

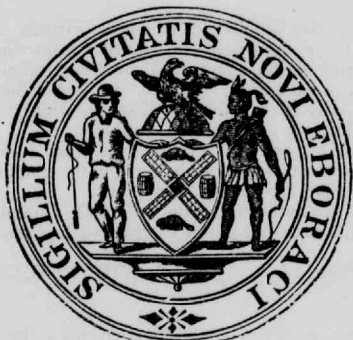
THE CITY RECORD.

OFFICIAL JOURNAL.

VOL. IX.

NEW YORK, THURSDAY, MAY 26, 1881.

NUMBER 2,427.



GAS COMMISSION.

Abstract of the proceedings of the Officers designated by section 1 of chapter 478 of the Laws of 1879, to contract for lighting the streets, avenues, piers, parks, and places of the City of New York.

MARCH 9, 1881.

The officers designated in section 1 of chapter 478 of the Laws of 1879, met in the office of the Mayor, at 12 o'clock M., Wednesday, March 9, 1881.

All were present, viz.:

Hon. Wm. R. Grace, Mayor; Hon. Allan Campbell, Comptroller, and Hon. Hubert O. Thompson, Commissioner of Public Works.

The Commissioner of Public Works stated that the contracts with the several gaslight companies, for lighting the public lamps of the city, would expire on the 30th of April next, and he submitted a form of contract and specifications for furnishing the gas or other illuminating material for, and lighting and maintaining the public lamps for, the year commencing May 1, 1881, and ending April 30, 1882, and moved that the same be approved.

Which was adopted.

The Commissioner of Public Works then offered for adoption the following resolution:

Resolved, That 12 o'clock M., of Wednesday, March 30, 1881, be designated as the time for opening the proposals, and that the Secretary is hereby instructed to prepare the necessary advertisement, and cause the same to be published in the CITY RECORD for ten consecutive days as required by law.

The Chairman put the question upon agreeing with the same, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows, viz.:

Affirmative—The Mayor, the Comptroller, and the Commissioner of Public Works.

The following communications were received:

To the Gas Commission of the City of New York:

SRS—The undersigned, a committee duly appointed by the United States Illuminating Company, a corporation of the State of New York, organized under an act entitled "An act to authorize the formation of gas-light companies," passed February 16, 1848, and the several acts additional thereto or amendatory thereof, and having the powers given by chapter 512 of the Laws of 1879, respectfully asks authority from your Honorable Commission to lay, erect and construct suitable wires or other conductors with the necessary poles, pipes or fixtures in, on and under the streets, avenues, public parks and places in this city of New York for conducting or distributing electricity.

And they hereby state that they are now prepared to use such permits.

Dated New York, February 4, 1881.

(Signed)

ROBERT B. MINTURN, Chairman,
MARCELLUS HARTLEY,
HENRY B. HYDE,
D. WILLIS JAMES.

To the Honorable the Gas Commission of the City of New York:

The Edison Electric Illuminating Company of New York, a corporation duly organized and existing under the act of the Legislature of the State of New York, entitled "An act to authorize the formation of gas-light companies," passed February 16, 1848, and the acts additional thereto or amendatory thereof; and having, in virtue of chapter 512 of the Laws of 1879, of this State, full power to carry on the business of lighting by electricity,—and to use electricity instead of gas as the means for lighting,—cities, towns, and villages within this State, and the streets, avenues, public parks and places thereof, and public and private dwellings therein, and the other powers and rights conferred by the act last named, hereby apply to your Honorable Commission, for the purposes of their business of lighting by electricity the streets, avenues, public parks and places of the city of New York, and public and private dwellings therein, for permission to lay, erect and construct suitable wires or other conductors, with the necessary poles, pipes and other fixtures, in, on, over, and under the streets, avenues, public parks and places of the city of New York, under such reasonable conditions as your Honorable Commission may prescribe.

The company begs leave further to state that it is prepared to avail itself of the permission hereby asked, immediately on its being granted by your Commission.

Dated New York, February 10, 1881.

(Signed)

THE EDISON ELECTRIC LIGHT CO.,
By C. GODDARD, Secretary.

OFFICE OF
THE BRUSH ELECTRIC ILLUMINATING COMPANY OF NEW YORK,
860 BROADWAY,
NEW YORK, February 23, 1881.

To the Honorable the Mayor, the Comptroller, and the Commissioner of Public Works, comprising the Gas Commission of the City of New York:

The Brush Electric Illuminating Company of New York, a corporation duly organized under an act, entitled "An act to authorize the formation of Gas-light Companies," passed February 16, 1848, and availing itself of the authority conferred by the act, entitled "An act to authorize Gas-light Companies to use electricity instead of gas for the lighting of streets, public places, and public and private buildings in cities, villages and towns within this State, passed June 19, 1879, hereby requests permission to erect, lay and construct suitable wires, and conductors, and the necessary poles and fixtures in, under, and over certain streets of this city, to be hereafter specified, under such conditions as you may see fit to prescribe.

I further respectfully ask for the favor of a hearing before your Honorable Body.

Very respectfully yours,

(Signed)

A. A. HAYES, JR.,
Secretary, Brush Electric Illuminating Company of New York.

Which were ordered to be submitted to the Counsel to the Corporation for his opinion as to the power of the Gas Commission in the matter.

On motion, the Board then adjourned.

S. MCCORMICK, Superintendent Lamps and Gas,
Secretary.

MARCH 30, 1881.

The officers designated in section 1 of chapter 478 of the Laws of 1879, met in the office of the Commissioner of Public Works at 12 o'clock M., Wednesday, March 30, 1881.

All were present, viz.:

Hon. Wm. R. Grace, Mayor; Hon. Allan Campbell, Comptroller; Hon. Hubert O. Thompson, Commissioner of Public Works.

The minutes of the meeting of March 9, 1881, were read and approved.

The Secretary presented an affidavit of J. C. Friedmann, Clerk of the CITY RECORD, that the advertisement calling for proposals for furnishing the gas or other illuminating material for, and lighting, extinguishing, cleaning, repairing, and maintaining the public lamps on

the streets, avenues, parks, and places of the city of New York, had been duly published in the CITY RECORD for ten consecutive days, commencing on the 18th day of March, 1881.

Which was ordered on file.

The box containing the proposals was then opened and eleven bids were found therein and publicly read, as follows:

No. 1. The New York Gas-light Company, for furnishing illuminating gas (of not less than twenty-two candle-power, by photometrical test made at a distance of not less than one mile from the place of manufacture) for each lamp, including the lighting, extinguishing, cleaning, repairing, reglazing, and painting lamp-posts and lanterns, replacing the cocks, tubes, burners, cross-heads, lamp-irons, and lanterns thereto, for the period from May 1, 1881, to April 30, 1882, both days inclusive, in the following described district, to wit:

All south of the centre of Grand street, from the East river to Sullivan street, through Sullivan street to Canal street, and through Canal street to the Hudson river,

For the sum of eighteen dollars. \$18 00

For each lamp-post straightened, the sum of one dollar and fifty cents. 1 50

For each column releaded, the sum of one dollar and fifty cents. 1 50

For each column refitted, the sum of three dollars and fifty cents. 3 50

For each lamp-post removed, the sum of three dollars and fifty cents. 3 50

For each lamp-post reset, the sum of ten dollars. 10 00

For each new lamp fitted up, the sum of ten dollars. 10 00

Sureties { Percy R. Pyne, No. 25 East Twenty-second street,
Samuel Sloan, No. 21 West Seventeenth street.

No. 2. The Manhattan Gas-light Company, for furnishing illuminating gas (of not less than sixteen candle-power, by photometrical test made at a distance of not less than one mile from the place of manufacture) for each lamp, including the lighting, extinguishing, cleaning, repairing, reglazing, and painting lamp-posts and lanterns, replacing the cocks, tubes, burners, cross-heads, lamp-irons, and lanterns thereto, for the period from May 1, 1881, to April 30, 1882, both days inclusive, in the following described district, to wit:

On the north, by the centre line of Thirty-fourth street, from the East to the Hudson river; on the south, by a line running from the East river through the centre line of Grand street to the centre line of Sullivan street; thence southerly through the centre line of Sullivan street to the centre line of Canal street; thence westerly through the centre line of Canal street to the Hudson river; on the east by the East river; on the west by the Hudson river, except the public lamps of the parks and squares in said district:

For the sum of eighteen dollars. \$18 00

For each lamp-post straightened, the sum of one dollar and fifty cents. 1 50

For each column releaded, the sum of one dollar and fifty cents. 1 50

For each column refitted, the sum of three dollars and fifty cents. 3 50

For each lamp-post removed, the sum of three dollars and fifty cents. 3 50

For each lamp-post reset, the sum of ten dollars. 10 00

For each new lamp fitted up, the sum of ten dollars. 10 00

Sureties { John J. Cisco, 136 Fifth avenue,
Percy R. Pyne, 25 East Twenty-second street.

No. 3.—The Metropolitan Gas Light Company, for furnishing gas (of not less than twenty to twenty-three candle-power, by photometrical test made at a distance of not less than one mile from the place of manufacture), for each lamp, including the lighting, extinguishing, cleaning, repairing, reglazing and painting lamp-posts and lanterns, replacing the cocks, tubes, burners, cross-heads, lamp-irons and lanterns thereto, for the period from May 1, 1881, to April 30, 1882, both days inclusive, in the following described district, to wit:

On all those parts of streets, avenues and places in the city of New York, designated by red lines on the map hereto attached, except the south side of Thirty-fourth street and the north side of Seventy-ninth street on said map:

For the sum of eighteen dollars and twenty-five cents. \$18 25

For each lamp-post straightened, the sum of two dollars. 2 00

For each column releaded, the sum of two dollars. 2 00

For each column refitted, the sum of three dollars. 3 00

For each lamp-post removed, the sum of three dollars. 3 00

For each lamp-post reset, the sum of eight dollars. 8 00

For each new lamp fitted up, the sum of eight dollars. 8 00

Sureties { Albert Cornell, 18 West Fifty-second street,
O. Zollkoffer, 1549 Broadway.

No. 4.—The New York Mutual Gas Light Company, for furnishing illuminating gas (of not less than sixteen candle-power, by photometrical test made at a distance of not less than one mile from the place of manufacture), for each lamp, including the lighting, extinguishing, cleaning, repairing, reglazing and painting lamp-posts and lanterns, replacing the cocks, tubes, burners, cross-heads, lamp-irons and lanterns thereto, for the period from May 1, 1881, to April 30, 1882, both days inclusive, in the following described district, to wit:

As shown and more particularly set forth on a schedule hereunto annexed, marked A.

For the sum of eighteen dollars. \$18 00

For each lamp-post straightened, the sum of one dollar and fifty cents. 1 50

For each column releaded, the sum of one dollar and fifty cents. 1 50

For each column refitted, the sum of three dollars and fifty cents. 3 50

For each lamp-post removed, the sum of three dollars and fifty cents. 3 50

For each lamp-post reset, the sum of ten dollars. 10 00

For each new lamp fitted up, the sum of ten dollars. 10 00

Sureties { John P. Kennedy, 10 East Forty-seventh street,
Arthur Leary, 90 Fifth avenue.

No. 5. The Harlem Gas Light Company, for furnishing illuminating gas (of not less than sixteen candle-power, by photometrical test, made at a distance of not less than one mile from the place of manufacture), for each lamp, including the lighting, extinguishing, cleaning, repairing, reglazing, and painting lamp-posts and lanterns, replacing the cocks, tubes, burners, cross-heads, lamp-irons, and lanterns thereto, for the period from May 1, 1881, to April 30, 1882, both days inclusive, in the following described district, to wit:

For all the lamps in the Harlem Gas Light Company's District, bounded as follows: On the south by the centre line of Seventy-ninth street (including centre line of Transverse Road, No. 2); on the west by the Hudson river; on the north by Spuyten Duyvil creek and Harlem river (including High Bridge); on the east by the Harlem river and East river. Illuminating power of the gas not less than sixteen candles one mile from place of manufacture.

For the sum of nineteen dollars and fifty cents for each lamp during the period from May 1, 1881, to April 30, 1882, both days inclusive. \$19 50

For each lamp-post straightened, the sum of two dollars and fifty cents. 2 50

For each column releaded, the sum of two dollars and fifty cents. 2 50

For each column refitted, the sum of three dollars and fifty cents. 3 50

For each lamp-post removed, the sum of three dollars and fifty cents. 3 50

For each lamp-post reset, the sum of eight dollars. 8 00

For each new lamp fitted up, the sum of eight dollars. 8 00

Sureties { Robert W. Rodman, 2084 Third avenue,
George G. Lake, 851 Fifth avenue.

No. 6. The Central Gas Light Company of New York City, for furnishing illuminating gas (of not less than sixteen candle-power, by photometrical test made at a distance of not less than one mile from the place of manufacture), for each lamp, including the lighting, extinguishing, cleaning, repairing, reglazing, and painting lamp-posts and lanterns, replacing the cocks, tubes, burners, cross-heads, lamp-irons, and lanterns thereto, for the period from May 1, 1881, to April 30, 1882, both days inclusive, in the following described district, to wit:

That part of the city of New York known as the Twenty-third ward.

For the sum of thirty dollars per lamp. \$30 00

For each lamp-post straightened, the sum of one dollar and fifty cents. 1 50

For each column releaded, the sum of one dollar and fifty cents. 1 50

For each column refitted, the sum of one dollar and fifty cents. 1 50

For each lamp-post removed, the sum of three dollars and fifty cents. 3 50

For each lamp-post reset, the sum of eight dollars. 8 00

For each new lamp fitted up, the sum of eight dollars. 8 00

Sureties { John J. Crane, Wall street cor. Pearl street,
William R. Beal, Alexander avenue cor. One Hundred and Forty-second street.

No. 7. The Northern Gas Light Company, for furnishing gas, illuminating coal gas (of not less than sixteen candle-power, by photometrical test made at a distance of not less than one mile from the place of manufacture), for each lamp, including the lighting, extinguishing, cleaning, repairing,

reglazing, and painting lamp-posts and lanterns, replacing the cocks, tubes, burners, crossheads, lamp-irons, and lanterns thereto, for the period from May 1, 1881, to April 30, 1882, both days inclusive, in the following described district, to wit:

The Twenty-fourth Ward of New York City.
 For the sum of thirty-eight dollars per lamp.....\$38 00
 For each lamp-post straightened, the sum of one dollar and fifty cents..... 1 50
 For each column releaded, the sum of one dollar and fifty cents..... 1 50
 For each column refitted, the sum of three dollars..... 3 00
 For each lamp-post removed, the sum of three dollars..... 3 00
 For each lamp-post reset, the sum of eight dollars..... 8 00
 For each new lamp fitted up, the sum of eight dollars..... 8 00

Sureties { R. A. Brick, 25 East Thirty-eighth street,
 Chas. W. Bathgate, Fordham, N. Y. City.

No. 8. The Yonkers Gas-light Company, for furnishing illuminating gas (of not less than twenty-two candle-power, by photometrical test made at a distance of not less than one mile from the place of manufacture), for each lamp, including the lighting, extinguishing, cleaning, repairing, reglazing, and painting lamp-posts and lanterns, replacing the cocks, tubes, burners, crossheads, lamp-irons, and lanterns thereto, for the period from May 1, 1881, to April 30, 1882, both days inclusive, in the following described district, to wit:

On such streets and places in that part of the Twenty-fourth Ward of the city of New York, formerly constituting the town of Kingsbridge, as shall be designated by the Commissioner of Public Works.

For the sum of thirty dollars.....\$30 00
 For each lamp-post straightened the sum of one dollar..... 1 00
 For each column releaded the sum of one dollar..... 1 00
 For each column refitted the sum of one dollar..... 1 00
 For each lamp-post removed the sum of one dollar and fifty cents..... 1 50
 For each lamp-post reset the sum of eight dollars..... 8 00
 For each new lamp fitted up the sum of ten dollars..... 10 00

Sureties { S. D. Babcock, 50 Wall street,
 Thomas C. Cornell, Yonkers, N. Y.

No. 9. The Municipal Gas-light Company of the city of New York, for furnishing illuminating gas (of not less than twenty-four candle-power, by photometrical test made at a distance of not less than one mile from the place of manufacture), for each lamp, including the lighting, extinguishing, cleaning, repairing, reglazing, and painting lamp-posts and lanterns, replacing the cocks, tubes, burners, crossheads, lamp-irons, and lanterns thereto, for the period from May 1, 1881, to April 30, 1882, both days inclusive, in the following described district, to wit:

On the several streets or parts of streets as shown on a schedule hereto annexed marked "A," which schedule is part and parcel of this agreement.

For the sum of twenty dollars.....\$20 00
 For each lamp-post straightened the sum of one dollar and fifty cents..... 1 50
 For each column releaded the sum of one dollar and fifty cents..... 1 50
 For each column refitted the sum of three dollars and fifty cents..... 3 50
 For each lamp-post removed the sum of three dollars and fifty cents..... 3 50
 For each lamp-post reset the sum of ten dollars..... 10 00
 For each new lamp fitted up the sum of ten dollars..... 10 00

Sureties { Oswald Ottendorfer,
 E. C. Benedict.

No. 10. The Brush Electric Illuminating Company of New York, for furnishing electric lights (Voltaic Arc), the standard ones on the company's special posts, to be of two thousand candle-power, such as have been maintained for a mile on Broadway, since January, at the company's expense, and the large elevated lights in groups to be each of not less than six thousand candle-power maximum, with standard carbons of 7-16 inch diameter, with carbons in best position, and by French measurement, by photometrical test made at a distance of not less than one mile from the place of manufacture, including the lighting, extinguishing, cleaning, repairing, reglazing, and painting lamp-posts and lanterns, for the period from May 1, 1881, to April 30, 1882, both days inclusive, in the following described district, to wit:

Wall street, whole length.
 Whitehall or State street, from the Battery to Bowling Green.
 Broadway, from Bowling Green to Forty-fifth street.
 Eighth avenue, from Fourteenth to Forty-fifth street.
 Fifth avenue, from Fourteenth to Forty-fifth street.
 Fourteenth street, from Third to Eighth avenue.
 Twenty-third street, from Third to Eighth avenue.
 Thirty-fourth street, from Third avenue to Broadway.
 Forty-second street, from Third avenue to Broadway.
 Union and Madison squares.

Say about 180 standard lights on poles and two large elevated groups of six 6,000 candle-power lights each; the whole system giving very many times the amount of light obtained from gas, and cutting out about seventeen hundred gas-lamps for the sum of thirty-two thousand dollars (\$32,000), the work to be commenced at once and carried out in the time specified, provided no legal or municipal interference be encountered.

For each lamp-post straightened, the sum of.....
 For each column releaded, the sum of.....
 For each column refitted, the sum of.....
 For each lamp-post renewed, the sum of.....
 For each lamp-post reset, the sum of.....
 For each new lamp fitted up, the sum of.....
 Included in above.

Sureties { Wm. A. Wheelock, 320 Broadway,
 Wm. L. Strong, 75 Worth street.

No. 11. The Brush Electric Illuminating Company of New York, for furnishing electric lights (Voltaic Arc) the standard ones on the company's special posts to be of two thousand candle power, such as have been maintained for a mile in Broadway, since January, at company's expense, and the large elevated lights in groups to be each of not less than six thousand candle power maximum, with standard carbons of 7-16 inch diameter, with carbons in best position and French measurement, by photometrical test made at a distance of not less than one mile from the place of manufacture, including the lighting, extinguishing, cleaning, repairing, reglazing, and painting lamp-posts and lanterns for the period from May 1, 1881, to April 30, 1882, both days inclusive, in the following described district, to wit:

Fourteenth street, from Fourth to Fifth avenue.
 Fifth avenue, from Fourteenth to Thirty-fourth street.
 Thirty-fourth street, from Fifth avenue to Broadway.
 Broadway, from Thirty-fourth to Fourteenth street.
 Union and Madison squares.

Say about thirty standard light on poles, and two large elevated groups of six 6,000 candle-lights each, the system giving very many times the amount of light obtained from gas, and cutting out about five hundred gas lamps, for the sum of seven thousand four hundred dollars (\$7,400) the work to be commenced at once and carried out in the time specified, provided no legal or municipal interference be encountered.

For each lamp-post straightened the sum of.....
 For each column releaded the sum of.....
 For each column refitted the sum of.....
 For each lamp-post removed the sum of.....
 For each lamp-post reset the sum of.....
 For each new lamp fitted up the sum of.....
 Included in above.

Sureties { William A. Wheelock, 320 Broadway,
 William L. Strong, 75 Worth street.

On motion the several bids were referred to the Secretary for examination and report.

The following communication was received:

LAW DEPARTMENT,
 OFFICE OF THE COUNSEL TO THE CORPORATION,
 NEW YORK, March 22, 1881.

S. McCORMICK, Esq., Secretary of the Gas Commission:

SIR—I have received your letter of the 9th instant, inclosing the respective applications of the United States Illuminating Company, the Edison Electric Illuminating Company, and the Brush Electric Illuminating Company, for leave to erect, lay and construct suitable wires and conductors, and the necessary poles and fixtures for electric illumination in, under and over the public streets of this city, which have been referred to me by the Gas Commission, with the request that I shall inform the Commission as to its powers in the matter.

1. The powers of the Gas Commission are prescribed by section 73 of the Charter (chapter 335 of the Laws of 1873) and chapter 478, Laws of 1879.

These acts empower the Commission to contract, from time to time, in the manner provided by section 91 of the Charter, for lighting the streets, avenues and places of the city with gas, or other illuminating material, by one or more contracts, be let at public lettings for a period of one year, or any part of a year.

2. The powers of the applicants are defined by the act entitled "An act to authorize the for-

mation of gas-light companies," passed February 16, 1848, as amended by chapter 512 of the Laws of 1879.

By such acts, said applicants have acquired the right to carry on the business of lighting by electricity cities, towns and villages within the State, and the streets, avenues, public parks and places thereof, and public and private dwelling therein, and for the purpose of such business to generate and supply electricity, and to make, sell or lease all machines, instruments, apparatus and other equipment necessary therefor, and to lay, erect and construct suitable wires or other conductors, with the necessary poles, pipes or other fixtures, in, on, over and under streets, avenues, public parks and places of such cities, towns or villages, for conducting and distributing electricity, with the consent of the municipal authorities thereof, and under such reasonable regulations as they may prescribe.

3. Under the Charter the Common Council is invested with power to regulate the use of the streets and sidewalks for signs, signposts, awnings, awning posts, horse-troughs, urinals, telegraph posts, and other purposes.

4. It seems to me, therefore, that the division of power between the Common Council and the Gas Commission, with respect to the use of the streets, and contracting for lighting the same, is such that the power to grant permission to lay, erect, and construct suitable wires or other conductors, with the necessary poles, pipes, or fixtures in, on, over, and under the streets, avenues, public parks and places in this city is vested only in the Common Council, while the power to make contracts for lighting the same is vested exclusively in the Gas Commission.

It will be observed that the applications of the companies named ask only authority to lay, erect, and construct suitable wires or other conductors in the public streets, avenues, parks and places in the city, for conducting or distributing electricity.

Since the power to confer such authority resides only in the Common Council, as above indicated, I advise the Gas Commission that it has no power to grant such permission.

Yours respectfully,

(Signed)

W. C. WHITNEY, Counsel to the Corporation.

Which was ordered on file.

The Secretary presented the following communication from the Jablochhoff Electric Lighting Company:

5 TRIBUNE BUILDING,
 NEW YORK, March 21, 1881.

To the Honorable the Gas Commission of the City of New York:

SIRS—The Jablochhoff Electric Lighting Company, a corporation duly organized under an act entitled "An act to authorize the formation of gas-light companies," passed February 26, 1848, and the several acts additional thereto or amendatory thereof, and having the powers given by chapter 512 of the Laws of 1879, respectfully ask authority from your Honorable Commission to lay, erect, and construct suitable wires or other conductors, with the necessary poles, pipes, or fixtures in and under the streets, avenues, public parks and places of the city of New York for conducting or distributing electricity.

And the said company hereby state that they are prepared to avail themselves of the permission forthwith, upon the same being granted by your Honorable Commission.

(Signed)

THE JABLOCHHOFF ELECTRIC LIGHTING CO.,

By CHAS. A. CHEEVER, General Manager.

Which was ordered on file.

The communications from the Edison, Brush, and United States Electric Illuminating Companies were then taken from the table and ordered on file. The Secretary was then directed to notify each of the foregoing companies that the Gas Commission has no power to grant the permission asked for.

On motion, the Board then adjourned to Friday, April 1, at 12 o'clock M.

S. McCORMICK, Superintendent Lamps and Gas.

Secretary.

APRIL 1, 1881.

The officers designated in section 1, chapter 478, of the Laws of 1879, met in the office of the Commissioner of Public Works, at 12 o'clock M., of Friday, April 1, 1881.

All were present, viz.:

Hon. Wm. R. Grace, Mayor; Hon. Allan Campbell, Comptroller; Hon. Hubert O. Thompson, Commissioner of Public Works.

The minutes of the meeting of March 30, 1881, were read and approved.

The Secretary presented the following report:

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS,
 BUREAU OF LAMPS AND GAS,
 NEW YORK, March 31, 1881.

Hon. Wm. R. GRACE, Mayor; Hon. ALLAN CAMPBELL, Comptroller; Hon. HUBERT O. THOMPSON, Commissioner of Public Works:

SIRS—In compliance with your directions, I submit the following report on the several proposals for furnishing the illuminating material for and lighting, etc., the public lamps, which were received yesterday:

The New York Gas Company bid for all the lamps situated south of Grand street, at \$18 each per year, and was the only bidder for gas.

The Manhattan Gas Company bid for all the lamps between Grand and Thirty-fourth streets, except those on the public parks and squares, at \$18 each, and was the lowest bidder for gas lamps.

The N. Y. Mutual Gas Company bid for 586 lamps situated on various parts of streets between Thirty-fourth and Sixty-fifth streets, and 460 lamps on the public parks between Grand and Thirty-fourth streets, at \$18 each, and was the lowest bidder for gas lamps.

The Metropolitan Gas Company bid for a portion of the lamps on various streets between Thirty-fourth and Seventy-ninth streets, at \$18.25 each, and was the lowest bidder for gas lamps.

The Harlem Gas Company bid for all the lamps between Seventy-ninth street and Harlem river and Spuyten Duyvil creek, including the High Bridge, at \$19.50 each, and was the only bidder for such lamps.

The Central Gas Company bid for all the lamps in the Twenty-third Ward, at \$30 each, and was the only bidder for such lamps.

The Northern Gas Company bid for all the lamps in the Twenty-fourth Ward at \$38 each, and was the highest bidder for such lamps.

The Yonkers Gas Company bid for the lamps in that portion of the Twenty-fourth Ward formerly constituting the town of Kingsbridge (now 88 in number), at \$30 each, and was the lowest bidder for such lamps.

The Municipal Gas Company bid for the lamps on various streets, between Grand and Seventieth streets, at \$20 dollars each, and was the highest bidder for such gas-lamps. The bid of this company includes lamps bid for by the Manhattan, Mutual, and Metropolitan Gas Companies.

The Brush Electric Illuminating Company submitted two bids, to wit:
 For furnishing electric lights (Voltaic Arc) with 7-16 carbons and of 2,000 candle power each, on special lamp-posts to be erected by the company on the following streets, viz.:

Wall street, from Broadway to the East river.
 Whitehall or State street, from the Battery to Bowling Green.
 Broadway, from Bowling Green to Forty-fifth street.
 Eighth avenue, from Fourteenth to Forty-fifth street.
 Fifth avenue, from Fourteenth to Forty-fifth street.
 Fourteenth street, from Third avenue to Eighth avenue.
 Twenty-third street, from Third avenue to Eighth avenue.
 Thirty-fourth street, from Third avenue to Broadway.
 Forty-second street, from Third avenue to Broadway.

About 180 electric lamps on the above streets, also one elevated group of six 6,000 candle-power lights on Union Park, and a group of the same kind on Madison Park, for the sum of \$32,000 per year.

The foregoing streets are included in the bids of the New York, Manhattan, Mutual, Metropolitan, and Municipal Gas Companies. The company stated that the electric lights would "cut out about 1,700 gas-lamps." I find on the streets and parks mentioned 1,020 gas-lamps, and probable number which could be cut out on the streets, not exceeding 380, would make 1,400 gas-lamps.

Bid for electric lights, at \$32,000.....\$32,000 00
 Bid for 1,400 gas-lamps, at \$18 each..... 25,200 00

Excess for electric lights.....\$6,800 00

The other bid of this company was for the following streets:

Fourteenth street, from Fourth to Fifth avenue.
 Fifth avenue, from Fourteenth to Thirty-fourth street.
 Thirty-fourth street, from Fifth avenue to Broadway.
 Broadway, from Thirty-fourth to Fourteenth street.

About 30 electric lights (Voltaic Arc), with 7-16 carbons and of 2,000 candle-power each, also a group of six 6,000 candle-power on Union Park, and a similar group on Madison Park, for the sum of \$7,400 per year.

The above streets are included in the bids of Manhattan, Mutual, Metropolitan, and Municipal Gas Companies.

The company stated that the electric lights would "cut out about 500 gas-lamps." I find on the streets and parks mentioned 363 gas-lamps. Allow for 62 on side streets, would make 425 gas-lamps.
 Bid for 425 gas-lamps, at \$18 each. \$7,650 00
 Bid for electric lights. 7,400 00

Excess for gas-lamps. \$250 00

Yours respectfully,
 S. McCORMICK, Superintendent Lamps and Gas,
 Secretary.

Which was ordered on file.

The Comptroller offered for adoption the following resolution:

Resolved, That inasmuch as the aggregate amount of the proposals from the several gas companies will exceed the Appropriation for Lamps and Gas available for the lighting and maintenance of the public lamps, the Commissioner of Public Works be and he is hereby requested to confer with the representatives of the several gas companies, with the view of obtaining a reduction in the prices named by them.

The Chairman put the question upon agreeing with the same, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

Affirmative—The Mayor, the Comptroller, and the Commissioner of Public Works.

Mr. A. A. Hayes, Jr., Secretary of the Brush Electric Illuminating Company, appeared before the Board and made some remarks in reference to the bid of said Company, and the groups of lamps proposed to be erected by it.

On motion, the Board then adjourned subject to the call of the chair.

S. McCORMICK, Superintendent Lamps and Gas,
 Secretary.

APRIL 11, 1881.

The officers designated in section 1 of chapter 478 of the Laws of 1879, met in the office of the Commissioner of Public Works, at 1 o'clock P. M., Monday, April 11, 1881.

Present:

Hon. Wm. R. Grace, Mayor; Hon. Allan Campbell, Comptroller; Hon. Hubert O. Thompson, Commissioner of Public Works.

The minutes of the meeting of April 1, 1881, were read and approved.

The Commissioner of Public Works reported that in accordance with the resolution adopted at the meeting of April 1, he had conferred with the representatives of the several gas-light companies and that several of them had agreed to a modification of their bids.

The following communication was received:

OFFICE OF
 THE BRUSH ELECTRIC ILLUMINATING COMPANY OF NEW YORK,
 860 BROADWAY, CORNER SEVENTEENTH STREET,
 NEW YORK, April 4, 1881.

Hon. W. R. GRACE, Hon. ALLAN CAMPBELL, Hon. HUBERT O. THOMPSON, Members of the Gas Commission:

GENTLEMEN—With reference to our bids for street lighting, you will please find inclosed a memorandum showing the street lamps which it is proposed to leave unlighted in the district covered by the smaller one; the average of light from our system to be far greater than now.

As this smaller bid provides for only the equivalent of 62 of our standard lights, the cutting out of 555 gas jets would give an average of nearly 9 to the light. In our larger bid we have taken only 8 as an estimate, and assume that 212 of our lights will cut out 1,696 gas jets.

Respectfully yours,

A. A. HAYES, Jr., Secretary.

(Signed)

Which was ordered on file.

The following communications were received:

NEW YORK, April 11, 1881.

To the Hon. W. R. GRACE, Mayor; Hon. ALLAN CAMPBELL, Comptroller; Hon. H. O. THOMPSON, Commissioner of Public Works:

GENTLEMEN—In order to meet the requirements of the public service the undersigned hereby reduce their bids opened the 30th March, as follows: For furnishing the gas for each lamp, including lighting, extinguishing, cleaning, repainting, reglazing, as per specifications, for the sum of seventeen 50-100 dollars per lamp.

THE NEW YORK GAS-LIGHT CO.,
 per THOMAS K. LEES, Prest.
 THE MANHATTAN GAS-LIGHT CO.,
 by JAS. W. SMITH, Secretary.
 THE N. Y. MUTUAL GAS-LIGHT CO.,
 by W. C. BESSON, Secretary.

NEW YORK, April 11, 1881.

Hon. HUBERT O. THOMPSON, Commissioner of Public Works:

DEAR SIR—We hereby modify our proposition so as to read \$32, instead of \$38 per lamp.

Respectfully, your obedient servants,

THE NORTHERN GAS-LIGHT CO.,
 by R. A. BRICK, Treasurer.

NEW YORK, April 11, 1881.

Hon. Wm. R. GRACE, Mayor; Hon. ALLAN CAMPBELL, Comptroller; Hon. HUBERT O. THOMPSON, Commissioner of Public Works:

GENTLEMEN—In order to meet the requirements of the public service the undersigned hereby reduces the bid of the Central Gas-light Company, offered on the 30th ult., as follows: For furnishing the gas for each lamp, including the lighting, extinguishing, cleaning, repainting, reglazing, etc. (as per specifications), for the sum of twenty-nine dollars per lamp.

The price for the other services to remain as in the bids.

Respectfully, etc.,

THE CENTRAL GAS-LIGHT CO.,
 by WM. R. BEAL, Prest.

On motion, the Board then adjourned subject to the call of the chair.

S. McCORMICK, Superintendent Lamps and Gas,
 Secretary.

APRIL 28, 1881.

The officers designated in section 1, of chapter 478, of the Laws of 1879, met in the office of the Mayor at 3.30 P. M., of Thursday, April 28, 1881.

All were present, viz.:

Hon. W. R. Grace, Mayor; Hon. Allan Campbell, Comptroller; Hon. Hubert O. Thompson, Commissioner of Public Works.

The minutes of the meeting of April 11, 1881, were read and approved.

The following communication was received:

OFFICE OF THE METROPOLITAN GAS-LIGHT CO.,
 BROADWAY, COR. FORTY-SIXTH STREET,
 NEW YORK, April 11, 1881.

To the Hon. W. R. GRACE, Mayor; Hon. ALLAN CAMPBELL, Comptroller; Hon. H. O. THOMPSON, Commissioner of Public Works:

GENTLEMEN—In order to meet the requirements of the public service, the undersigned hereby reduce their bid, opened the 30th March, as follows:

For furnishing the gas for each lamp, including the lighting, extinguishing, cleaning, repainting, reglazing, as per specification, for the sum of seventeen 50-100 dollars per lamp (\$17.50).

THE METROPOLITAN GAS-LIGHT COMPANY
 Of the City of New York,
 By O. ZOLLIKOFFER, President.

The Commissioner of Public Works offered for adoption the following resolution:

Resolved, That the substitution by the Northern Gas-light Company, of B. W. Van Voorhis as one of the sureties of said company in lieu of Charles W. Bathgate, be and the same is hereby approved.

The Chairman put the question upon agreeing with the same, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

Affirmative—The Mayor, the Comptroller and the Commissioner of Public Works.

The Commissioner of Public Works offered for adoption the following resolution:

Resolved, That an award of contract be made to the New York Gas-light Company for furnishing the gas and lighting, extinguishing, cleaning, painting, repainting, and maintaining the public lamps in all that part of the city of New York lying south of the centre of Grand street, from the East river to Sullivan street, through Sullivan street to Canal street, and through Canal street to the Hudson river, in accordance with and at the rates bid in their proposal of March 30, 1881, as modified by a communication from said company of April 11, 1881, to wit:

For furnishing illuminating gas (of not less than sixteen candle-power, by photometrical test made at a distance of not less than one mile from the place of manufacture) for each lamp, including the lighting, extinguishing, cleaning, repainting, reglazing, and painting lamp-posts and lanterns, replacing the cocks, tubes, burners, cross-heads, lamp-irons, and lanterns thereto, for the period from May 1, 1881, to April 30, 1882, both days inclusive, at the rate of seventeen 50-100 dollars for each lamp for said term. \$17 50
 For each lamp-post straightened, the sum of one dollar and fifty cents. 1 50
 For each column releaded, the sum of one dollar and fifty cents. 1 50
 For each column refitted, the sum of three dollars and fifty cents. 3 50
 For each lamp-post removed, the sum of three dollars and fifty cents. 3 50
 For each lamp-post reset, the sum of ten dollars. 10 00
 For each new lamp fitted up, the sum of ten dollars. 10 00

The Chairman put the question upon agreeing with the same, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

Affirmative—The Mayor, the Comptroller, and the Commissioner of Public Works.

The Commissioner of Public Works offered for adoption the following resolution:

Resolved, That an award of contract be made to the Manhattan Gas Light Company, for furnishing the gas and lighting, extinguishing, cleaning, painting, repainting, and maintaining the public lamps in all that part of the city of New York bounded on the north by the centre line of Thirty-fourth street, on the east by the East river, on the south by the centre line of Grand, Sullivan, and Canal streets, on the west by the Hudson or North river, excepting the public lamps of the parks and squares in said district, and excepting the lamps on Broadway from Fourteenth to Thirty-fourth street; Fifth avenue, from Fourteenth to Thirty-fourth street; Fourteenth street, from Fourth to Fifth avenues; and Thirty-fourth street from Broadway to Fifth avenue, at the rates bid in their proposal of March 30, 1881, as modified by a communication from said company of April 11, 1881, to wit:

For furnishing illuminating gas (of not less than sixteen candle-power, by photometrical test, made at a distance of not less than one mile from the place of manufacture) for each lamp, including the lighting, extinguishing, cleaning, repainting, reglazing, and painting lamp-posts and lanterns, replacing the cocks, tubes, burners, crossheads, lamp-irons, and lanterns thereto, for the period from May 1, 1881, to April 30, 1882, both days inclusive, at the rate of seventeen 50-100 dollars for each lamp for said term. \$17 50
 For each lamp-post straightened the sum of one dollar and fifty cents. 1 50
 For each column releaded the sum of one dollar and fifty cents. 1 50
 For each column refitted the sum of three dollars and fifty cents. 3 50
 For each lamp-post removed the sum of three dollars and fifty cents. 3 50
 For each lamp-post reset the sum of ten dollars. 10 00
 For each new lamp fitted up the sum of ten dollars. 10 00

The Chairman put the question upon agreeing with the same, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

Affirmative—The Mayor, the Comptroller, and the Commissioner of Public Works.

The Commissioner of Public Works offered for adoption the following resolution:

Resolved, That an award of contract be made to the Metropolitan Gas-light Company for furnishing the gas and lighting, extinguishing, cleaning, painting, repainting, and maintaining the public lamps in that part of the city of New York lying north of the centre line of Thirty-fourth street and south of the centre line of Seventy-ninth street, as designated by red lines on a map attached to their proposal of March 28, 1881, in accordance with and at the rates bid in said proposal, as modified by a communication from said company of April 11, 1881, to wit:

For furnishing illuminating gas (of not less than sixteen candle-power, by photometrical test made at a distance of not less than one mile from the place of manufacture) for each lamp, including the lighting, extinguishing, cleaning, repainting, reglazing, and painting lamp-posts and lanterns, replacing the cocks, tubes, burners, crossheads, lamp-irons, and lanterns thereto, for the period from May 1, 1881, to April 30, 1882, both days inclusive, at the rate of seventeen 50-100 dollars for each lamp for said term. \$17 50
 For each lamp-post straightened the sum of two dollars. 2 00
 For each column releaded the sum of two dollars. 2 00
 For each column refitted the sum of three dollars. 3 00
 For each lamp-post removed the sum of three dollars. 3 00
 For each lamp-post reset the sum of eight dollars. 8 00
 For each new lamp fitted up the sum of eight dollars. 8 00

The Chairman put the question upon agreeing with the same, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

Affirmative—The Mayor, the Comptroller, and the Commissioner of Public Works.

The Commissioner of Public Works offered for adoption the following resolution:

Resolved, That an award of contract be made to the New York Mutual Gas-light Company, for furnishing the gas, and lighting, extinguishing, cleaning, painting, repainting, and maintaining such of the public lamps on the streets north of the centre line of Thirty-fourth street, and south of Sixty-fifth street, and the lamps on the public parks and squares between Grand and Thirty-fourth streets, which are specified on a schedule marked "A," attached to their proposal of March 30, 1881, excepting the lamps on Union and Madison parks, Lincoln and Washington statues, Worth plaza, and the two candelabras opposite Madison park, at the rates bid in said proposal, as modified by a communication from said company of April 11, 1881, to wit: For furnishing illuminating gas (of not less than sixteen candle-power, by photometrical test made at a distance of not less than one mile from the place of manufacture), for each lamp, including the lighting, extinguishing, cleaning, repainting, reglazing, and painting lamp-posts and lanterns, replacing the cocks, tubes, burners, crossheads, lamp-irons, and lanterns thereto, for the period from May 1, 1881, to April 30, 1882, both days inclusive, at the rate of seventeen 50-100 dollars for each lamp for said term. \$17 50
 For each lamp-post straightened, the sum of one dollar and fifty cents. 1 50
 For each column releaded, the sum of one dollar and fifty cents. 1 50
 For each column refitted, the sum of three dollars and fifty cents. 3 50
 For each lamp-post removed, the sum of three dollars and fifty cents. 3 50
 For each lamp-post reset, the sum of ten dollars. 10 00
 For each new lamp fitted up, the sum of ten dollars. 10 00

The Chairman put the question upon agreeing with the same, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

Affirmative—The Mayor, the Comptroller, and the Commissioner of Public Works.

The Commissioner of Public Works offered for adoption the following resolution:

Resolved, That an award of contract be made to the Harlem Gas-light Company, for furnishing the gas, and lighting, extinguishing, cleaning, painting, repainting, and maintaining the public lamps in all that part of the city of New York, bounded as follows: on the south by the centre line of Seventy-ninth street, (including centre line of Transverse road, No. 2); on the west by the Hudson river; on the north by Spuyten Duyvil creek and Harlem river (including High Bridge); on the east by the Harlem and East rivers, at the rates bid in their proposal of March 28, 1881, to wit: To furnish illuminating gas (of not less than sixteen candle-power, by photometrical test made at a distance of not less than one mile from the place of manufacture), for each lamp, including the lighting, extinguishing, cleaning, repainting, reglazing, and painting lamp-posts and lanterns, replacing the cocks, tubes, burners, crossheads, lamp-irons, and lanterns thereto, for the period from May 1, 1881, to April 30, 1882, both days inclusive, at the rate of nineteen 50-100 dollars, for each lamp for said term. 19 50
 For each lamp-post straightened, the sum of two dollars and fifty cents. 2 50
 For each column releaded, the sum of two dollars and fifty cents. 2 50
 For each column refitted, the sum of three dollars and fifty cents. 3 50
 For each lamp-post removed, the sum of three dollars and fifty cents. 3 50
 For each lamp-post reset, the sum of eight dollars. 8 00
 For each new lamp fitted up, the sum of eight dollars. 8 00

The Chairman put the question upon agreeing with the same, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

Affirmative—The Mayor, the Comptroller, and the Commissioner of Public Works.

The Commissioner of Public Works offered for adoption the following resolution:

Resolved, That an award of contract be made to the Central Gas-light Company, for furnishing the gas, and lighting, extinguishing, cleaning, painting, repainting, and maintaining the public lamps in all that part of the city of New York comprising the Twenty-third Ward of said city, in accordance with and at the rates bid in their proposal of March 30, 1881, as modified by a communication from said company of April 11, 1881, to wit:

For furnishing illuminating gas (of not less than sixteen candle-power, by photometrical test made at a distance of not less than one mile from the place of manufacture), for each lamp, including the lighting, extinguishing, cleaning, repainting, reglazing, and painting lamp-posts and lanterns, replacing the cocks, tubes, burners, crossheads, lamp-irons, and lanterns thereto, for the period from May 1, 1881, to April 30, 1882, both days inclusive, at the rate of twenty-nine dollars for each lamp for said term. \$29 00
 For each lamp-post straightened, the sum of one dollar and fifty cents. 1 50
 For each column releaded, the sum of one dollar and fifty cents. 1 50
 For each column refitted, the sum of one dollar and fifty cents. 1 50
 For each lamp-post removed, the sum of three dollars and fifty cents. 3 50
 For each lamp-post reset, the sum of eight dollars. 8 00
 For each new lamp fitted up, the sum of eight dollars. 8 00

The Chairman put the question upon agreeing with the same, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

Affirmative—The Mayor, the Comptroller, and the Commissioner of Public Works.

The Commissioner of Public Works offered for adoption the following resolution:

Resolved, That an award of contract be made to the Northern Gas-light Company for furnishing the gas, and lighting, extinguishing, cleaning, painting, repairing, and maintaining the public lamps in all that part of the Twenty-fourth Ward of the City of New York, formerly constituting the town of West Farms, at the rates bid in their proposal of March 30, 1881, as modified by a communication from said company of April 11, 1881, to wit: For furnishing illuminating gas (of not less than sixteen candle-power, by photometrical test made at a distance of not less than one mile from the place of manufacture), for each lamp, including the lighting, extinguishing, cleaning, repairing, reglazing, and painting lamp-posts and lanterns, replacing the cocks, tubes, burners, crossheads, lamp-irons, and lanterns thereto, for the period from May 1, 1881, to April 30, 1882, both days inclusive, at the rate of thirty-two dollars for each lamp for said term..... \$32 00
For each lamp-post straightened, the sum of one dollar and fifty cents..... 1 50
For each column releaded, the sum of one dollar and fifty cents..... 1 50
For each column refitted, the sum of three dollars..... 3 00
For each lamp-post removed, the sum of three dollars..... 3 00
For each lamp-post reset, the sum of eight dollars..... 8 00
For each new lamp fitted up, the sum of eight dollars..... 8 00

The Chairman put the question upon agreeing with the same, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

Affirmative—The Mayor, the Comptroller, and the Commissioner of Public Works.

The Commissioner of Public Works offered for adoption the following resolution:

Resolved, That an award of contract be made to the Yonkers Gas-light Company, for furnishing the gas, and lighting, extinguishing, cleaning, painting, repairing, and maintaining the public lamps in all that part of the Twenty-fourth Ward of the city of New York, formerly constituting the town of Kingsbridge, in accordance with and at the rates bid in their proposal of March 30, 1881, to wit:

For furnishing illuminating gas (of not less than sixteen candle-power, by photometrical test made at a distance of not less than one mile from the place of manufacture) for each lamp, including the lighting, extinguishing, cleaning, painting, repairing, reglazing, and painting lamp-posts and lanterns, replacing the cocks, tubes, burners, crossheads, lamp-irons, and lanterns thereto, for the period from May 1, 1881, to April 30, 1882, both days inclusive, at the rate of thirty dollars for each lamp for said term..... \$30 00
For each lamp-post straightened, the sum of one dollar..... 1 00
For each column releaded, the sum of one dollar..... 1 00
For each column refitted, the sum of one dollar..... 1 00
For each lamp-post removed, the sum of one dollar and fifty cents..... 1 50
For each lamp-post reset, the sum of eight dollars..... 8 00
For each new lamp fitted up, the sum of ten dollars..... 10 00

The Chairman put the question upon agreeing with the same, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

Affirmative—The Mayor, the Comptroller, and the Commissioner of Public Works.

On motion, the Board then adjourned subject to the call of the chair.

S. McCORMICK, Superintendent Lamps and Gas,
Secretary.

MAY 12, 1881.

The officers designated in section 1 of chapter 478 of the Laws of 1879, met in the office of the Mayor, at 3 P. M. of Thursday, May 12, 1881.

All were present, viz.:

Hon. Wm. R. Grace, Mayor; Hon. Allan Campbell, Comptroller; Hon. Hubert O. Thompson, Commissioner of Public Works.

The minutes of the meeting of April 28, 1881, were read and approved.

The Commissioner of Public Works offered for adoption the following resolution:

Resolved, That an award of contract be made to the Brush Electric Illuminating Company of New York, for lighting, by the "Voltaic Arc" system of electric lights: Broadway, from Fourteenth street to Thirty-fourth street; Fifth avenue, from Fourteenth street to Thirty-fourth street; Fourteenth street, from Fourth avenue to Fifth avenue, and Thirty-fourth street, from Broadway to Fifth avenue. The electric lamps on said streets to have not less than 7-16 inch carbons; also, Union Park and Madison Park; the said parks to be lighted by an elevated group of six six-thousand candle-power lights in each; provided, however, that in case the elevated groups should not furnish an adequate amount of light under the foliage of the trees, then such additional lights shall be placed in said parks as will light them in a good and sufficient manner, for the period commencing on or about June 1, 1881, and ending April 30, 1882, at the rate bid in their proposal of March 29, 1881, viz.: For the sum of seventy-four hundred dollars (\$7,400) per annum; the said price to include the furnishing, fitting up, and maintaining all the lamp-posts, lamps, poles, wires and conductors, and each and every article which may be required for said purpose.

The Chairman put the question upon agreeing with the same, and it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

Affirmative—The Mayor, the Comptroller, and the Commissioner of Public Works.

The minutes were read and approved, and the Board adjourned.

S. McCORMICK, Superintendent Lamps and Gas,
Secretary.

The following is a summary of the awards of contracts for furnishing the gas for, and lighting, extinguishing, cleaning, painting, repairing, and maintaining the public lamps for the period of one year, commencing May 1, 1881, and ending April 30, 1882, under the foregoing resolutions.

TO WHOM AWARDED.	For Gas to and Lighting, etc., each Lamp for One Year.	For each Lamp-post Straightened.	For each Column Releaded.	For each Column Refitted.	For each Lamp-post Removed.	For each Lamp-post Reset.	For each New Lamp Fitted up.
New York Gas-light Co.....	\$17 50	\$1 50	\$1 50	\$3 50	\$3 50	\$10 00	\$10 00
Manhattan Gas-light Co.....	17 50	1 50	1 50	3 50	3 50	10 00	10 00
Metropolitan Gas-light Co.....	17 50	2 00	2 00	3 00	3 00	8 00	8 00
N. Y. Mutual Gas-light Co.....	17 50	1 50	1 50	3 50	3 50	10 00	10 00
Harlem Gas-light Co.....	19 50	2 50	2 50	3 50	3 50	8 00	8 00
Central Gas-light Co.....	29 00	1 50	1 50	3 50	3 50	8 00	8 00
Northern Gas-light Co.....	32 00	1 50	1 50	3 00	3 00	8 00	8 00
Yonkers Gas-light Co.....	30 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 50	8 00	10 00

Electric Lamps.

Brush Electric Illuminating Company, for lighting Broadway, from Fourteenth to Thirty-fourth street; Fifth avenue, from Fourteenth to Thirty-fourth street; Fourteenth street, from Fourth to Fifth avenue, and Thirty-fourth street, from Broadway to Fifth avenue; and Union and Madison Parks, at \$7,400 per annum; this price to include each and every cost of maintenance.

S. McCORMICK, Superintendent Lamps and Gas,
Secretary.

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

The Board of Police met on the 19th day of May, 1881.
Present—Commissioners Nichols, Mason, and Matthews.
Commissioner Nichols in the Chair.

Leaves of Absence Granted.

Surgeon B. F. Dexter, three months without pay.

" J. H. Dorn, three days.

" W. F. Fluhrer, four days.

Sergeant Myron Allen, Twentieth Precinct, three days.

Patrolman John E. Hotaling, Fourth Precinct, five days without pay.

Leaves of Absence Granted under Rule 564—Approved.

May 13. Patrolman William H. Renck, Twelfth Precinct, one day.

" 16. " John L. Van Wart, Ninth Precinct, one-half day.

" 17. " John J. Parker, Fifth Precinct, three days.

" 17. " Patrick Coogan, Twenty-sixth Precinct, one-half day.

" 17. " John T. McGuire, Eighth Precinct, three days.

" 18. " James Brennan, Eighteenth Precinct, one day.

" 19. " Patrick Byrnes, Steamboat Squad, two days.

Parades Referred to the Superintendent.

Koltes Post, No. 32, G. A. R., May 15. Funeral.

Ashland Lodge, K. of P., May 15. Funeral.

Adelphi Ben Association, May 15. Funeral.

Laight street B. and A. Sunday School, May 17. Parade.

Baptist Sunday School, May 17. Parade.

Laight street Baptist Sunday School, May 17. Parade.

Stanton street Baptist Sunday School (two), May 17. Parade.

North Baptist Sunday School, May 17. Parade.

Macdougall street Baptist Sunday School, May 17. Parade.

Olive Branch Baptist Sunday School, May 17. Parade.

Calvary and Mount Olivet Baptist Sunday School, May 17. Parade.

Central Baptist Church, May 17. Parade.

Turner Scheutzen of College Point, May 23. Parade.

Bavarian Company, June 6. Parade.

Weekly statement of the Comptroller, showing condition of the several accounts of the Police Department, was referred to the Treasurer.

Report of the Superintendent, relative to enforcement of the Excise law on the 15th instant, was ordered on file.

Report of the Superintendent on complaint of Charles Jones against Patrolman John J. Doyle, First Precinct, was ordered to be forwarded to the Mayor.

Report of the Superintendent on communications from James P. Travers, relative to fish stands on Beekman street, from Water to South streets, was ordered on file, and a copy to be forwarded to Mr. Travers.

Report of the Superintendent on character of Manhattan Hall, Fifty-fourth street and Eighth avenue, was ordered to be forwarded to the Mayor.

Report of Captain Brogan, Fifteenth Precinct, relative to temporary detail of Patrolman James Brooks, was ordered on file.

Death Reported.

Patrolman John Byrne, Twenty-sixth Precinct, at 11 A. M., 18th instant.

Report of the Chief Surgeon as to performance of duty by the Examining Surgeons, was ordered on file.

Application of Patrolman William Moore, Ninth Precinct, for transfer, was ordered on file.

Application of Patrolman Thomas, Jaques Twentieth Precinct, for leave to employ counsel, was granted.

The following applications for full pay while sick, were referred to the Superintendent and Board of Surgeons for report:

Patrolman Frederick R. Fielding, Ninth Precinct.

" John B. McLaughlin, Twentieth Precinct.

" Hamilton Mickle, Twenty-second Precinct.

The following applications for full pay were denied:

Patrolman Edmund Bird, Fifth Precinct.

" Patrick Mullaly, Eighteenth Precinct.

Communication from J. H. Starin, tendering a complimentary water excursion to the Police force, was referred to the Superintendent to arrange for the excursion, and the Chief Clerk directed to inform Mr. Starin that his generous offer is accepted with the thanks of the Board.

Communication from George G. Sickles, complaining of nuisance in Ann street, between Theatre alley and Nassau street, was referred to the Superintendent.

Communication from Henry Schmelz, complaining of nude bathers in Harlem river, was referred to the Superintendent.

Communication from the Mayor, asking information as to character of certain places, was referred to the Chief Clerk to answer.

Communication from the Comptroller, approving the sureties of Joseph Ross, on proposition to build Sixth Precinct Station-house, was ordered on file, and the Chief Clerk directed to notify Mr. Ross.

Resolved, That full pay while sick be granted to the following-named officers:

Patrolman Orville A. Todd, Ninth Precinct, for 13 days in April, 1881.

" John G. Creighton, Ninth Precinct, from March 21 to April 17, 1881.

Resignation Accepted.

Patrolman Emil T. Neben, Ninth Precinct.

On reading and filing application of Captain Eakins, report of the Superintendent, and communication from Thomas J. Brown, Manager of Erie Railroad Ferries, it was

Resolved, That Patrolman Frederick Gilbert, Fifth Precinct, be and he is hereby detailed at the Chambers street crossing, at West street, in place of Patrolman Thomas Garland.

vs. James Behan, Seventh Precinct.

vs. Patrick H. Canty, Seventh Precinct.

Resolved, That the above cases be and are hereby referred to the Counsel to the Board to procure summons from the Supreme Court to Dennis Considine and Andrew Hardy, No. 258 Madison street, to attend as witnesses on the 25th of May, at 10 A. M.

Resolved, That the Treasurer be directed to pay over to the City Chamberlain the sum of \$3067.08, being amount received from the New York City and Northern Railroad Company, "for expenses incurred by the Board of Police, fitting up the Second Precinct Station House at High Bridge."

Resolved, That the Treasurer be directed to pay to the City Chamberlain the sum of \$217.26, being the unexpended balance remaining to the credit of the following accounts for the year 1880:

Account Commissioners.....	\$27 07
Account Chief Clerk, Deputies, Telegraph operators, Stenographers, and all employees.....	190 17
	<hr/>
	\$217 26

Resolved, That requisition be and is hereby made upon the Comptroller, in pursuance of section 7, chapter 755, laws of 1873, for the following sums of money for the month of May, 1881, being one-twelfth part of the amounts estimated, levied, raised and appropriated for the support and maintenance of the Police Department and force for the current year, to wit:

Police fund—Salaries of Commissioners, Superintendent, Inspectors, Surgeons, Captains, Sergeants, Patrolmen and Doormen.....	\$265,279 16
Salaries of Clerical Force.....	3,875 00
Salaries of Telegraph Department.....	666.66
Salaries and wages of Janitor, Messengers, and Employees.....	791.66
Supplies for Police.....	4,833.32
Expenses of Detectives, and contingent expenses.....	416.66
Police Station Houses—Alterations, additions to, fitting up, and repairs of Station Houses.....	1,333.33
Cleaning streets under the Police Department—Salaries of Department Inspector, Clerks, Foremen, Dump Inspectors, etc.....	6,250.00
For wages of Sweepers, Laborers, Trimmers, etc.....	46,666.66
For purchase of new stock, additional apparatus, etc.....	5,000.00
For salary of Chief of Elections and Chief Clerk.....	525.00

Total..... \$335,637.46

Resolved, That rule 360 be and is hereby amended by adding thereto as follows:

"They shall visit the prison, when there are prisoners confined therein, at intervals of not more than thirty minutes each, and ascertain and report at the desk the condition or wants of said prisoners."

Resolved, That the Board of Estimate and Apportionment be and is hereby requested to transfer the sum of \$8,000 from the appropriation made to the Police Department for the year 1880, entitled "Alterations, fitting up, additions to and repairs of Station Houses," which is in excess to the amount required for the purposes and objects thereof, to the appropriation made to the same Department for the year 1881, entitled "Alterations, fitting up, additions to and repairs of Station Houses," which is insufficient—to enable the Department to make the necessary alterations and repairs to the building in East Fourth street, formerly known as the Dry Dock Savings Bank building, leased by the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the city of New York for the Police Department of said city, for the purpose of a Station House, lodging house, and prison for the Eleventh Police Precinct.

On recommendation of the Superintendent, it was

Resolved, That the following members of the force be and are hereby detailed at the railroad depot at High Bridge, pursuant to resolution of the 12th inst.:

Precinct.		Precinct.
Roundsman Henry Stainkamp..... 28		Patrolman Michael Brennan..... 12
Patrolman Louis Gidley..... 19		" John D. McCarthy..... 23
" Benj. C. Woolson..... 28		" Adolph L. Miller..... 30
" George Gick..... 22		

Resolved, That the following officers be temporarily detailed at the Central Office:

Patrolman James B. Black, Thirty-third Precinct.

" Richard Henken, Twelfth Precinct.

Appointments—Patrolmen.

James T. Brady, First Precinct.
 Francis Kiernan, Fifteenth Precinct.
 Resolved, That the following transfers be ordered :
 Patrolman John M. Matthews, from Ninth Precinct to Thirty-first Precinct.
 " Theodore Miller, from Ninth Precinct to Thirty-first Precinct.
 " Peter Delany, from Twenty-first Precinct to Nineteenth Precinct.
 " David Regan, from Nineteenth Precinct to First Inspection District.
 " Edward Sullivan, from First Inspection District to Twenty-first Precinct.
 " Patrick Lynch, from Twelfth Precinct to Twenty-sixth Precinct.
 On recommendation of the Committee on Repairs and Supplies, it was
 Resolved, That the following bills be approved, and the Treasurer authorized to pay the same—
 all aye :
 J. S. Barron & Co., brooms, etc..... \$90 20
 Burhams & Stoutenburgh, water coolers. 24 30
 Wm. C. F. Berghold, expenses..... 21 37
 F. W. Devoe & Co., oil..... 3 40
 Charles F. Field, steamboat..... 300 00
 William H. Geer, horse feed..... 100 50
 William H. Geer, horse feed..... 107 28
 E. S. Higgins & Co., carpet..... 55 65
 Pearce & Jones, supplies..... \$21 00
 John Pritchard, wagon repairs..... 4 25
 W. & J. Sloane, linoleum..... 17 39
 Van Tassel & Kearney, harness..... 65 00
 Ward A Olyphant, coal..... 26 25
 \$836 59

Judgments—Fines Imposed.

Patrolman James Collins, Fourth Precinct, one day's pay.
 " George Logan, Fourth Precinct, one day's pay.
 " Michael Crowley, Fourth Precinct, one day's pay.
 " John Hawkins, Fourth Precinct, one day's pay.
 " Daniel J. Callahan, Fourth Precinct, one day's pay.
 " Thomas Flynn, Fourth Precinct, three days' pay.
 " Albert Kulle, Fourth Precinct, three days' pay.
 " John J. Poe, Fifth Precinct, two days' pay.
 " Edward A. Burgoyne, Eighth Precinct, two days' pay.
 " John Kiernan, Ninth Precinct, one day's pay.
 " John Carstens, Tenth Precinct, one day's pay.
 " Charles Lenz, Twelfth Precinct, one day's pay.
 " William H. Lake, Twelfth Precinct, one day's pay.
 " George A. Whitley, Fourteenth Precinct, one day's pay.
 " Peter Rose, Seventeenth Precinct, one day's pay.
 " Martin Stepper, Seventeenth Precinct, one day's pay.
 " John Hatton, Eighteenth Precinct, one day's pay.
 " Joseph Sawyer, Eighteenth Precinct, one day's pay.
 " John J. Doolin, Eighteenth Precinct, one day's pay.
 " August Kelz, Nineteenth Precinct, two days' pay.
 " Patrick H. Kelly, Nineteenth Precinct, three days' pay.
 " Patrick H. Kelly, Nineteenth Precinct, two days' pay.
 " Bernard Wade, Twenty-eighth Precinct, one day's pay.
 " John Harvey, Twenty-ninth Precinct, two days' pay.
 " John Harvey, Twenty-ninth Precinct, three days' pay.

Complaints Dismissed.

Precinct.	Precinct.
Patrolman Thomas M. Cunningham..... 1	Patrolman John Devery..... 19
" James Clinton..... 4	" Patrick Ryan..... 20
" Patrick Kennelly..... 4	" Lawrence McGovern..... 21
" Thomas Lancer..... 4	" John G. Mintz..... 22
" David Jackson..... 4	" George F. Darcy..... 22
" Albert Kulle..... 4	" Thomas Clarkin..... 22
" George R. Braisted..... 7	" Louis Selig..... 25
" George W. Conklin..... 8	" Peter Kenney..... 27
" Terrence Gallagher..... 8	" John J. Hurley..... 27
" John H. Smith..... 9	" Patrick Pendergast..... 27
" John M. Matthews..... 9	" William Burns..... 28
" John J. Twohy..... 9	" Philip Moskoski..... 29
" Michael Dugan..... 9	" Artemas W. Mitchell..... 29
" John J. Poe..... 15	" Isaac Evans..... 29
" James Brennan..... 16	" Michael Ward..... special service squad.
" Edward Hagan..... 17	" Simon Jackson..... steam boat squad.
" Edward Kernan..... 19	

Street Cleaning.

Report of the Chief Clerk on communication from the Health Department relative to roadway in Thirty-fourth street, from Lexington to First avenue, was referred to the Committee on Street Cleaning.

Communication from Samuel Hopper, Custom House, asking information as to scows, tonnage, etc., and report of the Committee on Street Cleaning that reply had been made, was ordered on file.
 Communication from Kemp, Day & Co., No. 116 Wall street, asking permission to dump garbage on the scows of the Department, was ordered on file, and said firm informed that the present facilities will not warrant a compliance with their request.

The following communications were referred to the Committee on Street Cleaning :
 Department of Docks, relative to removal of dumping-board foot West Twenty-first street.
 Department of Docks, relative to new dumping-board foot West Nineteenth street.
 Fords, Howard & Hulbert, relative to garbage in front of 25 Park Place.
 Philadelphia and Schuylkill Coal Co., asking that dirt be removed from Twenty-ninth street, from Eleventh avenue to North river.

R. C. Bostwick, asking that Forty-sixth street, between Seventh and Eighth avenues, be cleaned.
 Hugh N. Camp, submitting receipt for money paid for removing ashes.
 Health Department, transmitting reports of Sanitary Inspectors as to condition of Seventy-third, Seventy-fourth, and Seventy-sixth streets.

Number of citizens, stating that Twenty-eighth street, between Tenth and Eleventh avenues, has not been swept since October.

Resolved, That the pay-rolls of the Bureau of Street Cleaning for the month of April, 1881, amounting to \$64,505.69, as per schedule, be and are hereby ordered to be paid by the Treasurer—all aye.

On recommendation of the Committee on Street Cleaning, it was
 Resolved, That the following bills be approved, and the Treasurer authorized to pay the same—all aye.

William Dall, hay and straw..... \$188 41	J. Kidd, expressage..... \$1 00
F. W. Devoe & Co., neat foot oil..... 3 60	J. F. Leahy, feed bags..... 18 75
" machine..... 4 05	Jacob Sebastian, boxes and booms..... 23 00
" oil, etc..... 49 57	Isaac H. Terrell, nuts..... 4 30
" kerosene..... 8 25	" carriage bolts..... 10 32
Frazee & Co., feed..... 422 53	A. S. Williams, disbursements..... 10 00
Hicks & Bell, oil, etc..... 28 30	
" "..... 19 70	
	\$791 78

Adjourned.

S. C. HAWLEY, Chief Clerk.

ASSESSMENT COMMISSION.

No. 27 CHAMBERS STREET,
 TUESDAY, MAY 24, 1881, 2 o'clock P. M. }

The Commission created by chapter 550 of the Laws of 1880 to revise, vacate, or modify assessments for local improvements in the City of New York, met pursuant to adjournment.

Present—All the members, viz. :

Commissioners Edward Cooper (Chairman), John Kelly, Allan Campbell, George H. Andrews, and Daniel Lord, Jr.

The Clerk presented copies of the CITY RECORD and "Daily Register" of May 23 and 24, 1881, showing due publication of notices of the present meeting.

The minutes of the meeting held May 20, 1881, were read and approved.

The calendar of cases noticed or set down for hearing was called, and action taken as follows :

No. 338—Petition of Isabella Brandon, in matter of the assessment for Eighty-fifth street paving, from Fifth avenue to Avenue A ; confirmed July 3, 1875.

The Counsel to the Corporation, on behalf of the city, presented evidence, subject to future objection by the attorney for the petitioner, showing that prior to the decision of the Commissioners reducing the assessment, rendered on May 10, 1881, the assessment on lot designated as Block No. 376, Ward No. 20½, had been paid. The further hearing of this case was then adjourned to Thursday, June 1, 1881, at 2 P. M.

No. 533, etc.—Petitions of John H. Sherwood et al. in the matter of various assessments affecting their property between Fifth and Eighth avenues, north of One Hundred and Tenth street.

At the request of the Counsel to the Corporation, the attorney for the petitioners consenting, the further hearing of these cases was adjourned to Thursday, May 26, 1881, at 3 o'clock P. M.

The Counsel for the petitioners in the other cases on the calendar not being ready, these cases were, with the consent of the Corporation Counsel, adjourned to Thursday, June 1, 1881, at 2 o'clock P. M.

On motion of Commissioner Andrews, the seventh rule, relating to meetings of the Commission, was suspended.

On motion of Commissioner Andrews, it was

Resolved, That the next two meetings of the Commission be held on Thursday, May 26, 1881, at 3 o'clock P. M., and on Thursday, June 1, 1881, at 2 o'clock P. M.

Commissioner Campbell reported that the records of the Finance Department show that the assessments on the property of P. Van Volkenburgh et al. for the One Hundred and Tenth and One Hundred and Twenty-fourth street underground drains, vacated by the Commissioners under a decision rendered on May 17, 1881, had been paid on October 25, 1876.

At the request of the Counsel to the Corporation this matter was reopened to allow the introduction of testimony on this point.

Commissioner Andrews presented the following opinion, which was concurred in by all the Commissioners, viz. :

In the matter of the objections of H. S. & A. H. Mott, to the assessment for Fifty-first and Fifty-sixth street sewers, between Ninth avenue and Hudson river ; confirmed December 19, 1872.

It appears that in this case the court has given the petitioners relief from a portion of the original assessment upon a question of law, and they now come before this Commission with a claim that this reduced assessment shall be further diminished by the exercise of its powers in equity.

Inasmuch as the Commission by the action of the petitioners and of the court cannot have before it the whole of the assessment as originally imposed, so as "to determine whether substantial injustice" had been done to the petitioners, and so to revise such assessment as to remedy upon an equitable basis any injustice, the Commission does not deem the case as now presented as within its jurisdiction.

It is not within its jurisdiction for the further reason that the petitioners' case is not brought within the provisions of the eighth section of chapter 550, Laws of 1880, which provides that "if on a final decision in any such proceeding * * * the decision or judgment therein shall be in favor of the city, the petitioner may obtain the benefits of this act."

For the reasons stated the petition is dismissed.

On motion of Commissioner Cooper, it was

Resolved, That all decisions and opinions rendered by the Commission be printed in the minutes of the meeting when handed down ; and that the Clerk make a report at each meeting of the certificates of the Commissioners which have been filed in the Finance Department under the sixth section of the Act, chapter 550, Laws of 1880.

On motion of Commissioner Cooper, it was

Resolved, That the decision rendered by the Commissioners on April 26, 1881, in the matter of Harriet A. Walter, executrix, be printed in the minutes.

The decision is as follows :

Matter of Harriet A. Walter, executrix, to vacate assessment for regulating and grading Manhattan street ; confirmed May 17, 1876 ; Manhattan street paving, confirmed February 14, 1877.

Commissioner Lord—We do not think the fact of the delegation of authority from the Park Department to its Treasurer concludes this Commission. The property had the benefit of the improvement, and the scope of this Commission is to pass on the question whether substantial injustice has been done the petitioner, and not to consider the technical question by whom the work was done. This disposes of the first objection.

A sufficient answer to the objection that the prices were exorbitant, is that of the \$184,146.32 charged for regulating and grading, only \$91,074.48 was assessed upon the property ; and of the \$18,658.20 charged for paving, only \$12,662.95 fell on the property, the balance having become a charge upon the city under the act of 1840. The evidence introduced would not warrant a reduction greater than that given by these figures, nor do we understand that the petitioner claims greater relief than this, and hence substantial injustice cannot be found based on the argument of excessive prices in the work.

The main question, however, to be determined in these cases, is whether the work for which the two assessments were confirmed, was for what is practically but one improvement ; if so, the aggregate of the two assessments should not exceed one-half the value of the lot as assessed for purposes of taxation, viz., \$775.

We think the evidence in this case shows the work of regulating and grading, and of paving, to have constituted in fact but one improvement.

The work was authorized by one resolution and was practically continuous. The regulating and grading was commenced in May, 1873 (evidence of Kellogg, p. 29), but was not finished until December, 1874, or January, 1875 (evidence of Kellogg, p. 33). The work of laying the superstructure or paving was commenced as soon as the season allowed it after the completion of the regulating and grading, for the first pay-roll appears to have been made up July 10, 1875.

We therefore think that the assessment for paving, confirmed February 14, 1877, should be vacated ; for the assessment for regulating and grading went to the full limit allowed by the act of 1840, and virtually exhausted the power to levy any further assessment under the resolution authorizing the improvement.

See The people ex rel Williams against Haines, 49 N. Y., p. 287.

Commissioner Lord presented the following decision, viz. :

In the matter of the application of G. W. Carleton and G. R. Schiefflin for return of moneys paid for assessments on their property for Manhattan street paving, from St. Nicholas avenue to One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street ; confirmed February 14, 1877.

It is true that the tenth section of the act appears mandatory, but the repayment award is to be made to an amount equal to the amount of reduction to which such parties (i. e., the person or persons by whom the payments have been made) would have been entitled if they had not made such payment, that is, the parties who have paid the assessments are to have the same benefits which those who have not paid derive from the act. That this is the true construction of this section is shown by the next sentence in the section, that the amount of the award shall be proportionately equal to the reduction upon other lots so revised or modified as aforesaid.

The certificate of the Commissioners is simply the Comptroller's voucher for reducing or vacating the assessment (section 6) ; a decision giving the reasons of the Commissioners is also contemplated by the act (section 5), and this decision contains the reasons for vacating or modifying the assessment.

In the matter of Walter (decided on April 26, 1881), we vacated the paving assessment entirely on the ground that the assessment for regulating and grading equalled half the assessed value of the lots.

In the case of G. W. Carleton, one of the petitioners herein, the valuation of lot No. 12 was \$1,500 ; the regulating and grading assessment was \$400, the paving assessment \$530.10, the aggregate of which is \$930.10, and one-half the assessed valuation is \$750. He is therefore entitled to the return of \$180.10, the amount of the aggregate of both assessments paid in excess of one-half the valuation of the lot. The amount of assessments paid by him on lots Nos. 13 and 14 not equaling one-half the assessed valuations of the lots, he is not entitled to the return of any part of the assessment for paving against these lots which was paid by him. On the basis of these conclusions the certificate of award should be for the return of the following amounts paid by him for the assessment for paving on his lots, viz. :

Lot No. 7, assessment paid for paving.....	\$200 00
" 8, " " ".....	250 00
" 9, " " ".....	300 00
" 10, " " ".....	350 00
" 11, " " ".....	500 00
" 12, part of assessment paid for paving.....	180 10
Interest paid on these amounts to February 19, 1878.....	125 67
Total.....	\$1,905 77

In the case of G. R. Schiefflin, for the same reasons the certificate of award in his favor should be for the following amounts, viz. :

Lot No. 32, part of assessment paid for paving.....	\$309 25
" 33, " " ".....	300 00
" 34, " " ".....	150 00
Total.....	\$759 25

The Chairman put the question whether the decision as presented shall stand as the decision of the Commissioners.

Which was decided in the affirmative, a majority of all the Commissioners voting in favor thereof, viz. :

Affirmative—Commissioners Cooper, Kelly, Campbell, Andrews, and Lord—5.

On motion of Commissioner Andrews, the resolution adopted on May 4, 1881, directing the Clerk to notify the counsel for the petitioners in the cases of these drains, that the Commissioners desire to hear further evidence, was reconsidered.

Commissioner Lord presented the following opinion, which was concurred in by all the Commissioners, viz. :

Matter of Robert Bogardus, assessment for underground drains between One Hundred and Seventy-third and One Hundred and Eighty-third streets, and between Kingsbridge road and Harlem river.

Matter of Elizabeth M. Conklin, assessment for underground drains between Ninety-sixth and One Hundred and Eleventh streets, and between Tenth and Eleventh avenues.

Matter of Cyrus Schofield et al., assessment for underground drains between One Hundred and Tenth and One Hundred and Twenty-fourth streets, and between Fifth and Eighth avenues.

This Commission has decided in the matter of Sherwood, that it would follow the decision of the Court of Appeals in the matter of Cheesebrough (78 N. Y., p. 232).

The difference sought to be drawn between these cases and that of Sherwood, is that in the latter case it was directly shown by proof, that the petitioner did not consent to the construction of the drains across his lands, while, in the other case, no such failure to consent is shown.

The proof in these cases satisfactorily shows that the drains were laid across private property. There is some little proof to that effect in the testimony from Newlin, the engineer in charge, but the stipulation in the cases to the effect that the drains were laid on private property except where they were laid in the public streets, we think removes any question as to the necessity of further proof on the part of the petitioners on that score. The effect of this proof is to shift the burden upon the city to show its right to lay the drains.

The act provides for no proceedings to acquire either title or an easement (chapter 566, Laws of 1871).

The act of digging a ditch is a taking or appropriation of the petitioners' land for a public purpose.

The People vs. Nearing, 27 N. Y., p. 308.

The drains in these cases were of a more permanent character than the ditches in the Nearing case, and hence the reasoning in that case applies more forcibly here. As the act contains no provision for compensation for this appropriation, and as the drains were laid on private land, we think the city must show either a grant or an easement to authorize us to maintain an assessment, inasmuch as the city could maintain no proceedings under the act to acquire either the land or an easement therein.

The cases should be reopened so as to allow the city to prove that it has acquired an easement in or title to the lands on which the drains were laid.

On motion of Commissioner Lord, it was

Resolved, That the Clerk notify the Counsel to the Corporation that the Commissioners desire to hear further evidence as to whether the city acquired an easement in or title to the lands on which these drains were laid.

Commissioner Campbell presented the following decision:

In the matter of the objections of Mary E. Bacon to the assessment for paving, with Stafford wood pavement, Fifty-eighth street, from Sixth to Ninth avenues; confirmed July 22, 1872.

This pavement, which was laid in 1871, at a cost of six dollars per square yard, has not been durable, and has been replaced by a Belgian stone-block pavement. The testimony shows that the cost, by contract, of a Belgian pavement at the date when the wood pavement was laid, was \$3.65 per square yard. We are of opinion that the assessment on the petitioners' lot should be reduced to the extent of the difference between six dollars per square yard and three dollars and sixty-five cents per square yard, namely, two dollars and thirty-five cents per square yard, which will reduce the assessment from \$307.25 to \$181.94.

The Chairman put the question whether the decision as presented shall stand as the decision of the Commissioners.

Which was decided in the affirmative, a majority of all the Commissioners voting in favor thereof, viz.:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cooper, Kelly, Campbell, Andrews, and Lord—5.

On motion of Commissioner Lord, the following additional rule was adopted:

IX.—REPAYMENT CERTIFICATES.

To entitle any person to an award for repayment of an assessment paid which has been reduced, modified or vacated by this Commission, and which award is authorized by the tenth section of the Act, chapter 550 of the laws of 1880, at least four days' notice of application therefor must be given to the clerk of the Commission, and to the counsel to the Corporation, and the receipts for the assessment paid must, at the time of giving such notice, be filed with the clerk of the Commission. Unless objection is made by the Counsel to the Corporation at the next meeting of the Commission after the expiration of such four days, the certificate will issue as of course after the expiration of the said period, and will be in favor of the person named in the receipt, as having paid the assessment, which receipt must in all cases be attached to the certificate of award. In case the receipt cannot be produced evidence of payment must be given showing by whom the assessment was paid.

On motion of Commissioner Kelly the Commission then adjourned.

JAMES J. MARTIN, Clerk.

APPROVED PAPERS.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Charles Buck to place and keep a bay-window on the Madison avenue front of the building about to be erected on the southwest corner of Madison avenue and Sixty-ninth street, such bay-window not to project more than four feet beyond the house-line, as shown on the accompanying diagram, the work to be done at his own expense, under the direction of the Commissioners of the Fire Department; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, May 17, 1881.

Approved by the Mayor, May 19, 1881.

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Mrs. Kate W. Ambrose to extend the vault of house about to be erected on the southeast corner of Madison avenue and Fifty-third street a distance of three feet beyond the curb line, extending the entire length of the lot, being 100 feet 5 inches on the avenue and 27 feet 2 inches on the street, on payment of the usual fee, provided the work be done in a durable and substantial manner; and that the said Kate W. Ambrose shall stipulate with the Commissioner of Public Works to save the city harmless from any loss or damage that may occur in consequence of the building or extension of said vault, during the progress or subsequent to the completion of the work, to be done at her own expense, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, May 17, 1881.

Approved by the Mayor, May 19, 1881.

Resolved, That the following-named persons be and they are hereby appointed Commissioners of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place, respectively, of the persons named, who have failed to qualify:

John Tracey.....	In place of William A. Stoutenburg.
John H. O'Hara.....	“ Joseph Steiner.
Marlin F. Hatch.....	“ Charles A. Schaper.
Edward F. Meeker.....	“ Henry Schwab.
H. C. Child.....	“ Edgar M. Sloc.
Robert J. Rosenthal.....	“ John B. Underhill.
George Finck.....	“ Albert Valerius.
Samuel F. Gregory.....	“ Charles H. Freshney.
Thomas J. McGuire.....	“ George Vassar, Jr.
Charles H. Pentz.....	“ Charles H. Pentz.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, May 17, 1881.

Approved by the Mayor, May 19, 1881.

Resignation of John G. Bert as a Commissioner of Deeds.

Resolved, That Warren S. Carle be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place of John G. Bert, who has resigned.

Resignation accepted and resolution adopted by the Board of Aldermen, May 17, 1881.

Approved by the Mayor, May 19, 1881.

Resolved, That Emil S. Arnold be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place of Emil S. Arnold, whose term of office expires May 19, 1881.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, May 17, 1881.

Approved by the Mayor, May 19, 1881.

Resolved, That the name of James McLaughlin, recently appointed a Commissioner of Deeds, be corrected so as to read James McLoughlin.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen, May 17, 1881.

Approved by the Mayor, May 19, 1881.

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.
WILLIAM R. GRACE, Mayor; JOHN TRACEY, Chief Clerk; WILLIAM M. IVINS, Secretary.

Mayor's Marshal's Office.

No. 1 City Hall, 10 A. M. to 3 P. M.
CHARLES REILLY, First Marshal.

Permit Bureau Office.

No. 13½ City Hall, 10 A. M. to 3 P. M.
HENRY WOLTMAN, Registrar.

Sealers and Inspectors of Weights and Measures.

No. 7 City Hall, 10 A. M. to 3 P. M.
WILLIAM EYLLERS, Sealer First District; THOMAS BRADY, Sealer Second District; JOHN MURRAY, Inspector First District; JOSEPH SHANNON, Inspector Second District.

LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT.

Office of Clerk of Common Council.

No. 8 City Hall, 10 A. M. to 4 P. M.
PATRICK KEENAN, President Board of Aldermen.
FRANCIS J. TWOMEY, Clerk Common Council.

City Library.

No. 12 City Hall, 10 A. M. to 4 P. M.
LUKE C. GRIMES, Librarian.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS.

Commissioner's Office.

No. 31 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
HUBERT O. THOMPSON, Commissioner; FREDERICK H. HAMLIN, Deputy Commissioner.

Bureau of Water Register.

No. 31 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
JOHN H. CHAMBERS, Register.

Bureau of Incumbrances.

No. 31 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
JOSEPH BLUMENTHAL, Superintendent.

Bureau of Lamps and Gas.

No. 31 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
STEPHEN MCCORMICK, Superintendent.

Bureau of Streets.

No. 31 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
JAMES J. MOONEY, Superintendent.

Bureau of Chief Engineer.

No. 31 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
ISAAC NEWTON, Chief Engineer.

Bureau of Street Improvements.

No. 31 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
GEORGE A. JEREMIAH, Superintendent.

Bureau of Repairs and Supplies.

No. 31 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
THOMAS H. McAVOY, Superintendent.

Bureau of Water Purveyor.

No. 31 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
DANIEL O'REILLY, Water Purveyor.

Keeper of Buildings in City Hall Park.

JOHN F. SLOPER, City Hall.

Bureau of Sewers.

No. 31 Chambers street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
STEVENSON TOWLE, Engineer-in-Charge.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT.

Comptroller's Office.

Nos. 19 and 20 New County Court-house, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
ALLAN CAMPBELL, 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 for the Collection of Assessments and of Arrears of Taxes and Assessments and of Water Rents.

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

Bureau for the Collection of City Revenues and of Markets.

No. 6 New County Court-house, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
THOMAS F. DEVOE, Collector of City Revenue and Superintendent of Markets.

Bureau for the Collection of Taxes.

First floor Brown-stone Building, City Hall Park.
MARTIN T. McMAHON, Receiver of Taxes; ALFRED VREDEBURG, Deputy Receiver of Taxes.

Bureau of the City Chamberlain.

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

Office of the City Paymaster.

Room 1, New County Court-house, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
MOOR FALLS, City Paymaster.

LAW DEPARTMENT.

Office of the Counsel to the Corporation.

Staats Zeitung Building, third floor, 9 A. M. to 5 P. M.
Saturday, 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. BOYD Corporation Attorney.

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

Central Office.

No. 300 Mulberry street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
STEPHEN B. FRENCH, President; SETH C. HAWLEY, Chief Clerk.

DEPARTMENT OF CHARITIES AND CORRECTION.

Central Office.

No. 66 Third avenue, corner Eleventh street, 8:30 A. M. to 5:30 P. M.
JACOB HESS, President; GEORGE F. BRITTON, Secretary.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Headquarters.

Nos. 155 and 157 Mercer street.
VINCENT C. KING, President; CARL JUSSE, Secretary.

Bureau of Chief of Department.

ELI BATES, Chief of Department.

Bureau of Inspector of Combustibles.

PETER SEERV, Inspector of Combustibles.

Bureau of Fire Marshal.

GEORGE H. SHELTON, Fire Marshal.

Bureau of Inspection of Buildings.

WM. P. ESTERBROOK, Inspector of Buildings.
Office hours, Headquarters and Bureaus, from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. (Saturdays to 3 P. M.)

Attorney to Department.

WM. L. FINDLEY, Nos. 155 and 157 Mercer street and No. 120 Broadway.

Fire Alarm Telegraph.

J. ELLIOT SMITH, Superintendent of Telegraph.
Nos. 155 and 157 Mercer street.

Repair Shops.

Nos. 128 and 130 West Third street.
JOHN McCABE, Captain-in-Charge, 8 A. M. to 5 P. M.

Hospital Stables.

No. 109 Christie street.
DEDERICK G. GALE, Superintendent of Horses.

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.
EDWARD P. BARKER, Secretary.

Civil and Topographical Office.

Arsenal, 64th street a 5th avenue, 9 A. M. to 5 P. M.
Office of Superintendent of 23d and 24th Wards.
Fordham 9 A. M. to 5 P. M.

DEPARTMENT OF DOCKS.

Nos. 11 and 119 Duane street, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
EUGENE T. LYNCH, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS.

Brown-stone Building, City Hall Park, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
THOMAS B. ASTEN, President; ALBERT STORER, Secretary.

BOARD OF ASSESSORS.

Office, City Hall, Room No. 11½, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
JOHN R. LYDECKER, Chairman; WM. H. JASPER, Secretary.

BOARD OF EXCISE.

Corner Mulberry and Houston streets, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
WILLIAM P. MITCHELL, President; ANTHONY HARTMAN, Chief Clerk.

SHERIFF'S OFFICE.

Nos. 3 and 4 New County Court-house 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
PETER BOWE, Sheriff; JOEL O. STEVENS, Under Sheriff.

REGISTER'S OFFICE.

East side City Hall Park, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
AUGUSTUS T. DOCHARTY, Register; J. FAIRFAX McLAUGHLIN, Deputy Register.

COMMISSIONERS OF ACCOUNTS.

No. 1 County Court-house, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.
WM. PITT SHEARMAN, JOHN W. BARROW.

COMMISSIONER OF JURORS.

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

CORPORATION NOTICE.

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO THE owner or owners, occupant or occupants of all houses and lots, improved or unimproved lands affected thereby, that the following assessments have been completed and are lodged in the Office of the Board of Assessors for examination by all persons interested, viz.:

No. 1. Flagging full width, east side of Fourth avenue, between Sixty-second and Sixty-fifth streets.

No. 2. Fencing vacant lots on west side of Broadway, between Fifty-fifth and Fifty-sixth streets.

No. 3. Sewer in Washington street, between Gansevoort and Little West 12th streets.

No. 4. Fencing vacant lots in Sixtieth street, between Tenth and Eleventh avenues.

No. 5. Fencing vacant lots south side of Sixty-ninth street, between Tenth and Eleventh avenues.

No. 6. Paving in Forty-seventh street, from Madison avenue east to the land of the Harlem Railroad Co.

No. 7. Paving in One Hundred and Fifteenth street, from Third to Fourth avenue.

No. 8. Fencing vacant lots northwest and southwest corners of Seventy-fifth street and Ninth avenue, and on Seventy-fifth street, both sides, near Tenth avenue, and on Tenth avenue, east side, between Seventy-fourth and Seventy-fifth streets.

No. 9. Paving on Seventy-sixth street, from Second avenue to Avenue A.

No. 10. Sewer in One Hundred and Twenty-eighth street, between Second and Third avenues.

No. 11. Fencing vacant lots south side of Seventy-third street, between Ninth and Tenth avenues.

No. 12. Fencing vacant lots on south side of Seventy-seventh street, between Eighth and Ninth avenues.

No. 13. Fencing vacant lots on Lexington avenue, both sides, between Seventy-fifth and Seventy-sixth streets.

No. 14. Sewer in Ninety-sixth street, between Fifth and Madison avenues.

No. 15. Paving on Ninety-fourth street, from Lexington to Fourth avenue.

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

No. 1. East side of Fourth avenue, between Sixty-second and Sixty-fifth streets.

No. 2. West side of Broadway, between Fifty-fifth and Fifty-sixth streets.

No. 3. Both sides of Washington street, between Gansevoort and Little West Twelfth street.

No. 4. Both sides of Sixtieth street between Tenth and Eleventh avenues.

No. 5. South side of Sixty-ninth street, between Tenth and Eleventh avenues.

No. 6. Both sides of Forty-seventh street, between Madison and Fourth avenues.

No. 7. Both sides of One Hundred and Fifteenth street, between Third and Fourth avenues, and to the extent of half of the block at the intersections of Third and Fourth avenues.

No. 8. Both sides of Seventy-fifth street, between Ninth and Tenth avenues; east side of Tenth avenue, between Seventy-fourth and Seventy-sixth streets; and west side of Ninth avenue, between Seventy-fifth and Seventy-sixth streets.

No. 9. Both sides of Seventy-sixth street, between Second avenue and Avenue A, and to the extent of half of the block at the intersecting avenues.

No. 10. Both sides of One Hundred and Twenty-eighth street, between Second and Third avenues.

No. 11. South side of Seventy-third street, between Ninth and Tenth avenues.

No. 12. South side of Seventy-seventh street, between Eighth and Ninth avenues.

No. 13. East side of Lexington avenue, between Seventy-fifth and Seventy-sixth streets.

No. 14. Both sides of Ninety-sixth street, between Madison and Fifth avenues.

No. 15. Both sides of Ninety-fourth street, between Lexington and Fourth avenues, and to the extent of half the block at the intersections of Lexington and Fourth avenues.

All persons whose interests are affected by the above-named assessments, and who are opposed to the same, or either of them, are requested to present their objections in writing to the Board of Assessors, at their office, No.

11½ City Hall, within thirty days from the date of this notice.

The above described lists will be transmitted as provided by law to the Board of Revision and Correction of Assessments for confirmation, on the 5th day of June, ensuing.

JOHN R. LYDECKER,
EDWARD NORTH,
DANIEL STANBURY,
SAMUEL CONOVER,
Board of Assessors.
OFFICE BOARD OF ASSESSORS,
No. 11½ CITY HALL,
NEW YORK, May 2, 1881.

LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT.

THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS OF the Board of Aldermen will meet every Monday at two o'clock p. m., at Room No. 8 City Hall.

BERNARD KENNEY,
JOSEPH P. STRACK,
HENRY C. PERLEY,
THOMAS SHELLS,
JAMES L. WELLS,
Committee on Public Works.

JURORS.

NOTICE IN RELATION TO JURORS FOR STATE COURTS

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER OF JURORS,
NEW COUNTY COURT-HOUSE,
NEW YORK, July 1, 1880.

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).

ASSESSMENT COMMISSION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, THAT A MEETING of the Commissioners under the act, chapter 550 of the Laws of 1880, entitled "An act relating to certain assessments for local improvements in the City of New York," passed June 9, 1880, will be held at their office, No. 27 Chambers street, on Thursday, May 26, 1881, at 3 o'clock p. m.

EDWARD COOPER,
JOHN KELLY,
ALLAN CAMPBELL,
GEORGE H. ANDREWS,
DANIEL LORD, JR.,
Commissioners under the Act.

JAMES J. MARTIN,
Clerk.

THE COMMISSIONERS APPOINTED BY CHAPTER 550 of the Laws of 1880, to revise, vacate, or modify assessments for local improvements in the City of New York, give notice to all persons affected thereby that the notices required by the said act must be filed with the Comptroller of said city and a duplicate thereof with the Counsel to the Corporation, as follows:

As to all assessments confirmed subsequent to June 9, 1880, for local improvements theretofore completed, and as to any assessment for local improvements known as Morningside avenues, notices must be filed within two months after the dates upon which such assessments may be respectively confirmed.

The notice must specify the particular assessment complained of, the date of the confirmation of the same, the property affected thereby, and in a brief and concise manner the objections thereto, showing, or tending to show, that the assessment was unfair or unjust in respect to said real estate.

Dated, No. 27 CHAMBERS STREET, May 18, 1881.

EDWARD COOPER,
JOHN KELLY,
ALLAN CAMPBELL,
GEORGE H. ANDREWS,
DANIEL LORD, JR.,
Commissioners under the Act.

JAMES J. MARTIN, Clerk.

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 Tuesday, May 31, 1881, and until 4 o'clock p. m. on said day, for Repairing and Altering Grammar School-House No. 27, on East Forty-second street, near Third avenue.

SEALED PROPOSALS will also be received at the time and place before named for Alterations at Grammar School No. 59, on East Fifty-seventh street, near Third avenue.

RICHARD KELLY, Chairman.
CHARLES L. HOLT, Secretary,
Board of School Trustees, Nineteenth Ward.

SEALED PROPOSALS will be received by the School Trustees of the Twenty-third Ward, until 3 o'clock p. m. on the day and at the place before named, for Additions and Alterations to Grammar School-House No. 60, on College avenue, corner of One Hundred and Forty-fifth street.

WILLIAM HOGG, Chairman.
GEORGE A. J. NORMAN, Secretary,
Board of School Trustees, Twenty-third Ward.

SEALED PROPOSALS will also be received by the School Trustees of the Twenty-second Ward, at the place before named, until Wednesday, June 1, 1881, and until 3 o'clock a. m. on said day, for Enlarging and Repairing Grammar School-House No. 17, on West Forty-seventh street, between Eighth and Ninth avenues.

JAMES R. CUMING, Chairman.
ADNA H. UNDERHILL, Secretary,
Board of School Trustees Twenty-second Ward.
NEW YORK, May 18, 1881.

Plans and specifications may be seen, and blanks for proposals, and all necessary information may be obtained at the office of the Superintendent of School Buildings, No. 146 Grand, corner of Elm street.

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

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

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

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

Dated New York, May 17, 1881.

SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED BY the School Trustees of the Seventh Ward, at the Hall of the Board of Education, corner of Grand and Elm streets, until Tuesday, May 31, 1881, and until 3 o'clock a. m. on said day, for Steam Heating Apparatus for Primary School No. 35, on Monroe street, near Market street.

JAMES W. MCBARRON, Chairman.
GEORGE G. HALLOCK, Secretary,
Board of School Trustees, Seventh Ward.

SEALED PROPOSALS will also be received by the School Trustees of the Thirteenth Ward, at the same place, and until 10 o'clock a. m. on the day before named, for Steam Heating Apparatus for the new Primary School Building on Norfolk street, between Delancey and Rivington streets.

GEO. W. RELYEA, Chairman.
FREDERICK HOLSTEN, Secretary,
Board of School Trustees, Thirteenth Ward.

SEALED PROPOSALS will also be received by the School Trustees of the Sixteenth Ward, at the same place and until 3 o'clock p. m. on the day before named, for Steam Heating Apparatus for Grammar School No. 55, on West Twentieth street, near Seventh avenue.

ALFRED C. HOE, Chairman.
JAMES HARRISON, Secretary,
Board of School Trustees, Sixteenth Ward.

Plans and specifications may be seen, and blanks for proposals and all necessary information may be obtained at the office of the Engineer, No. 146 Grand, corner of Elm street.

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

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

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

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

Dated New York, May 16, 1881.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

HEADQUARTERS
FIRE DEPARTMENT CITY OF NEW YORK,
155 AND 157 MERCER STREET,
NEW YORK, May 10, 1881.

TO CONTRACTORS.

SEALED PROPOSALS FOR FURNISHING AND constructing a Floating Engine and Fire Pumps for the same, will be received by the Board of Commissioners at the head of the Fire Department, at the office of said Department, Nos. 155 and 157 Mercer street, in the City of New York, until 10 o'clock a. m., Wednesday, June 8, 1881, at which time and place they will be publicly opened by the head of said Department and read.

The award of the contract will be made as soon as practicable after the opening of the bids.

Any person making an estimate for the work shall present the same in a sealed envelope, to said Board, at said office, on or before the day and hour above named, which envelope shall be indorsed with the name or names of the person or persons presenting the same, the date of its presentation, and a statement of the work to which it relates.

Separate estimates must be made for constructing and furnishing the Floating Engine complete, without the Fire Pumps, and for the Fire Pumps alone.

Bidders are requested to state, additionally, for what amount per frame they will increase or decrease length of hull and deck house from dead flat forward, in case increased or decreased length should be required.

Two responsible sureties will be required with each estimate, who must each justify, prior to its presentation, in a sum not less than one-half the amount of the estimate. The Floating Engine and Pumps are to be completed in one hundred and sixty (160) days after the date of the contract.

For information as to the amount and kind of work to be done bidders are referred to the specifications and drawings, which form part of these proposals.

The damages to be paid by the contractor for each day that the contract may be unfulfilled after the time specified for the completion thereof shall have expired, are, by a clause in the contract, fixed and liquidated at fifty dollars per day.

Should the person or persons to whom the contract is awarded neglect or refuse to accept the contract for the eight (8) hours after written notice that the same has been awarded to his or their bid or estimate, or if, after acceptance, he or they should refuse or neglect to execute the contract and give proper security within five days after notice that the contract is ready for execution, he or they will be considered as having abandoned it and as in default to the Corporation, and the contract will be re-advertised and relet, and so on until it be accepted and executed.

The Fire Department reserves the right to decline any and all bids or estimates if deemed to be for the public interest. No bid or estimate will be accepted from, or contract awarded to, any person who is in arrears to the Corporation upon debt or contract, or who is a defaulter, as surety or otherwise, upon any obligation to the Corporation.

Each bid or estimate shall contain and state the name and place of residence of each of the persons making the same; the names of all persons interested with him or them therein; and if no other person be so interested, it shall distinctly state that fact; that it is made without any connection with any other person making an estimate for the same purpose, and is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud; and that no member of the Common Council, Head of a Department, Chief of a Bureau, Deputy thereof or Clerk therein, or other officer of the Corporation, is directly or indirectly interested therein, or in the supplies or work to which it relates, or in any portion of the profits thereof. The bid or estimate must be verified by the oath, in writing, of the party or parties making the estimate, that the several matters stated therein are in all respects true. Where more than one person is interested, it is requisite that the verification be made and subscribed by all the parties interested.

Each bid or estimate shall be accompanied by the consent, in writing, of two householders or freeholders in the City of New York, with their respective places of business or residence, to the effect, that if the contract be awarded to the person making the estimate, they will, on its being so awarded, become bound as his sureties for its faithful performance; and that if he shall omit or refuse to execute the same, they will pay to the Corporation any difference between the sum to which he would be entitled on its completion, and that which the Corporation may be obliged to pay to the person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded, in and to the extent of the amount in each case to be calculated upon the estimated amount of the work by which the bids are tested. The consent above mentioned shall be accompanied by the oath or affirmation, in writing, of each of the persons signing the same that he is a householder or freeholder in the City of New York, and will be the amount of the security required for the completion of this contract, over and

above all his debts of every nature, and over and above his liabilities, as bail, surety, or otherwise; and that he has offered himself as a surety in good faith and with the intention to execute the bond required by law. The adequacy and sufficiency of the security offered is to be approved by the Comptroller of the City of New York before the award is made and prior to the signing of the contract.

No estimate will be received or considered after the hour named.

No estimate will be considered unless accompanied by either a certified check upon one of the national banks of the City of New York, drawn to the order of the Comptroller, or money, to the amount of five per centum of the amount of the security required for the faithful performance of the contract. All such deposits, except that of the successful bidder, will be returned to the persons making the same within three days after the contract is awarded. If the successful bidder shall refuse or neglect, within five days after notice that the contract has been awarded to him, to execute the same, the amount of the deposit made by him shall be forfeited to and retained by the City of New York as liquidated damages for such neglect or refusal; but, if he shall execute the contract within the time aforesaid, the amount of his deposit will be returned to him.

Bidders will write out the amount of their estimate, in addition to inserting the same in figures.

The form of the agreement, including drawings and specifications, and showing the manner of payment for the work may be seen at the office of the Department.

CORNELIUS VAN COTT,
VINCENT C. KING,
JOHN J. GORMAN,
Commissioners.

HEAD-QUARTERS
FIRE DEPARTMENT, CITY OF NEW YORK,
155 AND 157 MERCER STREET,
NEW YORK, May 24, 1881.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE terms of the above advertisement inviting proposals for furnishing and constructing a Floating Engine and Fire Pumps have been changed to read that "The Floating Engine and Pumps are to be completed in one hundred and sixty (160) days after the date of the contract;" and that the time for receiving proposals therefor is extended until 10 o'clock a. m., on Wednesday, June 8, 1881.

By order of the Board.
CORNELIUS VAN COTT, President.
CARL JUSSSEN, Secretary.

HEADQUARTERS
FIRE DEPARTMENT, CITY OF NEW YORK,
155 AND 157 MERCER STREET,
NEW YORK, November 7, 1878.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE Board of Commissioners of this Department will meet daily at 10 o'clock a. m., for the transaction of business.

By order of the Board.
VINCENT C. KING, President
JOHN J. GORMAN, Treasurer,
CORNELIUS VAN COTT, Commissioners.
CARL JUSSSEN, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION,
No. 66 THIRD AVENUE.

TO CONTRACTORS.

PROPOSALS FOR DRY GOODS, GROCERIES, CROCKERY, AND MISCELLANEOUS GOODS.

SEALED BIDS OR ESTIMATES FOR FURNISHING

ing DRY GOODS.
1,000 yards Calico.
5,000 " Blue Denims.
10,000 " Ticking.
1,000 " Toweling.
500 " Table Linen.
500 " White flannel.
100 pieces Mosquito Netting.

GROCERIES.
25,000 pounds Brown Sugar.
50 barrels Hominy.
25 " Grits.
5,000 pounds Barley.
2,000 " Dried Apples.
2,000 " Cheese.
1,000 " Laundry Starch.
10 boxes Raisins.
12 dozen Canned Plums.
12 " Canned Cherries.
50 " Canned Corn.
5 " Tomato Catsup.
20 " Sea Foam.
24,000 Fresh Eggs (all candled).

CROCKERY.
5 gross Dinner Plates.
2 " Soap Plates.
5 " Cups.
5 " Saucers.
5 " Bowls.
5 " Mugs.
2 " Tumblers.
1 " Bed Pans.

MISCELLANEOUS.
6 dozen 6-O Paint Brushes.
100 pounds No. 10 Shoe Thread.
500 " 6-8 13 Shoe Nails.
100 bunches ¾ Leather Laces.
500 Rubber Blankets.

—or any part thereof, will be received at the office of the Department of Public Charities and Correction, in the City of New York, until 3 o'clock a. m., of Friday, the 27th day of May, 1881. The person or persons making any bid or estimate shall furnish the same in a sealed envelope, indorsed "Bid or Estimate for Dry Goods, Groceries, Crockery, and Miscellaneous goods," and with his or their name or names, and the date of presentation, to the head of said Department, at the said office, on or before the day and hour above named, at which time and place the bids or estimates received will be publicly opened by the head of said Department and read.

The Department of Public Charities and Correction reserves the right to decline any and all bids or estimates if deemed to be for the public interest, and to accept any bid or estimate as a whole, or for any one or more articles included therein. No bid or estimate will be accepted from, or a contract awarded to, any person who is in arrears to the Corporation upon debt or contract, or who is a defaulter, as surety or otherwise, upon any obligation to the Corporation.

The award of the contract will be made as soon as practicable after the opening of the bids. Delivery will be required to be made from time to time, at such times and in such quantities as may be directed by the said Department; but the entire quantity will be required to be delivered on or before thirty (30) days after the date of the contract. Any bidder for this contract must be known to be engaged in and well prepared for the business, and must have satisfactory testimonials to that effect; and the person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded will be required to give security for the performance of the contract by his or their bond, with two sufficient sureties, in the penal amount of fifty (50) per cent. of the estimated amount of the contract.

Each bid or estimate shall contain and state the name and place of residence of each of the persons making the same; the names of all persons interested with him or them therein; and if no other person be so interested, it shall distinctly state that fact; that it is made without any connection with any other person making an estimate for the same purpose, and is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud; and that no Member of the Common Council, Head of a Department, Chief of a Bureau, Deputy thereof or Clerk therein, or other officer of the Corporation is directly or indirectly interested therein, or in the supplies or work to which it relates, or in any portion of the profits thereof. The bid or estimate must be verified by the oath, in writing, of the party or parties making the estimate, that the several matters stated therein are in all respects true. Where more than one person is interested, it is requisite that the verification be made and subscribed by all the parties interested.

Each bid or estimate shall be accompanied by the consent, in writing, of two householders or freeholders in the City of New York, with their respective places of business or residence, to the effect, that if the contract be awarded to the person making the estimate, they will, on its being so awarded, become bound as his sureties for its faithful performance; and that if he shall omit or refuse to execute the same, they shall pay to the Corporation any difference between the sum to which he would be entitled on its completion and that which the Corporation may be obliged to pay to the person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded at any subsequent letting; the amount in each case to be calculated upon the estimated amount of the work by which the bids are tested. The consent above mentioned shall be accompanied by the oath or affirmation, in writing, of each of the persons signing the same, that he is a householder or freeholder in the City of New York, and is worth the amount of the security required for the completion of this contract, over and above all his debts of every nature, and over and above his liabilities as bail, surety, or otherwise; and that he has offered himself as a surety in good faith and with the intention to execute the bond required by section 27 of chapter 8 of the Revised Ordinances of the City of New York, if the contract shall be awarded to the person or persons for whom he consents to become surety. The adequacy and sufficiency of the security offered to be approved by the Comptroller of the City of New York.

No bid or estimate will be considered unless accompanied by either a certified check upon one of the national banks of the City of New York, drawn to the order of the Comptroller, or money, to the amount of five per centum of the amount of the security required for the faithful performance of the contract. All such deposits, except that of the successful bidder, will be returned to the persons making the same within three days after the contract is awarded. If the successful bidder shall refuse or neglect, within five days after notice that the contract has been awarded to him, to execute the same, the amount of the deposit made by him shall be forfeited to and retained by the City of New York as liquidated damages for such neglect or refusal; but, if he shall execute the contract within the time aforesaid, the amount of his deposit will be returned to him.

Should the person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded neglect or refuse to accept to contract within five days after written notice that the same has been awarded to his or their bid or proposal, or if he or they accept but do not execute the contract and give the proper security, he or they shall be considered as having abandoned it and as in default to the Corporation, and the contract will be re-advertised and relet as provided by law.

The quality of the articles, supplies, goods, wares, and merchandise must conform in every respect to the samples of the same respectively, at the office of the said Department. Bidders are cautioned to examine the specifications for particulars of the articles, etc., required, before making their estimates.

Bidders will state the price for each article, by which the bids will be tested.

Bidders will write out the amount of their estimate in addition to inserting the same in figures.

Payment will be made by a requisition on the Comptroller, issued on the completion of the contract, or from time to time as the Commissioners may determine.

Bidders are informed that no deviation from the specifications will be allowed, unless under the written instruction of the Commissioners of Public Charities and Correction.

The Department of Public Charities and Correction reserves the right to decline any and all bids or estimates if deemed to be for the public interest, and to accept any bid or estimate as a whole, or for any one or more articles included therein. No bid or estimate will be accepted from, or a contract awarded to, any person who is in arrears to the Corporation upon debt or contract, or who is a defaulter, as surety or otherwise, upon any obligation to the Corporation.

The form of the agreement, including specifications, and showing the manner of payment, can be obtained at the office of the Department.

Dated New York, May 14, 1881.
JACOB HESS,
TOWNSEND COX,
THOMAS S. BRENNAN,
Commissioners of the Department of Public Charities and Correction.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION,
No. 66 THIRD AVENUE,
NEW YORK, May 17, 1881.

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 Commissioners of Public Charities and Correction report as follows:

At Morgue, Bellevue Hospital, from foot of Thirty-fifth street, North river—Unknown man; age about 50 years; 5 feet 7 inches high; brown hair, moustache, and side whiskers. Had on brown overcoat, black diagonal coat, vest, and pants, check shirt, white shirt, white flannel undershirt, lilac-colored flannel drawers, woolen stockings, gaiters.

Unknown man, from foot of Twenty-fifth street, East river; age about 35 years; 5 feet 7 inches high; brown hair, chin whiskers, and moustache. Had on brown coat, black vest, dark pants, white socks, gaiters.

Unknown man, from Pier 1, North river; age about 60 years; 5 feet 8 inches high; gray hair and side whiskers; blue eyes. Had on blue flannel coat, black vest, dark striped pants, white shirt, white knit undershirt, white Canton flannel drawers, blue ribbed socks, gaiters.

Unknown man, from Fourth Precinct Station-house; age about 40 years; 5 feet 6 inches high; brown hair, gray mixed beard, and moustache. Had on brown overcoat, check pants and vest, white shirt, colored woolen undershirt, gaiters.

Unknown man, from Pier 55, East river; age about 40 years; 5 feet 7 inches high; brown hair; sandy moustache; blue eyes. Had on gray frock coat, dark striped vest, dark pants, blue check jumper, red flannel drawers, gaiters, black felt hat.

Unknown man, from foot of Eighth street, East river; age about 35 years; 5 feet 8 inches high; sandy moustache, light hair. Had on dark check frock coat, dark vest and pants, blue flannel shirt, gaiters.

At Work-house, Blackwell's Island—Mary Miller alias Louisa Chase; age 47 years. Committed May 5, 1881. Nothing known of her friends or relatives.

James Reilly; age 28 years. Committed April 27, 1881. Nothing known of his friends or relatives.

At Lunatic Asylum, Blackwell's Island—Frances Lehman; age 62 years; 4 feet 7 inches high; gray hair; blue eyes. Nothing known of her friends or relatives.

Ann Feeley; age 40 years; 5 feet 2½ inches high; light hair; blue eyes. Nothing known of her friends or relatives.

At Homeopathic Hospital, Ward's Island—William Hunt; age 52 years; 5 feet 8 inches high; brown hair; hazel eyes. Had on when admitted, brown coat, dark pants, dark vest, gaiters, black felt hat. Nothing known of his friends or relatives.

By Order,
G. F. BRITTON,
Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS,
COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, No. 31 CHAMBERS STREET,
NEW YORK, May 24, 1881.

NOTICE OF SALE AT PUBLIC AUCTION ON
Tuesday, June 14, 1881, at 11 o'clock A. M.
The Department of Public Works will sell at public
auction, on the premises in the town of Carmel, Putnam
County, by Lewis Hill, auctioneer:

The superstructure, woodwork, and machinery of Red
Mills, situate at the junction of the outlets of Lakes Kirk
and Mahopac, in the town of Carmel, Putnam County.

TERMS OF SALE.

Cash payments in bankable funds at the time and place
of sale and the removal of the superstructure, etc., within
thirty days thereafter.

HUBERT O. THOMPSON,
Commissioner of Public Works.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS,
COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, Room 6, No. 31 CHAMBERS ST.,
NEW YORK, May 18, 1881.

TO CONTRACTORS.

BIDS OR ESTIMATES INCLOSED IN A SEALED
envelope, with the title of the work and the name of
the bidder indorsed thereon, also the number of the
work as in the advertisement, will be received at this
office until Tuesday, May 31, 1881, at 12 o'clock M., at
which hour they will be publicly opened by the head of
the department and read, for the following:

- No. 1. SEWER in Water street, between Dover and
Roosevelt streets.
- No. 2. SEWER in Fifteenth street, between Irving place
and Fourth avenue, from end of present sewer
in Fifteenth street.
- No. 3. SEWERS in Ninety-sixth and Ninety-seventh
streets, between Third and Lexington avenues.
- No. 4. SEWER in One Hundred and First street, be-
tween Tenth avenue and Boulevard.
- No. 5. SEWER in One Hundred and Twenty-third
street, between Fourth and Madison avenues.
- No. 6. SEWER in First avenue, between Forty-sixth
and Forty-seventh streets.
- No. 7. SEWERS in Second avenue (east side), between
Sixtieth and Sixty-first streets; and west side,
between Sixty-first and Sixty-second streets.
- No. 8. SEWER in Ninth avenue, east side, between One
Hundred and Forty-eighth and One Hundred
and Fifty-second streets, connecting with present
sewer in Avenue St. Nicholas.

No estimate will be considered unless accompanied by
either a certified check upon one of the National Banks of
the City of New York, drawn to the order of the Comptroller,
or money to the amount of five per centum of the
amount of the security required for the faithful performance
of the contract. All such deposits, except that of
the successful bidder, will be returned to the persons
making the same within three days after the contract is
awarded. If the successful bidder shall neglect or refuse
within five days after notice that the contract has been
awarded to him to execute the same, the amount of
the deposit made by him shall be forfeited to and retained
by the City of New York as liquidated damages for such
neglect or refusal; but if he shall execute the contract
within the time aforesaid, the amount of his deposit will
be returned to him.

Blank forms of bids or estimates, the proper envelopes
in which to inclose the same, the specifications and agree-
ments, and any further information desired can be obtained
on application at the office of the Engineer in Charge of
Sewers, Room No. 9, 31 Chambers street.

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

HUBERT O. THOMPSON,
Commissioner of Public Works.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS,
BUREAU OF WATER REGISTER,
31 CHAMBERS STREET, ROOM 2,
NEW YORK, May, 1881.

CROTON WATER RATES.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE AN-
nual water rates for 1881 are now due and payable
at this office.

Permits for the use of Croton water for washing side-
walks, stoops, areas, etc., must be renewed im-
mediately.

HUBERT O. THOMPSON,
Commissioner of Public Works.

SUPREME COURT.

In the matter of the application of the Commissioners of
the Central Park, for and in behalf of the Mayor,
Aldermen and Commonality of the City of New York,
relative to the opening of Seventy-fourth street, from
Eighth avenue to the Hudson river in the City of New
York.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BILL
of the costs, charges and expenses incurred by reason
of the proceedings in the above-entitled matter, will be
presented for taxation to one of the Justices of the Supreme
Court, at the Chambers thereof, in the new Court-house,
at the City Hall, in the City of New York, on the fourth
day of June, 1881, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon. Said
bill of costs has been filed in the Department of Public
Works, as required by law.

FREDERICK SMYTH,
JACOB F. OAKLEY,
WILLIAM M. TWEED, JR.,
Commissioners.

Dated New York, May 21, 1881.

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

POLICE DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK,
PROPERTY CLERK'S OFFICE,
ROOM NO. 39, NO. 300 MULBERRY STREET,
NEW YORK, May 5, 1881.

OWNERS WANTED BY THE PROPERTY
Clerk of the Police Department, of the City of New
York, 300 Mulberry street, Room No. 39, for the follow-
ing property now in his custody without claimants:
Trunks and contents, bag and contents, male and female
clothing, boots and shoes, hats, carpets, blankets, revolvers,
boats, junk, iron, tin, watches (gold and silver), cloth,
plated ware, tea, coffee, etc., also small amount of money
found and taken from prisoners by patrolmen of this
Department.

C. A. ST. JOHN,
Property Clerk.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT.

CITY OF NEW YORK,
FINANCE DEPARTMENT,
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
May 21, 1881.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY-OWNERS.

IN PURSUANCE OF SECTION 4 OF CHAPTER
33 of the Laws of 1881, the Comptroller of the City of
New York hereby gives public notice to property-owners
that the assessment list for the opening of One Hundred
and Eighth street, from Fifth avenue to Harlem river was
confirmed by the Supreme Court on the 12th day of May,
1881, and entered on the 19th day of May, 1881, in the
Record of Titles of Assessments kept in the Bureau for

the Collection of Assessments and of Arrears of Taxes
and Assessments and of Water Rents.

Section 5 of the said act provides that, "If any such
assessment shall remain unpaid for the period of sixty
days after the date of entry thereof in the said record of
titles of assessments, it shall be the duty of the officer au-
thorized to collect and receive the amount of such assess-
ment, to charge, collect, and receive legal interest thereon,
at the rate of seven per centum per annum, to be calcu-
lated from the date of such entry to the date of payment."

The above assessments are payable to the Collector of
Assessments and Clerk of Arrears, at the "Bureau for the
Collection of Assessments, and of Arrears of Taxes and
Assessments and of Water Rents," from 9 A. M. until 2
P. M., and all payments made thereon, on or before July 19,
1881, will be exempt from interest as above provided, and
after that date will be subject to a charge of interest at the
rate of seven per cent. per annum from the date of entry
in the Record of Titles and Assessments in said Bureau.

ALLAN CAMPBELL,
Comptroller.

SALE OF THE RIGHT, TITLE, AND INTEREST
OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK IN AND TO
CERTAIN LANDS IN THE TWELFTH WARD.

ALL THE RIGHT, TITLE, AND INTEREST OF
the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonality of the City
of New York, in and to certain parcels of land in the
Twelfth Ward of said city, will be sold at public auction
to the highest bidder, at the office of the Comptroller on
Wednesday, June 15, 1881, at 11 o'clock A. M., as follows,
to wit:

First—The lands formerly the bed of a creek running
through all those twenty-eight lots of land situated in the
City of New York, bounded and described as follows:

Commencing at a point on the southerly side of One
Hundred and Second street, distant three hundred and
ten feet easterly from the southeasterly corner of the
Third avenue and One Hundred and Second street, and
running thence easterly along said southerly side of One
Hundred and Second street three hundred feet to the
southwesterly corner of said One Hundred and Second
street and the Second avenue; thence southerly along the
westerly side of said Second avenue one hundred feet and
eleven inches to the centre line of the block; thence
westerly along said centre line of the block parallel with
said One Hundred and Second street one hundred feet;
thence southerly at right angles to said centre line
of the block one hundred feet and eleven inches to the
northerly side of One Hundred and First street;
thence westerly, along said northerly side of One Hundred
and First street, four hundred feet; thence northerly, at
right angles to said northerly side of One Hundred and
First street, one hundred feet and eleven inches to the
centre line of the block; thence easterly, along said centre
line of the block two hundred feet; and thence northerly,
at right angles to said centre line of the block one hun-
dred feet and eleven inches to the southerly side of One
Hundred and Second street at the place of beginning.

Second—The lands in the bed of Sherman's Creek,
running through the block bounded by Post avenue on the
northerly side, Academy street on the easterly side,
Neale avenue on the southerly side, and Dyckman
street on the westerly side, situated in the Twelfth Ward
of the City of New York.

Third—All that certain plot, piece, or parcel of land
situate, lying, and being in the Twelfth Ward of the City
of New York, bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at a point on the southerly side of
Ninety-seventh street, distant one hundred feet
easterly from the corner formed by the intersection of
the southerly side of Ninety-seventh street with the
easterly side of Third avenue; running thence southerly
and parallel with Third avenue one hundred feet and
eleven inches to the centre line of the block between
Ninety-sixth and Ninety-seventh streets; running thence
easterly along said centre line two hundred and sixty
feet; thence northerly and parallel with Third avenue
one hundred feet and eleven inches to the southerly side
of Ninety-seventh street; thence westerly and along said
southerly side of Ninety-seventh street two hundred and
sixty feet to the point or place of beginning.

Also all that certain other plot, piece, or parcel of land
situate in said Twelfth Ward of said City of New York,
and bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a
point on the southerly side of Ninety-seventh street, dis-
tant one hundred feet westerly from the corner formed by
the intersection of the southerly side of Ninety-seventh
street with the westerly side of Second avenue, running
thence southerly and parallel with Second avenue one
hundred feet eleven inches to the centre line of the block
between Ninety-sixth and Ninety-seventh streets; thence
westerly along said centre line fifty feet; thence northerly
and parallel with Second avenue one hundred feet eleven
inches to the southerly side of Ninety-seventh street;
thence easterly and along said southerly side of Ninety-
seventh street fifty feet to the point or place of beginning.

TERMS OF SALE.

The amount bid, and the auctioneer's fee, to be paid at
the time of sale, and the expense attending the execution
of the deeds also to be paid by the purchaser.

ALLAN CAMPBELL,
Comptroller.
CITY OF NEW YORK,
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
May 9, 1881.

CITY OF NEW YORK,
FINANCE DEPARTMENT,
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
May 4th, 1881.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY-OWNERS.

IN PURSUANCE OF SECTION 4 OF CHAPTER
33 of the Laws of 1881, the Comptroller of the City of
New York hereby gives public notice to property-owners
that the following lists of assessments for local improve-
ments in said city were confirmed by the "Board of Re-
vision and Correction of Assessments" on the 28th day
of April, 1881, and on the same date, were entered in the
Record of Titles of Assessments kept in the "Bureau for
the Collection of Assessments, and of Arrears of Taxes
and Assessments, and of Water Rents," viz:

- Avenue B sewer, between 79th and 82d streets.
- 2d avenue sewer, between 75th and 76th streets.
- Lexington avenue sewer, between 103d and 104th
streets.
- 11th avenue sewer, west side, between 59th and 60th
streets.
- 12th avenue sewer, between 131st and 133d streets.
- Laight street sewer, between Washington and West
streets.
- Macdougall street sewer, between West 4th street and
West Washington place.
- Jackson street sewer, between Grand and Madison
streets.
- 68th street sewer, between 4th and Madison avenues,
etc.
- 72d street sewer, between 1st and 2d avenues.
- 73d street sewer, between 8th and 10th avenues.
- 103d street sewer, between 3d and Lexington avenues.
- 104th street sewer, between 9th and 10th avenues.
- 104th street sewer, from 650 feet east of 10th avenue to
75 feet west of 9th avenue.
- 113th street sewer, between 10th avenue and summit
east of 10th avenue.
- 113th street sewer, between Madison and 5th avenues,
etc.
- 122d street sewer, between 6th avenue and summit
west of Sixth avenue.
- 122d street sewer, between 7th avenue and summit east
of 7th avenue.
- 127th street sewer, between 7th and 8th avenues.
- 129th street sewer, between 7th and 8th avenues.
- 130th street sewer, between 6th avenue and Summit
west of 6th avenue.
- 5th avenue basin, west side, between 60th and 61st
streets.
- 11th street basin, southwest corner Dry Dock street.

60th street basin, northeast corner 5th avenue.
93d street regulating, grading, etc., from 2d avenue to
East river.

152d street regulating, grading, etc., from Boulevard to
Hudson river.

Broadway regulating, grading, etc., from Manhattan
street to 133d street.

58th street paving, from 9th to 10th avenue.

4th avenue paving, at intersection of 83d, 84th, 85th and
86th streets.

104th street paving, between 2d and 3d avenues.

13th avenue paving, between West 11th and West 16th
streets.

70th street fencing vacant lots, south side, between 4th
and Lexington avenues.

80th and 81st streets fencing vacant lots, between Madi-
son and 5th avenues.

Madison avenue fencing vacant lots, southeast and south-
west corners 127th street.

Section 5 of the said act provides that, "If any such
assessment shall remain unpaid for the period of sixty
days after the date of entry thereof in the said record of
titles of assessments, it shall be the duty of the officer au-
thorized to collect and receive the amount of such assess-
ment, to charge, collect, and receive legal interest thereon,
at the rate of seven per centum per annum, to be calcu-
lated from the date of such entry to the date of payment."

The above assessments are payable to the Collector of
Assessments and Clerk of Arrears, at the "Bureau for the
Collection of Assessments, and of Arrears of Taxes and
Assessments and of Water Rents," from 9 A. M. until 2
P. M., and all payments made thereon, on or before July 5,
1881, will be exempt from interest as above provided, and
after that date will be subject to a charge of interest at the
rate of seven per cent. per annum from the date of entry
in the record of titles of assessments in said Bureau.

ALLAN CAMPBELL,
Comptroller.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE,
BUREAU FOR COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS, AND OF
ARREARS OF TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS, AND OF
WATER RENTS, NEW COUNTY COURT-HOUSE,
CITY HALL PARK,
NEW YORK, April 25, 1881.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY-HOLDERS.

PROPERTY-HOLDERS ARE HEREBY NOTI-
fied that the following assessment list was received
by the Collector of Assessments and Clerk of Arrears,
April 25, 1881, for collection:

CONFIRMED APRIL 14, 1881, AND ENTERED APRIL 25, 1881.

80th street opening, from 8th avenue to New road, and
from 12th avenue to the Hudson river. All payments
made on the above assessment on or
before June 24, 1881, 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 above assessments are payable at the "Bureau for
the Collection of Assessments, and of Arrears of Taxes
and Assessments, and of Water Rents," from 9 A. M.
until 2 P. M.

A. S. CADY,
Collector of Assessments and Clerk of Arrears.

NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS.

RELATING TO THE PAYMENT OF UNPAID
TAXES, ASSESSMENTS, AND CROTON WATER
RENTS.

THE COMPTROLLER OF THE CITY OF NEW
York hereby gives notice to owners of real and per-
sonal estate in this city, that all unpaid taxes, assess-
ments, and Croton water rents may now be paid with
interest thereon at the rate of seven per cent. per annum,
as provided by chapter 33 of the Laws of 1881, which is as
follows:

CHAPTER 33.

AN ACT relative to the collection of taxes and assessments,
and of arrears of taxes and assessments, and Croton
water rents, in the City of New York.

(Passed March 16, 1881; three-fifths being present.)

The People of the State of New York, represented in
Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. If any taxes of any year shall remain unpaid
on the first day of November after the assessment-rolls
and the warrants to collect such taxes have been delivered
to the Receiver of Taxes in the City of New York, it shall
be the duty of said Receiver to give public notice, by ad-
vertisement for at least ten days in two of the daily news-
papers, and in the CITY RECORD, printed and published in
said city, respectively, that unless the same shall be paid
to him at his office on or before the first day of December,
in any such year, he will immediately thereafter proceed
to collect such unpaid taxes, as provided in the following
section of this act:

Section 2. If any such tax shall remain unpaid on the
said first day of December, it shall be the duty of the said
Receiver of Taxes in said city to charge, receive, and collect
upon such tax so remaining unpaid on that day, in addi-
tion to the amount of such tax, one per centum on the
amount thereof; and to charge, receive, and collect upon
such tax so remaining unpaid on the first day of January
thereafter, interest upon the amount thereof at the rate of
seven per centum per annum, to be calculated from the
day on which said assessment-rolls and warrants shall
have been delivered to the said Receiver of Taxes to the
date of payment.

The same rate of interest shall be so charged and col-
lected upon any tax levied in the year eighteen hundred
and eighty, remaining unpaid at the date of the passage of
this act.

Section 3. All existing provisions of law which impose a
charge and require the collection of interest at the rate of
twelve per centum per annum upon arrears of taxes on
real and personal estate within the City of New York,
upon arrears of assessments for local improvements and
street openings in said city, and upon arrears of Croton
water rents in said city, are hereby repealed; and in lieu
of such charge of interest at the rate of twelve per centum
per annum, there shall be charged and collected by the
officer authorized to collect and receive any such arrears
of taxes and assessments and Croton water rents, interest
upon the amount thereof at the rate of seven per centum
per annum, to be calculated for the same period as inter-
est at the rate of twelve per centum per annum is now re-
quired by law to be calculated thereon. This provision
shall apply to taxes, assessments, or Croton water rents
remaining unpaid and due, for the non-payment of which
the lands and tenements liable therefor shall be hereafter
sold at public auction as now provided by law; provided,
however, that nothing in this act shall be construed to
affect the rights of purchasers at sales for taxes, assess-
ments, or Croton water rents, heretofore made, or to
authorize the redemption of lands and tenements from
sales heretofore made for any lesser sums than the sums
collectible for such redemption under the provisions of
existing laws.

Section 4. It shall be the duty of the Comptroller of the
City of New York to give public notice, by advertisement,
for at least ten days, in the CITY RECORD, printed and
published in said city, immediately after the confirmation
of any assessment for a local improvement or street open-
ing in said city, that the same has been confirmed
specifying the title of such assessment and the date of its
confirmation by the Board of Revision and Correction of
Assessments in proceedings for local improvements, and
by the Supreme Court in proceedings for street openings,
and also the date of entry in the record of titles of assess-
ments kept in the Bureau for the Collection of Assessments,
and of Arrears of Taxes and Assessments, and of Croton
water rents, notifying all persons, owners of property
affected by any such assessment, that, unless the amount
assessed for benefit on any person or property shall be
paid within sixty days after the date of said entry of any
such assessment, interest shall thereafter be collected
thereon as provided in the following section of this act,
and the provisions of law or ordinance requiring any other
or different notice of assessments and interest thereon are
hereby repealed.

Section 5. If any such assessment shall remain unpaid
for the period of sixty days after the date of entry thereof
in the said record of titles of assessments, it shall be the

duty of the officer authorized to collect and receive the
amount of such assessment, to charge, collect, and receive
legal interest thereon, at the rate of seven per centum per
annum, to be calculated from the date of such entry to
the date of payment.

Section 6. This act shall take effect immediately.
ALLAN CAMPBELL,
Comptroller.

CITY OF NEW YORK—DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE,
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, March 18, 1881.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE,
BUREAU FOR COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS,
AND OF ARREARS OF TAXES AND ASSES-
MENTS, AND OF WATER RENTS,
NEW COUNTY COURT-HOUSE, CITY HALL PARK,
NEW YORK, February 1, 1881.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY-HOLDERS.

PROPERTY-HOLDERS ARE HEREBY NOTI-
fied that the following assessment list was received
by the Collector of Assessments and Clerk of Arrears,
January 29, 1881, for collection:

CONFIRMED JANUARY 25, 1881, AND ENTERED JANUARY 29,
1881, NAMELY:

153d street, opening, from the easterly line of the New
Avenue lying between 8th and 9th avenues, to the Har-
lem river.

All payments made on the above assessment on or before
March 30, 1881, 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 above assessments are payable at the "Bureau for
the Collection of Assessments, and of Arrears of Taxes
and Assessments, and of Water Rents," from 9 A. M. until
2 P. M.

A. S. CADY,
Collector of Assessments and Clerk of Arrears.

ORDER OF THE COMPTROLLER OF THE CITY
OF NEW YORK, CONSOLIDATING CERTAIN
BUREAUX IN THE FINANCE DEPART-
MENT.

SECTION 3 OF CHAPTER 321 OF THE LAWS
of 1880, requires that heads of departments shall
reduce the aggregate expenses of their respective
departments by a reduction of salaries, and confers upon
them authority to consolidate bureaux and offices for that
purpose, as follows, to wit:

"In making the reduction herein required, every head
of department may abolish and consolidate offices and
"bureaux, and discharge subordinates in the same
"department."

The Comptroller of the City of New York, in pursuance
of the duty imposed and the authority thus conferred upon
him, hereby orders and directs that the following Bureaux
in the Finance Department shall be consolidated, the
consolidation thereof to take effect on the first day of
January, 1881, viz:

First—"The Bureau or the Collection of Assessments,
and "The Bureau for the Collection of Arrears of Taxes
and Assessments and of Water Rents," shall be consoli-
dated as one bureau, and on and after January 1, 1881,
shall be known as "The Bureau for the Collection of
Assessments and of Arrears of Taxes and Assessments and
of Water Rents," and possess all the power conferred and
perform all the duties imposed by law and ordinance upon
both said bureaux, and the officers thereof; the chief
officer of which consolidated bureau shall be called "Col-
lector of Assessments and Clerk of Arrears."

Second—"The Bureau for the Collection of the Revenue
accruing from rents, and interest on bonds and mortgages,
revenue arising from the use or sale of property belong-
ing to or managed by the city," and "The Bureau of
Markets," shall be consolidated as one Bureau, and on
and after January 1, 1881, shall be known as "The
Bureau for the Collection of City Revenue and of
Markets," and possess all the powers conferred and per-
form all the duties imposed by law and ordinance upon
both said bureaux, and the officers thereof; the chief
officer of which said consolidated Bureau shall be called
"Collector of City Revenue and Superintendent of
Markets."

CITY OF NEW YORK, FINANCE DEPARTMENT,
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, Dec. 31, 1880.
ALLAN CAMPBELL,
Comptroller.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT—COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
NEW YORK, January 22, 1880.

NOTICE TO OWNERS OF REAL ESTATE IN THE
TWENTY-THIRD AND TWENTY-FOURTH
WARDS OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

THE COMPTROLLER OF THE CITY OF NEW
York hereby gives notice to owners of real estate in
the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, that pursuant
to an act of the Legislature of the State of New York,
entitled "An act to provide for the adjustment and pay-
ment of unpaid taxes due the county of Westchester by
the towns of West Farms, Morrisania, and Kingsbridge,
lately annexed to the city and county of New York,"
passed May 22, 1878, the unpaid taxes of said town have
been adjusted and the amount determined as provided in
said act, and that the accounts, including sales for taxes
levied prior to the year 1874, by the Treasurer of the
County of Westchester, and bid in on account of said
towns, and also the unpaid taxes of the year 1873, known
as Rejected Taxes, have been filed for collection in the
Bureau of Arrears in the Finance Department of the City
of New York.

Payments for the redemption of lands so sold for taxes
by the Treasurer of the County of Westchester, and bid
in on account of said towns, and payments also of said
Rejected Taxes of the year 1873, must be made hereafter
to the Clerk of Arrears of the City of New York.

N. B.—Interest at the rate of twelve per cent. per annum
is due and payable on the amount of said sales for taxes
and said rejected taxes.

ALLAN CAMPBELL,
Comptroller.

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 trans-
fers of real estate in the City of New York from 1653 to
1857, prepared under the direction of the Commissioners
of Records.

Grants, grantees, suits in equity, insolvents' and
Sheriffs' sales, in 61 volumes, full bound, price, \$100 00
The same, in 25 volumes, half bound, price, 50 00
Complete sets, folded, ready for binding, price, 15 00
Records of judgments, 25 volumes, bound, price, 10 00
Orders should be addressed to "Mr. Stephen Angell,
Comptroller's Office, New County Court-house."

ALLAN CAMPBELL,
Comptroller.

THE CITY RECORD.

OFFICE OF THE CITY RECORD,
No. 2 CITY HALL.

PUBLIC NOTICE.

UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE THE BUSINESS OF
the CITY RECORD office will be transacted at Room
No. 4, City Hall, northeast corner.

THOMAS COSTIGAN,
Supervisor.