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COMMISSIONERS OF THE SINKING FUND.

Abstract of the Proceedings of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, at the meeting held December 10, 1874.

Present—Hon. Samuel B. H. Vance, Mayor; Hon. John K. Hackett, Recorder; Hon. Andrew H. Green, Comptroller; George W. Lane, Esq., Chamberlain; and Jenkins Van Schaick, Esq., Chairman of Finance Committee, Board of Aldermen.

The death of the Hon. William F. Havemeyer, late Chairman, having been announced, the Recorder moved that the Hon. Samuel B. H. Vance, Mayor, be appointed Chairman of this Board, which, on motion, was adopted, and Mr. Vance took his seat as such Chairman.

The Comptroller submitted the following resolution, which, on motion, was adopted, viz.:

Resolved, That the Comptroller, in accordance with subdivision 11 of sec. 6 of the Act, chap. 574 of the Laws of 1871, be and hereby is directed to prepare and issue, from time to time, two hundred and fifty thousand dollars "Dock Bonds of the City of New York," for the purpose of raising the moneys necessary to carry out the provisions of said act, relating to the Department of Docks, its powers and duties, being part of the amount asked for by the Commissioners of Docks, in their requisition dated March 25, 1874.

The resolution awarding the lease of the ferry from the foot of Houston street, East river, to Grand street, Brooklyn, to the Houston Street Ferry Associates, submitted May 6, 1874, and laid over for consideration, was taken up for action, and, on motion of the Comptroller, adopted, as follows, viz.:

Resolved, That the Ferry from the foot of Houston street, East river, to Grand street, Brooklyn, for the term of five years, from May 1, 1874, be awarded to the Houston Street Ferry Associates, by their individual or corporate names, at an annual rent of \$6,500, and two and one-half per centum on the gross receipts; and that the Council to the Corporation be requested to prepare a lease therefor, with the usual covenants, and in accordance with the terms of the advertisement of the Corporation sale of Ferry Franchises of April 24, 1874.

A communication was received from the Commissioners of Docks, in relation to an agreement submitted August 7, 1874, for the approval of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, made by the Department of Docks, with Joshua S. Peck and John C. Wandell, holders of the lease of certain wharf property at the foot of Canal and Spring streets, North river, for the purchase of all their right, title, and interest in and to a certain lease made by the Corporation of the City of New York to William J. Peck, dated May 15, 1866, and expiring June 1, 1876, granting a franchise for a ferry to the New Jersey shore, and including the use of certain wharf property at the foot of Spring street, North river, for the sum of \$10,000 dollars, notifying the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund that said agreement has been amended so that the sum to be paid to said Peck & Wandell shall be \$7,500, instead of the sum of \$10,000, as set forth in said agreement; said sum of \$7,500 to be paid by the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund to Peck & Wandell, on or before the 14th day of December, 1874—whereupon the Comptroller submitted the following resolution, which, on motion, was adopted, viz.:

Resolved, That the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund hereby approve of the agreement made in pursuance of sub-division 4 of section 6 of chapter 574, Laws of 1871, by the Board governing the Department of Docks, and Messrs. Peck & Wandell, dated, April 30, 1874, as modified by a resolution of the said Board, adopted November 24, 1874, for the purchase, at the sum of seven thousand five hundred dollars (\$7,500), of the franchise for a ferry to the New Jersey shore, including the use of the basin and bulkhead at the foot of Spring street, North river, and the halves of the piers adjacent thereto (being the north half and L of Pier 42, and that portion of the south half of Pier 43, which extends from the bulkhead to the L), as covered and granted by a lease from the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York, to William J. Peck, dated, May 15, 1866, and expiring June 1, 1876; and now held by said Peck & Wandell, and of which they agree to make a full and complete assignment and transfer to said Department of Docks.

The application of Harris Levy for reduction of rent of house No. 93 Chatham street, leased from the Corporation, was received, and, on motion, the application was denied.

A communication was received from the Department of Docks, transmitting a "Copy of the Map of this City, just published by said Department, Showing the High and Low Water Marks, and the Grants of Land under Water, and the several Pier and Bulkhead Lines, as Established prior to 1873," which, on motion, was laid over for consideration.

The Comptroller moved that the Mayor and Chamberlain be appointed a committee to examine the securities held by the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, which, on motion, was adopted.

A communication was received from the Commissioners of Docks, in relation to lease of ferry foot of Houston street, East river, which, on motion, was placed on file.

The Chairman of the Finance Committee, Board of Aldermen, submitted the following resolution, which, on motion, was adopted, viz.:

Resolved, That the Comptroller be and he is hereby authorized to give the Howard Relief Association the free use of the premises occupied by them last winter, without charge, provided such premises are not in use, and such permission to continue only during the pleasure of this Commission.

W. H. DIKEMAN,
Clerk.

BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND APPORTIONMENT.

COMPTRROLLER'S OFFICE,
NEW COURT-HOUSE,

Tuesday, Dec. 22, 1874, 2 o'clock P.M.

The Board met pursuant to the following call:

OFFICE OF THE MAYORALTY,
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, CITY HALL,
NEW YORK, ————— 1874.

In pursuance of the authority contained in the 112th section of chapter 335, being an act entitled "An Act to reorganize the local government of the City of New York," passed April 30, 1873; and section 1 of chapter 779, being an act entitled "An Act in relation to raising money by taxation in the County of New York, for county purposes," passed June 14, 1873; and chapter 304, being an act entitled "An Act to consolidate the government of the City and County of New York and further to regulate the same," passed April 30, 1874; and chapter 303, being an act entitled "An Act in relation to the Estimates and Apportionment for the support of the government of the County of New York," passed April 30, 1874; and chapter 308, being an act entitled "An Act in relation to the Estimates and Apportionment for the support of the government of the City of New York," passed May 1, 1874; a meeting is hereby called of the Mayor, Comptroller, President of the Board of Aldermen, and the President of the Department of Taxes and Assessment, constituting Board of Estimate and Apportionment, to be held at the office of the Comptroller, on Tuesday, the 22d day of December, 1874, at 2 o'clock P.M., for the purpose of considering and finally determining the Estimates for 1875, distributing the Excise funds, and dispensing of such other business as may properly be brought before the Board.

SAMUEL B. H. VANCE,
Mayor.

INDORSED:

Admission of a copy of the within, as served upon us this day, December 18, 1874.

SAMUEL B. H. VANCE,
Mayor.

ANDREW H. GREEN,
Comptroller.

RICHARD FLANAGAN,
President of the Board of Aldermen.

JOHN WHEELER,
President of the Department of
Taxes and Assessments.

Present—All the members, viz.:

Samuel B. H. Vance, the Mayor of the City of New York; Andrew H. Green, the Comptroller of the City of New York; Richard Flanagan, the President of the Board of Aldermen; and John Wheeler, the President of the Department of Taxes and Assessments.

The minutes of the meeting held November 21, 1874, were read and approved.

The Secretary moved to suspend the rule adopted by the Board at meeting of June 23, 1874, relating to calls of meetings, in order to act upon the resolutions now to be proposed by the Comptroller for the issue of "New York City Bonds for the Liquidation of Claims and Judgments;" "Assessment Bonds of the City of New York;" "City Parks Improvement Fund Stock;" "Additional New Croton Aqueduct Stock;" "Bonds of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of New York;" and to make appropriation for "Nautical School."

Which was agreed to.

The Comptroller offered for adoption the following resolution:

Resolved, That the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) is hereby transferred from the following appropriations:

Commissioners of Records—Expenditures of 1871..... \$2,000 00
Repairing and Preserving Records—

Register's office, 1871..... 2,500 00

Salaries—Jury, 1871..... 5,500 00

\$10,000 00

the same being in excess of the amount required for the purposes and objects thereof, to the appropriation "Foundling Asylum under charge of the

Sisters of Charity," the amount of said appropriation being insufficient.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

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

The Comptroller offered for adoption the following resolution:

Resolved, That the sum of eighty dollars (\$80) is hereby transferred from the appropriation for "Advertising" (County), 1872, the same being in excess of the amount required for the purposes and objects thereof, to the appropriation for "Advertising" (County), 1873, the amount of said appropriation being insufficient.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

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

The Comptroller offered for adoption the following resolution:

Resolved, That the sum of seven hundred and fifty-eight dollars and thirteen cents (\$758.13) is hereby transferred from the appropriation for "The Roman Catholic House of the Good Shepherd" for 1872, the same being in excess of the amount required for the purposes and objects thereof, to the appropriation for "Children's Fold of the City of New York," the amount of said appropriation being insufficient.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

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

The Comptroller offered for adoption the following resolution:

Resolved, That the sum of two hundred and thirty-nine dollars (\$239) is hereby transferred from the appropriation, "Repairs to Offices and Buildings formerly belonging to the County" for 1873, the same being in excess of the amount required for the purposes and objects thereof, to the same title of appropriation for 1874, the amount of said appropriation being insufficient.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

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

The Comptroller offered for adoption the following resolution:

Resolved, That the sum of one hundred and seventy-five dollars (\$175) is hereby transferred from the appropriation for "Incumbrances in Harbor, Removal of," 1871, the same being in excess of the amount required for the purposes and objects thereof, to the same title of appropriation for 1874, the amount of said appropriation being insufficient.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

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

The Comptroller offered for adoption the following resolution:

Resolved, That the sum of two thousand and seven dollars and sixty cents (\$2,007.60) is hereby transferred from the appropriation, "Publication of CITY RECORD and Advertising," 1873, the same being in excess of the amount required for the purposes and objects thereof, to the appropriation for 1874, the amount of said appropriation being insufficient.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

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

The Comptroller offered for adoption the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Comptroller be and he is hereby authorized to issue bonds of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of New York, as authorized by section 8 of chapter 604 of the Laws of 1874, to meet the requirements of the Department of Parks, in accordance with a requisition upon the Comptroller, dated June 12, 1874, forty thousand dollars (\$40,900).

Which was laid over.

Communications were presented from the following institutions, asking for appropriations from the Excise Fund:

New York Colored Mission.
Central Dispensary.
Free Dormitory for Women.

York City Bonds for the Liquidation of Claims and Judgments," and bear interest not exceeding seven per cent. per annum, and payable at such time within three years as the Comptroller may determine.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

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

The Comptroller offered for adoption the following resolution:

Resolved, That, in pursuance of the authority conferred upon the Board of Estimate and Apportionment by the provisions of sec. 112, chap. 335, Laws of 1873, the Comptroller be and he is hereby authorized to issue from time to time, as may be required, and at such rates of interest as he may determine, not exceeding seven per cent. per annum, "Assessment Bonds of the City of New York," as authorized by chap. 397, Laws of 1852, and chap. 580, Laws of 1872, two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000).

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

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

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

The Comptroller offered for adoption the following resolution:

Resolved, That the sum of \$50,000 is hereby appropriated under the head of "Nautical School," as provided by section 3 of chapter 288, Laws of 1873, said amount having been raised by tax in the year 1873.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

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

The Comptroller offered for adoption the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Comptroller be and he is hereby authorized to issue, from time to time, as may be required, and at such rates of interest as he may determine, not exceeding seven per cent. per annum, "City Parks Improvement Fund Stock," as authorized by chap. 645, Laws of 1874, as per requisition of the Department of Public Parks, dated December 8, 1874, fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000).

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

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

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

The Comptroller offered for adoption the following resolution:

Resolved, That, in pursuance of the authority conferred upon the Board of Estimate and Apportionment by provisions of section 112 of chapter 335 of the Laws of 1873, the Comptroller be and he is hereby authorized to issue, from time to time, as may be required, and at such rates of interest as he may determine, not exceeding seven per cent. per annum, "Additional New Croton Aqueduct Stock" of the City of New York, as authorized by chapter 230, Laws of 1870, to meet the requirements of the Department of Public Works, as per requisition of said Department, dated November 20, 1874, one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000).

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

Demilt Dispensary.
Ladies' Union Relief Association.
Five Points Mission.
St. Barnabas Home.
Colored Orphan Asylum.
Orphan Home and Asylum of P. E. Church.
Blind Mechanics' Association.
St. Luke's Home for Indigent Children, Females.
Home for Fallen and Friendless Girls.
Northeastern Homeopathic Dispensary.
Five Points House of Industry.
Harlem Homeopathic Dispensary.
Metropolitan Throat Hospital.
St. Mary's Hospital.
House of Mercy, Eighty-sixth street.
New York Dispensary for Diseases of Throat and Chest.
New York State Hospital for Diseases of Nervous System.
Society of St. Vincent de Paul of City of New York.
St. Joseph's Orphan Asylum.
St. Francis' Hospital.
Western Homeopathic Dispensary.
Northern Dispensary.
New York Juvenile Asylum.
Institution of Mercy.
St. Vincent's Industrial Home.
New York Dispensary.
New York Free Dispensary for Sick Children.
Foundling Asylum.
New York Catholic Protectory.
St. James' Industrial School.
St. Joseph's Industrial School.
Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum.
Home for the Aged, under charge of Little Sisters of the Poor.
St. Joseph's Home.
Women's Aid.
Which were laid over.

The Comptroller moved that when the Board adjourn, it do so to meet to-morrow, December 23, 1874, at 11:30 o'clock, A. M., to consider the final estimate, and the appropriations from the Excise Fund, and such other business as may come before the Board.

On motion, the Board adjourned.

JOHN WHEELER,
Secretary.

BOARD OF EDUCATION.

December 16, 1874.

The Board of Education held a stated session at the hall of the Board on Wednesday, December 16, at 4 o'clock P. M.

Present—William H. Neilson, Esq., President, and Commissioners Baker, Brown, Dowd, Farr, Fuller, Halsted, Jenkins, Klamroth, Mathewson, Patterson, Townsend, Traud, West, and Wetmore—15.

Absent—Commissioners Beardslee, Kelly, Lewis, Man, Seligman, and Vermilye—6.

The President put the question whether the Board would adopt the minutes of the stated session, held on December 2, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The President announced that the absence of Commissioner Beardslee was occasioned by severe illness, and that of Commissioner Man by absence from the city.

COMMUNICATIONS OR REPORTS FROM TRUSTEES.

The President laid before the Board the following communications:

Teachers.

From the Seventeenth Ward, nominating Miss Elizabeth Walker for Vice-Principal of Primary School No. 22.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

From the Fifth, Ninth, Eleventh, Twelfth, Thirteenth, Fifteenth, Seventeenth, Twentieth, and Twenty-second Wards, asking to excuse absence of certain teachers.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers, with power.

Warming and Ventilation.

From the Trustees of the Fifth Ward, for increase of heating facilities in Grammar School building No. 44.

School Furniture.

From the Trustees of the Sixth Ward, asking for additional seats in Female Evening School No. 24.

Referred to the Committee on School Furniture.

Evening Schools.

From the Twelfth Ward, nominating Teachers for Evening School No. 37.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

Buildings.

From the Eleventh Ward, asking for repairs to Grammar School building No. 15, damaged by fire on December 14.

Referred to the Committee on Buildings.

Sites and New Schools.

From the Nineteenth Ward, asking that application be made for ten lots of city property on Sixty-seventh and Sixty-eighth streets, for a Grammar School.

Referred to the Committee on Sites and New Schools.

By-Laws, etc.

From Twentieth and Twenty-first Wards, asking for an amendment of the By-Laws, relative to additional Teachers.

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws.

From the Eleventh Ward, relative to salary of Mrs. M. N. Clark, Principal of Female Department, Grammar School No. 36.

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws.

Finance.

From the Eleventh Ward, asking for an extra allowance for incidentals, etc.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From the Twenty-second Ward, making the award of contracts for new school building in West Fifty-fourth street, and asking for \$73,576 for said purpose.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From Twenty-fourth Ward, making the award of contracts for alterations, etc., in Grammar School building, No. 66, and asking for an appropriation of \$6,040.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

Miscellaneous.

From John Grey, carpenter, bill for extra work on Grammar School building No. 2, \$504.90.

From James Riley, painter, for extra work, No. 2, \$400.

From Guy Varian, mason, extra work on No. 2, \$162.32.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

Bills for extra work on Grammar School building No. 45, Sixteenth Ward:

David Christie, mason	.....	\$518 62
A. C. McKenzie, carpenter	.....	208 31
Cornelius Ford, painter	.....	167 90
Workshop of Board of Education	.....	459 01
W. H. Ertell, gas fixtures	.....	50 95
Davis & Lewis, lumber	.....	134 05
John Harrison, roof	.....	68 92

Referred to the Finance Committee.

From Theodore H. Mead, declining to serve as School Trustee in the Seventeenth Ward.

Referred to the Committee on Nomination of Trustees.

From Joachim Aaron, and also from A. Bentz, relative to conduct of certain teachers towards their children.

Referred to the Committee on Teachers.

Applications for appointments, under the Compulsory Education Law, as Agents of Truancy, from James Candler, Jr., Alexander M. Stanton, Matthew A. Berryman, and Bernard Kelly.

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

From Martin B. Brown, to have Haggerty's Charts of German placed on the List of Supplies.

Referred to the Committee on Course of Study and School Books.

SPECIAL ORDER.

The special order of business being the report of the Committee on By-Laws, Elections, and Qualifications, relative to the Compulsory Education Law, was taken up for consideration.

On motion of Commissioner Townsend, Section 7 was amended by adding thereto the following:

"And said Superintendent and Truant Agents shall hold office during the pleasure of the Board of Education, and all their acts shall be subject to the control and direction of the said Board."

On motion of Commissioner Klamroth, the name "Truant Agents" was stricken out, and "Agents of Truancy" inserted wherever it occurs.

The report was adopted as amended.

[For report, etc., see CITY RECORD, Dec. 9.]

RESOLUTIONS TO BE REFERRED OR PASSED WITHOUT OBJECTION.

Commissioner Patterson offered a resolution relative to an amendment of the By-Laws.

Referred to the Committee on By-Laws.

Commissioner Wetmore offered a resolution relative to supplying Nautical School Ship St. Marys with Croton water.

Adopted.

Commissioner Farr offered a resolution that when the Board adjourn it adjourn to meet on Wednesday, December 30. Adopted.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

Auditing.

Commissioner West presented a report from the Auditing Committee, recommending payment of sundry bills for printing, advertising, etc.

Adopted.

Teachers.

Commissioner Halsted presented reports from the Committee on Teachers, as follows:

Recommending the appointment of Miss Sarah J. Tooker, for Vice-Principal, Primary Department, Grammar School No. 7.

Adopted.

Recommending the appointment of Miss Alberta Croley and Miss Jennette Robertson, Principal and Vice-Principal of Female Department, Grammar School No. 4.

Adopted.

Recommending Miss Caroline H. Appleton and Miss Mary A. Tremper, for Principal and Vice-Principal of Female Department, Grammar School No. 34.

Adopted.

Relative to protest of James Kirby, Grammar School No. 19.

Adopted.

Sites and New Schools.

Authorizing Trustees of Nineteenth Ward to organize a new Primary School in First avenue, near Fifty-second street, to be known as Primary School No. 35.

Adopted.

Course of Study and School Books.

Commissioner Brown presented a report from the Committee on Course of Study and School Books, recommending that sundry books, etc., be added to the list of supplies.

Adopted.

Commissioner Brown presented the following report from the Committee on Course of Study and School Books, relative to the German language:

To the Board of Education:

The Committee on the Course of Study, etc., to whom was referred a report from the City Superintendent, stating the result of a partial examination

of the classes pursuing the study of German, and calling the attention of the Board to certain irregularities in connection with the teaching of said language in the Grammar Schools, respectfully submit the following statement and recommendations contained therein, for the consideration of the Board.

The study of German has been pursued in the Common Schools of this City, either as a special or regular branch, for about twenty years. Previous to 1870 it was pursued exclusively as a special branch, being entirely independent of the regular Course of Instruction, not recognized in the promotions and awards of certificates, etc., and, hence, as it was not effected by the usual means of encouraging or compelling the attention of the pupils to the recitations and exercises, and was generally viewed by the principals as superfluous, or as impeding the progress required in other studies, it was of very little benefit.

The teachers giving this instruction were additional to the regular corps, attended two or three hours per week at the school for the purpose, and received a salary determined by time employed at a fixed rate per hour. Under this system the expense incurred by the Board for this instruction, amounting to about \$12,000 per annum, was virtually useless, since the attainments made by the pupils were so inconsiderable as to be of no practical value.

In 1869, the Board of Education, after a careful consideration of the whole subject of teaching modern languages in the schools, abolished the system of special instruction for the German language, and made provision for introducing it as a regular branch of study in the Grammar Schools, wherever it should be found acceptable, and also for supplying additional teachers temporarily, with the expectation that in a short time this branch, like arithmetic, geography, and other ordinary branches, would be taught by one or more of the regular corps of teachers, without the need of any additional expense.

Various circumstances have delayed the full realization of this plan; and, consequently, at present, while the instruction is neither thorough nor uniform, a large additional expense is yearly incurred, which your Committee think should, by this time have been obviated or greatly reduced: and there is no doubt that this result will be eventually reached if Sec. 77 of the By-Laws be strictly carried into effect, by the entire abolition of the old system of partial instruction by special teachers, which seems to be required by said section.

There seems, however, to be a conflict between the requirements of this section and Section 39 which provides for the payment of special German instructors, and by implication recognizes their employment as legal.

Your Committee recommend, therefore, that the words of this section, "or a special teacher of the German," be stricken out, and that due notice of this change be given to the Trustees of the several Wards, and also that, under the authority of the Board, the principals of the Grammar Schools be admonished that the various provisions of the By-Laws in regard to this subject must be carefully and uniformly complied with, inasmuch as there seems to be an indifference in regard to it and a disposition to view it as of little importance.

Your Committee think, also, that the time to be given to this branch should be regulated, as the City Superintendent's report shows that there is a great want of uniformity in this respect—in some schools too much and in others too little time being devoted to this purpose. As a proper regulation and restriction, the Committee suggest that the number of recitations should be four per week of not less than thirty minutes each.

Arrangements having been perfected by the Board for the successful instruction of all the pupils in this branch, as well as for its supervision, it is of the greatest importance that such measures should be adopted as will secure the fullest realization of its benefits to the pupils of the schools, as well as to our Common School System.

Already, both have been benefited to a considerable degree by these arrangements of the Board; pupils attending German private schools have in large numbers left those schools to connect themselves with the public schools, and in this way not only has our system of public instruction been made more popular, but it has become more effective as a means of Americanizing the citizens of foreign birth, and their children, who constitute so large a part of our population, by bringing them in immediate and daily contact with the children of Anglo-American birth, and under such educational and moral influence which tends to make them a thoroughly homogeneous part of our nation. The more effective this department of instruction is made, the more successful will our system be in this respect, and the more nearly shall we approach to that desirable consummation of bringing under the influence of our Common Schools the children of all classes of our people, as well as of every nationality and creed. The importance of this consideration will be obvious in view of the fact that at least 11,000 German pupils are in daily attendance at the Catholic Parochial, Lutheran, and German private schools.

In other cities of the Union the same great object has been kept in view, and we find ample provision for teaching the German language in St. Louis, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Milwaukee, Buffalo, San Francisco, Indianapolis, Louisville, Quincy, Rochester, Richmond, Wheeling, and in a large number of smaller towns. In Ohio, Indiana, Illinois and other Western States, the laws of the State provide that whenever a certain number of parents of a school district desire the introduction of the study of German into the public schools, the trustees are bound to introduce it, and under the operation of this law the number of public schools in which German is taught is rapidly increasing throughout the West.

It may not be out of place to advert briefly to a few of the most interesting and important statistics relating to this department of teaching in these places.

In St. Louis the number of pupils of the public

schools, studying German, was, in 1871-1872, 9,000 of a total of number of 20,045, or 40 per cent., in 1872-1873 the number rose to 12,055 of a total number of 20,045, or 60 per cent. The increase was chiefly in the number of Anglo-American pupils, who in 1871-1872 numbered 1,356, and in the following year 3,190. The introduction of German into the public schools was followed by so large an influx of children of German parentage from the private to the public schools that the Board of Education gradually introduced it into a larger number of schools, and, for children of German parentage, into all the grades of the schools, from the lowest grade of the primary department. Owing to the increased demands of Anglo-American parents, it was, in 1871, introduced into the lower classes for all pupils.

In Cleveland the number of pupils studying German was, in 1872-1873, 3,572 in a total number of 10,013. The number of Anglo-American children who take part in it increases rapidly; it was 1,137 in 1873, and about 1,500 in 1874. The study of German is introduced into the lowest primary class whenever parents of 80 children demand it, and in that case the children are instructed one-half of the time by an English and one-half by a German teacher.

In Cincinnati the German has also been introduced into the lowest grades of many of the "district schools," which in the official reports are designated as "German-English Schools." As in Cleveland, the children are instructed in the lowest grade, one-half, one-half of the time by an English and one-half by a German teacher. In the district schools the instruction is given altogether in English. In the intermediate schools the German must be taught when the parents of 100 children demand it.

In Louisville the total number of pupils of public schools was, in 1872-1873, 9,627: the number of pupils

3. Grammar. Conjugation of the passive voice, of *werden*, and of the model auxiliaries *können*, *mögen*, etc.

4. Colloquial Exercises, on miscellaneous topics, including the history of the United States as taught in this grade.

Third Grade.

1. Reading from a German reader, with translation into English; writing, by dictation.

2. Translation, oral and written, of simple and compound sentences, affording practice in the use of strong and irregular verbs, and of conjunctions, with instruction in the transposed order of sentences. Nouns, pronouns, and adjectives reviewed and completed.

3. Grammar. Conjugation of strong and irregular verbs.

4. Colloquial Exercises on miscellaneous topics, including the history of the United States as taught in this grade.

Second Grade.

1. Reading and Translation from the German reader continued; writing by dictation.

2. Translation, oral and written, affording practice in the impersonal, reflexive and compound verbs, with instruction in the use of the forms of the verb, especially in the use of the subjunctive and conditional moods.

3. Grammar. Conjugations of impersonal reflexive and compound verbs.

4. German Composition commenced.

5. Colloquial Exercises on miscellaneous topics, including the history of the United States as taught in this grade.

First Grade.

1. Reading and Translation from the German reader continued.

2. Translation, oral and written, of miscellaneous passages in German and English.

3. Grammar reviewed and completed. Rules of government and arrangement of words.

4. German Composition continued, including epistolary forms.

5. Colloquial Exercises and conversation on miscellaneous topics, including General History as taught in this grade.

The following resolutions are respectfully presented for adoption in compliance with the preceding:

Resolved, That on and after the 1st day of January, 1875, next, all special teachers not employed under the provisions of Section 77 of the By-Laws, be dispensed with.

Resolved, That in Section 39 of the By-Laws, the words "or of a special teacher of German" be stricken out.

Resolved, That the Principals of all Grammar Schools are hereby directed and admonished that all the various provisions of the By-Laws relating to the Course of Instruction, including the teaching of German, wherever it has been or may hereafter be introduced, must be strictly complied with, and that there shall be at least four recitations per week on that subject, of not less than thirty minutes each in every grade.

Resolved, That the changes herein proposed to the Course of Instruction for the German language be and they are hereby adopted.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN CROSBY BROWN,
JAMES W. FARR,
FERNAND TRAUD,
ALBERT KLAMROTH,
A. P. MAN,
Committee on Course of Study, etc.

By-laws, etc.

Commissioner Townsend presented a report from the Committee on By-laws, Elections and Qualifications, recommending for payment sundry bills for supplies of books, etc., furnished the schools of District No. 1, town of West Farms, (annexed) in 1873.

Adopted.

Supplies.

Commissioner Wetmore presented reports from the Committee on Supplies, as follows:

Awarding contracts for printing to William C. Bryant & Co., for blanks, as per schedule, and to Cushing & Bardua, for books, pamphlets and binding.

Adopted.

Awarding contract for delivering supplies to the schools for 1875, to Henry A. Sales.

Adopted.

Awarding contracts for supplies for schools, for the year 1875.

Adopted.

A statement of expenses of heating the schools, and comparative cost of wood and coal.

Referred to the Committee on Warming and Ventilation.

Evening Schools.

Commissioner Mathewson presented reports from the Committee on Evening Schools, as follows:

Recommending Assistant Teachers for the Evening Schools.

Adopted.

Relative to printing the report of the Evening High Schools.

Adopted. Said report to be entered in the minutes.

Recommending payment of several Teachers for extra services in registering and classifying pupils for admission to Evening Schools.

Colored Schools.

Commissioner Jenkins presented reports from the Committee on Evening Schools, as follows:

To excuse absence of Miss Florence T. Ray.

Adopted.

Relative to Colored School No. 1, in Mulberry street, to transfer Teachers, and readjust salaries, etc.

Adopted.

School Furniture.

Commissioner Wetmore presented a report from the Committee on School Furniture, recommending purchase of pianos for Grammar Schools Nos. 45 and 47.

Referred to the Finance Committee.

Nautical School.

Commissioner Wetmore presented a report from the Executive Committee on Nautical School, as follows:

To the Board of Education:

The Executive Committee on Nautical School reports the arrival of the U. S. Ship St. Marys. She is moored, by permission of the Commissioners of Docks, at the pier at the foot of Twenty-third street, East river. She was brought here under the charge of Captain S. D. Luce, of the U. S. Navy, assisted by the Superintendent of the school, Commander Phythian, and the Executive Officer, Lt. Commander Wadleigh, and a portion of her crew. The ship and her equipments have been thoroughly overhauled and repaired, and will, in a very short time, be ready for the reception of pupils.

The St. Marys is a sloop-of-war of 985 tons, O. M., and although intended to carry 20 guns, her battery has been reduced, for the purposes of the school, to 8 guns: her length is 149 feet 3 inches; beam, 37 feet 4 inches, and hold 16 feet 6 inches, and she can carry six months' provisions for a full crew: her maximum draft is 17 feet. She is in every way adapted to the purpose to which she is now assigned.

This vessel is held in trust for the United States, as per the annexed receipt acknowledging her delivery, given by your Committee in behalf of the Board.

DAVID WETMORE,

WM. DOWD,

A. J. MATHEWSON,

Executive Committee on Nautical School.

December 16, 1874.

The Executive Committee on Nautical School of the Board of Education of the City of New York, for and in behalf of said Board, hereby acknowledge the receipt, at the Port of New York, from the Naval Department of the United States, the U. S. Ship St. Marys, for the purposes of a Nautical School, established at said port by the said Board of Education, together with her apparel, battery, boats, etc., as per invoice hereto attached: and the said Committee, on behalf of the said Board of Education, hereby agrees to hold the said ship in trust for the United States Government, to keep her in good order and proper repair, and to abstain from making, or causing to be made, any alterations in the hull or battery, or in any arrangements of the hull, spars, boats, or other equipments of the vessel, unless permitted so to do by the written sanction of the Navy Department; and it is hereby agreed and understood on the part of the said Committee and the Navy Department, that the repairs to said ship St. Marys, her equipment, apparel, etc., required from the said Board of Education, shall be only such as the reasonable use and wear thereof, in the purposes of the Nautical School, may impose: and that the said Board shall not in any way be required to make good any defects in the hull, apparel, spars, boats, or general equipment of said ship; but that said Board of Education will, when required, surrender said ship and her equipment in as good condition as when received by us, reasonable use and wear thereof excepted.

DAVID WETMORE,

WILLIAM DOWD,

ANDREW J. MATHEWSON,

Executive Committee on Nautical School, for and on behalf of the Board of Education of the City of New York.

Ordered, That said report be entered in full in the minutes.

Also, recommending the appointment of Lieutenants George W. Delong and William H. Jaques, as Instructors in the Nautical School, and requesting the President of the United States to detail said officers for said service, and fixing their salaries at \$700 and \$500, respectively.

Adopted.

Also, asking for an appropriation of \$347 for repairing heating-apparatus on the ship St. Marys. Referred to the Finance Committee.

Finance.

Commissioner Dowd presented reports from the Finance Committee, as follows:

Relative to adjustment of the accounts of the Board for the year.

Adopted.

To appropriate \$500 for incidental repairs on the Normal College buildings.

Adopted.

Relative to transfer of sundry balances and accounts for repairing, etc.

Adopted.

To appropriate \$350 for repairing roofs of Normal College Buildings.

Adopted.

To appropriate \$6,040 for alteration to Grammar School building No. 66.

Adopted.

To appropriate \$311.05 for fitting up premises in East Forty-second street, adjoining Grammar School No. 27.

Adopted.

Relative to location of site in East Seventy-fifth street.

Adopted.

To appropriate \$397.36 for alterations, etc., on gas-fixtures in school buildings of Seventh Ward.

Adopted.

To appropriate \$347 for heating-apparatus on Nautical School Ship St. Marys.

Adopted.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Commissioner Klamroth offered the following:

Resolved, That the Committee on Supplies be authorized to order the usual number of copies of the List of Supplies for the year 1875 to be printed.

Adopted.

Commissioner Patterson offered the following:

Resolved, That the City Superintendent be and he hereby is directed to examine the school known as the Evening High School, and report thereon to this Board, in the same manner and for the same purposes as in the case of other evening schools.

On motion of Commissioner Halsted—

Ordered, That said resolution be referred to the Committee on By-Laws, Elections and Qualifications.

Commissioner Farr offered the following:

Resolved, That the resolution passed by this Board regulating the basis upon which "allowances of money to be made to the respective Wards for incidental expenses of the schools, as found on page 851 of the Journal of 1874, be amended for the year 1875," and "the salaries to be paid to teachers," so as to allow the schools in the Third School District (Ninth and Sixteenth Wards) to obtain the average attendance by dividing by 406, instead of 408, being the actual number of sessions held in said Third School District.

Adopted.

Commissioner Jenkins offered the following:

Resolved, That the Evening Schools be closed the evening before Christmas, and remain closed until January 4, 1875.

Adopted.

Commissioner Baker offered the following:

Whereas, The Common Schools of this city were originally established for the purpose of giving a sound English education to the children of the masses, without regard to race or creed, thereby fostering the growth of good American citizenship; and

Whereas, Studies not essential to accomplish this purpose have from time to time been added to the course of instruction pursued in our schools, impairing the usefulness of our system to those for whose special benefit they were originally founded; and

Whereas, Said studies tend to foster and perpetuate the spirit of foreign nationalities in our midst, and increase largely the expenses necessary to carry on the Public School system in this city, depriving the children of the masses of a large portion of valuable time that should, of right, be devoted to the attainment of a sound English education; and

Resolved, That the Committee on Salaries and Economy be and they are hereby instructed to investigate and report to this Board on the propriety of so modifying the course of instruction now pursued in the Public Schools as to exclude all branches of study not strictly embraced in what is known as an elementary education, and that instruction in languages be confined exclusively to the knowledge of English, so as to Americanize our free schools, and remove the national prejudices, and arrest the largely growing expenses, which the study of foreign languages and other special studies creates.

Resolved, That the Committee be also instructed to take into consideration, in connection with the above preamble and resolution, and report to this Board as to the propriety of abolishing the office of Assistant Superintendent of German and French, from and after the first day of February next, and dispensing with the services of all special teachers.

Commissioner Farr moved that said resolution be laid on the table.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said motion, and it was decided in the negative, as follows:

Ayes—William H. Neilson, Esq., President, and Commissioners Brown, Farr, Fuller, Klamroth, and Traud—6.

Nays—Commissioners, Baker, Halsted, Jenkins, Patterson, West, and Wetmore—6.

On motion of Commissioner Baker—

Ordered, That the whole subject be referred to the Committee on Salaries and Economy.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion—

The Board then adjourned.

L. D. KIERNAN,

Clerk.

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

The Board of Police met on the 18th day of December, 1874.

Present—Messrs. Matsell, Duryee, and Voorhis, Commissioners.

Leaves of Absence Granted.

Sergeant William V. Taft, Sanitary Co., $\frac{1}{2}$ day.

Precinct. Days Without Pay.

"	Patrolman James Gallagher	20	1
"			

Martin B. Brown.....	366 10
Daniel Carver.....	3 45
H. & C. Clark.....	48 59
F. W. Devoe & Co.....	3 45
".....	19 20
".....	5 25
John J. Davenport.....	15 00
S. H. & Charles J. Everett.....	114 50
J. H. Havens & Son.....	3 75
Knickerbocker Ice Co.....	117 15
Thomas Kirkpatrick.....	72 00
E. A. Kingsland & Co.....	16 00
C. M. Moseman & Bro.....	27 00
J. H. Robinson.....	6 00
Joseph R. Swain.....	31 00
James Sweeny.....	14 60
Slote & Janes.....	28 00
W. & J. Sloane.....	193 88
C. H. Simmons.....	60 50
James C. Talcott.....	69 50
Mary Webb.....	63 53
".....	30 00

Fines Imposed.

Precinct. Days' pay.

Patrolman Farrell Fox.....	1 3
" John McDonald.....	3 2
" do.....	3 2
" Charles S. Pike.....	5 3
" James Kelly.....	5 3
" Joseph W. Gerard.....	8 1
" Bernard Tiernay.....	10 4
" David Golden.....	12 2
" William Collins.....	13 3
" William H. Duncan.....	13 5
" Daniel J. Fagan.....	13 5
" do.....	13 8
" William Fitzgerald.....	13 5
" John Mullane.....	13 4
" Richard Fitzpatrick.....	13 10
" do.....	13 10
" John N. Morris.....	13 3
" Thomas F. Brady.....	13 5
" do.....	13 3
" Timothy Harrington.....	13 5
" George Mayforth.....	14 2
" George Brennan.....	14 3
" John Layden.....	14 3
" Francis Mallon.....	14 2
" Jeremiah Quinn.....	14 3
" George F. Waller.....	14 4
" Joseph W. Jacobs.....	15 5
" Peter Schanwecker.....	16 10
" Adolph H. Schmidt.....	16 5
" Daniel Byrnes.....	17 4
" Thomas Dufly.....	17 1
" David Regan.....	19 2
" Theodore Goodenough.....	19 7
" Patrick Green.....	21 1
" Charles Tiernan.....	21 5
" John Lindeburg.....	21 3
" ".....	21 5
" Michael Wade.....	22 8
" John J. Ward.....	29 5
" John O'Rouke.....	30 5
" Cornelius Smith.....	31 5
" Horatio G. Conklin.....	32 3
" Matthew Fitzsimmons.....	4 10
" Michael Crowley.....	4 12
" Moses Kahnerman.....	11 8
" James L. Henry.....	15 5
" Joseph L. Davis.....	19 2
" John J. McDermott.....	19 3
" John O'Donnell.....	21 3
" James Gray.....	23 3
" John Godfrey.....	23 2
" Adolph L. Miller.....	23 2
" William Phelps.....	24 10
" John O. Ryder.....	24 5
" George R. Tucker.....	27 10
" John H. White.....	29 3
" John Mangam.....	29 4
" John Hooks.....	29 2
" Joseph G. Hart.....	29 3
" John Grassick.....	29 7
" Thomas Gorey.....	29 5

Complaints Dismissed.

Precinct.

Patrolman Robert Quinn.....	9
" Lewis E. Hill.....	10
" James E. Conklin.....	14
" John Butterby.....	17
" James McCabe.....	16

Adjourned.

S. C. HAWLEY,
Chief Clerk.

SECOND MEETING.

The Board of Police met on the 18th day of December, 1874.

Present—Messrs. Matsell, Duryee, Disbecker, and Voorhis, Commissioners.

An application of F. C. Stolley for interest on his claim against the Department, for the construction of stables, amounting to \$1,596.12, was ordered on file.

On reading the report of the President, it was Resolved, That Patrolman Joseph H. Woolsey be transferred from Detective Squad to the Special Service Squad, and detailed at the store of B. Altman & Co.

Resolved, That the following transfer be ordered:

Roundsman Milton Cudney, from Nineteenth Precinct to the Eighteenth Precinct.

An application of Patrolman George H. Cummings, Thirty-fifth Precinct, for transfer to the Thirty-fourth Precinct, was referred to the President for report.

An application of Patrolman Patrick F. Calhoun, Seventh Precinct, for detail, was referred to the Committee on Rules and Discipline.

Report of James Crowley, Superintendent of Telegraph, relative to telegraphic connection with offices and building of the Department of Charities and Correction, was referred to the Committee on Rules and Discipline.

On motion of Commissioner Disbecker, it was Resolved, That the following named applicants for appointment, be notified to appear before the Board:

Robert K. Hart (name, etc., published in the CITY RECORD, Nov. 28, 1874).
Wm. J. Jackson (name, etc., published in the CITY RECORD, Nov. 14, 1874).

Street Cleaning.

Daily reports of the Superintendent of Boats were referred to the Committee on Street Cleaning.

The Committee on Street Cleaning submitted the following bills, which were referred to the Finance Committee:

Dannat & Bro..... \$117 70

" " 21 73

J. H. Dahlman..... 675 00

Hotchkiss, Fields & Co..... 37 75

Richard Heather..... 209 20

Klotz Brothers..... 9 00

John Noonan..... 1,063 54

Miller, Morrison & Bro..... 326 00

Squire's Sons..... 124 50

" " 99 35

On hearing the report of the Committee on Street Cleaning, it was

Resolved, That the proposition of Charles Cummings, to sell four horses to the Bureau of Street Cleaning, for \$175 each, be and is hereby accepted.

The Chairman of the Committee on Street Cleaning presented the following estimates for stationery required by the Bureau of Street Cleaning, as per requisition:

M. B. Brown..... \$568 00

E. A. Kingsland & Co..... 560 75

Jos. R. Swain..... 520 46

Whereupon, it was

Resolved, That the contract for furnishing said stationery be awarded to Joseph R. Swain, for the sum of \$520.46, he being the lowest bidder.

On recommendation of the Committee on Street Cleaning, it was

Resolved, That the following named parties be granted permission to dump ashes and garbage at the dumps named:

Walter Shea, foot of Twenty-second street, East river; Andrew Collins, foot of Thirty-eighth street, East river.

Resolved, That Scow No. 63 be placed in proper repair.

On recommendation of the Committee on Street Cleaning, the following preamble and resolution was unanimously adopted:

Whereas, John H. Starin, Jr., has failed to receive and unload the scow loads of ashes and street dirt which were sent to him in conformity with his proposition and the resolution of the Board of Police, passed December 11, 1874; therefore be it

Resolved, That the resolution passed December 11, 1874, in pursuance to which the Board of Police accepted the proposition of John H. Starin, Jr., to furnish him with 200 scow loads of ashes and street dirt, be and the same is hereby rescinded.

Adjourned.

S. C. HAWLEY,
Chief Clerk.

The Board of Police met on the 22d day of December, 1874. Present—Messrs. Matsell, Duryee, Disbecker, and Voorhis, Commissioners.

Fines Imposed.

Precinct. Days' pay.

Patrolman Elbert S. King.....	3 6
" John Lindsey.....	7 3
" Michael Martin.....	7 2
" Wm. M. O'Sullivan.....	8 3
" John Gallagher (No. 1).....	14 5
" Bernard J. Collum.....	16 6
" Bernard Manning.....	16 8
" Louis Schleissner.....	19 3
" Charles Gumb.....	19 3
" Leroy Stevens.....	20 5
" Thomas McCormick.....	20 3
" William Reid.....	23 5
" Joseph Butman.....	27 8
" Joseph Wilson.....	27 2
" Patrick Downs.....	27 2
" Charles May.....	27 5
" John Ryan.....	27 5
" Joseph G. Hart.....	29 2
" Christopher E. Martin.....	29 5
" Thomas Horan.....	31 3
" Joseph McKeown.....	33 2
" James Treanor.....	33 1
" Maurice Lowery.....	24 8

Complaints Dismissed.

Precinct.

Patrolman George P. Kaiser.....	7
" Lewis E. Hill.....	10
" William Hickey.....	15
" Thomas McCormick.....	20
" Louis Van Cook.....	20
" David O'Callahan.....	27

On motion of Commissioner Disbecker, it was

Resolved, That when the Board adjourns, it be to meet on Wednesday, 23d inst., at 11 A. M.

On motion of Commissioner Disbecker, it was

Resolved, That following named applicant for appointment, be notified to appear before the Board:

Henry Benkers.

The Committee on Repairs and Supplies submitted the following bills, which were referred to the Finance Committee:

Jno. H. Bussell & Co..... \$2 80

H. & C. Clark..... 27 40

Coe & Son..... 139 25

Counting House Monitor..... 6 00

F. W. Devoe & Co..... 1 50

Gallagher & Ryan..... 8 00

do 1 00

D. H. Gould & Co.....	19 85
Hamblin Bros.....	40 00
E. A. Kingsland & Co.....	42 00
" do	49 50
J. Ottenheimer.....	212 00
James Pettit.....	28 62
Patterson Bros.....	1 75
Henry Richmond.....	165 00
Tillottson & Co.....	63 87
" do	25 25
P. Van Geisen.....	7 45
H. C. Calkin.....	39 04

Street Cleaning.

The Committee on Street Cleaning submitted the following bills, which were referred to the Finance Committee:

HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT,
No. 301 MOTT STREET,
NEW YORK, December 22, 1874.

The Board of Health met this day.

Orders.

276 Orders for the abatement of nuisances were made.

Suits for Penalties.

The Attorney was directed to commence suits for penalties for non-compliance with the orders of the Board in 34 cases.

Reports Received.

From the Sanitary Superintendent—

Weekly report on operations of the Sanitary Bureau.

Weekly report on slaughter-houses.

Weekly report on contagious diseases.

Weekly report on operations at receiving-dock.

Report on work at disinfecting depot.

Report on street culvert, etc.

Report on dangerous condition of building, 314 Rivington street.

Report on suspension of orders.

From the Register of Records—

Weekly mortuary report.

Weekly letter.

Communications from City Departments.

From the Police Department—

Weekly report of the Sanitary Company of Police.

From the Comptroller—

Weekly statement.

Bills Audited.

Stechert Wolff.....	\$15 45
Ferd. Mayer.....	55 00
John Taglibue.....	16 00
L. C. Landy.....	33 85
Patk. Hartly.....	20 00
Carl Pfeiffer.....	260 00

Communication Received.

From citizens in respect to location of small-pox hospital.

Reports referred to other Departments for the necessary action.

To the Department of Public Works—

On catch basin at Third avenue and Thirtieth street.

On tree at No. 125 East Twenty-ninth street.

To the Department of Buildings—

On dangerous condition of No. 314 Rivington street.

To the Police Department—

On condition of Nineteenth Precinct Police Station.

Resolutions.

That in the opinion of this Board, the premises now occupied as a police station in the Nineteenth Precinct are totally inadequate for that purpose; that the buildings on said premises are constantly so overcrowded that they are in a condition detrimental to health and dangerous to life; and that said buildings cannot be so altered as to secure the necessary ventilation, or to properly accommodate the police force of said precinct.

That a copy of this resolution, with copies of the reports of Sanitary Officers of this Board, in respect to the Nineteenth Police Precinct Station, be forwarded to his Honor the Mayor of the City, and to the Police Department.

That, in view of the unusual prevalence of small-pox and diphtheria within the City limits, and the immediate necessity of adopting extraordinary measures of employing additional Inspectors to control and suppress the same, the Board of Apportionment be and is hereby respectfully requested to transfer to the appropriation for health purposes for the year 1875 such portion of the fund heretofore appropriated as may remain unexpended at the end of the present year.

Whereas, It is believed that contagious diseases of the eyes and skin prevail to a considerable extent in this city; and

Whereas, This Board has secured the services of Doctors E. W. Curtis and Piffard for the investigation of these classes of disease; therefore

Resolved, That the Honorable the Board of Education be respectfully requested to grant permission to these gentlemen to make such inspections in the schools, as may be necessary in the prosecution of their work.

Whereas, small-pox is now prevailing to an alarming extent in this city; and

Whereas, This Board has a large corps of Inspectors engaged in offering gratuitous vaccination; therefore

Resolved, That in view of the pressing necessity for the immediate protection of the unvaccinated children

Resolved, That the Honorable the Board of Education be respectfully requested to grant permission to our Inspectors to vaccinate the children at the schools under their care.

That the Department of Public Works be respectfully requested to allow the contractor for the removal of offal, dead animals, etc., etc., to connect pier foot of East Thirty-eighth street, and for that purpose, with the nearest main Croton-water pipe, for the purpose of supplying said pier with water, and thus to secure the proper cleanliness of the same.

That the following-named persons be appointed Assistant Sanitary Inspectors for the remainder of the present month, and assigned on duty to the Vaccinating Corps, with salary at the rate of \$125 per month:

Dr. J. C. Conover, Dr. Ira B. Read,
Dr. A. P. Dalrymple, Dr. C. Lyon,
Dr. E. S. Birmingham, Dr. G. Treskates,
Dr. Frank Bosworth, Dr. T. M. Cran,
Dr. F. S. Osborne, Dr. V. J. McGay,
Dr. L. C. Gray, Dr. Robt. A. Joyce.

BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS.

CONDENSED STATEMENT OF MORTALITY.

REPORTED MORTALITY (week ending Dec. 19, 1874), AND THE ACTUAL MORTALITY (each day in the week, ending at noon, Dec. 12, 1874), WITH AN ENUMERATION OF THE CHIEF CAUSES OF DEATH.

E. HARRIS, M. D., Registrar.

Deaths reported during the week ending December 19, 1874.	Actual number of Deaths each day.						
	December 12....	December 11....	December 10....	December 9....	December 8....	December 7....	December 6....
23.80	481	475.0	476	67	75	85	59
6.60	118	114.2	132	17	19	28	17
5.50	110	118.2	110	15	16	22	8
9.25	198	184.6	185	32	30	28	26
1.45	35	33.8	29	2	7	6	2
1.00	20	24.2	20	1	3	1	6
1.35	1	8.8	27	3	3	6	2
.05	5	6.0	1	1	—	—	—
.45	32	19.6	9	—	2	—	2
2.05	28	12.6	41	9	6	6	4
.65	15	14.6	13	2	2	4	1
.50	5	4.4	10	1	3	1	—
.10	1	0.8	2	—	1	—	—
.20	4	6.8	4	1	1	1	—
.25	5	6.0	5	—	2	—	2
.45	4	12.0	9	—	1	5	2
.55	7	15.6	11	—	1	5	3
.15	2	5.6	3	—	—	1	1
.20	11	7.6	4	—	—	1	2
4.15	79	84.6	33	12	13	15	5
1.45	18	21.8	29	7	6	4	3
.95	51	48.0	56	7	9	8	10
.80	23	18.4	16	1	5	4	3
.35	6	9.4	7	2	—	2	—
.40	6	10.8	8	1	1	3	—
.55	12	9.8	11	3	1	3	—
.35	5	11.0	7	1	1	—	1
1.50	40	40.6	30	6	3	5	3
.80	21	17.8	16	4	2	2	1
.10	3	2.6	2	—	—	1	—
—	1	2.2	—	—	—	—	—
4.60	79	86.2	92	8	7	20	11
1.75	28	28.2	35	3	8	7	4
5.30	105	109.2	106	16	17	22	11
7.30	137	145.8	146	20	24	32	16
10.15	193	194.0	203	29	31	40	22

That the Sanitary Superintendent be authorized to exchange one of the horses belonging to this department, now disabled and unfit for use, at an expense not to exceed \$250.

That the action of the Sanitary Superintendent in respect to a case of small-pox isolated at Fordham, be and is hereby approved.

That Dr. Henry G. Giffard be appointed Honorary Dermatologist to this Board.

That the sum of \$500 be and is hereby appropriated for an investigation into the best measures for the treatment of skin diseases, to be expended under the direction of the Finance Committee.

Sanitary Bureau.

The following is a record of the work performed in the Sanitary Bureau for the week ending December 19, 1874, viz.: Typhus fever, 1; typhoid fever, 6; scarlet fever, 50; measles, 2; diphtheria, 154; small-pox, 94; and cerebro-spinal meningitis, 4.

4 Public buildings, 1,031 tenement houses, 179 private dwellings, 168 other dwellings, 11 manufactorys and workshops, 27 stores and warehouses, 36 stables, 5 fat-rendering establishments, 2 gut-cleaning establishments, 24 slaughter-houses, 3 markets, 3 manure dumps, 19 sunken and vacant lots, 73 yards, courts and areas, 62 cellars and basements, 35 waste-pipes and drains, 97 privies and water-closets, 18 streets, gutters and sidewalks, 10 dangerous stairways, 3 dangerous chimneys, 1 piggery, and 7 other nuisances, together with 101 visits of the Sanitary Inspectors to 15 cases of contagious disease.

The number of reports thereon received from Inspectors was 502.

were 35 searches of the registers of births, marriages, and deaths; and 3 transcripts of birth record, 5 of marriage, and 21 of death were issued from this Bureau. 1 case of death was referred to the Coroner.

By order of the Board.

EMMONS CLARK,
Secretary.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT OF THE
CITY OF NEW YORK,
BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS,
December 22, 1874.

To the Secretary of the Board of Health:

SIR—There were 476 deaths in the week ending December 12, and in the week ending on the 19th instant there were 551 deaths reported, showing an increase of 75 in the total mortality last week. This increase occurred in a great variety of the usual causes of death. Various causes gave a considerable increase in the mortality of children under five years of age, of which class 227 deaths were reported last week. There were 37 deaths reported of persons 70 years of age and upwards, and there were 99 deaths from phthisis reported, against 77 reported in the previous week. The fatal cases of small-pox amounted to 21, or six less than in the previous week; and scarlatina, diphtheria, and croup were charged with 90 deaths last week, against 66 reported from the same causes in the previous week.

The mean temperature was at 36.8, and 30.6 degrees Fahrenheit, in the successive weeks, with an extreme range of 38 degrees last week, and 32 degrees in the previous week, and with a mean barometric pressure exceeding thirty inches of the mercurial column each week.

Though in the fluctuating course of diphtheria there was same increase of fatal cases last week, the entire central half of the city, from the Battery to Kingsbridge, and all the region south of Canal street, were conspicuously free from fatal cases.

Respectfully submitted.

ELISHA HARRIS, M.D.,
Registrar of Vital Statistics.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS.

NEW YORK, November 28, 1874.

In accordance with section 110, chapter 335, Laws of 1873, the Department of Public Works makes the following report of its transactions for the week ending this day:

Public Moneys received and deposited with the City Chamberlain.

For Croton water rent.....	\$12,896 40

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Nine permits to repair sewer connections.
Ten permits to place building material on streets.

New Street Lamps Erected.

On Lexington avenue, from Sixty-sixth to Seventy-fourth street.
On Seventy-second street, from Avenue A to Lexington avenue.

On Manhattan street, from Boulevard to One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street.

Street Lamps Temporarily Discontinued.

One lamp, southeast corner of Church and Cortlandt streets.

One lamp on Cortlandt street, east of Church street.

One lamp on Ninety-second street, between Second and Third avenues.

One lamp on Eighty-fourth street, between Ninth and Tenth avenues.

Two lamps on Boulevard, between One Hundred and Forty-first and One Hundred and Forty-second streets.

Appointments.

James Barry, Inspector of Water-meters.

Suspended on Completion of Work.

Ezra Dennison, Inspector of Paving.

Statement of Laboring Force employed in the Department of Public Works during the week ending November 28, 1874:

NATURE OF WORK.	Mechanics	Laborers	Teams	Carts
Additional alterations of Aqueduct on Tenth avenue.....	28	325	5	10
Aqueduct—Repairs and Maintenance.....	6	110	5	...
Finishing work around Reservoir at Boyd's Corners.....	..	17	2	...
In Pipe-yard, foot of East Twenty-fourth street.....	2	23	4	1
On construction of roads and avenues.....	71	1,207	155	109
Laying Croton pipes.....	332	...	8	...
Repairing stone pavements.....	66	...	12	...
" wooden".....	27	...	7	...
Maintenance and sprinkling roads and avenues.....	9	6	4	...
Repairs of pipes and fire-hydrants.....	47
Total.....	107	2,053	177	151
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Increase over previous week.....	4	...
Decrease from previous week.....	1	27	16	...

Requisitions on the Finance Department.

The total amount of requisitions drawn by the Department upon the Finance Department, during the week, is \$105,525.74.

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

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

HEADQUARTERS FIRE DEPARTMENT,
CITY OF NEW YORK,
Wednesday, December 16, 1874.

The Board of Commissioners met this day.

Present—President Joseph L. Perley in the chair, and Commissioners Roswell D. Hatch and Cornelius Van Cott.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Communications

were received and disposed of, as follows:

From—

Chief of Department, returning communication of M. M. Welzhofer, relative to alarm-box key, with report of commanding officer of Engine Co. No. 24. Referred back, with directions.

Same, returning communication of Secretary of Phoenix Insurance Co., relative to dangerous condition of No. 26 Willett street, with report of commanding officer of Engine Co. No. 11 thereon. Filed.

Inspector of Combustibles, report for week ending 12th instant. Filed.

Same, returning communication of George A. Kirkpatrick relative to iron-clad paint, with report theron. Filed.

Superintendent of Telegraph, requisition for a gong. Referred to the Superintendent of Supplies, with directions to purchase.

Superintendent of Supplies, returning requisition from Superintendent of Telegraph, with report of cost. Referred back, with directions to purchase.

Same, relative to his authority to purchase. Filed, with directions.

Chief of Battalion in Charge of Repair Shops, reporting receipt of 80 lengths combination hose from Franklin W. Powers, representing the Gutta Percha and Rubber Manufacturing Co. Returned for further information.

The same, returning his communication relative to receipt of 80 lengths of hose from the Gutta Percha and Rubber Manufacturing Co., with the information required. Filed.

Chief of Ninth Battalion, reporting fatal accident to horse of Hook and Ladder Co. No. 3. Referred to the Chief of Department, with directions.

Engineer of steamer John Hutton, Engine Co. No. 7, requesting transfer. Filed.

Engineer of steamer John Howe, Engine Co. No. 34, applying for promotion. Referred to Examining Board.

Fireman George Davis, Engine Co. No. 4, requesting transfer. Filed.

Fireman Timothy Dwyer, Engine Co. No. 7, requesting transfer. Filed.

Hoseman Patrick Hynes, Engine Co. No. 41, applying for promotion. Filed.

Hoseman John Mullen, Engine Co. No. 41, applying for promotion. Filed.

Comptroller, relative to an employee of this Department serving as Inspector of Elections. Filed.

Theodore Jennings, applying for position of Engineer of Fire Steamboat. Filed.

Francis McGinley, late Fireman, requesting re-opening of his case. Filed.

T. Bailey Myers, Chairman Board of Trustees, Bennett Medal, transmitting resolution of Board, relative to annual medal. Filed, and reply directed.

Miller, Stouenburgh & Peckham, relative to claim of Mr. Ruck for damages. Filed.

Rufus E. Russell, requesting withdrawal of his application for appointment. Denied, and filed.

Isaac H. Shearman, submitting his proposal for furnishing steam-boiler for new repair shops. Referred to Superintendent of Supplies for examination, etc.

Reports

were received and disposed of, as follows:

From—

Examining Board, on the application for promotion of Fireman Hugh J. Golden, Engine Co. No. 13, and Fireman James Roach, Engine Co. No. 24. Filed.

Dismissals.

To take effect on the 18th instant—
Fireman George W. Town, Hook and Ladder Co. No. 10.

Fireman David Clorey, Engine Co. No. 30.
Hoseman John E. Coleman, Engine Co. No. 41.

Discharged.

Bell-ringer John Campbell, to take effect on the 21st instant.

Promotions.

To take effect on the 19th instant—
Ladderman John Robertson, Hook and Ladder Co. No. 17, to be Fireman Hook and Ladder Co. No. 35.

To take effect on the 21st instant—
Assistant Foreman Thomas Judge, Engine Co. No. 15, to be Foreman Hook and Ladder Co. No. 13.

Fireman Francis Cary, Engine Co. No. 23, to be Assistant Foreman Engine Co. No. 40.

Fireman Thomas Gooderson, Engine Co. No. 35, to be Assistant Foreman Engine Co. No. 22.

Appointments.

To take effect on the 18th instant—
Henry Murray, as Fireman, Engine Co. No. 32.

To take effect on the 18th instant—
James McGrath, as Fireman, Hook and Ladder Co. No. 9.

Edward Hogan, as Fireman, Hook and Ladder Co. No. 10.

Philip Halton, as Fireman, Engine Co. No. 20.
John J. Golden, as Fireman, Engine Co. No.

32. Martin Grell, as Fireman, Hook and Ladder Co. No. 8.

George Wheeler, as Fireman, Engine Co. No. 4.
Alexander McKeever, as Fireman, Hook and Ladder Co. No. 3.

Robert T. Dowling, as Fireman Engine Co. No. 12.

To take effect on the 19th instant—
Patrick Foley, as Fireman Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1.

William Ryan, as Fireman, Engine Co. No. 23.
William H. Quinn, as Fireman, Engine Co. No.

23. Joseph D. White, as Fireman, Engine Co. No.

2. William J. Noble, as Fireman, Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1.

To take effect on the 21st instant—
John E. Boyle, as Fireman, Engine Co. No. 27.

William Hennessey, as Fireman, Engine Co. No. 41.

Christopher Iles, as Bell-ringer, at \$1,000 per annum.

Transfers.

To take effect on the 21st instant—
Foreman M. D. Tompkins, from Hook and Ladder Co. No. 13 to Hook and Ladder Co. No. 11.

Assistant Foreman John W. Van Orden, from Engine Co. No. 40 to Hook and Ladder Co. No.

10. Assistant Foreman Edward S. Moore, Hook and Ladder Co. No. 10 to Engine Co. No. 13.

Assistant Foreman John F. L. Du Flou, Engine Co. No. 22 to Engine Co. No. 15.

Engineer of steamer Timothy Regan, Engine Co. No. 36 to Engine Co. No. 22.

Engineer of steamer William A. Robinson, Engine Co. No. 22 to Engine Co. No. 36.

Fireman James J. Hurley, Engine Co. No. 34 to Hook and Ladder Co. No. 16.

Fireman Daniel Mannix, Hook and Ladder Co. No. 16 to Engine Co. No. 34.

Fireman John McCarthy, Hook and Ladder Co. No. 11 to Engine Co. No. 15.

Fireman Samuel Wood, Engine Co. No. 15 to Hook and Ladder Co. No. 6.

Fireman James W. Gallagher, Engine Co. No. 20 to Engine Co. No. 27.

Fireman John Wright, Hook and Ladder Co. No. 3 to Engine Co. No. 30.

Fireman Michael Gallagher, Engine Co. No. 27 to Engine Co. No. 30.

Fireman Daniel Shevlin, Engine Co. No. 12 to Hook and Ladder Co. No. 6.

Bills Audited.

and ordered to be sent to the Comptroller for payment:

L. G. Tillotson & Co., telegraph supplies..... \$8 00
John Conway, horseshoeing..... 48 00

Alexander Davidson, contingencies.....	72 30
Howard Watch and Clock Co., general supplies.....	80 00
W. & J. Sloane, general supplies.....	204 95
Wm. H. Lee, general supplies.....	43 75
Amoskeag Manufacturing Co., apparatus.....	1,400 00
John Rogers, new buildings.....	350 00
Hunter, Keller & Co., machine shop.....	72 47
A. P. De Voursney, machine shop.....	85 50
The New York Fire Hose Co., hose shop.....	445 00
Bernard Sheridan, buildings.....	816 55
Michael Finn, telegraph supplies.....	80 00

Adjourned.

W. B. WHITE,
Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION.**DAILY MEETINGS, DECEMBER 14 TO 19, 1874.**

Present—Commissioners Bowen, Laimbeer, and Stern.

The following communications were received:

From all Institutions—Reporting daily census. Ordered on file.

From Lunatic Asylums, Blackwell's and Ward's Islands—List of patients, and how employed. Ordered on file.

From Alms-house—Statement of amount of labor performed by mechanics (inmates) for week ending December 12, 1874. Ordered on file.

From Penitentiary—List of prisoners received during week ending December 12, 1874. Ordered on file.

From Charity Hospital—One of the Assistant Physicians remaining over night at Bellevue Hospital to attend lying-in cases. Approved.

From Lunatic Asylums, Blackwell's and Ward's Islands—Transmitting history of patients admitted. Referred to Examining Clerk.

From Penitentiary—Absence of officers. Ordered on file.

From Bellevue Hospital—Complaint against Mary Smith, Nurse. Discharged.

From Free Labor Bureau—Dismissing female applicants, and the cause. Ordered on file.

From Renwick & Sands, architects—On having cellar of Bellevue Hospital concreted. Proposal of John Guy to do the work for \$115. Approved.

From Board of Health—On communication of December 11, on turning over Small-pox Hospital.

From Insane Asylum, Ward's Island—For consultation in the case of Louis Heibert, patient. Dr. Jas. R. Wood requested to attend.

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

CENTRAL DEPARTMENT OF THE MUNICIPAL POLICE,
No. 300 MULBERRY STREET,
PROPERTY CLERK'S OFFICE, ROOM 39,
NEW YORK, December 21, 1874.

OWNERS WANTED BY THE PROPERTY
Clerk, 300 Mulberry street, Room 39, for the following property, now in his custody without claimants: Lot buttons, two barrels spirits, basket wine, gold and silver watch, bag coffee, ten barrels flour, set harness and blankets, pocket case surgical instruments, truck, bag and contents, two revolvers, six coupons State of Georgia and New Hampshire.

C. A. ST. JOHN,
Property Clerk.

POLICE DEPARTMENT—CITY OF NEW YORK,
PROPERTY CLERK'S OFFICE,
300 MULBERRY STREET,
NEW YORK, December 3, 1874.

OWNERS WANTED BY THE PROPERTY
Clerk, 300 Mulberry street, Room 39, for the following property now in his custody without claimants: Bag of wool, lot of male and female clothing, two trunks and contents, four bags and contents, three boxes of raisins, basket of wine, gold and silver watch, kid gloves, seven revolvers, load of furniture, and small amount of money.

C. A. ST. JOHN,
Property Clerk.

POLICE DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK,
No. 300 MULBERRY STREET,
PROPERTY CLERK'S OFFICE, ROOM 39,
NEW YORK, November 10, 1874.

OWNERS WANTED BY THE PROPERTY
Clerk, 300 Mulberry street, for the following property, now in his custody, without claimants: One boat, lot furniture, bag and contents, male and female clothing, lot spokes and whalebone, coco matting, porcelain buttons, two trunks and contents taken from insane person, nine revolvers, and money taken from prisoners and found in street.

C. A. ST. JOHN,
Property Clerk.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION.

DEPARTMENT OF
PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION,
CORNER OF THIRD AVENUE AND ELEVENTH ST.,
NEW YORK, December 22, 1874.

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 New York City Asylum for Insane, Ward's Island, December 21, 1874—John Moore, alias "Ah Mee," age 35 years; 5 feet 6 inches high; brown hair; blue eyes. Transferred from Bellevue Hospital, October 2, 1874. Had on, when admitted, black sack coat, striped pants, striped vest, white shirt. There has been no person to visit him nor could any information be obtained of his friends or relatives. No effects found on his person.

At New York City Asylum for Insane, Ward's Island, December 21, 1874—Erhart Lauma; age 35 years; 5 feet 6 inches high; brown hair; blue eyes. Transferred from Bellevue Hospital, December 16, 1874. Had on, when admitted, blue beaver overcoat, dark grey pants, silk vest, slouched hat, grey flannel shirt, white knit drawers. There has been no person to visit him nor could any information be obtained of his friends or relatives. No effects found on his person. His address in New York was 18 West Thirty-ninth street.

By Order.
JOSHUA PHILLIPS,
Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF
PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION,
CORNER OF THIRD AVENUE AND ELEVENTH ST.,
NEW YORK, December 15, 1873.

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 Charity Hospital, Blackwell's Island, December 13, 1874—Dennis Hanrane, age 22 years; born in Scotland; 18 months resident in the United States; height, 5 feet, 10 1/2 inches; weight, 155 lbs; brown hair; blue eyes; transferred to Charity Hospital, November 26, 1874. Had on diagonal coat, black cloth pants, dark vest, with green dots, black slouch hat, Congress gaiters, white linen shirt, flannel shirt and drawers. By-laws of the Masonic Lodge, Glasgow No. 441, carte de visite, and an account book found on his person.

By Order.
JOSHUA PHILLIPS,
Secretary.

PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION,
No. 66 THIRD AVENUE,
NEW YORK, Dec. 16, 1874.

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 Soldiers' Rest, Ward's Island, December 14, 1874—John Rooney, age 61 years; 5 feet, 7 1/2 inches high; gray hair; lost his right arm in the Mexican war. Had on when admitted, Jamie 17, 1874, uniform coat, vest, 1/2 pant. Was lately in the Veteran Reserve Corps. Effects found on his person.

By Order.
JOSHUA PHILLIPS,
Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF
PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION,
Corner of Third Avenue and Eleventh Street,
NEW YORK, December 17, 1874.

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 Work-house, Blackwell's Island, December 16, 1874—John Kiernan, a native of Ireland; 55 years of age; 59 years in the United States; by occupation a laborer. There has been no person to visit him, nor could any information be obtained of his friends or relatives. No effects found on his person.

By Order.
JOSHUA PHILLIPS,
Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF
PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION,
CORNER OF THIRD AVENUE AND ELEVENTH ST.,
NEW YORK, December 17, 1874.

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 Lunatic Asylum, Blackwell's Island, December 16, 1874—Mary Orgart, age 23 years; 5 feet 5 inches high; single. Admitted February 25, 1871. There has been no person to visit her, nor could any information be obtained of her friends or relatives. No effects found on her person.

At Penitentiary, Blackwell's Island, December 11, 1874—Mary Smith, age 45 years; born in Germany; when received had on striped calico dress, woolen skirt, small shawl, calico apron. She gave the name of her friend, Henry Wilkins, No. 6 Roosevelt street, who could not be found at that address. Twenty-seven cents found on her person.

At Morgue, Bellevue Hospital—From foot of Whitehall Street, East river, unknown woman, aged at 32 years; 5 feet 4 inches high; auburn hair. Was dressed in white striped calico dress; white slate colored polonaise, with black stripe; white flannel petticoat, patched with white Canton flannel; white chemise, white pleated bosom; white cotton stockings; black prunella gaiters.

By order. JOSHUA PHILLIPS
Secretary

DEPARTMENT PUBLIC WORKS.

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

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

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

CORPORATION NOTICES.

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

Persons interested are requested to call and examine the same.

No. 1. For regulating, grading, curb and gutter, and flagging Eighty-sixth street, between Eighth avenue and the River Drive.

No. 2. For paving First avenue, from Sixty-first to Ninety-second street, with Belgian pavement.

No. 3. For regulating, grading, setting curb and gutter stones, and flagging Eightieth street, from the Eighth avenue to the River Drive (except from Eighth to Ninth avenue).

No. 4. For building sewers in Ninety-fifth and Ninety-eighth streets, between First and Third avenues, and in First avenue, between Ninety-fifth and One Hundredth streets with branches.

No. 5. Outlet sewer, from end of present sewer in Manhattan street to and through One Hundred and Thirtieth street to Hudson river, and sewers in the new avenue (between Eighth and Ninth avenues), from One Hundred and Fifth to Manhattan street; and in One Hundred and Twenty-fourth street, between Seventh avenue and Manhattan street, with branches.

The limits to be assessed are embraced as follows, viz.:

No. 1. Both sides of Third street, to the extent of half the block at the intersecting streets, from Goerck street to East river.

No. 2. East side of Avenue D, from Eleventh to Thirteenth street.

No. 3. Both sides of Tenth avenue, from Fifty-second to Fifty-third street.

No. 4. Property known as Ward No. 3,269, Seventeenth Ward.

No. 5. Both sides of Fifty-first street, between Tenth and Eleventh avenues.

No. 6. Both sides of One Hundred and Twenty-sixth street, to the extent of half the block, at the intersecting streets, from Fifth to Eighth avenue.

No. 7. Both sides of One Hundred and Fifty-second street, between Tenth avenue and Boulevard, and south side of One Hundred and Fifty-third street to a point three hundred feet west of Tenth avenue, and east side of Tenth avenue, from One Hundred and Fifty-second to One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street, and both sides of One Hundred and Fifty-third street, to a point three hundred feet west of Tenth avenue.

No. 8. Both sides of Fifty-seventh street, between Fifth and Sixth avenues, to the extent of half the block, at the intersecting streets.

No. 9. Both sides of Lexington avenue, from Sixty-seventh to Sixty-eighth street, and east side of Lexington avenue, 100 feet east of Sixth street, and north side of Sixty-eighth street, 200 feet east Lexington avenue.

No. 10. Both sides of One Hundredth street, from Eighth avenue to Broadway, to the extent of half the block at the intersecting streets.

No. 11. Both sides of Bank street, from West Thirteenth street to Thirteenth avenue, to the extent of half the block at the intersecting streets.

No. 12. East side Thirteenth avenue, between Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth streets.

No. 13. Both sides of Twenty-fourth street, from Eleventh avenue to North river, to the extent of half the block at the intersecting streets.

No. 14. Both sides of Fifty-second street, between Fourth and Fifth avenues, to the extent of half the block at the intersecting streets.

No. 15. Both sides of Seventy-first street, from Eighth avenue to the Boulevard, to the extent of half the block at the intersecting streets.

No. 16. Both sides of Eighty-fourth street, from Avenue A to Fifth avenue, to the extent of half the block at the intersecting streets.

No. 17. Both sides of Fifty-eighth street, between Sixth and Seventh avenues.

No. 18. Both sides of Lewis street, from Houston to Sixth street, to the extent of half the block at the intersecting streets.

No. 19. Both sides of Forty-eighth street, from First to Second avenue, to the extent of half the block at the intersecting streets.

No. 20. Both sides of Thirty-first street, from Lexington to Fourth avenue, to the extent of half the block at the intersecting streets.

No. 21. Both sides of Eleventh street, from Avenue D to the East river, to the extent of half the block at the intersecting streets.

No. 22. Both sides of Eighty-first street, from Second to Fourth avenues, to the extent of half the block at the intersecting streets.

No. 23. All the property from Thirteenth to Fortieth street, from Fourth avenue and Broadway to Seventh avenue, and Thirteenth street to Thirteenth street, and from Seventeenth to Thirteenth avenue.

THOMAS B. ASTEN,
Chairman
OFFICE BOARD OF ASSESSORS,
19 Chatham Street,
NEW YORK, Dec. 1, 1874.

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. For laying Belgian pavement in Second avenue from Sixty-sixth to Eighty-sixth street.

No. 2. For laying Belgian pavement in Fifty-seventh street, from Madison avenue to Second Lexington avenue.

No. 3. For laying Belgian pavement in Forty-third street, from Madison avenue to Grand Central Depot.

No. 4. For regulating, grading, setting curb and gutter, and flagging Eighty-sixth street, from Eighth avenue to the River Drive.

No. 5. For setting curb and gutter, and flagging west side of Third avenue, from Sixty-sixth to Sixty-ninth street.

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

No. 1. Both sides of Second avenue, from Sixty-sixth to Eighty-sixth street, to the extent of half the block at the intersecting streets.

No. 2. Both sides of Fifty-seventh street, from Second to Lexington avenue, to the extent of half the block at the intersecting streets.

No. 3. Both sides of Forty-third street, between Madison and Vanderbilt avenues, to the extent of one-half the block.

No. 4. Both sides of Eighty-sixth street, from Eighth to the River Drive, to the extent of half the block at the intersecting streets.

No. 5. The property known as Ward Nos. 1, 2, and 3.

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 Thomas B. Asten, Chairman of the Board of Assessors, at their office, No. 19, Chatham street, within thirty days from the date of this notice.

THOMAS B. ASTEN,
JOHN MCHARG,
MUNSON H. TREADWELL,
VALENTINE S. WOODRUFF,
Board of Assessors

OFFICE, BOARD OF ASSESSORS,
NEW YORK, Nov. 30, 1874.

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

No. 1. For setting curb and gutter and flagging Third street, from Goerck street to East river.

No. 2. For setting curb and gutter stone, and flagging and flagging, full width, the east side of Avenue D, from Eleventh to Thirteenth street.

No. 3. For flagging Tenth avenue, from Fifty-second to Fifty-third streets.

No. 4. For flagging St. Mark's place, between Second avenue and No. 48.

No. 5. For flagging Fifty-first street, both sides, Tenth to Eleventh avenue, and north side, from Eleventh avenue to the North river, full width.

No. 6. For regulating, grading, setting curb and gutter stones, and flagging One Hundred and Twenty-sixth street, between Fifth and Eighth avenues.

No. 7. Sewer in One Hundred and Fifty-second street, between Boulevard and Tenth avenue, and in Tenth avenue, between One Hundred and Fifty-second and One Hundred and Fifty-third streets.

No. 8. For fencing vacant lots in Fifty-seventh street, between Fifth and Sixth avenues.

No. 9. For sewer in Lexington avenue, between Sixty-second and Sixty-third streets.

No. 10. For regulating, grading, curb, gutter, and flagging One Hundredth street, from Eighth avenue to Broadway.

No. 11. For paving, with stone blocks, in Bank street, from West street to Thirteenth avenue.

No. 12. For paving, with stone blocks, in Bank street, from West street to Thirteenth avenue.

No. 13. For paving, with stone-blocks, Twenty-fourth street, from Eve th avenue to North river.

No. 14. For paving, with Belgian or trap-bock pavement, in Fif-y-se-ond street, between Fourth and Fifth avenues.

No. 15. For paving, with stone-blocks, in Seventy-first street, from Eighth avenue to the Boulevard.

No. 16. For paving, with Belgian granite pavement, in Eighty-fourth street, from Avenue A to Thirteenth avenue, and from Fourth to Fifth avenue.

No. 17. For sewer in Fifty-sixth street, between Sixth and Seventh avenues.

No. 18. For sewer in Lewis street, between Houston and Sixth streets.

No. 19. For sewer in Fortieth street, between First and Second avenues.

No. 20. For Belgian pavement in Thirty-first street, between Fourth and Fifth avenues.

No. 21. For Belgian pavement in Eleventh street, from 100 feet