

The President pro tem. put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution. Which was decided in the affirmative, on a division, viz.:
Affirmative—Aldermen Bennett, Biglin, Carroll, Ehrhart, Foster, Gedney, Guntzer, Keenan, Kiernan, Lewis, Morris, Perley, Phillips, Pinckney, Sauer, Sheils, and Waehner—17.

Alderman Perley called up G. O. 362, being a resolution and ordinance, as follows :
Resolved, That the sidewalk on west side of Fourth avenue, between Sixty-first and Sixty-fifth streets, be flagged, where not already done, 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 resolution. Which was decided in the affirmative, on a division, viz.:
Affirmative—Aldermen Bennett, Biglin, Carroll, Ehrhart, Foster, Guntzer, Keenan, Kiernan, Lewis, Morris, Perley, Phillips, Pinckney, Reilly, Sauer, Sheils, Slevin, and Waehner—18.

Alderman Perley called up G. O. 282, being a resolution and ordinance, as follows :
Resolved, That Madison avenue, between Fifty-second and Fifty-third streets, east side, be flagged four feet wide, where not already done, 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 resolution. Which was decided in the affirmative, on a division, viz.:
Affirmative—Aldermen Bennett, Carroll, Ehrhart, Foster, Gedney, Guntzer, Keenan, Kiernan, Lewis, Morris, Perley, Phillips, Pinckney, Reilly, Sauer, Sheils, Slevin, and Waehner—18.

Alderman Ehrhart called up G. O. 363, being a resolution and ordinance, as follows :
Resolved, That the sidewalk on east side of Fourth avenue, between Sixty-second and Sixty-fifth streets, be flagged, where not already done, 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 resolution. Which was decided in the affirmative, on a division, viz.:
Affirmative—Aldermen Bennett, Biglin, Carroll, Ehrhart, Foster, Gedney, Guntzer, Jacobus, Keenan, Kiernan, Lewis, Morris, Perley, Phillips, Pinckney, Reilly, Sauer, Sheils, Slevin, and Waehner—20.

Alderman Ehrhart called up G. O. 345, being a resolution, as follows :
Resolved, That Croton-mains be laid in One Hundred and Fifty-second street, from Third avenue to Courtland avenue, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, as provided in section 2, chapter 477, Laws of 1875.

The President pro tem. put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution. Which was decided in the affirmative, on a division, viz.:
Affirmative—Aldermen Bennett, Biglin, Carroll, Ehrhart, Foster, Gedney, Guntzer, Jacobus, Keenan, Kiernan, Lewis, Morris, Perley, Phillips, Pinckney, Reilly, Sauer, Sheils, Slevin, and Waehner—20.

Alderman Pinckney called up G. O. 145, being an ordinance, as follows :
AN ORDINANCE to amend chapter XLVI. of the Ordinances of 1866, entitled of "Charcoal, fish, vegetable, and fruit wagons, and venders of brooms, woodenware, and kindling wood."

The Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of New York do ordain as follows :
Section 1. The title and sections 1, 2 and 3 of the above-entitled ordinance is hereby amended by striking out the word "or" before the words "kindling wood," and by inserting after the words "kindling wood" the words "flowers, crockery, glassware, ice, poultry, and tinware," so that said chapter XLVI., when so amended, shall read as follows:

CHAPTER XLVI.

Of charcoal, fish, vegetable, and fruit wagons, and venders of brooms, woodenware, kindling wood, flowers, crockery, glassware, ice, poultry, and tinware.

Section 1. No owner, vender, or retailer of charcoal, fish, fruit, vegetables, brooms, woodenware, kindling wood, flowers, crockery, glassware, ice, poultry, or tinware, shall affix to, or suffer or permit to be affixed to, the cart, wagon, or other vehicle owned by or employed or used by him for the purpose of transporting, conveying in, or selling thereout, in the streets of the City of New York, charcoal, or fish, or fruit, or vegetables, or brooms, or woodenware, or kindling wood, or flowers, or crockery, or glassware, or ice, or poultry, or tinware, any bell, iron, steel, or other metal bar, or any other instrument; nor shall blow upon or use, or suffer or permit to be blown upon, any horn or other instrument for the purpose of giving notice of the approach of any cart, wagon, or other vehicle, in order to sell thereout charcoal, fish, fruit, vegetables, brooms, woodenware, kindling wood, flowers, crockery, glassware, ice, poultry, or tinware, under the penalty of five dollars for each offense, to be sued for and recovered of the owner, employer, driver, or persons having charge of such cart, wagon, or other vehicle, or of the owner of such coal, fish, fruit, vegetables, brooms, woodenware, kindling wood, flowers, crockery, glassware, ice, poultry, or tinware, severally and respectively.

Sec. 2. The owner, employer, or driver of every cart, wagon, or other vehicle used for the purpose of selling thereout charcoal, fish, fruit, vegetables, brooms, woodenware, kindling wood, flowers, crockery, glassware, ice, poultry, or tinware, authorized or permitted to be sold by law, shall, before the same be used for such purpose, have the same licensed by the Mayor of the City of New York, which license shall contain the number of the cart, wagon, or vehicle, and the name of the owner, employer, and driver thereof; the owner, employer, or driver of each cart, wagon, or other vehicle used for the purpose of selling thereout charcoal, brooms, woodenware, kindling wood, flowers, crockery, glassware, ice, poultry, or tinware, shall, at the time such license is granted, pay to the said Mayor the sum of two dollars and fifty cents for the use of the city, and the owner, employer, or driver of each cart, wagon, or other vehicle, used or employed for the purpose of selling thereout fish, fruit, or vegetables, authorized or permitted to be sold by law, shall, at the time such license is granted, pay to the said Mayor the sum of five dollars for the use of the city. Said license shall be in force for one year, and shall be renewed at the expiration of each year, and upon the renewal thereof such owner, employer, or driver shall pay, as aforesaid, the sum of fifty cents to the Mayor for the use of the city, as upon the original granting of the license. Each cart, wagon, or other vehicle, shall have the number of its license painted upon it in a conspicuous place, and the figures composing said number shall not be less than two and a half inches in length, and shall at all times be kept legible.

Sec. 3. The owner, employer, or driver of any cart, wagon, or other vehicle, who shall employ or use the same, or suffer or permit the same to be employed or used, for any of the purposes above mentioned, without having obtained a license therefor, as is above provided, shall forfeit and pay for each day such cart, wagon, or other vehicle shall be used or employed without license the sum of fifty cents, and the like sum for neglecting or omitting to have the number painted upon his cart, wagon, or vehicle, in the manner directed by this chapter, to be sued for and recovered of the owner, employer, driver, or person having charge of such cart, wagon, or other vehicle, or of the owner of such coal, fish, fruit, vegetables, brooms, woodenware, kindling wood, flowers, crockery, glassware, ice, poultry, or tinware, severally and respectively.

Sec. 4. Nothing herein contained shall be so construed as to prevent farmers and gardeners from bringing their produce to the city for the purpose of vending and disposing of the same from wagons or other vehicles.

Sec. 5. The Mayor is hereby authorized to grant licenses pursuant to the provisions above set forth.

Sec. 2. All ordinances and parts of ordinances conflicting with this ordinance are hereby repealed, rescinded, and annulled.

Sec. 3. This ordinance shall take effect immediately.

Alderman Pinckney moved that the ordinance be taken from the list of General Orders and placed on file.

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

Alderman Pinckney called up G. O. 248, being a resolution, as follows :
Resolved, That the Commissioner of Public Works be and he is hereby authorized and directed to remove the ordinary street-lamps, and substitute therefor boulevard lamps, in front of the following church edifices, viz.:

Chapel of Sacred Heart, Fifth and Sixth avenues, in Seventeenth street.
Synagogue in Nineteenth street, between Fifth and Sixth avenues.
Church in Perry street, corner of Fourth street.
Church in Fifteenth street, between Sixth and Seventh avenues.
Church in Seventh avenue, near Seventeenth street.
Church on northeast corner Fourth avenue and Twenty-second street.
Church on northwest corner Fourth avenue and Twenty-second street.
Church on northeast corner Fourth avenue and Twenty-first street.

Church on southeast corner Fourth avenue and Twentieth street.
Church in Eighteenth street, between Fifth and Sixth avenues.
Church in Twenty-fourth street, between Eighth and Ninth avenues.
Church in Twenty-fourth street, between Sixth and Seventh avenues.
Church in Twenty-fifth street, between Sixth and Seventh avenues.
Church in Twenty-fifth street, between Seventh and Eighth avenues.
Church in Twenty-fifth street, between Eighth and Ninth avenues.
Church in Twenty-sixth street, between Eighth and Ninth avenues.

Alderman Pinckney moved that the resolution be taken from the list of General Orders and placed on file.

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

Alderman Pinckney called up G. O. 324, being an ordinance, as follows :

AN ORDINANCE to amend an ordinance entitled "An ordinance to amend sections 1 and 2 of chapter XXIX. of the Revised Ordinances of 1866," entitled "Of driving horses in the city," passed June 2, 1876.

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, and shall read as follows :

Section 1. No person shall ride or drive any horse or horses in the City of New York with greater speed than at the rate of five miles an hour, except on the boulevards and public drives north of One Hundred and Tenth street, before sundown each day, where a speed of twenty-five miles an hour shall be allowed, under the penalty of ten dollars for each offense, to be recovered from the owner or driver, severally and respectively.

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

Sec. 3. This ordinance shall take effect immediately.

Which was ordered on file.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS AGAIN RESUMED.

Alderman Gedney 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 Friday, December 20, 1878, at 2 o'clock P. M.

FRANCIS J. TWOMEY, Clerk.

BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND APPORTIONMENT.

BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND APPORTIONMENT—CITY OF NEW YORK,
MAYOR'S OFFICE, CITY HALL,
THURSDAY, December 12, 1878—12 o'clock, M.

The Board met in pursuance of an adjournment.

Present—The following members, viz.:

Smith Ely, Jr., the Mayor of the City of New York; John Kelly, the Comptroller of the City of New York; John Wheeler, the President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments.
Absent—William R. Roberts, the President of the Board of Aldermen.

The minutes of the meeting held December 11, 1878, were read and approved.

The Board proceeded to take up the Estimate, for 1879, of the Fire Department.

Whereupon Commissioners King and Gorman made statements in reference thereto.

The Board then took up the Estimate of the Department of Charities and Correction. Whereupon Commissioners Cox, Brennan, and Bailey appeared and made statements in reference thereto.

The Chairman presented a communication from the Department of Public Works, asking for a transfer of an appropriation.

Also a communication from the Board of City Record, asking for a transfer.

Which were referred to and original papers sent to the Comptroller.

The Secretary presented a communication from the Department of Public Parks, asking for the transfer of an appropriation.

Which was referred to and the original paper sent to the Comptroller.

On motion, the Board adjourned, to meet on Friday, December 13, 1878, at 12 o'clock, M.

JOHN WHEELER, Secretary.

BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND APPORTIONMENT—CITY OF NEW YORK,
MAYOR'S OFFICE, CITY HALL,
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The minutes of the meeting held December 12, 1878, were read and approved.

The Comptroller presented the following communication :

OFFICE OF THE CITY RECORD, No. 2 CITY HALL,
NEW YORK, December 12, 1878.

To the Board of Estimate and Apportionment:

GENTLEMEN—We request that you authorize a transfer of the sum of twenty-seven hundred and ninety-eight dollars and eighty-six cents from the following unexpended balances for the year 1877 :

Appropriation—"Publication CITY RECORD," 1877.....	\$1,734 44
Appropriation—"CITY RECORD—Salaries and Contingencies," 1877.....	25 66
Appropriation—"Printing, Stationery and Blank-books," 1877.....	1,038 76
Total	\$2,798 86

—to the appropriation made for "Printing, Stationery and Blank-books," for the year 1878, which is insufficient.

Very respectfully,

CHARLES F. WOOD, Supervisor City Record.

SMITH ELY, JR., Mayor.

WILLIAM C. WHITNEY, Counsel to the Corporation.

ALLAN CAMPBELL, Commissioner of Public Works.

—and offered for adoption the following resolution :

Resolved, That the sum of twenty-seven hundred and ninety-eight dollars and eighty-six cents be and the same is hereby transferred from the following appropriations made for the year 1877, which are in excess of the amount required for the purposes and objects thereof, viz.:

"Publication of CITY RECORD".....	\$1,734 44
"CITY RECORD—Salaries and Contingencies".....	25 66
"Printing, Stationery and Blank-books".....	1,038 76
Total	\$2,798 88

—to the appropriation made for "Printing, Stationery and Blank-books," for the year 1878, which is insufficient.

The Chairman put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution.

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote :

Affirmative—The Mayor of the City of New York (Chairman), the Comptroller of the City of New York, the President of the Board of Aldermen, and the President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments—4.

The Comptroller presented the following communication :

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS, No. 36 UNION SQUARE (EAST),
NEW YORK, December 11, 1878.

Hon. JOHN WHEELER, Secretary Board of Estimate and Apportionment :

SIR—At a meeting of the Board of Commissioners governing this Department, held this day, the following resolution was adopted :

Resolved, That the Board of Estimate and Apportionment be and hereby is requested to transfer the sum of one hundred and seventy-two dollars and eighteen cents, from the appropriation for "Maintenance and Government of Parks and Places," for 1877, for the purpose of which it is not required, to the appropriation for "Surveying, Laying-out and Monumenting Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, including north end of this island," for 1877, which is insufficient.

Respectfully,

WM. IRWIN, Secretary D. P. P.

—and offered for adoption the following resolution :

Resolved, That the sum of one hundred and seventy-two dollars and eighteen cents be and the

same is hereby transferred from the appropriation made to the Department of Public Parks, for the year 1877, entitled "Maintenance and Government of Parks and Places," which is in excess of the amount required for the purposes and objects thereof, to the appropriation made to the same Department, for the year 1877, entitled "Surveying, Laying-out, and Monumenting Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, etc.," which is insufficient.

The Chairman put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution.

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—The Mayor of the City of New York (Chairman), the Comptroller of the City of New York, the President of the Board of Aldermen, and the President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments—4.

The Comptroller presented the following communication:

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS,
COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE (Room 19), CITY HALL,
NEW YORK, December 12, 1878.

Hon. SMITH ELY, Jr., Mayor, and Chairman Board of Estimate and Apportionment:

SIR—This Department is unable to remedy some twenty complaints of obstructions on streets, made by the Police Department, because the appropriation for the removal of obstructions is exhausted. In consequence of the temporary vacancy in the office of Chief Engineer of the Croton Aqueduct there is a small surplus in the appropriation for Salaries—Department of Public Works. I would therefore request that the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250) be transferred to the appropriation for "Removing Obstructions in Streets and Avenues," for 1878, from the appropriation for "Salaries—Department of Public Works," for 1878, for the purposes of which it is not needed.

Very respectfully,

ALLAN CAMPBELL, Commissioner of Public Works.

—and offered for adoption the following resolution:

Resolved, That the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars be and the same is hereby transferred from the appropriation made to the Department of Public Works for the year 1878, entitled "Salaries—Department of Public Works," which is in excess of the amount required for the purposes and objects thereof, to the appropriation made to said Department for the year 1878, entitled "Removing Obstructions in Streets and Avenues," which is insufficient.

The Chairman put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution.

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—The Mayor of the City of New York (Chairman), the Comptroller of the City of New York, the President of the Board of Aldermen, and the President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments—4.

The Comptroller offered for adoption the following resolution:

Resolved, That the sum of six hundred and sixty dollars be and the same is hereby transferred from the appropriation made for "Salaries—Department of Taxes and Assessments," for the year 1877, which is in excess of the amount required for the purposes and objects thereof, to the appropriation made for "Contingencies—Comptroller's Office," for the year 1878, which is insufficient.

The Chairman put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution.

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—The Mayor of the City of New York (Chairman), the Comptroller of the City of New York, the President of the Board of Aldermen, and the President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments—4.

The Board then proceeded to take up the Estimate, for 1879, of the Law Department for consideration.

Whereupon the Counsel to the Corporation made a statement in relation thereto, and asked that the sum of \$10,000 be added for the expense of procuring and presenting of evidence relative to frauds prior to January 1, 1872. Also the sum of \$3,000 to meet the expense attending the Pinckney trial.

The Board then took up the Estimate of the Health Department.

Whereupon Professor Chandler and Dr. Janeway made statements in reference thereto.

On motion, the Board adjourned to meet on Monday, December 16, 1878, at 12 o'clock, M.

JOHN WHEELER, Secretary.

BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND APPORTIONMENT—CITY OF NEW YORK,
MAYOR'S OFFICE, CITY HALL,
MONDAY, December 16, 1878—12 o'clock M.

The Board met in pursuance of an adjournment.

Present—The following members, viz.:

Smith Ely, Jr., the Mayor of the City of New York; John Kelly, the Comptroller of the City of New York; John Wheeler, the President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments.

Absent—William R. Roberts, the President of the Board of Aldermen.

The minutes of the meeting held December 13, 1878, were read and approved.

The Board proceeded to take up the Estimate for 1879 of the District Attorney.

Whereupon Hon. B. K. Phelps made a statement in reference thereto, asking that the Board appropriate the amount asked for.

The Board then took up the Estimate of the Department of Public Works.

Whereupon Hon. Allan Campbell presented the following statement:

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS,
COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, ROOM 19, CITY HALL,
NEW YORK, December 16, 1878.

Hon. SMITH ELY, Jr., Mayor, and Chairman Board of Estimate and Apportionment:

SIR—Your Board having now under consideration the final estimate for the year 1879, I would respectfully submit the reasons why certain reductions made in the provisional estimate from the departmental estimate submitted by me should be restored.

Aqueduct Repairs and Maintenance.

Departmental Estimate \$115,000 00
Provisional Estimate 100,000 00

It seems hardly necessary to repeat the statement, so often made in the official reports and communications of the Department, that for some years past it has been necessary to carry through the Aqueduct a much larger quantity of water than the structure was originally designed to convey. The designers and builders of the Aqueduct did not intend that it should ever carry water to a greater depth than about one foot above the spring line of the arch, which would give a daily delivery of about 71,000,000 gallons. For the last ten years, however, the consumption has exceeded that amount, and for several years past it has averaged more than 90,000,000 gallons per day. To supply this demand, the Aqueduct has to be filled to within a few inches of the inner crown of the arch. For some time after the Aqueduct was submitted to the additional strain of carrying this increased volume of water, nothing was done to strengthen it; but, about two years ago those portions of it which are built on open embankments, across valleys or low lands, comprising about nine miles of the thirty-two miles of masonry aqueduct, began to show signs of weakness, and it became necessary to take immediate measures to strengthen them. The general plan adopted for this purpose is as follows: An additional arch is turned over the old arch; the spandrels are raised 18 inches above the spring line of the arch; the earth covering on top is reduced from 5 feet to 2 feet in depth, and the surplus earth placed on the side embankments; the retaining or protection walls are carried up several feet to a level with the top of the arch. This plan has the approval of Mr. John B. Jervis, the eminent engineer who designed and personally superintended the construction of the entire Aqueduct. It is illustrated by the annexed sketch.

The usual yearly maintenance appropriation was not intended and is not altogether sufficient to meet this additional expense. It had to be supplemented by transfers from other appropriations. The regular appropriation of \$100,000 was thus increased in 1876 by \$3,500; in 1877 by \$3,000; and in 1878 by \$12,000.

With these amounts the work of strengthening the Aqueduct could only make slow progress. By far the largest portion remains yet to be done, and must be done in order to be perfectly secured against the calamity of a break in the Aqueduct, or the necessity of reducing the amount of water brought to the city at a time when complaints of insufficient supply are frequent and increasing.

The Engineer in charge of the Aqueduct reports to me that the structure has settled several inches at points where it crosses valleys, causing cracks and leaks; and that, but for the work done last season in strengthening the walls and arch, he would have had serious apprehensions of a breach at one of these places.

It cannot be the intention of your Board to withhold from this Department the necessary means to protect so essential an interest as the safety of our water supply. Yet, such may be the case if the appropriation is made less than the Department estimate.

The following is a statement of the appropriations and expenditures for the maintenance of the Aqueduct and reservoirs for the past eight years:

	average	\$140,000 00	\$172,000 00
In 1871.....	"	130,000 00	130,000 00
In 1872.....	"	125,000 00	125,000 00
In 1873.....	"	125,000 00	125,000 00
In 1874.....	"	140,000 00	140,000 00
In 1875.....	"	103,500 00	103,500 00
In 1876.....	"	103,000 00	103,000 00
In 1877.....	"	112,000 00	112,000 00

—which shows that the annual appropriation prior to 1876 averaged \$140,000, while for the past three years it has been but \$100,000, though slightly increased by transfers from other branches of the Department.

For the reasons given I trust the Board will not reduce the amount asked, viz., \$115,000. A considerably greater sum might be advantageously expended, but in order to keep the estimates as low as possible, I have fixed upon the sum above named.

Boulevards, Roads, and Avenues, Maintenance of.

Departmental Estimate \$45,000 00
Provisional Estimate 30,000 00

At the close of the year 1874 there were in use 720,000 square yards of boulevards or Macadam roadways (17½ miles), and the appropriation for maintaining them for that year was \$75,000.

In 1879 there will be in use 903,000 square yards of these roadways (23 miles), for the maintenance of which I ask \$45,000, and the provisional estimate allows \$30,000.

The appropriation for 1875 was \$70,000; for 1876, \$45,000; for 1877, \$45,000, and for 1878, \$41,000.

It will readily be conceded that the amount of care and repairs required for these roadways does not decrease with age, but that the reverse is the case. It should also be remembered that, unlike the hard stone pavements, they require care from the moment they are completed. Unless the surface covering is regularly removed, and the roads rolled and scraped and moistened, they will become rough, and will rapidly disintegrate.

On the steeper grades the gutters, which were originally laid with broken stone, have washed out, and should be replaced with solid stone. Some progress has been made in this work, with decided benefit to the roads, and it is desirable to continue it from year to year until the whole is perfected.

These Macadam roads have cost the city and property-owners over three millions of dollars, and should have every year the appropriation necessary to prevent their deterioration.

Contingencies—Department of Public Works.

Departmental Estimate \$2,500 00
Provisional Estimate 2,000 00

As a matter of prudence, this appropriation should be made not less than \$5,000, and might very properly be put at \$10,000, as it would not be expended unless the public interests should require it, and contingencies may arise when the protection of the public health, or the safety of life or property, may require immediate measures and expenditures not provided for in the other appropriations. As an instance of this kind, I will mention that this year it became necessary to make surveys and borings on First Avenue, between Ninety-second and One Hundred and Ninth streets, at an expense of over \$900, to obtain evidence for the city in a suit involving over \$500,000, whereby a large sum may be saved to the city. There was no other fund or appropriation out of which this could have been paid. The appropriation should therefore be increased in place of being diminished.

Free Floating Baths.

Departmental Estimate \$13,500 00
Provisional Estimate 12,000 00

The Department estimate is at the rate of \$2,917 for each of the six baths, while the average cost of maintaining the baths for the past four years was \$4,100 each per annum. The force of attendants has already been reduced to the full extent consistent with the preservation of the baths, the maintenance of order, and the proper accommodation of bathers. Further reduction means less accommodation for the public who patronize these useful institutions, and inadequate means to preserve public property.

Public Drinking Hydrants.

Departmental Estimate \$4,000 00
Provisional Estimate 3,000 00

Within the last few years many demands have been made by the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, and by the public, for the erection of additional drinking hydrants, and a number of resolutions have been passed by the Common Council, directing me to erect new ones in various parts of the city. The appropriation, however, was barely sufficient to cover the expense of keeping in repair those already in use. Last year Mrs. John Jacob Astor generously donated twelve ornamental drinking fountains to the city, which are now maintained at public expense. The appropriation for 1878 is \$3,000, and the additional \$1,000 for 1879 was asked with the intention of making provision for some new hydrants or fountains in response to the popular demand and the directions of the Common Council.

Removing Obstructions in Streets and Avenues.

Departmental Estimate \$4,000 00
Provisional Estimate 3,000 00

The Charter makes it the duty of the Commissioner of Public Works to remove obstructions in streets and avenues. Owing to inadequate appropriations, and other causes, this provision of the Charter, and of earlier laws and ordinances, was, until within the past two years, practically a dead letter, and the audacity and impunity with which the public streets were obstructed and taken possession of for private use and benefit had become a reproach to the city. I have earnestly endeavored to remedy this evil, and I may claim that considerable progress has recently been made in that direction. But, if the Department is not supplied with the necessary means to follow inattention to its notices of removal, with the prompt seizure of the obstructions, the people will soon relapse into the old habit of violating the laws and ordinances regarding obstructions. The sum of \$4,000 asked for this purpose is very moderate in comparison with the public good that can and will be effected with it.

Repairing and Renewal of Pipes, Stop-cocks, etc.

Departmental Estimate \$100,000 00
Provisional Estimate 75,000 00

The title of this appropriation, which has been established by usage for many years, does not convey a full idea of the many demands which it is intended to cover. It is intended for the repairs and maintenance of the entire system for distributing Croton water, comprising at this time 449 miles of iron pipes, 4,500 fire hydrants, and 3,538 stop-cocks, to which large additions are constantly made. The pipes and stop-cocks in the lower part of the city have been in use from 25 to 36 years, and those which are contiguous to the water front are corroded from contact with salt water, so as to render them unsafe, and requiring frequent repairs and renewals. The number of fire hydrants below Fourteenth street has been doubled in the last ten years. Unskilled men, employed by the Street Cleaning Bureau, now have authority to open them, and the effect is frequent breakage and increased expense for repairs.

Hitherto the distributing system has been divided into three districts—one south of Houston street; one from Houston to Fifty-ninth street; and one north of Fifty-ninth street, with a foreman and gang of workmen in each district to attend to repairs. In 1874 the upper district was more than doubled in territory by the annexation of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, and within the past six years the extent of Croton pipes in the district has been trebled or quadrupled. It would be erroneous to assume that the new pipes laid in this district require no attention or repairs. They are liable to settlement, and to injury from excavations, blasting and other operations so extensively carried on for public and private improvements in that part of the city. It is now absolutely necessary to organize another repair gang and another district. This cannot be properly done if the appropriation is reduced below the Department estimate; and if it is left at the figure set down in the Provisional Estimate, the repair force will have to be reduced instead of being increased.

The necessary measures to suppress waste of Croton water are another large item of expense, payable out of this appropriation. In consequence of the still pending litigation in relation to the purchase of the Navarro meters, water meters have hitherto been applied only to a limited extent. Yet the number of meters in use has been increased from 260, on January 1, 1877, to 453, at this date. Two hundred and sixty-three of them are owned by the city, and kept in repair out of this appropriation; the rents collected for their use are paid into the City Treasury. The most effective means of preventing waste has been found in the house inspections commenced two years ago. Since that time the Inspectors of the Department have made more than 150,000 house inspections, and have detected and stopped about 10,000 leaks in plumbing and fixtures, and cases of willful waste in leaving faucets open. But for these inspections the consumption and waste of water would have continued to increase, and the deficiency in the supply would now be so great as to cause serious inconvenience and even distress in some parts of the city.

Unless the Department is enabled, by obtaining the full appropriation asked in my estimate, to continue these inspections, the people will soon relapse into the old habit of carelessness and waste.

Repaving under chapter 476, Laws of 1875.

Departmental Estimate \$500,000 00
Provisional Estimate 300,000 00

The condition of our streets, and my views and arguments in favor of liberal appropriations for their improvement, are so well known to you and the other members of your Board, that they need no repetition. It remains to the judgment of the Board to determine whether these improvements shall progress to the extent allowed and intended by the law, or to what extent they shall be postponed and the streets suffered to remain as they are.

Every member of the Board is as well acquainted with the disgraceful condition of our pavements as I am, and all know that the only method of renovation is by liberal appropriations and steady work each year for several years to come. Of the 330 miles of paved streets nearly 100 miles require entire renewal. The worthless wooden pavements will probably be entirely replaced by the close of 1879, but there are many miles of rough and worn-out cobble and small block pavements which should be replaced by improved pavements at the earliest possible day. Even with an appropriation of \$500,000 per annum, several years will be required to perfect the whole work.

The arguments for appropriations of not less than \$500,000 a year for this work are:

1st—That in the interest of health and commerce it is an absolute necessity.

2d—That the fractional addition to the tax levy for \$500,000 instead of \$300,000 (one-fiftieth of one per cent.) is insignificant in comparison with the great benefits to be attained, and I have heard but one opinion expressed by tax-payers in reference to this subject, and that is in favor of the full appropriation.

3d—The sooner the streets are well paved, the sooner will the cost of repairs and street cleaning be reduced.

4th—Labor is abundant at this time, and materials are cheap. The substantial block pavements put down during the past two years, and which stand the traffic well and are doing good services, have cost on an average not exceeding \$1.90 per square yard for granite, and \$1.40 for trap; the blocks in both cases being of the same dimensions and of oblong shape.

I think if the Board knew of the pressing applications for renewed pavements, and the great favor with which the improvements of the past two years are received by all classes, that they would in this item, even in an economical point of view, consider it wise to grant the full amount of \$500,000 for the coming year.

Roads and Avenues and Sprinkling.

Departmental Estimate..... \$20,000 00
Provisional Estimate..... 15,000 00

There are about ten miles of country roads and over sixty miles of unpaved streets and avenues in the upper part of the city to be maintained in condition for public travel out of this appropriation. In addition to the local travel the country roads are extensively used for pleasure driving, and require frequent repairs. In dry weather they are sprinkled daily. If the appropriation is reduced below the Department estimate, the public will necessarily suffer in convenience and facilities for business and pleasure travel. Many of the unpaved streets (having been regulated and graded years ago) have become washed and gullied to such an extent as to require a considerable amount of repair to render them safe as well as passable for vehicles.

Salaries—Department of Public Works.

Departmental Estimate..... \$94,000 00
Provisional Estimate..... 90,000 00

The following statement shows the amounts appropriated for salaries for this Department during the past nine years:

In 1870.....	\$290,000 00
1871.....	240,000 00
1872.....	199,000 00
1873.....	162,000 00
1874.....	150,000 00
1875.....	150,000 00
1876.....	110,000 00
1877.....	100,000 00
1878.....	95,000 00

In the mean time the duties and business of the Department were increased by the annexation of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards and the consolidation of the city and county governments.

In my opinion the reduction of employees and salaries has already been carried as far as consistent with the efficiency of the Department, unless there is to be a general reduction in the scale or rate of salaries throughout the city.

Sewers—Repairing and Cleaning.

Departmental Estimate..... \$60,000 00
Provisional Estimate..... 50,000 00

Up to the year 1873 the Department had, in addition to the regular appropriation for cleaning and repairing sewers, the receipts for sewer permits, amounting to about \$20,000 per annum; and until December 31, 1875, it was authorized to expend not exceeding \$100,000 per annum for repairing and rebuilding sewers out of "Sewer Repair Stock." Since January 1, 1876, the whole expense of cleaning and repairing sewers and basins falls upon this appropriation. Up to January 2, 1877, the cleaning of receiving basins alone cost \$48,000 per annum, under a contract, being four-fifths of the amount now asked for the maintenance of the whole sewerage system. The unclean condition of the streets causes large deposits in the basins and sewers, and the expense of cleaning them will consume a considerable part of the amount asked, leaving an inadequate margin for repairs. Many of the old sewers in the lower part of the city require extensive repairs, and some of the up-town sewers should be thoroughly overhauled to prevent serious evils.

The danger to public health from obstructions in the sewerage is too great to admit the curtailing of the necessary means to keep the whole system in a state of efficiency.

The annexed table shows how much the expenditures for these purposes have already been reduced. It appears that from 1868 to 1876 the average number of miles of sewers in use was three hundred, the average cost per annum for cleaning, rebuilding, etc., being \$154,000, or \$513 per mile.

From 1876 to 1879 the average number of miles of sewers in use was three hundred and sixty-three, and the average cost of cleaning, rebuilding, repairs, etc., was \$62,000, or \$171 per mile.

Statement of Amounts Expended for Cleaning Receiving-basins and Sewers, and for Repairing Sewers, Receiving-basins and Culverts for the years 1868 to 1878, both inclusive.

YEARS.	Cleaning Receiving-basins.	Cleaning Sewers.	Repairing Sewers, Basins, and Culverts.	Totals.	Total Miles of Sewer in the City.	Total Number of Receiving-basins in the City.
1868.....	\$28,000 00	\$48,636 38	\$50,568 99	\$127,205 37	244.50	3,226
1869.....	24,000 00	26,379 53	75,340 05	125,719 58	261.	3,372
1870.....	24,000 00	47,802 50	55,254 16	127,116 66	276.	3,603
1871.....	48,000 00	31,272 50	158,035 62	237,308 12	295.	3,764
1872.....	48,000 00	12,128 14	102,209 16	162,337 30	307.63	3,858
1873.....	48,000 00	16,933 25	84,619 46	149,552 71	323.16	3,973
1874.....	48,000 00	11,796 00	82,751 15	142,547 15	342.76	4,166
1875.....	48,000 00	12,348 89	116,976 75	177,325 64	351.66	4,252
1876.....	48,000 00	4,050 00	22,438 27	74,488 27	350.63	4,340
1877.....	15,950 00	4,620 00	30,465 69	51,035 69	362.39	4,397
1878.....	17,100 00	4,200 00	38,700 00	60,000 00	369.30	4,489

Supplies for and Cleaning Public Offices.

Departmental Estimate..... \$90,000 00
Provisional Estimate..... 75,600 00

To the demands heretofore supplied from this appropriation there was added by the amendments to the Military Code, passed May 18, 1878, "the expense of * * * providing the necessary camp-stools, apparatus and fixtures for heating and lighting, and the fuel and gas or oil for the same (armories), and water-closets in such buildings, and for properly preserving from injury the arms, equipments, uniforms and records stored therein, by the construction of suitable lockers, closets, gun racks and cases for uniforms, equipments, arms and records, and for the maintenance thereof in good and safe repair." * * *

Large requisitions have already been made upon the Department under this law, which had to be laid over until next year, because the present appropriation is not sufficient to meet them. The expense of furnishing these supplies for the year 1879 is estimated at \$5,800.

The new wing of the County Court-house will be ready for occupation early next year, and will have to be suitably fitted up and furnished at an estimated expense of \$4,200.

In the Department estimate provision is made for the salaries of Janitors of buildings and premises occupied by Civil and Police Courts. I find that the reduction made in the Provisional Estimate from the Departmental Estimate, \$14,400, corresponds exactly with the amount now paid by this Department for the services of Janitors of buildings and premises occupied by Police and Civil District Courts, and this leads to the suggestion that the reduction was made in consequence of the resolution of the Board of Aldermen, passed over the Mayor's veto, October 22, ult., authorizing the Justices of these Courts to appoint the Janitors. I would therefore call the attention of the Board to the opinion of the Counsel to the Corporation, given to the Mayor under date of October 7, ult., in which he says:

"Section 71 of the Charter of 1873 declares that the Department of Public Works shall have cognizance and control of the care of public buildings. This statute confers upon the Commissioner of Public Works the exclusive right to appoint persons to have the general charge and custody of public buildings. The Charter of 1870 contained a similar provision, and I am not aware that since the passage of the Charter any serious question has been made as to the right and duty of the Commissioner of Public Works to take and exercise exclusive charge of all public buildings which are not by some statute expressly placed in charge of other departments."

"Formerly the Common Council had control of public buildings belonging to the city, and the Supervisors had control of public buildings belonging to the county. As above stated, the Charters of 1870 and 1873 transferred the care of city buildings to the Department of Public Works, and after the passage of the act consolidating the city and county, in 1874, the care of what were formerly known as county buildings also passed to that department. I do not think it is in the power, therefore, of the Common Council to adopt a resolution which shall deprive the Commissioner of Public Works of the power to appoint janitors to have the general charge and control of the buildings and rooms in which the Police and District Courts are held."

In accordance with the duty, thus clearly defined, this Department will continue to employ Janitors necessary for the care of the buildings and rooms occupied by the civil and police courts, and whatever provision for the payment of the services of such Janitors may be made in the annual estimates should be made to and for the Department of Public Works.

In view of these facts and of the additional demands on the appropriation, above mentioned, no reduction should be made on the departmental estimate.

Supplying Water to Shipping and for Building Purposes.

Departmental Estimate..... \$12,000 00
Provisional Estimate..... 8,000 00

The amount received by the city from this source under the contract or license which expired June 4, 1877, was \$57,800 per annum. Since that time the duty of supplying water to shipping and for building purposes, and collecting the revenue therefrom, has been performed by Clerks and Inspectors employed by the Department.

During the first year of this new arrangement the revenue was increased by \$53,104, or more than 90 per cent. What is of far greater importance to the city, however, under the present condition of the water supply, the immense waste of water along the river fronts that prevailed under the former system has been in good part suppressed.

I believe that these results can still be improved upon by granting the slight increase asked over the appropriation for this year, thus enabling the Department to employ additional help, and increase the vigilance to suppress waste and collect the full revenue due the city.

Respectfully,

ALLAN CAMPBELL, Commissioner of Public Works.

Alderman Bryan Reilly appeared and made a statement in relation to the Public Baths, and requested that an additional appropriation be made for a new bath, to be located at the Battery.

Alderman Sauer made a statement in relation to the appointment of janitors for the Police and Civil Courts, and called the attention of the Board to the ordinance of the Common Council, delegating the power of appointment of said janitors to the justices of the several courts; also to a decision of the General Term of the Supreme Court.

Commissioner Campbell made a statement in reply, that the law required the Commissioner of Public Works to make the said appointments, and called the attention of the Board to the opinions of the late Corporation Counsel E. Delafield Smith, and Corporation Counsel Wm. C. Whitney.

The Board then took up the Estimate for the Department of Public Parks. Whereupon Commissioner Wenman made a statement in reference thereto.

The Board took up the Estimate for the Fire Department.

Whereupon Commissioner King made a statement in relation thereto, and presented the following communication:

Memorandum.

For Headquarters' pay-roll \$47,028.75 was asked, which it is proposed to reduce to \$42,400. Of the entire amount, \$19,500 is fixed by law, as follows:

President and Commissioners.....	\$17,500 00
Instructor of Corps of Sappers and Miners.....	2,000 00
	\$19,500 00

Besides the Secretary and Bookkeeper, whose salaries are respectively fixed at \$3,000 and \$2,500, there are ten clerical employees on this roll for whom an aggregate amount of \$13,800 is asked, or an average salary of \$1,380 per annum, which, compared with other branches of the public service, will be found quite low, and the number (10) is not in excess of the number required to properly conduct the business of Headquarters (office of the Board), and office of the Bureau of Chief of Department.

Of the remaining \$8,228.75, \$2,700 is paid for the services of a Medical Officer and Vice-Medical Officer, a compensation which, upon comparison with that paid in other Departments for like services, will be found to be very reasonable, especially if the value of their services be considered.

The final remainder is asked for the following:

1 Messenger.....	\$800 00
2 Night Watchmen, at \$800.....	1,600 00
2 Engineers, at \$3 per day.....	2,190 00
2 Cleaner, at \$1.75 ".....	638 75
1 Janitress.....	300 00
	\$5,528 75

If requested to suggest any practicable reduction to the number of the employees embraced in the estimate made by the Fire Commissioners it would be impossible to comply, without interfering with the proper working of the Department, or entailing upon some or all additional labor not justified by the amount of salary received by them.

Before final action is taken by your Honorable Board I request, on behalf of the Board of Fire Commissioners, that due attention be paid to the facts above set forth, and to the fact that with the exercise of the most rigid economy it became necessary at the close of the current year to request a transfer from another account to this one, which request was readily granted by your Honorable Board, making the total amount of appropriation for this year, \$43,495.38.

For Repair Shops' pay-roll \$50,000 was asked, which it is proposed to reduce to \$40,000, the amount of the original appropriation for the current year, and to which has been added by transfer by your Honorable Board, \$5,579.78, making a total of \$45,579.78, appropriated for this year. There are at this time 25 steam fire engines in use in the Department, which were purchased and have been in the service since the years 1865, 1866, 1867, 1868, and 1869, and ten of these, it is estimated by the Chief of Battalion in charge of Repair Shops, will during the year 1879 require extensive repairs and new boilers. The aggregate cost of these repairs will amount to about \$9,000 alone. The entire number of steam engines in use by the Department is 57, of which nearly half have been in service ten years or more, and it is to be expected, as it is also a matter of experience and capable of demonstration, that with each additional year of service they require greater and more frequent repairs. The same statement holds good of the hook and ladder trucks, tenders, harness, etc., etc., and your Honorable Board is earnestly requested to look well into the facts submitted before finally deciding upon a matter of so much importance to the fire service of the city.

For the pay-roll of the Bureau of Combustibles the sum of \$12,753.75 was asked, and from that your Honorable Board proposes a reduction of \$553.75. The estimate made by this Board, in detail, is as follows:

Inspector.....	\$2,500 00
Surveyor.....	1,200 00
Assistant Surveyor.....	1,200 00
Oil Surveyor.....	1,300 00
Chief Clerk.....	1,500 00
One Clerk.....	1,250 00
One Clerk.....	1,200 00
Two Oil Collectors, at \$800.....	1,600 00
Janitor, at \$2.75 per day.....	1,003 75
	\$12,753 75

The salaries paid under this estimate are not high, the duties are important, and cannot be performed by a less number of employees. It is true that the amount of the provisional estimate made by your Honorable Board for the coming year, is the same in amount as the final estimate for the present year, \$12,200, but after the exercise of the most rigid economy, the Commissioners were compelled to ask for a transfer of \$551, making a total appropriation of \$12,751, for salaries of this bureau for the current year, a difference of only \$2.75 between it and the amount asked for the year 1879.

For the salaries of the Fire Marshal's Bureau, \$8,400 was asked for the coming year, distributed as follows:

Fire Marshal.....	\$2,500 00
Assistant Fire Marshal.....	1,500 00
".....	800 00
3 Clerks, at \$1,200.....	3,600 00
	\$8,400 00

The Commissioners desire to invite the attention of the Honorable Board of Estimate and Apportionment to the important duties devolving upon this Bureau, to the salaries proposed to be paid (which will not suffer by comparison with those paid in any branch of the city government, or with those paid for like duties in either private or public services), and to the fact that for this bureau also it was found necessary to ask for a transfer of \$758.33 for the current year, which was voted by your Honorable Board, thus making the total amount for the year \$7,958.33, or only \$441.67 less than that asked for the year 1879, the difference being accounted for by the fact that for a few months of the current year a vacancy existed in one of the positions in the bureau. In view of these facts the Commissioners request that the amount of their estimate be allowed.

For new apparatus, etc., which includes everything but salaries and new buildings, \$200,000 was asked, and but \$170,000 allowed in the provisional estimate, being \$5,000 less than the appropriation for 1878; 15,000 less than that of 1877; \$30,000 less than that for 1876.

Two most important items of expenditure are defrayed from this appropriation, viz.: new engines, trucks, etc., and new hose. It was impossible to purchase any new hose out of the amount appropriated for this year, and during the year 1879 a large expenditure for this item and for new engines will be imperative if the Department is to be maintained at its present standard.

The following detailed statement of the purposes of the \$200,000 appropriation asked for, will,

it is thought, if again examined by the Honorable Board of Estimate and Apportionment in the light of the facts above given, induce a favorable reconsideration of the matter:

Apparatus (including engines, trucks, ladders, hooks, etc.)	\$25,000 00
Repairs to Buildings	25,000 00
Fuel	20,000 00
Gas	8,000 00
General Supplies	15,000 00
Horses (50 horses)	15,000 00
Horse Feed and Straw (225 horses at \$111.11 per annum, \$9.26 per month)	25,000 00
Horseshoeing	8,000 00
Harness Shop Supplies	3,500 00
Hose and Hose Shop Supplies	20,000 00
Machine and Paint Shop Supplies	13,500 00
Rents	9,000 00
Telegraph Supplies and Repairs, etc.	13,000 00
	\$200,000 00

Of these several items the following may be regarded as absolutely fixed, there being no fluctuation in the prices of the articles, etc., to be furnished:

Gas	\$7,000 00
Horseshoeing	8,000 00
Rents	9,000 00
	\$24,000 00

Of the remainder the following are indispensable items, subject to little or no fluctuations in prices:

Horses, 50 at \$300 each	\$15,000 00
Harness Shop supplies	3,500 00
Hose and Hose Shop supplies	20,000 00
Machine and Paint Shop supplies	13,500 00
Telegraph supplies and repairs	13,000 00
General supplies	15,000 00
	\$84,000 00

The following articles are subject to considerable fluctuations, and the estimates in view of that fact are reasonable:

Fuel (coal)	\$20,000 00
Horse feed and straw	25,000 00
	\$45,000 00

The amount asked for apparatus (engines, trucks, etc.) is not too high considering the fact that four new engines will be required at say \$5,000 each

Besides new trucks, ladders, hooks, etc.	\$5,000 00
	\$25,000 00

There remains finally of this appropriation the amount asked for repairs to buildings, \$25,000. There are in the possession of and use by the Department 87 houses and bell-towers to be kept in order and many of them requiring extensive repairs, which would allow an average expenditure upon each house of \$297, deducting three which it is found necessary to rebuild, for which an additional appropriation of \$30,000 is asked, namely, the following:

- 437 East Houston street, occupied by Engine Co. No. 11.
- 91 Ludlow street, occupied by Engine Co. No. 17.
- 604 East Eleventh street, occupied by Engine Co. No. 28.

The first of these is now occupied by a company using a self-propelling engine; the house was built in 1851 for use of a volunteer company, is now in a dilapidated condition, foundation walls insecure, and unfit generally for use by a self-propeller company.

The second, originally built for a company in the volunteer department, is rendered unsafe, first by a large tenement-house built on one side settling it toward that side, then the erection of another tenement-house on the other side, settling it to that side, and generally unsettling the entire structure and rendering it unfit for use and occupancy. During the last summer, on report of the Chief of Department that it required immediate attention by reason of its insecurity, the repairs urgently required were made as a temporary expedient.

The last, originally badly built for the volunteer department, has been twisted out of shape by the building of an adjoining structure to such an extent as to render it unsafe, and the foundations are too slight to build on, being built on made ground.

Each and all of them are in such a condition that to repair them only would be a waste of money and consequently the reverse of economy.

Addenda to Memorandum.

The item of "General Supplies," \$15,000, under the head of "New Apparatus, etc.," in the Departmental Estimate for the year 1879, is for the purchase of the articles below enumerated, which are partly, and so far as practicable, procured on advertisement and contracts at the beginning of the year, and the remainder by purchase during the year, the latter being such articles which the want of can either not be foreseen at the beginning of the year, or which experience has taught it better to defer the purchase of until they are actually wanted for use. These supplies are for use in the 87 houses in the possession of the Department:

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

HEADQUARTERS FIRE DEPARTMENT,
CITY OF NEW YORK, 155 AND 157 MERCER STREET,
NEW YORK, April 20, 1878.

Sealed proposals for furnishing this Department with the following-named materials, supplies, etc., in the quantities specified, will be received at these Headquarters until 9:30 A. M., on Wednesday, the 8th proximo, when they will be publicly opened and read:

No. 56. 3,000 lbs. brown soap..... at per lb.	No. 311. 2 gross 1/2x2-in. wood screws.. at per gross.
" 57. 1,000 " castile soap..... at " "	" 312. 1 keg roofing nails, tinned... at per keg.
" 58. 2,000 lbs. burnt and ground rotten stone..... at " "	" 313. 1 " roofing nails, black... at " "
" 59. 100 " Florida sponges..... at " "	" 314. 6 " 6d nails..... at " "
" 60. 6,000 " cotton waste (prime cop) at " "	" 305. 6 " 8d nails..... at " "
" 61. 12 bbls. lubricating oil..... at per gall.	" 316. 20 " 10d nails..... at " "
" 62. 12 " kerosene oil, fire test... at " "	" 317. 6 " 20d nails..... at " "
" 63. 5 " polishing oil..... at " "	" 318. 12 pkgs. 1/2-inch finishing nails. at per pkge.
" 64. 50 galls. neat's foot oil..... at " "	" 319. 12 " 3/4-inch finishing nails. at " "
" 65. 4 doz. shovels..... at per doz.	" 320. 12 " 1-inch finishing nails.. at " "
" 66. 6 " stove shovels..... at " "	" 321. 12 " 1 1/4-inch finishing nails. at " "
" 67. 4 " scap shovels..... at " "	" 322. 12 " 2-inch finishing nails.. at " "
" 68. 1 " hay forks..... at " "	" 323. 8 " 3/4-inch clout nails... at " "
" 69. 1 " manure forks..... at " "	" 324. 8 " 1/2-inch clout nails... at " "
" 70. 12 " curry combs..... at " "	" 325. 8 " 1-inch clout nails... at " "
" 71. 120 " corn brooms..... at " "	" 326. 8 " 1 1/2-inch clout nails. at " "
" 72. 10 " stable brooms..... at " "	" 327. 8 " 1 1/2-inch clout nails. at " "
" 73. 40 " whisk brooms..... at " "	" 328. 10 lbs. 1 1/2-inch brad nails... at per lb.
" 74. 8 " dust brushes..... at " "	" 329. 24 papers japanned head tacks (assorted sizes)... at per paper.
" 75. 8 " horse brushes..... at " "	" 330. 6 " 8-ounce tacks..... at " "
" 76. 8 " scrub brushes..... at " "	" 331. 6 " 10-ounce tacks..... at " "
" 77. 3 " window brushes..... at " "	" 332. 6 " 12-ounce tacks..... at " "
" 78. 3 " stove brushes..... at " "	" 333. 8 dozen axes and helves (7 lbs.) at per doz.
" 79. 4 " shoe brushes..... at " "	" 404. 12 boxes 14 x 20 XX charcoal I C tin..... at per box.
" 80. 3 " white wash brushes... at " "	" 405. 13 " 10 x 14 X charcoal I C tin..... at " "
" 81. 20 " mop sticks..... at " "	" 406. 24 sheets 14-ounce copper (tin'd 14 inch wide, 4 ft. long)... at per sheet.
" 82. 40 " mop yarns..... at " "	" 407. 150 lbs. No. 12 solder..... at per lb.
" 83. 10 " door mats..... at " "	" 408. 50 " No. 12 brass wire..... at " "
" 84. 6 " coal hods..... at " "	" 409. 25 " No. 5 iron wire..... at " "
" 85. 8 " oak buckets..... at " "	" 492. 4,000 " pure white lead, free from barytes, zinc, and other adulterations... at " "
" 86. 4 " 1 gall. cans..... at " "	" 501. 30 " light oak graining color. at " "
" 87. 4 " drinking cups..... at " "	" 502. 30 " walnut graining color... at " "
" 88. 2 " bushel baskets..... at " "	" 503. 200 " putty..... at " "
" 89. 75 gross matches..... at per gross.	" 504. 600 " metallic roof paint... at " "
" 90. 12 doz. lamp wicks..... at per doz.	" 505. 75 " patent dryers..... at " "
" 91. 2 " small hatchets..... at " "	" 506. 50 " potash..... at " "
" 92. 8 " whips..... at " "	" 507. 25 " dry white lead..... at " "
" 93. 8 kips chamois..... at per kip.	" 512. 4 bbls. boiled oil..... at per gall.
" 94. 30 sacks Liverpool salt..... at per sack.	" 513. 5 " turpentine..... at " "
" 95. 250 quires emery cloth (assorted) at per quire.	" 533. 1 dozen sash tools..... at per doz.
" 96. 2,000 yards toweling..... at per yard.	" 534. 4 bbls. Paris white..... at per bbl.
" 97. 2 gross 1/2x7-in. wood screws. at per gross.	" 493. 200 lbs. white zinc..... at per lb.
" 98. 2 " 3/4x3 1/2-in. wood screws at " "	
" 99. 2 " 3/4x3-in. wood screws.. at " "	
" 100. 2 " 1/2x3 1/2-in. wood screws at " "	
" 101. 2 " 1/2x3-in. wood screws.. at " "	
" 102. 2 " 1/2x2 1/2-in. wood screws at " "	
" 103. 2 " 1/2x2-in. wood screws.. at " "	

No proposals will be received or considered after the hour named. Proposals may be made for one or more of the above items, but must specify the price per piece, dozen, gross, pound, etc., as per schedule, which will be furnished on application.

All of the articles and materials (where not otherwise specially stated) are to be of the best quality of their respective kinds, according to samples or specifications to be seen upon application, as follows: For all the items under the heading, "Fire Alarm Telegraph," at the Battery Room of the Department, and for the items under "Supply Room," at the Store Room of the Department, both at these Headquarters, and for all the items under "Repair Shops," at Nos. 130 and 132 West Third street. All the articles and materials are to be delivered at the places corresponding to the headings, during the current year, and in such quantities and at such times as may be directed.

Two responsible sureties will be required upon each proposal, amounting in the aggregate to one thousand dollars or more, who must each justify in one-half the amount thereof, upon the same prior to its presentation.

Proposals must be indorsed, "Proposal for furnishing materials, supplies, etc.," with the name of the bidder, and be addressed to the Board of Commissioners of this Department.

Blanks forms of proposals, together with such further information as may be required, may be obtained upon application at these Headquarters, where the prescribed form of contract may also be seen.

The Board of Commissioners reserves the right to reject any or all proposals received, or any part of such proposals, if deemed to be for the interests of the city.

VINCENT C. KING,
JOSEPH L. PERLEY, } Commissioners.
JOHN J. GORMAN,

New wagons.
Repairs to wagons.
Iron bedsteads.
Repairs to hay cutters.
Bi car. soda, vitriol, etc., for fire extinguishers.
Coal screens, stove fixtures, etc.
Polishing oil.
Desks, chairs, and stools for officers.
Cuspedores and waste baskets.
Horse blankets, horse sheets.
Lap robes, buffalo robe, and duster.
Window shades and fixtures.
Carpets.

Matting.
Linoleum.
Boiler supplies, Headquarters.
Flags and repairs to flags.
Medical Officer's supplies.
Clocks and repairs to clocks.
Soft soap.
Ice.
Buttons and numbers for uniforms.
Repairs to chairs.
Oil meal.
Gas fixtures and repairs to gas fixtures.

The Board then took up the Estimate of the Department of Public Charities and Correction. Whereupon Commissioner Cox made a statement in relation thereto.

The Comptroller presented the following communications relative thereto:

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION,
COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE, No. 66 THIRD AVENUE,
NEW YORK, December 11, 1878.

Hon. JOHN KELLY, Comptroller:

SIR—By an act of the Legislature, passed May 14, 1872, this Department is empowered to purchase lands adjacent to those now owned by the city on Ward's Island, and to fix a price for the same.

The Commissioners feel the need of additional lands for the accommodation of the increasing number of persons coming under the care of the Department, particularly the rapid increase of the cases of lunacy, and believing that a more satisfactory purchase of land on said island can be made at the present time than at any future period, they desire the purchase of this land by the city for the use of this Department, but hesitating to impose any additional burdens upon the city and county not absolutely necessary, they wish to confer with you and such other parties as may be interested in making the payments before proceeding to make the purchase.

The first, and in their estimation most important purchase which it is desirable to make is that of the uplands on said island. After many interviews with persons interested in the property, they find that it can be purchased at an average of about \$250 for each city lot; the number of such lots contained in these uplands is 319 367-2500, which, at \$250 per lot, would amount to the sum of \$79,786.70.

The Commissioners are also empowered to purchase the riparian rights (or the lands under water) around Ward's Island, fronting the lands now owned by the city; but deeming this not of as great importance as the acquisition of the uplands, they do not urge its purchase at present. They have, however, instituted inquiries to ascertain the minimum price at which a title to said lands can be obtained.

Trusting you will give this matter your early attention,

I remain, yours, very respectfully,

TOWNSEND COX, President.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION,
COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE, No. 66 THIRD AVENUE,
NEW YORK, December 11, 1878.

Hon. JOHN KELLY, Comptroller:

SIR—As an important matter of acquiring additional lands for the purpose of erecting buildings for the accommodation of those persons committed to the care of this Department, the Commissioners would respectfully call your particular attention to Riker's Island, which is situated about one mile northeast of Ward's Island, and on the direct route which the steamers of this Department take to Hart's Island.

The desirability of removing convicts and other prisoners from Blackwell's Island is a subject which has received the attention of the Commissioners, and has elicited an unanimous expression in favor of removing them to some other locality.

Blackwell's Island has now as many buildings and as large a population as it can properly accommodate, and its devotion to charitable institutions to the entire exclusion of the prisons is deemed important and advisable.

Riker's Island contains 73 1/2 acres of upland and 157 1/2 acres of land under water; the upland is rolling and has a great quantity of soil that can be profitably used in filling in and grading the lands under water, which are so situated that they may easily be prepared for filling in by the erection of bulkheads and receive a large amount of ashes from the city for a long time to come.

The price that this whole property can be purchased for is \$500 per acre, which would make a total of \$115,333.33.

Referring this important matter to your consideration,

I remain, yours, very respectfully,

TOWNSEND COX, President.

Which were referred back to the Comptroller.

1878.

The President of the Department of Public Charities and Correction presented the following statement, showing the per capita cost of supporting the inmates in the institutions under the charge of his Department:

Census.	Institutions.	Per Capita.
699.	Bellevue Hospital.....	\$43.2.4
8.	Emergency Hospital.....	59.
17.	Ninety-ninth Street Hospital.....	72.7.
1,013.	Charity Hospital.....	29.7.5
640.	Homeopathic Hospital.....	25.5.
409.	Infants' Hospital.....	22.
637.	Randall's Island Hospital.....	23.
297.	Hart's Island Hospital.....	21.
1,311.	New York City Lunatic Asylum.....	20.9.
926.	New York City Asylum for Insane.....	31.3.5
1,162.	Alms-house.....	11.1.1
109.	Incurable Hospital.....	15.
91.	Blind Asylum.....	11.5
514.	City Prisons.....	31.2.4
1,023.	Penitentiary.....	29.
837.	Work-house.....	18.0.4
198.	Branch Work-house.....	27.
92.	Branch Lunatic Asylum.....	20.1.

H. N. Beers, Esq., appeared and asked the Board to grant a hearing in relation to the estimates for 1879, to the Council of Reform, on Wednesday next.

Which was agreed to.

On motion, the rule adopted at meeting of June 23, 1874, relating to the calls of meetings, be suspended in order to act upon the issue of "Assessment Bonds of the Corporation of the City of New York."

Whereupon the Comptroller offered for adoption the following resolution:

Resolved, That in pursuance of the authority conferred upon the Board of Estimate and Apportionment by the provisions of section 112 of chapter 335 of the Laws of 1873, the Comptroller be and he is hereby authorized to issue from time to time, as may be required, and at such rates of interest, not exceeding six per cent. per annum, and for such period, conformable to law, as he may determine, "Assessment Bonds of the Corporation of the City of New York," authorized by chapter 397, Laws of 1852, and chapter 580, Laws of 1872, to the amount of two hundred and fifty thousand dollars.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION,
COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE, No. 66 THIRD AVENUE,
NEW YORK, December 13, 1878.

JOHN WHEELER, Secretary.

Total	\$2,688,517 46
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* The Comptroller attended the opening of proposals on December 9, 1878, at the Department of Public Works, for paving, with granite blocks, Vesey street, from Broadway to West street; for construction of retaining walls, arch, steps, etc., for protection of the roadway in Forty-second street, between First and Second avenues, and for furnishing illuminating gas for public markets, armories, buildings, etc., of the city, from January 1 to December 31, 1879.

Approval of Sureties.

The Comptroller approved of the adequacy and sufficiency of the sureties on the following proposals, viz.:

December 14.—For furnishing illuminating gas for lighting the public markets, armories, buildings, and offices, from January 1, 1879, to December 31, 1879, in the districts enumerated in the proposals of the following companies, viz.:

The Manhattan Gas-light Company, 4 Irving place, Principal.
Moses Taylor, 122 Fifth avenue, } Sureties.
Samuel Sloan, 21 West Seventeenth street, }

The N. Y. Gas-light Co., 157 and 159 Hester street, Principal.
Moses Taylor, 122 Fifth avenue, } Sureties.
Samuel Sloan, 21 West Seventeenth street, }

The Municipal Gas-light Co., southwest corner Fourth avenue and Twenty-sixth street, Principal.

Oswald Ottendorfer, 7 East Seventeenth street, } Sureties.
Samuel E. Thompson, 297 Madison avenue, }

The Harlem Gas-light Co., 2084 Third avenue, Principal.
Burr Wakeman, 19 West Thirty-sixth street, } Sureties.
Robert W. Rodman, 41 East Nineteenth street, }

December 14.—For iron railing required for four parks in Fourth avenue, between Seventy-first and Seventy-third streets and Eighty-eighth and Ninetieth streets.
Jno. J. Bowes & Bro., 305 W. Twenty-seventh street, Principals.

John Blake, 444 W. Fifty-first street, } Sureties.
Isaac H. Terrell, 368 Eighth avenue, }

December 14.—For mason work and granite work required for four parks in Fourth avenue, between Seventy-first and Seventy-third streets, and Eighty-eighth and Ninetieth streets.
Wills & Dyer, Ninety-second street and First avenue, Principals.

Patrick Sheehy, 250 E. Eighty-third street, } Sureties.
Charles Jones, 203 E. Eighty-second street, }

JOHN KELLY, Comptroller.

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

The Board of Police met on the 16th day of December, 1878.
Present—Messrs. Smith, Wheeler, Erhardt, and Nichols, Commissioners.

Resolved, That the Superintendent be directed to transfer a patrolman (to be selected from the list recommended by him for detailment) to the Special Service Squad, from the 16th to 31st inst., for duty with Messrs. B. Altman & Co., on payment of salary of said officer, and to report the name to the Board.

Adjourned.

S. C. HAWLEY, Chief Clerk.

DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS.

DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS,
OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT,
No. 2 FOURTH AVENUE,
NEW YORK, Dec. 16, 1878.

The following comprises the operations of the Department of Buildings for the week ending December 14, 1878.

W. W. ADAMS,
Superintendent of Buildings.
SAMUEL T. WEBSTER,
Chief Clerk.

BUREAU OF INSPECTION OF BUILDINGS.

New Buildings.

No. of plans and specifications filed, etc.	11
No. of buildings embraced in same.	44
Classified as follows:	
First-class dwellings	3
Second-class dwellings	26
French flats	1
Tenement houses	11
Hotels and boarding-houses	1
First-class stores	1
Second-class stores	1
Third-class stores	1
Office buildings	1
Manufactories and workshops	1
School-houses	1
Churches	1
Public buildings	1
Stables	1
Frame buildings (in upper districts)	3
Total	44

Plans passed upon, including those previously filed	13
Approved	5
Amended and approved	1
Disapproved	5
Pending	3
Total	13

Altered Buildings.

No. of plans and specifications filed	18
No. of buildings embraced in same	18
Classified as follows:	
First-class dwellings	1
Second-class dwellings	2
French flats	1
Tenement houses	6
Hotels and boarding-houses	1
First-class stores	1
Second-class stores	1
Third-class stores	1
Office buildings	1
Manufactories and workshops	3
School-houses	1
Churches	1
Public buildings	1
Stables	1
Frame buildings	3
Total	18

Buildings examined and plans relating thereto passed upon, including those previously filed	26
Approved	14
Amended and approved	3

Disapproved	2
Pending	7
Total	26

Special Applications.

Number filed and examinations made	4
Approved	2
Disapproved	1
Pending	2
Total	4

Respectfully submitted,
ROBERT MCGINNIS,
Chief of Bureau.
JOHN J. TINDALE,
Clerk.

BUREAU OF VIOLATIONS AND APPLICATIONS.

Operations for the week ending Dec. 14, 1878:	
Complaints received from outside sources	3
Violations of the law reported	6
“ “ removed	6
Unsafe buildings reported	8
“ “ made safe	2
“ “ taken down	2
Surveys held on unsafe buildings	1
Violation cases sent to the Attorney for prosecution	1
Unsafe building cases sent to the Attorney for prosecution	2
Violation notices served	12
Unsafe building notices served	19

Respectfully submitted,
ANDREW OWENS,
Chief of Bureau.
WILLIAM H. CLASS,
Clerk.

BUREAU OF FIRE-ESCAPES AND IRON WORK.

Operations for the week ending Dec. 14, 1878:	
Buildings reported for additional means of escape in case of fire	7
Buildings provided with additional means of escape in case of fire	19
Arch girders tested (approved)	2
“ (not approved)	1
Iron beams tested (approved)	3
“ (not approved)	1
Iron lintels tested (approved)	1
“ (not approved)	1
Notices for fire-escapes, etc., served	26
Cases sent to the Attorney for prosecution	1
Buildings reported for trap-doors and railings to hoistways	1
Buildings provided with trap-doors and railings to hoistways	6

Respectfully submitted,
CHAS. K. HYDE,
Chief of Bureau.
VICTOR W. VOORHEES,
Clerk.

Reinstatements.
(Omitted in report for week ending Dec. 7, 1878.)
Dec. 1—John McDonald, Examiner Fire Escapes.

Dismissals.
(Omitted in report for week ending Dec. 7, 1878.)
Dec. 1—Thomas Cumisky, Messenger.

OFFICIAL DIRECTORY.

STATEMENT OF THE HOURS DURING WHICH all the Public Offices in the City are open for business, and at which each Court regularly opens and adjourns, as well as of the places where such offices are kept and such Courts are held; together with the heads of Departments and Courts.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

Mayor's Office.
No. 6 City Hall, 10 A. M. to 3 P. M.
SMITH ELY, Jr., Mayor; GEORGE B. VANDERPOFF, Secretary.

Mayor's Marshal's Office.
No. 7 City Hall, 10 A. M. to 3 P. M.
JOHN TYLER KELLY, First Marshal.

Permit and License Bureau Office.
No. 1 City Hall, 10 A. M. to 3 P. M.
DANIEL S. HART, Registrar.

LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT

Office of Clerk of Common Council.
No. 8 City Hall, 10 A. M. to 4 P. M.
WILLIAM R. ROBERTS, President of Aldermen;
FRANCIS J. TWOMEY, Clerk Common Council.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Commissioner's Office.
No. 19 City Hall, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
ALLAN CAMPBELL, Commissioner; HUBERT O. THOMPSON, Deputy Commissioner.

Bureau of Water Register.
No. 10 City Hall, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
JOHN H. CHAMBERS, Register; WILLIAM R. FARRELL, Deputy Register.

Bureau of Incumbrances.
No. 13 City Hall, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
JOSEPH BLUMENTHAL, Superintendent.

Bureau of Lamps and Gas.
No. 21 City Hall, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
STEPHEN MCCORMICK, Superintendent.

Bureau of Streets.
No. 19 City Hall, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
JAMES MOONEY, Superintendent.

Bureau of Sewers.
No. 21 City Hall, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
STEVENSON TOWLE, Engineer-in-Charge.

Bureau of Chief Engineer.
No. 11½ City Hall, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
JOHN C. CAMPBELL, Chief Engineer.

Bureau of Street Improvements.
No. 11 City Hall, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
GEORGE A. JEREMIAH, Superintendent.

Bureau of Repairs and Supplies.
No. 18 City Hall, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
THOMAS KEECH, Superintendent.

Bureau of Water Purveyor.
No. 4 City Hall, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
DANIEL O'REILLY, Water Purveyor.

Keeper of Buildings in City Hall Park.
JOHN F. SLOPER, City Hall.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT.

Comptroller's Office.
Nos. 19 and 20 New County Court-house, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
JOHN KELLY, Comptroller; RICHARD A. STORRS, Deputy Comptroller.

Auditing Bureau.
No. 19 New County Court-house, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
DANIEL JACKSON, Auditor of Accounts.

Bureau of Arrears.
No. 5 New County Court-house, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
ARTEMAS CADY, Clerk of Arrears.

Bureau for the Collection of Assessments.
No. 16 New County Court-house, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
EDWARD GILON, Collector.

Bureau of Markets.
No. 6 New County Court-house, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
JOSHUA M. VARIAN, Superintendent of Markets.

Bureau for the Collection of Taxes.
First floor, Brown-stone building, City Hall Park.
MARTIN T. McMAHON, Receiver of Taxes; ALFRED VREDENBURG, Deputy Receiver of Taxes.

Bureau of City Revenue.
No. 6 New County Court-house, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
EDWARD F. FITZPATRICK, Collector of City Revenue.

Bureau of the City Chamberlain.
No. 18 New County Court-house, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
J. NELSON TAPPAN, City Chamberlain.

LAW DEPARTMENT.

Office of the Counsel to the Corporation.
Staats Zeitung Building, third floor, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
WILLIAM C. WHITNEY, Counsel to the Corporation;
ANDREW T. CAMPBELL, Chief Clerk.

Office of the Public Administrator.
No. 49 Beekman street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
ALGERNON S. SULLIVAN, Public Administrator.

Office of the Corporation Attorney.
No. 49 Beekman street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
WILLIAM A. BOVD, Corporation Attorney.

Attorney to Department of Buildings Office.
Corner Cortland and Church streets.
JOHN A. FOLEY, Attorney.

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

Central Office.
No. 300 Mulberry street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
WILLIAM F. SMITH, President; SETH C. HAWLEY, Chief Clerk.

DEPARTMENT OF CHARITIES AND CORRECTION.
Central Office.
Third avenue, corner Eleventh street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
TOWNSEND COX, President; JOSHUA PHILLIPS, Secretary.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Headquarters.
Nos. 153, 155, and 157 Mercer street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
VINCENT C. KING, President; CARL JUSSEN, Secretary.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT.
No. 301 Mott street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
CHARLES F. CHANDLER, President; EMMONS CLARK, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.
No. 36 Union square, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
JAMES F. WENMAN, President; WILLIAM IRWIN, Secretary.

Civil and Topographical Office.
Arsenal, 64th street and 5th avenue, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
JAMES R. CROES, Engineer.

Office of Superintendent of 23d and 24th Wards.
Fordham, 9 A. M. to 5 P. M.

DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS.
Nos. 117 and 119 Duane street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
JACOB A. WESTERVELT, President; EUGENE T. LYNCH, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS.
Brown-stone building, City Hall Park, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
JOHN WHEELER, President; ALBERT STORER, Secretary.

COMMISSION FOR THE COMPLETION OF THE NEW COUNTY COURT-HOUSE.

No. 28 New County Court-house, 9 A. M. to 5 P. M.
WYLLIS BLACKSTONE, President; ISAAC EVANS, Secretary.

REGISTER'S OFFICE.

East side City Hall Park, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
FREDERICK W. LOEW, Register; AUGUSTUS T. DOCHARTY, Deputy Register.

COMMISSIONERS OF ACCOUNTS.

No. 27 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
LINDSAY I. HOWE, JOHN H. MOONEY.

COMMISSIONER OF JURORS.

No. 17 New County Court-house, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
THOMAS DUNLAP, Commissioner; ALFRED J. KEEGAN, Deputy Commissioner.

COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE.

Nos. 7 and 8 New County Court-house, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
HENRY A. GUMBLETON, County Clerk; J. FAIRFAX McLAUGHLIN, Deputy County Clerk.

DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE.

Second floor, Brown-stone building, City Hall Park, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
BENJAMIN K. PHELPS, District Attorney; MOSES P. CLARK, Chief Clerk.

THE CITY RECORD OFFICE.

And Bureau of Printing, Stationery, and Blank Books.
No. 2 City Hall, 8 A. M. to 6 P. M.; Saturdays, 8 A. M. to 5 P. M.
CHARLES F. WOOD, Supervisor; R. P. H. ABELL, Book-keeper.

THE CITY RECORD.

COPIES OF THE CITY RECORD CAN BE obtained at No. 2 City Hall (northwest corner basement). Price three cents each.

JURORS.

NOTICE IN RELATION TO JURORS FOR STATE COURTS

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER OF JURORS,
NEW COUNTY COURT-HOUSE,
NEW YORK, June 1, 1877.

APPLICATIONS FOR EXEMPTIONS WILL BE heard here, from 9 to 4 daily, from all persons hitherto liable or recently serving who have become exempt, and all needed information will be given.

Those who have not answered as to their liability, or proved permanent exemption, will receive a "jury enrollment notice," requiring them to appear before me this year. Whether liable or not, such notices must be answered (in person, if possible, and at this office only) under severe penalties. If exempt, the party must bring proof of exemption; if liable, he must also answer in person, giving full and correct name, residence, etc., etc. No attention paid to letters.

Persons "enrolled" as liable must serve when called or pay their fines. No mere excuse will be allowed or interference permitted. The fines, received from those who, for business or other reasons, are unable to serve at the time selected, pay the expenses of this office, and if unpaid will be entered as judgments upon the property of the delinquents.

All good citizens will aid the course of justice, and secure reliable and respectable juries, and equalize their duty by serving promptly when summoned, allowing their clerks or subordinates to serve, reporting to me any attempt at bribery or evasion, and suggesting names for enrollment. Persons between sixty and seventy years of age, summer absentees, persons temporarily ill, and United States and District Court jurors are not exempt.

Every man must attend to his own notice. It is a misdemeanor to give any jury paper to another to answer. It is also punishable by fine or imprisonment to give or receive any present or bribe, directly or indirectly, in relation to a jury service, or to withhold any paper or make any false statement, and every case will be fully prosecuted.

THOMAS DUNLAP, Commissioner,
County Court-house (Chambers street entrance)

BOARD OF EDUCATION.

SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED BY the School Trustees of the Nineteenth Ward, at the Hall of the Board of Education, corner of Grand and Elm streets, until Monday, the 23d day of December, 1878, and until 4 o'clock P. M. on said day, for the erection of a New School-house on the north side of East Forty-sixth street, 155 feet east of Third avenue.

Plans and specifications may be seen at the office of the Superintendent of School Buildings, No. 146 Grand street, third floor.

Proposals must state the estimate for each branch of the work separately, and be indorsed "Proposal for Mason Work," "Proposal for Carpenter Work," "Proposal for Painting."

The party submitting a proposal, and the parties proposing to become sureties, must each write his name and place of residence on said proposal.

Two responsible and approved sureties, residents of this city, are required in all cases.

No proposal will be considered from persons whose character and antecedent dealings with the Board of Education renders their responsibility doubtful.

No substitution by the accepted contractor will be permitted without first obtaining, in writing, permission from the Committee on Buildings of the Board of Education.

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

M. THALMESSINGER,
FERD. T. HOPKINS,
EUGENE H. POMEROY,
JOHN C. DONNELLY,
RICHARD KELLY,
Board of School Trustees, Nineteenth Ward.
Dated New York, December 5, 1878.

CORPORATION NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE following Assessment Lists have been received by the Board of Assessors from the Commissioner of Public Works:

No. 1—Regulating, grading, curb, gutter and flagging Fourth avenue, from One Hundred and Second to One Hundred and Tenth street..... \$10,740 84

No. 2—Flagging north side of Fifty-seventh street, between Third and Lexington avenues..... 145 20

No. 3—Tree planting in Sixth avenue, from One Hundred and Tenth to One Hundred and Forty-fifth street.... 4,353 75

Total..... \$15,239 79

WM. H. JASPER,
Secretary.
OFFICE BOARD OF ASSESSORS,
No. 114 WHITE STREET (COR. OF CENTRE),
NEW YORK, December 18, 1878.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE FOLLOWING Assessment Lists have been received by the Board of Assessors from the Commissioner of Public Works:

- No. 1—Laying crosswalks at the northerly and southerly intersections of One Hundred and Seventh and One Hundred and Eighth and One Hundred and Ninth streets and Fourth avenue. . . . \$874 48
No. 2—Paving Eighty-fourth street, from the Boulevard to Riverside Drive. . . . 4,563 89

WM. H. JASPER,
Secretary.

OFFICE BOARD OF ASSESSORS,
No. 114 WHITE STREET (COR. CENTRE),
NEW YORK, December 6, 1878.

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

POLICE DEPARTMENT CITY OF NEW YORK,
PROPERTY CLERK'S OFFICE,
No. 300 MULBERRY STREET, ROOM 39,
NEW YORK, December 2, 1878.

OWNERS WANTED BY THE PROPERTY
Clerk of the Police Department, City of New York,
300 Mulberry street, Room 39, for the following property
now in his custody without claimants: Boats, wagons,
revolvers, silver watch, trunks and contents, hand carts,
bagatelle balls, eight boxes cigars, piece flannel, also small
amount of cash taken from prisoners and found.

C. A. ST. JOHN,
Property Clerk

FINANCE DEPARTMENT.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT,
BUREAU FOR THE COLLECTION OF TAXES,
No. 32 CHAMBERS STREET,
NEW YORK, December 1, 1878.

NOTICE TO TAX-PAYERS.

ALL PERSONS WHO HAVE OMITTED TO PAY
their taxes for the year 1878, are hereby notified, as
required by law, to pay the same to the Receiver of Taxes,
at his office, on or before the 1st day of January, 1879.

One per cent. will be collected on all taxes paid before
the 15th day of December instant, two per cent. on all
taxes paid on and after that date, and interest at the rate
of 12 per cent. per annum, computed from the 14th of
October last (the day on which the assessment rolls and
warrants were delivered to the Receiver), on all taxes
remaining unpaid on and after the said 1st day of
January, 1879.

No money will be received after 2 o'clock P. M.
Office hours, from 8 A. M. to 2 P. M.

MARTIN T. McMAHON,
Receiver of Taxes.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE,
BUREAU FOR THE COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS,
No. 16 NEW COURT-HOUSE, CITY HALL PARK,
NEW YORK, October 26, 1878.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY-HOLDERS.

PROPERTY-HOLDERS ARE HEREBY NOTI-
fied that the following assessment lists were received this
day in this Bureau for collection:

CONFIRMED AND ENTERED OCTOBER 22, 1878.

70th street, regulating, grading, etc., from 3d avenue to
East river.

4th avenue, curb, gutter, and flagging, from 71st to 79th
street.

4th avenue, crosswalks at 110th, 111th, 112th, and 113th
streets.

Lexington avenue, crosswalks north and south side 84th
street.

22d street, flagging, north side, between 1st avenue and
Avenue A.

55th street, flagging between Madison and 4th avenues
and fencing vacant lots thereon.

82d and 83d streets, and 5th avenue, fencing vacant lots
north side 82d, south side 83d streets, and east side 5th
avenue.

78th and 79th streets and Madison avenue, fencing
vacant lots north side 78th, south side 79th streets, and
east side Madison avenue, between 78th and 79th streets.

90th street, sewer, between Boulevard and 10th avenue.

12th avenue, sewer, between 130th and 131st streets, and
n 131st street, etc.

61st street, basins, northeast and southeast corners 1st
avenue.

4th street, basins, northwest corner 6th avenue.

110th street, basins, northwest corner Madison avenue,
etc.

CONFIRMED AND ENTERED OCTOBER 24, 1878.

147th street, outlet sewer, 8th avenue and 145th street,
from St. Nicholas avenue to Harlem river, with branches,
etc.

All payments made on the above assessments on or before
December 26, 1878, will be exempt (according to law) from
interest. After that date interest will be charged at the
rate of seven (7) per cent. from the date of entry.

The Collector's office is open daily from 9 A. M. to 2 P. M.,
for the collection of money, and until 4 P. M. for
general information.

EDWARD GILON,
Collector of Assessments.

REAL ESTATE RECORDS

THE ATTENTION OF LAWYERS, REAL
Estate Owners, Monetary Institutions engaged in
making loans upon real estate, and all who are interested
in providing themselves with facilities for reducing the cost
of examinations and searches, is invited to these Official
Indices of Records, containing all recorded transfers of
real estate in the City of New York from 1653 to 1857
prepared under the direction of the Commissioners
Records.

Grantees, grantees, suits in equity, insolvents' and
Sheriffs' sales, in 61 volumes, full bound, price, \$100 00.

The same, in 25 volumes, half bound, 50 00

Complete sets, folded, ready for binding, 15 00

Records of judgments, 25 volumes, bound, 10 00

Orders should be addressed to Mr. Stephen Angell,
Comptroller's Office, New County Court-house.

JOHN KELLY,
Comptroller

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
NEW YORK, February 6, 1877.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE,
BUREAU FOR COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS,
No. 16 NEW COURT-HOUSE, CITY HALL PARK,
NEW YORK, December 13, 1878.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY-HOLDERS.

PROPERTY-HOLDERS ARE HEREBY NOTI-
fied that the following assessment lists were received this
day in this Bureau for collection:

CONFIRMED AND ENTERED DECEMBER 10, 1878.

93rd street, regulating, grading, etc., from Boulevard to
8th avenue.

115th street, regulating, grading, etc., from 8th avenue
to Harlem river.

Waverly place, sewer, between West 10th street and
Charles street.

Madison street, basin, northwest corner Birmingham
street.

All payments made on the above assessments on or
before February 11, 1879, will be exempt (according to
law) from interest. After that date interest will be charged
at the rate of seven (7) per cent. from the date of entry.

The Collector's office is open daily, from 9 A. M. to 2 P. M.,
for the collection of money, and until 4 P. M. for
general information.

EDWARD GILON,
Collector of Assessments.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE,
BUREAU FOR THE COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS,
No. 16 NEW COURT-HOUSE, CITY HALL PARK,
NEW YORK, November 26, 1878.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY-HOLDERS.

PROPERTY-HOLDERS ARE HEREBY NOTI-
fied that the following assessment lists were received this
day in this Bureau for collection:

CONFIRMED AND ENTERED NOVEMBER 22, 1878.

22d street, regulating, grading, etc., between Avenue A
and East river.

81st street, regulating, grading, etc., between 5th and
10th avenues.

107th street, regulating, grading, etc., between 5th ave-
nue and Harlem river.

76th street, curb, gutter and flagging, between 1st ave-
nue and Avenue A.

114th street, paving, from 2d to 4th avenue.

120th street, paving, from 1st avenue to Harlem river.

Nassau street, sewer, from Beekman to Spruce street.

Ann street, sewer, from William to Gold street.

132d and 133d streets, sewer, from 6th to 7th avenue.

11th avenue, sewer, from 60th to 64th street.

75th street, fencing, north side, between 2d and 3d ave-
nues.

All payments made on the above assessments on or
before January 25, 1879, will be exempt (according to
law) from interest. After that date interest will be charged
at the rate of seven (7) per cent. from the date of entry.

The Collector's office is open daily, from 9 A. M. to 2 P. M.,
for the collection of money, and until 4 P. M. for
general information.

EDWARD GILON,
Collector of Assessments.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE,
BUREAU FOR THE COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS,
No. 16 NEW COURT-HOUSE, CITY HALL PARK,
NEW YORK, December 6, 1878.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY-HOLDERS.

PROPERTY-HOLDERS ARE HEREBY NOTI-
fied that the following assessment lists were received this
day in this Bureau for collection:

CONFIRMED AND ENTERED DECEMBER 3, 1878.

2d avenue, flagging, east side, between 64th and 65th
streets.

4th avenue, regulating and paving, from 49th to 67th
streets.

Washington street, sewer, between Perry and West 11th
streets.

8th avenue, sewer, between 92d and 105th streets, with
branches.

119th street, sewer, between 4th and 5th avenues, and in
4th avenue, etc.

124th street, fencing, northwest corner of Madison ave-
nue.

24th street, fencing, south side, eighty-two feet east of
1st avenue.

All payments made on the above assessments on or
before February 4, 1879, will be exempt (according to law)
from interest. After that date interest will be charged at
the rate of seven (7) per cent. from the date of entry.

The Collector's office is open daily from 9 A. M. to 2 P. M.,
for the collection of money, and until 4 P. M. for
general information.

EDWARD GILON,
Collector of Assessments.

LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT.

THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS OF
the Board of Aldermen will meet in Room No. 9
City Hall, every Monday at 1 o'clock P. M.

THOMAS SHEILS,
THOMAS CARROLL,
GEORGE HALL,
JOSEPH C. PINCKNEY,
BERNARD BIGLIN,
Committee on Public Works.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION,
No. 66 THIRD AVENUE,
NEW YORK, December 16, 1878.

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

At Charity Hospital, Blackwell's Island—Thomas
McKenzie, aged 49 years; 5 feet 6½ inches high, dark
brown hair; gray eyes. Had on when admitted brown
coat, gray vest and pants, white shirt, black felt hat.
Nothing known of his friends or relatives.

At N. Y. City Asylum for Insane, Ward's Island—
Frederick Kaylor, aged 38 years; 5 feet 3 inches high;
gray hair and eyes. Nothing known of his friends or
relatives.

By Order, JOSHUA PHILLIPS,
Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION,
No. 66 THIRD AVENUE,
NEW YORK, December 13, 1878.

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

At Charity Hospital, Blackwell's Island—Mary Lill,
aged 36 years; 5 feet 3 inches high; dark brown hair;
gray eyes. Had on when admitted, brown calico skirt and
waist. Nothing known of her friends or relatives.

Stephen Quick, aged 50 years; 5 feet 6 inches high;
light hair; dark brown eyes. Had on when admitted,
gray coat, pants, and vest, white shirt, red flannel drawers,
brown felt hat, boots. Nothing known of his friends or
relatives.

Abigail Stephenson, aged 69 years; 5 feet 4 inches high;
blue eyes, gray hair. Had on when admitted, gray
wrapper, brown shawl. Nothing known of her friends or
relatives.

By order, JOSHUA PHILLIPS,
Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION,
No. 66 THIRD AVENUE,
NEW YORK, December 14, 1878.

PROPOSALS FOR CONDENSED MILK.

PROPOSALS, SEALED AND INDORSED AS
above, will be received by the Commissioners of
Public Charities and Correction, at their office, until 9
o'clock A. M., of Friday, December 27, 1878, at which time
they will be publicly opened and read by the head of
said Department, for furnishing and delivering, from the
first day of January, 1879, up to and including the
thirty-first day of December, 1879.

Parties proposing for the above will submit samples for
examination and analysis, and the milk selected will be
the standard for future delivery. The milk delivered
under the contract will be analyzed by a competent
chemist at such times as the Commissioners may deter-
mine.

The above to be delivered daily at the foot of Twenty-
sixth street, East river, or at such other places as may be
required, free of all expense to the Department.

The award of the contract will be made as soon as prac-
ticable after the opening of the bids.

No proposal will be considered unless accompanied by
the consent, in writing, of two householders or freeholders
of the City of New York, with their respective places of
business or residence, to the effect, that if the contract be
awarded under that proposal, they will, on its being so
awarded, become bound as sureties in the estimated
amount of fifty per cent. for its faithful performance,
which consent must be verified by the justification of each
of the persons signing the same for double the amount of
surety required. The sufficiency of such security to be
approved by the Comptroller.

The Department of Public Charities and Correction re-
serve the right to decline any and all proposals if deemed
to be for the public interest, and to accept an offer for the
whole bid or for any single article included in the propos-
al, and no proposal will be accepted from, or a contract
awarded to, any person who is in arrears to the Corpora-
tion upon debt or contract, or who is defaulter, as security
or otherwise, upon any obligation to the Corporation.

Blank forms of proposals and specifications, which are to
be strictly complied with, can be obtained on application
at the office of the Department, and all information fur-
nished.

TOWNSEND COX,
THOMAS S. BRENNAN,
ISAAC H. BAILEY,
Commissioners.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION,
No. 66 THIRD AVENUE,
NEW YORK, December 14, 1878.

PROPOSALS FOR FRESH FISH.

PROPOSALS, SEALED AND INDORSED AS
above, will be received by the Commissioners of
Public Charities and Correction, at their office, until 9
o'clock A. M., of Friday, December 27, 1878, at which time
they will be publicly opened and read by the head of
said Department, for furnishing and delivering from the
first day of January, 1879, up to and including the thirty-
first day of December, 1879, at the foot of East Twenty-
sixth street, and at such other places as may be required,
free of all expense—

Fresh Cod, Porgies, and Blue Fish.

The award of the contract will be made as soon as prac-
ticable after the opening of the bids.

No proposal will be considered unless accompanied by
the consent, in writing, of two householders or free-
holders of the City of New York, with their respective
places of business or residence, to the effect that, if the
contract be awarded under that proposal, they will, on its
being so awarded, become bound as sureties in the esti-
mated amount of fifty per cent. for its faithful perfor-
mance, which consent must be verified by the justification
of each of the persons signing the same for double the
amount of surety required. The sufficiency of such
security to be approved by the Comptroller.

The Department of Public Charities and Correction re-
serve the right to decline any and all proposals if deemed
to be for the public interest, and to accept an offer for the
whole bid or for any single article included in the propos-
al, and no proposal will be accepted from, or a contract
awarded to, any person who is in arrears to the Corpora-
tion upon debt or contract, or who is defaulter, as security
or otherwise, upon any obligation to the Corporation.

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to be strictly complied with, can be obtained on applica-
tion at the office of the Department, and all information
furnished.

TOWNSEND COX,
THOMAS S. BRENNAN,
ISAAC H. BAILEY,
Commissioners.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION,
No. 66 THIRD AVENUE,
NEW YORK, December 14, 1878.

PROPOSALS FOR FRESH BEEF, MUTTON, VEAL, PORK, AND CORNED BEEF.

PROPOSALS, SEALED AND INDORSED AS
above, will be received by the Commissioners of
Public Charities and Correction, at their office, until 9
o'clock A. M., of Friday, December 27, 1878, at which time
they will be publicly opened and read by the head of said
Department, for furnishing and delivering, daily from
the first day of January, 1879, up to and including the
thirty-first day of December, 1879, at the foot of East
Twenty-sixth street, and at such other places as may be
required, free of all expense—

Fresh Beef and Mutton for use of inmates, and for the
use of the officers and employees of the various institutions,
Fresh Beef, Mutton, Veal, Pork, and Corned Beef.

The award of the contract will be made as soon as prac-
ticable after the opening of the bids.

No proposal will be considered unless accompanied by
the consent, in writing, of two householders or free-
holders of the City of New York, with their respective
places of business or residence, to the effect that, if the
contract be awarded under that proposal, they will, on its
being so awarded, become bound as sureties in the esti-
mated amount of fifty per cent. for its faithful perfor-
mance, which consent must be verified by the justification
of each of the persons signing the same for double the
amount of surety required. The sufficiency of such
security to be approved by the Comptroller.

The Department of Public Charities and Correction re-
serve the right to decline any and all proposals if deemed
to be for the public interest, and to accept an offer for the
whole bid or for any single article included in the propos-
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awarded to, any person who is in arrears to the Corpora-
tion upon debt or contract, or who is defaulter, as security
or otherwise, upon any obligation to the Corporation.

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to be strictly complied with, can be obtained on applica-
tion at the office of the Department, and all information
furnished.

TOWNSEND COX,
THOMAS S. BRENNAN,
ISAAC H. BAILEY,
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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION,
No. 66 THIRD AVENUE,
NEW YORK, December 12, 1878.

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

At Charity Hospital, Blackwell's Island—Maria Murphy,
aged 47 years; 5 feet 2 inches high; black and gray hair;
dark eyes. Nothing known of her friends or relatives.

By Order, JOSHUA PHILLIPS,
Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION,
No. 66 THIRD AVENUE,
NEW YORK, December 11, 1878.

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

At Hart's Island Hospital—Josephine Johnson, colored;
aged 52 years; 5 feet 2 inches high; black hair and eyes.
Nothing known of her friends or relatives.

By Order, JOSHUA PHILLIPS,
Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION,
No. 66 THIRD AVENUE,
NEW YORK, December 7, 1878.

PROPOSALS FOR BLANKETS, COAL, LUMBER, ETC.

PROPOSALS, SEALED AND INDORSED AS
above, will be received by the Commissioners of
Public Charities and Correction, at their office, until 9
o'clock A. M., of Friday, December 20, 1878, at which
time they will be publicly opened and read by the head of
said Department, for furnishing and delivering, at the foot
of East Twenty-sixth street, free of all expense to the
Department—

The quality of the goods furnished must conform in
every respect to the samples of the above to be seen at
this office.

BLANKETS.

1,000 pairs White Blankets.

1,200 " Colored "

GROCERIES.

5,000 pounds Rio Coffee.

COAL.

1,000 tons Coal.

TIN.

60 boxes IX. Terne Tin.

PAINTS.

10,000 pounds Pure White Lead.

LUMBER.

500 Hemlock Boards.

200 " Joist, 3 x 4.

2,000 pieces Pine Sheathing Boards.

119 " Spruce Plank, 4 x 4 x 16 feet.

76 " " 3 x 6 x 13 "

36 " " 3 x 6 x 19 "

8 " " 3 x 6 x 27 "

8 " " 4 x 6 x 26 "

4 " " 4 x 6 x 19 "

20 " " 4 x 6 x 16 "

6 " " 4 x 10 x 12 "

20 " " 4 x 8 x 21 "

6 " " 4 x 8 x 26 "

25 " " 4 x 8 x 12 "

30 " " 4 x 4 x 12 "

50 ¼ M. bundles Pine Shingles