

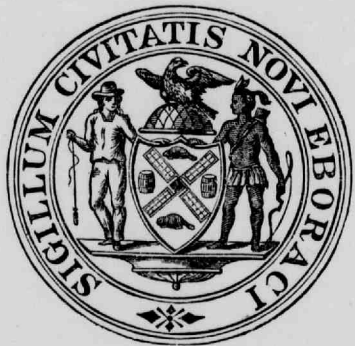
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LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

STATED SESSION.

TUESDAY, October 23, 1877,
2 o'clock P. M.

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

PRESENT:

Hon. Henry D. Purroy, President;

ALDERMEN

William L. Cole,
Rufus B. Cowing,
John De Vries,
Ferdinand Ehrhart,
Henry E. Howland,
William Joyce,
Patrick Keenan,

William Lamb,
Samuel A. Lewis,
John J. Morris,
Lewis J. Phillips,
Joseph C. Pinckney,
Bryan Reilly,

William Salmon,
William Sauer,
Thomas Sheils,
Stephen N. Simonson,
James J. Slevin,
Michael Tuomey.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

PETITIONS.

By Alderman Simonson—

Petition for the free passage of trucks, carts, etc., along the line of Fortieth street between Eleventh avenue and Hudson river, as follows:

To the Honorable the Common Council of the City of New York:

GENTLEMEN—The undersigned, lessees and property-owners in Fortieth street, between the Eleventh avenue and Hudson river, respectfully represent to your Honorable Body the necessity of having said street put in passable condition for vehicles.

The cause for the unfinished condition of the street, is on account of a sewer having been put in and the contractor has neglected to put down the pavement in its original condition, thereby rendering the street impassable for vehicles. There is a large business done in said block, requiring the use of carts and trucks.

Therefore, we urge your Honorable Body to use your best endeavor to compel the proper authority to compel the contractor to restore the pavement to its original condition in as short a time as possible. And we will ever pray, etc.

Spring & Haynes, 40th st.

Western Stock Yards, H. Reed, Manager, 40th st.

R. C. Tompkins, 40th st., N. R.

G. W. Reid, 40th st., N. R.

Chas. White & Co., foot W. 40th st.

John P. Webster, foot W. 40th st.

Toby & Booth, foot W. 39th and 40th sts.

Davis & Atwood, " " "

Munroe Crane, " " "

Nat'l Stock Y'ds, A. S. Baldwin, Supt., foot W.

40th st.

Union Stock Yard & Market Co., Wm. Ed.

Blake, Cashier, foot W. 40th st.

W. M. Tilden & Co., foot W. 40th st.

Stern & Metzger.

Charles Goebel.

Chas. McIntyre, foot W. 40th st.

Patrick McIntyre, foot W. 40th st.

Louis Brenner, 600 W. 40th st.

Benjamin Menair, 511 11th ave.

Jas. Menair, 600 W. 40th st.

Ch. Kaufman, 614, 616 W. 40th st.

James O'Shea, 618, 620 40th st.

John Shea, 630 W. 40th st.

Ferdinand Strauss, cor. 40th st. and 11th ave.

Moses Strauss.

Henry Haight.

Alex. Openheimer.

S. V. Healy, 40th st.

Which was referred to the Commissioner of Public Works.

By the same—

Proposition to lease premises Nos. 334, 336, 338 and 340 West Forty-fourth street, for armory purposes, as follows:

OFFICE OF B. F. SMALL,
No. 145 BROADWAY, Room 27.

To the Hon. the Mayor, the Comptroller, and Board of Aldermen of the City of New York:

GENTLEMEN—I herewith offer you the premises known as Nos. 334, 336, 338 and 340 West Forty-fourth street, for armory purposes, for a term of not less than (3) three years, or more than (10) ten years, at the yearly rental of (\$9,000) nine thousand dollars per year. The above premises are (100) one hundred feet front on West Forty-fourth street, by (100) one hundred feet deep; are very substantially built, and well adapted for Armory purposes.

Very respectfully,

B. F. SMALL, Agent for F. Liporin, Owner.

New York, October 23, 1877.

Which was referred to the Committee on County Affairs.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

By Alderman Reilly—

Resolved, That James E. Doyle be and he is hereby appointed a City Surveyor.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Cole, Cowing, De Vries, Joyce, Keenan, Lamb, Lewis, Morris, Phillips, Pinckney, Salmon, Simonson, and Slevin—14.

By Alderman Sheils—

Resolved, That the carriage-way of Pearl street, from State to Whitehall streets, be repaired and put in good order, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

58 WHITEHALL STREET,
NEW YORK, October 19, 1877.

Alderman THOMAS SHEILS:

DEAR SIR—Pearl street, between State and Whitehall streets, is in a most disgraceful condition for the want of being paved. I hope you will be kind enough to bring it to the notice of the proper authorities. By so doing you will do me a favor that I shan't forget.

I am sir, your obedient servant,

M. L. FLYNN.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

(G. O. 297.)

By Alderman Joyce—

Resolved, That Fifty-eighth street, from Ninth to Tenth avenue, be paved with Belgian or trap-block pavement, and that, at the several intersecting streets and avenues crosswalks be laid where not now laid, and relaid where those now laid are, in the opinion of the Commissioner of Public Works, not in good repair, or are not upon a grade adapted to the grade of the proposed new

pavement, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was laid over.

By Alderman De Vries—

Resolved, That the Commissioner of Public Works be and he is hereby authorized and directed to cause "closets" and urinals to be placed in the several public markets in the city, where necessary, and charge the expense thereof to the appropriation for "Public Buildings—Construction and Repairs."

Which was referred to the Committee on Markets.

(G. O. 298.)

By Alderman Phillips—

Resolved, That two crosswalks be laid across Lexington avenue, one at or near the northerly, and one at or near the southerly intersection of One Hundred and Seventeenth street, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 299.)

By the President—

Resolved, That a crosswalk be laid across Third avenue, near One Hundred and Seventy-third street, in front of the entrance to Public School No. 63, under the direction of the Department of Public Parks; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was laid over.

(G. O. 300.)

By the same—

Resolved, That the Department of Public Parks be and is hereby authorized and directed to remove the dead oak tree which is on the sidewalk of the premises adjoining Public School No. 63 (Bathgate Farm), corner of Third avenue and One Hundred and Seventy-third street, as it is an obstruction to the free uses of the sidewalk, and dangerous to the children in attendance at the public school, and others.

Which was laid over.

By Alderman Phillips—

Resolved, That Solomon D. Epstein and Wm. Turk be and they are hereby appointed Commissioners of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York.

Which was referred to the Committee on Law Department.

By Alderman Hall—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to F. A. Unger to place a box one foot square around the awning post in front of No. 243 Bowery, the work to be done at his own expense, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

(G. O. 301.)

By Alderman Simonson—

Resolved, That gas-mains be laid, lamp-posts erected, and street-lamps lighted in Seventy-first street, from Eighth to Ninth avenues, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

We, the undersigned, residing in West Seventy-first street and vicinity, would respectfully request that the blocks in West Seventy-first street, between Eighth and Ninth avenues, be lighted; also south side, between Ninth avenue and Boulevard.

We would call your attention to the fact that it only requires the lighting of one block to have Seventy-first street, from Eighth avenue to Boulevard, lighted on the north side, and also to the fact that the sidewalk on the unlighted blocks are in such a dangerous condition that during the darkness several persons have been injured.

We would also state that Seventy-first street, when lighted, will be the first lighted street south of Eighty-third street, and north of about Sixty-second street.

John Schreyer, 465 W. 71st street.

Andrus Marcus, 463 W. 71st street.

A. M. Fanning, 467 W. 71st street.

Myer L. Seixas, 449 W. 71st street.

Alfred H. Smith, 459 W. 71st street.

Randall W. Main, 457 W. 71st street.

James M. McKinlay, 455 W. 71st street.

Mrs. Eliza Finkenauf, 443 W. 71st street.

B. Fellman, 445 W. 71st street.

Albert Van Winkle, 461 W. 71st street.

W. Van Winkle, 461 W. 71st street.

John J. Clancy, 71st street and 8th avenue.

Otto Felgenheim, 71st street and 8th avenue.

James Smith, No. 2 W. 71st street.

Louis Stanbrough, 17 W. 71st street.

A. S. Pearce.

John Youmans, 407 W. 71st street.

John H. Edelmeyer, 407 W. 71st street.

David A. Decker, 403 W. 71st street.

James J. Dunne, 71st street and 8th avenue.

John Simmons, 71st street and 8th avenue.

Jacob Tailler, 71st street and 9th avenue.

Thomas Byrnes, 71st street, bet. 8th and 9th aves.

John Hoffman.

Martin Ploss.

C. A. Haynes, southside 71st street and 8th ave.

John Flint, 71st street and 9th avenue.

John Belford, 71st street, between 8th and 9th avenues.

Charles F. McCarthy, 8th avenue and 71st street.

John A. De Ryther, 441 W. 71st street.

S. Churchill, 441 W. 71st street.

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Works.

Subsequently reconsidered and laid over.

By Alderman Lewis—

Resolved, That Charles Brown be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds, in and for the City of York.

Which was referred to the Committee on Law Department.

By Alderman Simonson—

Resolved, That the sidewalk on the north side of Seventy-first street, from Eighth to Ninth avenue, be flagged four feet wide under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Works.

By Alderman Sauer—

Resolved, That Charles A. Stadler be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, whose term of office expires November 10th, 1877.

Which was referred to the Committee on Law Department.

By Alderman Simonson—

Resolved, That a free drinking hydrant be placed on the northeast corner of Eighth avenue and Eighty-fourth street, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Works.

By Alderman Sheils—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to Hugh J. Gallin to erect a street-lamp in front of his premises, No. 52 Sheriff street, the work to be done at his own expense, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

By Alderman Simonson—

Resolved, That the Commissioner of Public Works be and he is hereby requested to put the car-rageway in Fortieth street, from the Eleventh avenue to Hudson river, in repair.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

By Alderman Sauer—

Resolved, That permission be and is hereby given to Jacob Kirchhoff to place two ornamental lamp-posts and lamps in front of his premises, No. 1392 Broadway, southwest corner of Thirty-eighth street, the work to be done and gas supplied at his own expense, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

By Alderman Pinckney—

Resolved, That the Commissioner of Public Works be requested to report to this Board the number and location of "extra lamps," now lighted by the city in front of churches, schools, and

other places authorized by resolution of the Common Council or by other authority, and the cost of lighting such lamps.

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

PETITIONS RESUMED.

By Alderman Simonson—

Petition of owners of property on Boulevard, from Sixty-seventh to Sixty-eighth street, to be supplied with water from the High Service Works, as follows:

To the Honorable the Members of the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York, in Council assembled:

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONORS—

We, the undersigned citizens and taxpayers of this City of New York, most humbly pray That your Honorable Board will look upon this our humble petition to be relieved from a most urgent want and necessity, in a kindly spirit, by granting to your humble petitioners the much needed privilege of being allowed to use the Croton water now running through the High Pressure service mains, and now laid along the Grand Boulevard.

We beg to impress upon the consideration of your Honorable Board, the hardships that we now endure, even to the detriment of health itself, from the want of an adequate supply of water to the upper floors (it raising no higher at the present time than the second floors) of the new and substantially built buildings now occupied by your humble petitioners, and known as the "Arkenburgh Buildings," the same being situated on the west side of the Grand Boulevard, between the Sixty-seventh and Sixty-eighth streets, and numbered as follows: 159, 161, 163, and 165, on the Grand Boulevard, and the brownstone private dwellings situated on the north side of Sixty-seventh street, and numbered as follows, viz.: 103, 105, and 107.

We feel confidence in the impartiality of your Honorable Board, that our humble petition will be granted, seeing that the same privilege has been granted to the occupants of the private dwellings, situated on the west side of Broadway, between the Fifty-seventh and Fifty-eighth streets, and known as the "Hoffman Buildings," and numbered as follows: 1779, 1781, 1783 and 1785 on Broadway, and 242 West Fifty-eighth street, said buildings being constructed and finished last May, and the "Arkenburgh Buildings," in which your humble petitioners now reside, being finished at the same time.

By your Honorable Board granting us this impartial and much needed favor, your petitioners will ever pray.

We wish it to be understood by your Honorable Board, that whatever expense may be incurred (should your Honorable Board grant us our urgent request), will be defrayed by R. H. Arkenburgh, Esq., the owner of said buildings.

G. H. Tiemeyer, 159 Boulevard.
J. M. Havens, 165 Boulevard.
J. Boulee, M. D., 163 Boulevard.
Julius Walter, 165 Boulevard.
J. J. Mayer, 161 Boulevard.
W. W. Whipple, 161 Boulevard.
Thos. Hagan, 161 Boulevard.
Edwd. Fisher, 159 Boulevard.
Joseph J. Snow, 159 Boulevard.
G. B. Gillespie, 103 Boulevard, Counsellor at Law.
Josh. D. Lange, 103 West Sixty-seventh street.
Rev. A. Thompson, 107 West Sixty-seventh street.
R. H. Arkenburgh, 107 West Sixty-seventh street.

Which was referred to the Commissioner of Public Works.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

Alderman Morris called up G. O. 295, being a preamble and ordinance, as follows:

AN ORDINANCE to regulate the carrying of pistols in the City of New York.
Whereas, In a large portion of the arrests made by the police for disorderly conduct or intoxication, the persons so arrested are found to have on them at the time a pistol of some kind, and as the records of the criminal courts will show that in the largest portion of the arrests for murder or felonious assault the criminal claims he was drunk: and was, therefore, unfit to carry any weapon of any kind, particularly as the majority of those arrested are twenty-five years of age, and as such persons are always ready and willing to insult respectable citizens, and draw a pistol on any and every occasion, while the better and law-abiding class try to obey the laws and protect themselves with nothing but nature's weapons; therefore, be it ordained by the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of New York, in Common Council convened, as follows:

Section 1. Every person, except public officers, and persons to whom permits shall have been issued, as hereinafter provided, who shall have in his possession within the City of New York, a pistol of any description, concealed on his person, or not carried openly, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall be punished on conviction, by a fine not exceeding \$10 or in default of payment of such fine, by imprisonment not exceeding ten days.

Sec. 2. Any person, except a public officer, who has occasion to carry a pistol for his protection, may apply to the officer in command at the Station-house of the Precinct where he resides, and such officer, if satisfied that the applicant is a proper and law-abiding person, shall give said person a recommendation to the Superintendent of Police, or the Inspector in command at the Central Office in the absence of the Superintendent, who shall issue a permit to the said person allowing him to carry a pistol of any description.

Sec. 3. If, at the time of the arrest, a pistol of any description shall be found concealed on the person of, or not carried openly by any one arrested for disorderly conduct or intoxication, the officer making the arrest shall state such fact to the Police Magistrate before whom the prisoner is brought, and shall make a separate complaint against such prisoner for violation of this ordinance.

Sec. 4. This ordinance shall take effect immediately.
Alderman Morris moved to amend section 1 by striking out the words "public officers" after the word "except," in the first line thereof, and inserting in lieu thereof the words "Judges of the Federal, State, and City Courts, and officers of the general State and Municipal Governments, authorized by law to make arrests."

Also, to amend section 2 by striking out the words "a public officer" after the word "except," in the first line thereof, and inserting in lieu thereof the words "as provided in section 1 of this ordinance."

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

Alderman Morris then moved to refer the ordinance, as amended, to the Committee on Law Department.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

Alderman Morris called up G. O. 285, being a resolution, as follows:

Resolved, That gas-mains be laid, lamp-posts erected, and street-lamps lighted in Avenue B, from Seventy-ninth to Eighty-sixth street, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote (three-fourths of all the members elected voting in favor thereof):

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Cole, Cowing, De Vries, Joyce, Keenan, Lamb, Lewis, Morris, Phillips, Pinckney, Reilly, Salmon, Sheils, Simonson, Slevin and Tuomey—17.

Alderman Salmon called up G. O. 286, being a resolution, as follows:

Resolved, That water pipes be laid in Avenue B, from Seventy-ninth to Eighty-sixth street, as provided in section 2 of chapter 477, Laws of 1875.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote (three-fourths of all the members elected voting in favor thereof):

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Cole, Cowing, De Vries, Joyce, Keenan, Lamb, Lewis, Morris, Phillips, Pinckney, Reilly, Salmon, Sheils, Simonson, Slevin, and Tuomey—17.

Alderman Salmon called up G. O. 292, being a resolution, as follows:

Resolved, That gas-mains be laid, lamp-posts erected, and street-lamps lighted in First avenue, from Sixty-fifth to Seventy-fifth street, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote (three-fourths of all the members elected voting in favor thereof):

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Cole, Cowing, De Vries, Joyce, Keenan, Lamb, Lewis, Morris, Phillips, Pinckney, Reilly, Salmon, Sheils, Simonson, Slevin, and Tuomey—17.

Alderman Salmon called up G. O. 217, being a resolution and ordinance, as follows:

Resolved, That Eighty-eighth street, from First avenue to Avenue A, be regulated and graded, the curb and gutter set, and the sidewalks flagged, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution and ordinance.

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote (three-fourths of all the members elected voting in favor thereof):

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Cole, Cowing, De Vries, Joyce, Keenan, Lamb, Lewis, Morris, Phillips, Pinckney, Reilly, Salmon, Sheils, Simonson, Slevin, and Tuomey—17.

Alderman Keenan called up G. O. 24, being a resolution, as follows:

Resolved, That the Commissioner of Public Works be and he is hereby instructed to cause Croton-mains to be laid, from Inwood street north, through the River road (now being a part of Bolton

road) to Two Hundred and Eighteenth street, in order to supply with water the dwellings on said River road, as provided in section 2 of chapter 477, Laws of 1875.

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

Which was decided in the negative by the following vote (three-fourths of all the members elected voting in favor thereof):

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Cole, Joyce, Keenan, Lamb, Lewis, Morris, Reilly, Salmon, Sheils, Simonson, Slevin, and Tuomey—13.

Negative—Aldermen Cowing, Phillips, and Pinckney—3.

Subsequently on motion of Alderman Keenan, the above vote was reconsidered and the paper again laid over.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS RESUMED.

By Alderman Slevin—

Resolved, That Wm. Abbott be and is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds, in place of Thos. J. O'Connell, whose term has expired.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Cole, De Vries, Joyce, Keenan, Lamb, Lewis, Morris, Phillips, Pinckney, Reilly, Salmon, Sheils, Simonson, Slevin, and Tuomey—16.

By Alderman Reilly—

Resolved, That permission be and is hereby given to Charles C. Yeaton to erect an ornamental lamp post, the usual size, with five ornamental lamps, in front of his premises, No. 44 Murray street, the work to be done and gas supplied at his own expense, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, such permission to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

By Alderman Tuomey—

Resolved, That the consent of the Board of Aldermen is hereby given to the Church of the Holy Trinity, in the City of New York (Rev. Dr. Tyng, Jr.), to use the Armory of the Twelfth Regiment for a Fair, from December 10th to 15th inclusive, provided the consent of the Colonel of said Regiment be obtained.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS RESUMED.

Alderman Slevin called up G. O. 265, being a resolution, as follows:

Resolved, That a lamp-post be erected and a street lamp lighted on the north side of Fifty-fifth street, west of Sixth avenue, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote (three-fourths of all the members elected voting in favor thereof):

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Cole, Cowing, De Vries, Joyce, Keenan, Lamb, Lewis, Morris, Phillips, Pinckney, Reilly, Salmon, Sheils, Simonson, Slevin, and Tuomey—17.

Alderman Joyce called up G. O. 275, being a resolution and ordinance, as follows:

Resolved, That the vacant lots on both sides of One Hundred and Eighteenth street, between First and Second avenues, be fenced in, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Subsequently the President called up G. O. 275, being the foregoing resolution and ordinance, and put the question whether the Board would agree to adopt the same.

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote:

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Cole, Cowing, De Vries, Ehrhart, Howland, Joyce, Keenan, Lamb, Lewis, Morris, Phillips, Pinckney, Reilly, Salmon, Sheils, Simonson, Slevin, and Tuomey—19.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution and ordinance.

Which was decided in the negative by the following vote (three-fourths of all the members elected voting in favor thereof):

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Cole, Cowing, De Vries, Joyce, Keenan, Lamb, Lewis, Morris, Phillips, Pinckney, Reilly, Salmon, Sheils, Simonson, Slevin, and Tuomey—16.

Negative—Alderman Pinckney—1.

On motion of Alderman Joyce, the above vote was reconsidered, and the paper again laid over.

Alderman Joyce called up G. O. 291, being a resolution and ordinance, as follows:

Resolved, That on the north side of Forty-third street, between the Ninth and Tenth avenues, the sidewalk be flagged full width where not already done, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution and ordinance.

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote (three-fourths of all the members elected voting in favor thereof):

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Cole, Cowing, De Vries, Ehrhart, Joyce, Keenan, Lamb, Lewis, Morris, Phillips, Pinckney, Reilly, Salmon, Sheils, Simonson, Slevin, and Tuomey—18.

Alderman Lewis called up G. O. 288, being a preamble and resolution, as follows:

Whereas, The neglect to provide urinals and closets on the piers or bulkheads of this city is productive of much annoyance, suffering, and in some instances injury to health to many of our own citizens and to strangers, particularly those having business at, or who from curiosity visit our extended water front; and as such public conveniences can with great facility, and at comparatively trifling cost, be provided, the ordinary feelings of humanity would seem to dictate that steps be immediately taken by the proper Department to meet this great public necessity; be it therefore Resolved, That the Department of Docks be and is hereby requested, and so far as this Common Council has the power, directed, to cause a convenient "closet" and urinal to be placed on every third pier on the city's water front, or the adjoining bulkhead, as said Department may determine to be best adapted for the purpose.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote (three-fourths of all the members elected voting in favor thereof):

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Cole, Cowing, De Vries, Ehrhart, Joyce, Keenan, Lamb, Lewis, Morris, Phillips, Pinckney, Reilly, Salmon, Sheils, Simonson, Slevin, and Tuomey—18.

Alderman Lamb called up G. O. 284, being a resolution and ordinance, as follows:

Resolved, That the sidewalks on the south side of Fifty-eighth street, from Broadway to Seventh avenue, be flagged a space eight feet wide, through the centre thereof, where not already so flagged, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works; and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with the said resolution, and ordinance.

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote (three-fourths of all the members elected voting in favor thereof):

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Cole, De Vries, Ehrhart, Howland, Joyce, Keenan, Lamb, Lewis, Morris, Phillips, Pinckney, Reilly, Salmon, Sheils, Simonson and Tuomey—17.

Alderman Lamb called up G. O. 289, being a resolution, as follows:

Resolved, That two lamp-posts be erected, and lamps lighted, in front of the entrance to St. Ann's Chapel, in Eighteenth street, between Seventh and Eighth avenues, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote (three-fourths of all the members elected voting in favor thereof):

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Cole, De Vries, Ehrhart, Howland, Joyce, Keenan, Lamb, Lewis, Morris, Phillips, Pinckney, Reilly, Salmon, Sheils, Simonson, Slevin and Tuomey—18.

Negative—Alderman Cowing—1.

Alderman Sheils called up G. O. 261, being a resolution, as follows:

Resolved, That gas-mains be laid, lamp-posts erected, and street lamps lighted in Sixty-ninth street, from Third avenue to the East river, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote (three-fourths of all the members elected voting in favor thereof):

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Cole, Cowing, De Vries, Ehrhart, Howland, Joyce, Keenan, Lamb, Lewis, Morris, Phillips, Pinckney, Reilly, Salmon, Sheils, Simonson, Slevin, and Tuomey—19.

Alderman Sheils called up G. O. 267, being a resolution, as follows:

Resolved, That gas-mains be laid, lamp-posts erected, and street-lamps lighted in Forty-fourth street, from Second to Third avenue, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote (three-fourths of all the members elected voting in favor thereof):

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Cole, Cowing, De Vries, Ehrhart, Howland, Joyce, Keenan, Lamb, Lewis, Morris, Phillips, Pinckney, Reilly, Salmon, Sheils, Simonson, Slevin, and Tuomey—19.

Alderman Sheils called up G. O. 267, being a resolution, as follows:

Resolved, That gas-mains be laid, lamp-posts erected, and street-lamps lighted in Forty-fourth street, from Second to Third avenue, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote (three-fourths of all the members elected voting in favor thereof):

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Cole, Cowing, De Vries, Howland, Joyce, Keenan,

Lamb, Lewis, Morris, Phillips, Pinckney, Reilly, Salmon, Sheils, Simonson, Slevin, and Tuomey—18.

Alderman Phillips called up G. O. 271, being resolutions.

Resolved, That gas-mains be laid, lamp-posts erected, and street-lamps lighted in One Hundred and First street, between the Grand Boulevard and the Riverside park, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

Resolved, That Croton-mains be laid in One Hundred and First street, between the Grand Boulevard and the Riverside park, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works, as provided in section 2, chapter 477, Laws of 1875.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote (three-fourths of all the members elected voting in favor thereof):

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Cole, Cowing, De Vries, Ehrhart, Howland, Joyce, Keenan, Lamb, Lewis, Morris, Phillips, Pinckney, Reilly, Salmon, Simonson, Slevin, and Tuomey—18.

Alderman Cowing called up G. O. 274, being a resolution and ordinance, as follows:

Resolved, That the Board of Education be and is hereby requested to report to this Board as soon as convenient, a statement showing:

1. The location by street number of every public school-house in this city.
2. The seating capacity for scholars of every such school-house, with the number of children in regular attendance.
3. The number of children of non-resident parents, daily in attendance at each school-house.
4. The number of non-resident school teachers in said school, with the aggregate amount of money paid for salaries to all non-resident teachers.
5. The arrangements, if any, is made by the Board or other authority, to compel the attendance of children at the school nearest their respective residences.
6. The aggregate seating capacity for scholars of all the school-houses in this city.
7. The aggregate of scholars in attendance at such schools.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution and ordinance.

Which was decided in the affirmative.

Alderman Cowing called up G. O. 281, being a resolution and ordinance, as follows:

Resolved, That Max Steinert be and he is hereby appointed a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, in place of Robert W. Gardiner, resigned.

The President put the question whether the Board would agree with said resolution and ordinance.

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote (three-fourths of all the members elected voting in favor thereof):

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Cole, Cowing, De Vries, Ehrhart, Howland, Joyce, Keenan, Lamb, Lewis, Morris, Phillips, Pinckney, Reilly, Salmon, Sheils, Simonson, Slevin, and Tuomey—19.

Alderman Reilly called up G. O. 294, being a resolution, as follows:

Resolved, That permission be and is hereby given to licensed cartmen and truckmen, residing in the City of New York, to deposit their carts or trucks, between the hours of 5 o'clock P. M. and 9 o'clock A. M., daily, and all day on Sundays and legal holidays, in the centre of Pike slip, Market slip, Rutgers slip, and Gouverneur slip, provided that a space of thirty feet of the roadway, on each side of said slips, is kept free and unobstructed, for public travel; and the Commissioner of Public Works be and he is hereby authorized and directed to remove from said slips all other incumbrances, not authorized by the Common Council; the permission hereby given to continue only during the pleasure of the Common Council.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote (three-fourths of all the members elected voting in favor thereof):

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Cole, De Vries, Ehrhart, Howland, Joyce, Keenan, Lamb, Lewis, Morris, Phillips, Pinckney, Reilly, Salmon, Sauer, Sheils, Simonson, Slevin, and Tuomey—19.

Negative—Alderman Cowing—1.

The President called up G. O. 287, being resolutions as follows:

Resolved, That Croton water-mains be laid in Fifty-first street, from Fourth to Fifth avenue, as provided in section 2 of chapter 477, Laws of 1875.

Resolved, That gas-mains be laid, lamp-posts erected, and street lamps, of the Bartlett pattern, lighted in Fifty-first street, between Fourth and Fifth avenues, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

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

Which was decided in the affirmative by the following vote (three-fourths of all the members elected voting in favor thereof):

Affirmative—The President, Aldermen Cole, Cowing, De Vries, Ehrhart, Howland, Joyce, Keenan, Lamb, Lewis, Morris, Phillips, Pinckney, Reilly, Salmon, Sauer, Sheils, Simonson, Slevin, and Tuomey—20.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE DEPARTMENTS AND CORPORATION OFFICERS.

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

CITY OF NEW YORK—FINANCE DEPARTMENT,
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
October 22, 1877.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen:

In pursuance of section 112, of chapter 335 Laws of 1873, I herewith transmit a duplicate copy of the "Departmental Estimate," showing in detail the amounts required by the Finance Department for the year 1878.

Very respectfully,
JOHN KELLY, Comptroller.

CITY OF NEW YORK—FINANCE DEPARTMENT,
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
October 12, 1877.

To the Board of Estimate and Apportionment:

I submit herewith a "Departmental Estimate" of the amount of appropriations required for all objects and purposes by the Finance Department for the year 1878, specified in detail, and including a statement of the salaries of the officers, clerks, and subordinates in the several Bureaus and Offices attached to said Department.

Very respectfully,
JOHN KELLY, Comptroller.

DEPARTMENTAL ESTIMATE OF THE FINANCE DEPARTMENT FOR 1878.

Expense of Conducting the Department.

Salaries—Finance Department—	
For salary of Comptroller, as fixed by law	\$10,000 00
For salaries of the officers, clerks and subordinates of the Department	170,000 00
Salaries—Chamberlain's Office, as fixed by law	30,000 00
Contingencies—Comptroller's Office	5,000 00
Cleaning Markets	20,000 00
Total	\$235,000 00

Statement of each of the Salaries of the Officers, Clerks, Employees and Subordinates of the Finance Department.

SALARIES—DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE.

John Kelly, Comptroller..... \$10,000 00

Officers, Clerks and Subordinates of the Department.

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE.

Richard A. Storrs, Deputy Comptroller	\$6,500 00
Osborne MacDaniel, Assistant	3,500 00
Charles W. Lawrence, Clerk to Comptroller	3,200 00
Henry J. Storrs, General Clerk	2,750 00
Isaac S. Barrett, General Bookkeeper	3,000 00
Perkins Cleveland, Assistant Bookkeeper	1,500 00
William Steele, " "	1,500 00
Joseph Haag, " "	1,200 00
James J. Martin, Clerk	1,200 00
Charles M. Eisig, " "	1,800 00
Sigmund Wise, " "	2,500 00
Timothy Daly, " "	1,080 00
Alfred J. Dickerson, " "	1,500 00

Edward Jervois, Clerk	1,000 00
Edwd. H. McGurk, " "	1,000 00
James C. Marriott, " "	1,200 00
Charles A. Jenks, " "	1,200 00
Frank Forrester, " "	1,000 00
George A. Perley, " "	900 00
Wakeman H. Dikeman, Stock and Bond Clerk	3,200 00
David P. Johnson, Ass't " "	2,400 00
William B. Carroll, Clerk	1,080 00
R. E. Selmes, " "	1,000 00
Daniel M. Donegan, " "	1,000 00
John F. Carroll, " "	1,000 00
Frederick J. Brettman, " "	1,000 00
James Doyle, " "	1,000 00
William H. McCabe, " "	1,000 00
John F. Gouldsbury, " "	1,000 00
Jacques Schmitz, " "	1,000 00
Edward Baack, Jr., " "	1,000 00
James Devlin, Doorkeeper	1,080 00
Thomas Hughes, Janitor	900 00
Patrick Mallon, Messenger	900 00
John Connolly, " "	\$2 70 per diem 845 10
John Quinn, " "	2 70 " 845 10
James Smith, " "	2 70 " 845 10
Joseph F. Dorcey, " "	2 70 " 845 10
Total	\$59,470 00

AUDITING BUREAU.

Daniel Jackson, Auditor of Accounts	\$4,000 00
Amos Dodge, Assistant Auditor	2,000 00
Diedrich A. Schierenbeck, Assistant Auditor	2,000 00
Addison G. White, Clerk	1,500 00
George P. Williams, " "	1,300 00
Chas. U. O'Connell, " "	1,080 00
Michael Meehan, " "	1,000 00
Henry M. Garvin, " "	1,000 00
Charles A. Clark, " "	1,900 00
Christian Classen, " "	1,200 00
David J. Van Winkle, " "	1,100 00
Sylvester E. Nolan, " "	1,000 00
John B. Cusick, " "	1,000 00
Moor Falls, Paymaster	3,000 00
William C. Emmet, Disbursing Clerk	2,750 00
Stephen Angell, Examining Printing and Stationery Claims	2,500 00
Adonijah D. Ford, Examiner	1,200 00
John R. M. Shiel, " "	1,200 00
William H. Tisdale, " "	1,200 00
Lawrence Morrissey, Messenger	900 00
Francis Conlon, " "	\$2.70 per diem 845 10
Total	\$33,675 10

BUREAU OF ARREARS.

Artemas S. Cady, Clerk of Arrears	\$3,500 00
John O'Brien, Assistant Clerk	1,800 00
Norman A. Beach, Cashier	1,200 00
John F. Tully, Redemption Clerk	1,400 00
Dennis S. Griffin, Apportionment Clerk	1,700 00
William O'Connell, Assistant Clerk	1,360 00
Jonathan D. Harris, " "	1,080 00
Charles A. Carroll, " "	1,080 00
Oliver C. Gardiner, " "	1,200 00
Reuben H. Crombie, " "	1,080 00
Thomas C. Smith, " "	1,000 00
Samuel N. Solomon, " "	1,400 00
John G. Harper, " "	1,000 00
Albert Etterich, " "	1,000 00
Thomas Daw, " "	1,000 00
Michael F. Burke, " "	1,000 00
Daniel F. Scully, " "	1,000 00
Solomon Seixas, " "	1,000 00
Lawrence Langan, Messenger	900 00
James O. Reilly, " "	\$2 70 per diem 845 10
Adam Eifler, " "	2 70 " 845 10
Total	\$26,390 20

BUREAU FOR THE COLLECTION OF TAXES.

Martin T. McMahon, Receiver of Taxes	\$4,500 00
Alfred Vredenburg, Deputy Receiver	2,750 00
William H. Dongan, Clerk	1,750 00
Ira B. Betts, " "	1,500 00
James Langdon, " "	1,360 00
H. F. A. Gercke, " "	1,360 00
Andrew Eadie, Temporary Clerk	1,200 00
Louis N. Hart, " "	\$3 00 per diem 936 00
Reuben W. Beebe, " "	3 00 " 936 00
Washington Brockner, Jr., " "	4 00 " 1,252 00
William B. Humbert, " "	1,200 00
John J. O'Mahoney, " "	1,000 00
William Roome, " "	\$3 00 per diem 936 00
Charles W. Brandt, " "	3 00 " 936 00
Edward Cavanagh, " "	3 00 " 936 00
Adam C. Flanagan, " "	3 00 " 936 00
For Temporary Clerks, say	4,680 00
Total	\$28,168 00

BUREAU FOR THE COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS.

Edward Gilon, Collector of Assessments	\$3,000 00
Isaac H. Wood, Bookkeeper	1,700 00
Frank A. O'Donnell, Clerk	1,360 00
James G. Brown, Clerk	1,360 00
George McHugh, " "	1,000 00
John Davis, Messenger	\$2 70 per diem 845 10
Thomas Aitken, Messenger	2 70 " 845 10
Total	\$10,110 20

BUREAU OF CITY REVENUE.

Edward T. Fitzpatrick, Collector of City Revenue	\$3,000 00
Graham McAdam, Clerk to Collector	1,430 00
Michael McLoughlin, Clerk	900 00
Samuel C. Holmes, Deputy Collector of City Revenue	1,275 00
Daniel Williams, " "	1,300 00
James Carraher, " "	1,170 00
Peter Farrell, " "	1,200 00
Louis Schoomaker, " "	1,000 00
John M. Seaman, " "	1,080 00
Henry Marshall, " "	1,000 00
William Campbell, " "	1,080 00
Patrick F. Begg, " "	1,000 00
Hugh Keegan, " "	1,000 00
John Perry, " "	1,080 00
Total	\$17,515 00

BUREAU OF MARKETS.

Joshua M. Varian, Superintendent of Markets.....	\$3,000 00
John Keenan, Clerk of Washington Market.....	1,200 00
Washington T. Romaine, Clerk of West Washington Market.....	1,275 00
Total.....	\$5,475 00

CLEANING MARKETS.

John McElroy, Sweeper.....	\$600 00
Thomas Gorry.....	600 00
Martin Kirwin.....	600 00
James McCarthy.....	600 00
Thomas Shaughnessy.....	600 00
Patrick O'Donnell.....	600 00
Robert Tucker.....	600 00
Edward S. Sheridan.....	600 00
Martin Clifford.....	600 00
Patrick Tangney.....	600 00
William White.....	600 00
John Mulligan.....	600 00
Francis Finnan.....	600 00
John Considine.....	600 00
Edward Brackett.....	600 00
Kimber Mason.....	600 00
Henry Breslin.....	600 00
Michael Dunn, Sweeper.....	600 00
Charles Haniquet, Water-closet Cleaner.....	336 00
James J. Doran, Cartman.....	\$3.50 per diem.
John Crowley.....	1,095 50
William Costello.....	1,095 50
Daniel Patterson.....	1,095 50
Arthur Slevin.....	1,095 50
Bernard Lynch.....	1,095 50
Edward Hughes.....	1,095 50
Michael Clifford.....	1,095 50
Thomas Kelly.....	1,095 50
Daniel Kelly.....	1,095 50
Dennis J. Ward.....	1,095 50
For brooms, shovels, hoes, pickaxes, wheelbarrows, etc.....	1,813 50
Total.....	\$25,000 00

For wages of sweepers and cartmen employed in cleaning the public markets, and for the purchase of brooms, shovels, hoes, pickaxes, wheelbarrows, etc., used in that service..... \$20,000 00

SALARIES—CHAMBERLAIN'S OFFICE.

For salary of the Chamberlains—from which he shall pay all salaries and expenses of his office, as provided by statute..... \$30,000 00

CONTINGENCIES—COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE.

For incidental office expenses, postage, expenses incurred in paying laborers, expenses incident to the charge of real estate of the Corporation, and the prevention of encroachments thereon, etc., etc..... \$5,000 00

STATE TAXES.

The following communication has been received from the Comptroller of the State :

STATE OF NEW YORK, COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
ALBANY, October 11, 1877.

SIR—The Board of Equalization of Taxes, in pursuance of chapter 312, of the Laws of 1859, have fixed the aggregate valuation of property in your county at the sum of \$1,234,191,178, upon which amount a State Tax of \$3,908,272.06 must be levied for the current fiscal year, commencing October 1, 1877, as provided in said act and amendments thereto, by chapter 351, Laws of 1874, being 3 1-6 mills on the dollar, for the following purposes, viz. :

For Schools.....	1 1/2 mills, per chapter 341, Laws of 1877.
For General Purposes.....	1 11-24 " " " 341, " 1877.
For the New Capitol and other buildings.....	1/4 " " " 341, " 1877.
For Canals.....	1/4 " " " 55, " 1877.
Total.....	3 1-6 mills.

Your obedient servant,

F. P. OLCOTT, Comptroller.

The State Taxes to be levied in 1878, in pursuance of the foregoing communication, as the quota of the city and county of New York, are as follows:

For General purposes, 1 11-24 mills.....	\$1,799,862 13
For the New Capitol and other buildings, 1/4 mill.....	308,547 79
For Canals, 1/4 mill.....	411,397 06
For Common Schools for the State, 1 1/2 mills.....	\$2,510,806 98
Total.....	\$3,908,272 06

INTEREST ON AND INSTALLMENTS OF PRINCIPAL OF THE DEBT OF THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

The amount necessary to be provided by taxation for interest on the city debt, and for the redemption of the principal of the debt due in 1878, is shown by the following detailed statements, which are summarized as follows:

For interest on the city debt, including interest on debt of the annexed territory of Westchester County.....	\$9,164,383 65
For redemption of principal of the city debt, including debt of annexed territory of Westchester County.....	1,151,530 27
Total.....	10,315,913 92

Statement in detail of the amount required for the Payment of Interest on the City Debt, for the year 1878.

PER CENT.	TITLE OF BONDS AND STOCKS.	PRINCIPAL.	INTEREST.
6	Central Park Fund Stock, 1887.....	\$3,066,071 00	\$183,954 26
5	Central Park Fund Stock, 1898.....	399,300 00	19,965 00
6	Central Park Fund Stock, 1898.....	275,000 00	16,500 00
6	Central Park Improvement Fund Stock, 1887.....	2,083,200 00	124,992 00
6	Central Park Improvement Fund Stock, 1895.....	1,766,600 00	105,996 00
5	Dock Bonds, 1902-1906.....	665,000 00	33,250 00
5	Dock Bonds, 1902-1906.....	2,441,200 00	146,472 00
7	Dock Bonds (gold), 1901.....	1,598,800 00	111,916 00
6	Dock Bonds (gold), 1901.....	*1,000,000 00	66,000 00
6	Floating Debt Fund Stock, 1878, due May 1, 1878.....	12,748,000 00	82,440 00
6	Market Stock, 1897.....	181,000 00	10,860 00
7	Market Stock, 1894 and 1897.....	115,000 00	8,050 00
7	City Cemetery Stock, 1888.....	75,000 00	5,250 00
6	City Improvement Stock, 1889 and 1892.....	518,096 30	31,085 78
6	City Improvement Stock, 1926.....	445,000 00	26,700 00
5	City Improvement Stock, 1926.....	188,835 34	9,441 77
7	City Improvement Stock, 1889 and 1892.....	7,269,400 00	508,858 00
6	City Improvement Stock (gold), 1896.....	*820,000 00	54,120 00
6	City Lunatic Asylum Stock, 1899.....	400,000 00	24,000 00
7	City Lunatic Asylum Stock, 1899.....	300,000 00	21,000 00
7	Fire Department Stock, 1899.....	521,932 87	31,317 17
6	Fire Department Stock, 1899.....	597,586 48	35,855 19
7	Tax Relief Bonds, 1894.....	5,767,000 00	403,690 00
7	Croton Water Pipe Bonds, 1880.....	450,000 00	31,500 00
6	New York Bridge Bonds, 1926.....	1,000,000 00	50,000 00
6	New York Bridge Bonds, 1905 and 1926.....	2,000,000 00	120,000 00
7	Accumulated Debt Bonds, 1884-1888.....	6,500,000 00	455,000 00
6	Street Improvement Bonds, 1888.....	606,939 14	36,416 35
5	Additional Croton Water Stock, 1891.....	337,000 00	16,850 00
6	Additional Croton Water Stock, 1891.....	373,000 00	22,380 00

PER CENT.	TITLE OF BONDS AND STOCKS.	PRINCIPAL.	INTEREST.
7	Additional Croton Water Stock, 1891.....	237,000 00	16,590 00
7	Street Opening and Improvement Bonds, 1879-1882.....	1,000,000 00	70,000 00
7	Third District Court-house Bonds, 1890.....	210,000 00	10,500 00
6	Third District Court-house Bonds, 1890.....	188,000 00	11,280 00
7	Ninth District Court-house Bonds, 1890.....	300,000 00	21,000 00
5	Croton Water Main Stock, 1900 and 1906.....	688,000 00	34,100 00
6	Croton Water Main Stock, 1900.....	1,256,000 00	75,360 00
7	Croton Water Main Stock, 1900.....	2,228,000 00	155,960 00
6	Normal School Fund Stock, 1891.....	200,000 00	12,000 00
6	Public School Building Fund Stock, 1891.....	636,000 00	38,160 00
5	City Parks Improvement Fund Stock, 1904.....	300,000 00	15,000 00
5	City Parks Improvement Fund Stock, 1901-1904.....	3,352,000 00	201,120 00
7	City Parks Improvement Fund Stock, 1901-1903.....	1,111,000 00	77,770 00
6	City Parks Improvement Fund Stock, 1901 (gold).....	866,000 00	50,862 00
5	Consolidated Stock, 1897 and 1916.....	373,500 00	18,675 00
6	Consolidated Stock, 1891, 1916, and 1926.....	2,658,349 40	123,500 96
7	Consolidated Stock, 1891 and 1896.....	8,279,700 00	579,579 00
6	Consolidated Stock (gold), 1896 and 1901.....	*5,810,500 00	383,889 00
6	Sewer Repair Stock, 1882-1886.....	265,000 00	15,900 00
6	Museums of Art and Natural History Stock, 1903.....	206,000 00	10,300 00
6	Museums of Art and Natural History Stock, 1903.....	665,000 00	39,900 00
5	New York City Bonds for Liquidation of Claims and Judgments, 1878-1879.....	\$311,825 00	15,007 72
6	New York City Bonds for Liquidation of Claims and Judgments, 1878.....	117,650 00	7,066 00
7	New York City Bonds for State Sinking Fund Deficiency, 1878-1886.....	\$3,509,545 38	232,019 94
5	New York City Bonds for Third Avenue Improvement, Twenty-third Ward, 1880.....	24,000 00	1,200 00
5	New York City Bonds for Armories and Drill-rooms, 1880.....	323,250 90	16,162 50
6	New York County Court-house Stock, 1878-1886.....	1,500,000 00	90,000 00
6	New York County Court-house Stock, 1878-1881.....	640,000 00	38,400 00
7	New York County Court-house Stock, 1884-1888.....	600,000 00	42,000 00
6	New York County Court-house Stock, 1894.....	105,000 00	6,000 00
5	New York County Court-house Stock, 1896.....	54,001 07	5,250 00
6	New York County Court-house Stock, 1896.....	100,000 00	3,245 46
5	Assessment Fund Stock, due March 6, 1878.....	\$100,000 00	2,000 00
6	Assessment Fund Stock, 1887 and 1903.....	1,274,800 00	76,488 00
6	Assessment Fund Stock, 1887 and 1903.....	937,300 00	65,611 00
6	Assessment Fund Stock, 1910.....	900,450 00	54,027 00
6	Soldiers' Bounty Fund Bonds, 1883-1890.....	4,000,000 00	240,000 00
7	Soldiers' Bounty Fund Bonds No. 3, 1895 and 1897.....	745,800 00	52,206 00
7	Soldiers' Bounty Fund Redemption Bonds No. 2, 1891.....	376,600 00	26,362 00
6	Soldiers' Substitute and Relief Redemption Bonds, 1880 and 1881.....	946,700 00	55,802 00
6	Riot Damages Redemption Bonds, 1879.....	500,000 00	30,000 00
6	Riot Damages Indemnity Bonds, 1882.....	855,204 46	51,312 27
7	Accumulated Debt Bonds, 1884-1888.....	6,000,000 00	420,000 00
6	New York County Repairs to Buildings Stock, 1884-1888.....	100,000 00	6,000 00
6	New York County Improvement Bonds, 1891.....	30,000 00	1,800 00
7	New York County Consolidated Stock, 1895.....	1,680,200 00	117,614 00
6	New York County Consolidated Stock (gold), 1901.....	*8,885,500 00	586,443 00
5	Assessment Bonds, 1878-1880.....	4,794,700 00	239,735 00
6	Assessment Bonds, 1878 and 1890.....	4,242,300 00	254,538 00
7	Assessment Fund Bonds, 1878-1880.....	2,285,000 00	159,250 00
6	Assessment Fund Bonds, 1878 and 1890.....	1,637,000 00	98,220 00
7	Street Improvement Fund Bonds, 1881.....	699,300 00	48,951 00
6	Street Improvement Fund Bonds, 1878-1880.....	1,509,000 00	75,450 00
6	Street Improvement Fund Bonds, 1878-1880.....	1,003,700 00	60,222 00
7	Street Improvement Fund Bonds, 1878.....	542,100 00	37,947 00
6	Central Park Commission Improvement Bonds, 1878-1880.....	1,240,000 00	74,400 00
6	Department of Parks Improvement Bonds, 1878-1880.....	2,724,200 00	163,452 00
7	Department of Parks Improvement Bonds, 1878 and 1890.....	980,000 00	68,600 00
7	Improvement Bonds, 1879.....	500,000 00	35,000 00
	Total.....	\$131,675,246 44	\$8,326,127 57

* @ \$1.10. † 6 months. ‡ 8 months on \$35,000. § 8 months. || 6 months on \$39,949.48. ¶ 4 months.

Bonds and Stocks Authorized by Law to be Issued.

Titles of Bonds and Stocks	FOR WHAT PURPOSE AUTHORIZED.	Amounts still to be Issued.	Estimated Amount required to be issued for balance of 1877 and in 1878.	Estimated Amount required for Interest at 6 per cent.
Acts of Legislature Authorizing their Issue.				
Museum of Art and Natural History Stock (Chap. 290, Laws of 1871).....	To erect the Museums of Art and Natural History.....	\$45,000 00	\$45,000 00	1 year, \$2,700 00
Consolidated Stock (Chap. 351, Laws of 1875).....	To equip the Museum of Natural History.....	110,000 00	110,000 00	9 mos., 4,950 00
Additional Croton Water Stock (Chaps. 56 and 328, Laws of 1871).....	To provide for a further supply of pure and wholesome water.....	1,000,000 00 annually.	500,000 00	9 mos., 22,500 00
Additional New Croton Aqueduct Stock (Chap. 230, Laws of 1870).....	Alterations and additions to Croton Aqueduct.....	Unlimited.		Provided by Sinking Fund.
Additional New Croton Aqueduct Stock (Chap. 278, Laws of 1877).....	For the improvement of the Croton Aqueduct.....	13,000 00		Provided by Sinking Fund.
Croton Water-main Stock, limited to \$500,000 in any one year (Chap. 477, Laws of 1875).....	For laying Croton water-mains.....	950,000 00	500,000 00	9 mos., 22,500 00
Croton Reservoir Bonds (Chap. 784, Laws of 1876).....	To complete High Service Waterworks and Storage Reservoirs.....	19,362 64		Provided by Sinking Fund.
Assessment Fund Stock (Chap. 565, Laws of 1865).....	To provide for the expense of laying out streets, squares, etc., north of One Hundred and Fifty-fifth street.....	Unlimited.	200,000 00	6 mos., 6,000 00
Assessment Bonds (Chap. 397, Laws of 1852, and Chap. 580, Laws of 1872).....	To pay for street improvements.....	Unlimited.	1,000,000 00	6 mos., 30,000 00
Fire Telegraph Bonds (Chap. 465, Laws of 1871).....	To pay for erection of fire-alarm telegraph.....	250,000 00		
Dock Bonds (Chap. 571, Laws of 1871).....	To build docks, piers, etc.....	3,000,000 00 annually.	500,000 00	6 mos., 15,000 00
Third District Court-house Bonds (Chaps. 55 and 292, Laws of 1871, and Chap. 209, Laws of 1876).....	To erect the Court-house.....	2,000 00	2,000 00	1 year, 120 00
New York County Court-house Stock, No. 4 (Chap. 382, Laws of 1870).....	To complete the Court-house.....	500,000 00		
New York County Court-house Stock, No. 5 (Chap. 583, Laws of 1871).....	To complete the Court-house.....	490,903 93	300,000 00	1 year, 18,000 00
City Parks Improvement Fund Stock (Chap. 608, Laws of 1875).....	For improvements in the parks.....	50,000 00	50,000 00	1 " 3,000 00
Bonds of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of New York (Chap. 429, Laws of 1876).....	To pay for rents of buildings actually used and occupied for armory purposes.....	Unlimited.	15,000 00	1 " 000 00

Titles of Bonds and Stocks and Acts of Legislature Authorizing their Issue.	FOR WHAT PURPOSE AUTHORIZED.	Amounts still to be Issued.	Estimated Amount required to be issued for balance of 1877 and in 1878.	Estimated Amount required for Interest at 6 per cent.
Bonds of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of New York (Chap. 473, Laws of 1877).....	To pay for fitting up and furnishing armories and drill-rooms.....	50,000 00	50,000 00	1 " 3,000 00
New York Bridge Bonds (Chp. 300, Laws of 1875), limited to \$1,000,000 in any one year.....	To complete the New York and Brooklyn Bridge.....	1,166,666 66	1,000,000 00	6 mos., 30,000 00
Bonds of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of New York (Chap. 534, Laws of 1871, Chap. 329, Laws of 1874).....	For construction of bridges and tunnels over and under the Harlem river and Spuyten Duyvil creek.....	Unlimited.		
Revenue Bonds (Chap. 335, Laws of 1873).....	To pay the expenses of the city government—issued in anticipation of collection of taxes for 1878.....	Not to exceed the amount of the annual Tax Levy	18,000,000 00	6 mos., 540,000 00
Revenue Bonds (Chap. 213, Laws of 1871).....	For amount to be reissued under provisions of Chap. 317, Laws of 1877.....		2,000,000 00	6 " 60,000 00
	To pay expenses incurred in applying water-meters in buildings, etc., in which water is used for business purposes.....	Unlimited.	25,000 00	6 " 750 00
	Total.....			\$759,420 00

Statement of Bonds and Stocks payable in the year 1878 from Taxation.

Floating Debt Fund Stock, 1878.....	\$130,763 33
Annual installment issued in pursuance of chapter 408, Laws 1860.	
Bonds for Liquidation of Claims and Judgments.....	211,650 00
Issued in pursuance of chapter 756, Laws 1873, payable July 1, 1878.	
Bonds for State Sinking Fund Deficiency.....	389,949 48
Issued in pursuance of chapter 147, Laws 1874, payable May 1, 1878.	
Assessment Fund Stock.....	100,000 00
Issued in pursuance of chapter 565, Laws 1865, and chapter 304, Laws 1874, payable March 6, 1878.	
New York County Court-house Stock, No. 1.....	100,000 00
Issued in pursuance of chapter 167, Laws 1862, payable November 1, 1878.	
New York County Court-house Stock, No. 2.....	160,000 00
Issued in pursuance of chapter 854, Laws 1868, payable November 1, 1878.	
Revenue Bonds of 1878.....	2,975 00
Issued in pursuance of chapter 298, Laws 1877, payable November 1, 1878.	
Redemption of the Debt of the Annexed Territory of Westchester County.	
Town of Morrisania, per schedule.....	\$21,000 00
Town of West Farms, per schedule.....	9,000 00
County of Westchester, for proportion of Bounty Loan and Central Park Avenue Bonds, incurred on account of annexed towns, per schedule.....	25,010 46
	55,010 46
Revenue Bonds of 1878.....	157 50
Issued in pursuance of chapter 625, Laws of 1871, payable March 8, 1878.	
Revenue Bonds of 1878.....	1,024 50
Issued in pursuance of chapter 418, Laws of 1877, payable November 1, 1878.	
Total.....	\$1,151,530 27

Bonds of Late Town of West Farms—Principal and Interest due in 1878.

Kind as to Interest.	TITLE OF BONDS.	Principal on January 1, 1878.	Principal due in 1878, payable from Taxation.	Interest due in 1878, payable from Taxation.
Registered, 7 per cent.	Central Avenue Construction.....	\$268,000 00	April 22 \$1,000 00	
	Interest, Jan. 11, on \$7,500, 12 mos.		12 mos. Jan. 11	\$525 00
	" Feb. 22, " 4,500, 12 "		12 " Feb. 22	315 00
	" Mar. 1, " 121,500, 6 "		6 " Mar. 1	4,252 50
	" Apr. 22, " 2,000, 12 "		12 " Apr. 22	140 00
	" May 11, " 15,000, 12 "		12 " May 11	1,050 00
	" June 1, " 26,000, 12 "		12 " June 1	1,820 00
	" July 15, " 11,500, 12 "		12 " July 15	805 00
	" Sept. 1, " 121,500, 6 "		6 " Sept. 1	4,252 50
	" Oct. 15, " 8,000, 12 "		12 " Oct. 15	980 00
	" Nov. 18, " 8,000, 12 "		12 " Nov. 18	560 00
	" Dec. 16, " 8,000, 12 "		12 " Dec. 16	560 00
	" Dec. 24, " 50,000, 12 "		12 " Dec. 24	3,500 00
	\$268,000			
Coupon, 7 "	Locust Avenue, etc., Improvement.....	18,000 00	Feb. 1 2,000 00	6 " Feb. 1 210 00
Registered, 7 "	" " " ".....		6 " Feb. 1	420 00
Coupon, 7 "	" " " ".....		6 " Aug. 1	140 00
Registered, 7 "	" " " ".....		6 " Aug. 1	420 00
Coupon, 7 "	Westchester Turnpike, regulating, etc....	2,000 00	March 1 2,000 00	6 " Mar. 1 70 00
" 7 "	Southern Boulevard, macadamizing.....	27,000 00	March 1 1,000 00	6 " Mar. 1 945 00
" 7 "	" " " ".....		6 " Sept. 1	910 00
" 7 "	Southern Boulevard, widening, etc....	309,500 00	March 1 1,000 00	6 " Mar. 1 10,832 50
" 7 "	" " " ".....		6 " Sept. 1	10,797 50
" 7 "	Madison Avenue Improvement.....	33,000 00	May 1 1,155 00	6 " May 1 1,155 00
" 7 "	" " " ".....		6 " Nov. 18	1,120 00
" 7 "	Franklin Avenue Improvement.....	20,000 00	March 1 1,000 00	6 " Mar. 1 700 00
" 7 "	" " " ".....		6 " Sept. 1	665 00
	Amount of Principal due in 1878.....		\$9,000 00	
	Amount of Interest payable in 1878.....			\$47,145 00

Bonds of late Town of Morrisania—Principal and Interest due in 1878.

Kind as to Interest.	TITLES OF BONDS.	Principal on January 1, 1878.	Principal due in 1878, Payable from Taxation.	Interest due in 1878, Payable from Taxation.
Coupon, 7 per ct.	Volunteer Bounty Fund.....	\$10,000 00	March 1 \$2,000 00	6 mos., Mar. 1 \$350 00
Registered, "	Central Avenue, Construction.	102,500 00	" 1 1,000 00	" Sept. 1 280 00
Coupon, "	Southern Boulevard, Con-	138,000 00	" 1 1,000 00	" Mar. 1 4,900 00
" "	struction.....		" 1 1,000 00	" Sept. 1 2,240 00
" "	St. Ann's Avenue, Construc-	33,000 00	" 1 1,000 00	" Sept. 1 4,795 00
" "	tion.....		" 1 1,000 00	" Mar. 1 1,155 00
" "	Boston Road, etc., Paving....	8,000 00	Feb'y 1 5,000 00	" Sept. 1 1,120 00
" "	" " " ".....		" 1 5,000 00	" Feb. 1 280 00
" "	Town Hall, Building.....	30,000 00	March 1 4,000 00	" Aug. 1 105 00
" "	" " " ".....		" 1 4,000 00	" Mar. 1 1,050 00
" "	Survey and Map of Town....	21,000 00	" 1 2,000 00	" Sept. 1 910 00
" "	" " " ".....		" 1 2,000 00	" Mar. 1 735 00
" "	Southern Boulevard, Macad-	11,500 00	" 1 1,000 00	" Sept. 1 665 00
" "	amizing.....		" 1 1,000 00	" Mar. 1 402 50
" "	North Brother Island, Pur-	31,000 00	" 1 2,000 00	" Sept. 1 367 50
" "	chase.....		" 1 2,000 00	" Mar. 1 1,085 00
" "	Third Avenue, Grading.....	3,000 00	April 1 2,000 00	" Sept. 1 1,015 00
			" 1 2,000 00	" April 1 105 00
	Amount of Principal due in 1878.....		\$21,000 00	" Oct. 1 35 00
	Amount of Interest payable in 1878.....			\$26,425 00

The County of Westchester—Amount payable to the County of Westchester, in pursuance of Chapter 629, Laws 1875. Seven per cent. First Bounty Loan.

Incurred on account of.	Total amount October 1, 1877.	Principal due April 1, 1878.	INTEREST PAYABLE IN 1878.
Kingsbridge.....	\$18,510 08	\$5,113 29	April 1, 6 months on..... \$18,510 08 \$647 85
			Oct. 1, " " " " " " 13,396 79 468 89
Morrisania.....	44,103 81	12,183 38	April 1, 6 months on..... 44,103 81 1,543 63
			Oct. 1, " " " " " " 31,920 43 1,117 21
West Farms.....	21,438 47	5,922 22	April 1, 6 months on..... 21,438 47 750 34
			Oct. 1, " " " " " " 15,516 25 543 06
Seven per cent. Central Park Avenue Bonds.....	3,683 06	1,791 57	Mar. 1, 6 months on..... 3,683 06 128 90
			Sept. 1, " " " " " " 1,891 49 66 20
Total.....	\$25,010 46	\$25,010 46	Total..... \$5,266 08

Miscellaneous Purposes.

The following amounts are also required, pursuant to law, in the year 1878, for the purposes named, respectively, to conduct the business of the city, which said amounts are not included in any Departmental Estimate, and come within the province of the Finance Department, to wit :

Armories and Drill-room, Wages of Armorer—	
For wages of armorers, in pursuance of sec. 39, chap. 223, Laws of 1875, 16 armorers at \$3 per day, \$1,095 each.....	\$17,520 00
Armories and Drill-rooms, Rents of—	
For payment of rents of property leased to the Corporation for Armories and Drill-rooms, as per schedule annexed.....	45,337 50
Coroners' Post-mortem Examinations—	
As authorized by chapter 620, Laws of 1875.....	1,000 00
Examining old claims and accounts, etc. :	
For services in examining old claims and accounts, and in procuring and presenting of evidence relative to frauds, prior to January 1, 1872, in the city and county of New York.....	5,000 00
Judgments—	
For payment of judgments recovered against the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the city of New York, not otherwise provided for.....	200,000 00
Police Station-houses, Rents of—	
For payment of rent of property leased to the Corporation for Police Station-houses, as per schedule annexed.....	13,745 00
Rents—	
For payment of rent of property leased to the Corporation for public offices and other public purposes, except armories and drill-rooms, as per Schedule annexed.....	69,425 00
Commissioners of the Sinking Fund—	
Expenses of.....	2,000 00
Real Estate Expenses—	
For payment of assessments on Corporation property for public improvements ; also taxes on property in Brooklyn and elsewhere, out of the City of New York, except as otherwise provided for.....	50,000 00
State Tax of 1874, due by Towns Annexed from Westchester County—	
For the payment to the Comptroller of the State of a deficiency in the tax of 1874, apportioned to the County of Westchester, on account of the towns of West Farms, Morrisania, and Kingsbridge, as provided by chapter 289, Laws of 1877.....	\$76,702 89
Interest, at three per cent., from May 1, 1875, to May 1, 1878, three years.....	6,903 26
	83,606 15

Armories and Drill-rooms Rent.

DATE OF LEASE.	NAME OF LESSOR.	FOR WHAT PURPOSES.	LOCATION OF PREMISES.	TERM OF LEASE.	ANNUAL RENT.	AMOUNT TO BE PROVIDED IN 1878.
1876. May 16	Wm. D. F. Manice and Ed. A. Manice	71st Regiment..	2d story building on Broadway, 6th ave., 35th and 36th st.	3 years, from May 1, 1876.	\$12,000 00	\$12,000 00
1876. May 10	Valentine G. Hall, sole surviving executor.	22d Regiment..	14th st., between 6th and 7th ave.	5 years, from May 1, 1876.	15,000 00	15,000 00
1876. May 18	Cassius H. Reed.	5th Regiment..	Halls and premises on 2d story of buildings, No. 139, 141 and 143 W. 23d st., etc.	5 years, from May 1, 1876.	7,500 00	7,500 00
1877. January 6	Chas. W. Dickel.	First Troop Cavalry	No. 7, 9 and 11 W. 13th st.	5 years, from January 1, 1877.	5,500 00	For 1878, 5,500 00 9 months in 1877, 4,125 00
1877. January 8	Mary Combes and Lewis H. Combes, her husband.	Companies A, K and G 27th Regiment.	2d floor of Morrisania Hall, Railroad ave., bet. 166th and 167th sts.	2 years, from January 1, 1877.	750 00	For 1878, 750 00 6 months in 1877, 375 00
	Frederick Lambart.	G Company 27th Regiment	150th st.	For 3 months in 1876.		87 50
Total.....						\$45,337 50

Police Station-houses—Rents.

LESSORS.	LOCATION.	PURPOSES.	EXPIRATION OF LEASE.	AMOUNT OF RENT FOR 1878.
Peter Goelet and others.	No. 34 East 29th street.	Twenty-ninth Precinct Police.	May 1, 1875.	\$1,500 00 Croton water, taxes and assessments.
James Neely.	No. 218 East 59th street, rear building.	Nineteenth Precinct Police.	April 30, 1878.	141 66
Joseph H. Godwin.	Twenty-fourth Ward.	Thirty-fifth Precinct Police.	August 1, 1884.	1,700 00 All taxes, Croton and repairs.
John Theiss.	Lawrence street, between Broadway and Tenth avenue, Manhattanville.	Thirtieth Precinct Police.	May 1, 1880.	1,450 00 Croton water.
Peter and Robert Goelet.	Nos. 52 and 54 New street.	First Precinct Police.	May 1, 1880.	4,500 00 Croton, all taxes and repairs.
Herman T. Livingston.	Eighth avenue near southeast corner of 130th st.	Fourth Inspector's District Office.	May 1, 1878. For 1878.	100 00 320 00
Helen R. Perkins and others.	Privilege of 2 years at 1st story of No. 112 West 14th street.	Inspector's District Office.	May 1, 1878. For 1877. If hired for 1878, balance required.	300 00 900 00 600 00
Charles E. Quackenbush.	Rooms Nos. 1 and 2, Third avenue and 86th street, Parepa Hall.	Inspector's District Office.	May 1, 1878. For 1877. If hired for 1878, balance required.	160 00 320 00 320 00
William Kramer.	1st floor No. 26 Elizabeth street.	First Inspector's District Office.	Dec. 1, 1877. Dec. 1, 1878.	33 34 400 00
Add for Croton Water Rent.....				1,000 00
Total.....				\$13,745 00

Rents—Leases in Force.

LESSORS.	LOCATION.	PURPOSES.	EXPIRATION OF LEASE.	AMOUNT OF RENT FOR 1878.
Henry McCadden, Jr.	514 Pearl street.	Second District Civil Court.	Hired for.	\$1,300 00
Morgan Jones.	106, 108, and 110 Centre street.	First District Police Court.	May 1, 1880.	7,500 00
Alexander L. Whitelaw.	389½ and 391 Fourth avenue.	Sixth District Civil Court.	May 1, 1878.	2,500 00
John Schappert.	Northeast corner 2d avenue and 1st street.	Fourth District Civil Court.	May 1, 1879.	2,500 00
William T. and Daniel C. Blodgett.	125th and 126th streets, 4th and Lexington avenues.	Ninth District Civil and Fifth District Police Courts.	Dec. 31, 1878.	8,000 00
John B. Haskin.	Northeast corner of Kingsbridge road and College avenue.	Sixth District Police and Tenth District Civil Courts.	May 1, 1880.	1,500 00
Charles Johnson.	Southwest corner of 7th avenue and 22d street.	Eighth District Civil Court.	Jan. 1, 1882.	3,000 00
New York Dispensary.	Northwest corner of Centre and White streets.	Reception Hospital.	May 1, 1880.	9,500 00
Denis Kennedy.	99th street, between 9th and 10th avenues.	"	May 1, 1880.	1,500 00
Reuben Smith.	No. 2 Fourth avenue, 2d, 3d, and 4th floors.	Department of Buildings.	May 1, 1879.	3,500 00 Croton water rent
Benjamin Wood.	No. 19 Chatham street, 2d floor.	Board of Assessors.	May 1, 1878.	25 00 3,600 00
Jane de Zea.	No. 40 East Houston street.	Excise Office.	May 1, 1881.	3,000 00
Mary A. Schanck, ex'x.	No. 27 Chambers street, 2d, 3d, and 5th floors.	Marine Court.	May 1, 1880.	12,000 00
Oswald Ottendorfer.	Staats Zeitung Building, 3d floor.	Counsel to the Corporation.	May 1, 1881.	7,500 00
Emigrant Industrial Savings Institution.	51 Chambers street.	Bureau for the Collection of Arrears of Personal Taxes.	May 1, 1878.	2,500 00
Total.....				\$69,425 00

Which was referred to the Committee on Finance.

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

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS,
COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, ROOM 19, CITY HALL,
NEW YORK, October 23, 1877.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen:

GENTLEMEN—By the resolution adopted by your Board, May 29, ult., and approved by the Mayor, June 6, ult., I am instructed to report to you "my opinion of the practicability of dispensing with the use of the Distributing Reservoir at Forty-second street; the cost of the alterations in the pipe service necessary to be made in order to dispense with the reservoir; the cost of the removal of that structure, and the restoration of the land it occupies, so as to fit it for building purposes; and an estimate of the value of the land bounded by Fortieth and Forty-second streets, Fifth and Sixth avenues, which includes that occupied by the reservoir and the present Reservoir square, adjoining."

My opinion as to the practicability of dispensing with this reservoir is given in my report to the Mayor for the quarter ending March 31, 1877, in which I said:

"In consultation with the Chief Engineer I have investigated the subject, and have come to the conclusion that this old reservoir is no longer necessary as a part of our water system. Its capacity is only twenty millions of gallons, which the reservoirs in the Central Park hold twelve hundred and fifty millions of gallons. The abandonment of the Forty-second Street Reservoir will merely require the rearrangement of certain pipes at a cost of about ten thousand dollars, while a saving of twenty-five hundred dollars a year will be effected in superintendence and maintenance."

"This reservoir occupies a space of four hundred and fifty feet wide on Fifth avenue, by five hundred feet deep, measured on Fortieth and Forty-second streets, or about five and a quarter acres. If Forty-first street should be opened westerly from Fifth avenue to Reservoir square, there would remain eighty lots of twenty-five by one hundred feet belonging to the city and available for building purposes, which may be valued at \$1,500,000."

"Should it be decided to remove the reservoir, the ground should, in my opinion, be added to Reservoir square, and the whole plot reserved as a public park. The dimensions of such a park would be 920 feet by 455 feet, having an area of nearly ten acres. It is situated on elevated ground (75 feet above tide water), about midway between Madison square and the Central Park, and would become an appropriate and conspicuous place for the erection of monuments and statuary. Unfortunately some of the parks in the lower part of the city have been built upon, thereby destroying their usefulness in the promotion of health and pleasure. While opportunity offers it is well to increase rather than to diminish these green spots, the lungs of the city, and once having been set apart for such use, to preserve them with jealous care for all future time."

To this extract from my quarterly report, I beg to add some details to show why the reservoir can be dispensed with.

At the time of its construction, the reservoir at Forty-second street was above the level of the inhabited portions of the city, and for many years all the water furnished was distributed from it. With the growth of the city, however, additional mains were laid from the park reservoirs to the lower part of the city, without connecting with the Forty-second street reservoir, until the aggregate capacity or area of such mains is now equal to the capacity or area of the aqueduct.

The water in the two 36-inch mains in Fifth avenue and Broadway, now passes through the old reservoir, but one of these mains is so connected that the water can be passed through without entering the reservoir.

The only effect upon the distribution through these two mains now is the accumulation of about two million gallons of water in the reservoir during the night, which is drawn off again in the morning.

The following is a statement of the distributing mains leading from the Central Park reservoirs:

One 30-inch main through Eighty-first street to Eighth avenue, to Forty-second street, to Ninth avenue, to Thirty-eighth street, and then reduced to a 24-inch main extending to Fourteenth street.

One 30-inch main through Seventy-ninth street to Third avenue, to Fourteenth street.

One 48-inch main through Seventy-fifth street to Tenth avenue, to Thirty-eighth street.

One 48-inch main through Seventy-ninth street to Madison avenue, to Forty-second street, and there reduced to a 36-inch main, extending through Madison avenue, Twenty-sixth street, Third avenue, Bowery, Bleeker street, Mott street, Chatham street, New Bowery, to Chambers street.

One 36-inch main extending through the park to Fifth avenue at One Hundredth street, and there connecting with 20-inch mains for distribution.

One 36-inch main extending through the park to Eighth avenue, at One Hundredth street, also connecting with 20-inch mains for distribution.

Two 36-inch mains extending through the park to Fifth avenue, to the Forty-second street reservoir; from which one 36-inch main extends through Fifth avenue and Broadway to Fourteenth street, and another 36-inch main extends through Fifth avenue, Fourteenth street, Avenue A, to Eighth street. As above stated, one of these mains thus passing through the Forty-second street reservoir can be fed independently of that reservoir.

One 48-inch main through Eightieth street to First avenue, and now in use to Seventy-ninth street. Work is now in progress by contract to extend this main down to Thirty-seventh street.

To equalize the distribution a 48-inch main is laid in Forty-second street, from Fourth avenue to Tenth avenue, connecting with the mains in Tenth, Eighth, Madison and Third avenues.

From the foregoing it will be seen that, as soon as the main in First avenue is completed, before the close of this year, water will be carried directly from the park reservoirs, past the Forty-second street reservoir, through three 48-inch mains, one 36-inch mains, two 30-inch mains, and one 20-inch main. Add to these the 36-inch main now necessarily passing through the Forty-second street reservoir, and to be changed, the aggregate area or capacity of the large mains carrying water south of Fortieth street, will be greater than the area of the aqueduct.

The distribution being thus practically from the Central Park reservoirs, the one at Forty-second street is no longer needed.

As already stated, the cost of the necessary changes in the pipe service, in order to dispense with the reservoir, is estimated at \$10,000.

The cost of removing the materials (about 53,000 cubic yards of masonry, and 85,000 cubic yards of earth), and restoring or leveling the ground, over and above the value of the material, is estimated at \$50,000.

Regarding the estimated value of the land bounded by Fortieth and Forty-second streets, Fifth and Sixth avenues, I have consulted with gentlemen of large experience in real estate matters, and have arrived at the following estimate:

Sixteen lots on Fifth avenue, average \$35,000 each.	\$560,000 00
Sixteen lots on Sixth avenue, average \$17,500 each.	280,000 00
One hundred and sixteen lots on Fortieth, Forty-first, and Forty-second streets, average, \$16,000 each.	1,856,000 00
Total.....	\$2,696,000 00

The value of the ground occupied by the reservoir, exclusive of the adjoining park ground, is estimated as follows:

16 lots on Fifth avenue, averaging \$35,000 each.	\$560,000 00
64 lots on Fortieth, Forty-first and Forty-second streets, averaging \$17,800 each.	1,139,200 00
Total.....	\$1,699,200 00

The value of the lots on the streets is graded in proportion to their distance from Fifth avenue. The estimates are made on the promise that Forty-first street will be opened through the ground to be sold.

Holding the opinion that legislative action is necessary to authorize the city to convert to other uses, or to sell the ground occupied by the reservoir, I requested the Counsel to the Corporation, under date of May 25, ult., to advise me on the subject, and I deemed it proper to defer this report until I had received his reply, there being no occasion for immediate action in the matter.

I now enclose a copy of the Corporation Counsel's opinion, confirming my own, that the reservoir can only be removed when authorized by an act of the Legislature, and further, that after its removal the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund have power to sell the land; but that, if it is desired to devote it to the uses of a public park, the act authorizing the removal of the reservoir should contain a provision declaring that the whole block bounded by Fortieth and Forty-second streets, Fifth and Sixth avenues, shall be one of the parks of the city, and placing it under the control of the Department of Public Parks.

In conclusion I repeat the opinion that the reservoir being no longer necessary—should be removed from the valuable ground it now occupies, and that the whole space between Fifth and Sixth avenues, and Fortieth and Forty-second streets, embracing nearly ten acres, should be reserved as a public park. The whole property, if sold, would yield the City \$2,700,000, and that part covered by the reservoir alone is valued at \$1,700,000. The argument in favor of the sale of the property is that the avails, covered into the Treasury, would help to reduce the debt of the city, and alleviate the taxes at a time when taxation is so onerous. Under existing laws any sum realized from the sale of the reservoir ground must be paid into the Sinking Fund, and cannot be applied directly to the reduction of taxes, the annual interest only on such sum being available as a credit on the taxation account. In my opinion the benefit thus to be gained is small in comparison with the lasting advantages of health, ornament and increased valuation of taxable property adjacent to the proposed park; and it must not be forgotten that, while our debt and taxes may and will decrease with an economical and honest administration of the city government, the opportunity of securing for all time another park in the heart of the city, once lost, can never be supplied.

Very respectfully,

ALLAN CAMPBELL, Commissioner of Public Works.

Which was referred to the Committee on Law Department.

The President laid before the Board the following communication from the Corporation Counsel:

LAW DEPARTMENT,
OFFICE OF THE COUNSEL TO THE CORPORATION,
NEW YORK, October 8, 1877.

To the Honorable the Common Council:

GENTLEMEN—I duly received a copy of the following resolution, adopted by your honorable body on July 31, 1877, and approved by his Honor the Mayor August 3, 1877.

"Whereas, Many of the numerous 'excursion' steamboats and barges that leave this city daily overcrowded with men, women, and children to such a degree as to render them peculiarly liable to accidents, thus endangering the lives of thousands of our people; and

"Whereas, It is clearly in violation of the laws of the United States thus to permit overcrowded vessels to navigate the waters within their jurisdiction, and it appears to be the duty of certain officials of the United States to enforce these laws, a duty which, in the port of New York is notoriously neglected, thus rendering it necessary that some other means should be taken to prevent this appalling danger to so many of our citizens; be it therefore

"Resolved, That the Counsel to the Corporation be and he is hereby respectfully requested to inform this Board at his earliest convenience if it is not now in the power of some local, State, or city authority to prohibit this reprehensible and dangerous as well as illegal practice of overloading 'excursion' boats with people; also, if it is not in the power of the Common Council, in the absence of any existing State law or municipal ordinance, legally to pass an ordinance that will prevent boats thus overcrowded from leaving any of the piers of this city."

Subdivision 3, of section 8, of the Constitution of the United States provides, among other things, that Congress shall have power to regulate commerce with foreign nations and among the several States. Under the authority of this provision Congress has passed laws regulating steam vessels, which contain very full and elaborate provisions in regard to the inspection of such vessels and the transportation of passengers and merchandise thereon. These provisions of law are to be found in title 52, of the Revised Statutes of the United States, and section 4400 declares that all steam vessels navigating any waters of the United States which are common highways of commerce or open to general or competitive navigation, excepting public vessels of the United States, vessels of other countries, and boats propelled in whole or in part by steam for navigating canals, shall be subject to such provisions.

This statute requires that every steam vessel to which its provisions apply, should be inspected by the United States Inspectors appointed thereunder, whose duty it is, after completing such inspection, to make a proper certificate of approval, and give to the master or owner of such vessel three certified copies of the same, two of which are to be placed and kept in conspicuous places on such vessel. If any passenger is received on board any steam vessel not having such certified copies of the certificate of approval so placed and kept, such vessel is made liable to a penalty of one hundred dollars for each offense. It is also provided that said inspectors shall state in every certificate of inspection granted to steamers carrying passengers, other than ferryboats, the number of passengers of each class that any such steamer has accommodations for, and can carry with prudence and safety. It is also declared that it shall not be lawful to take on board of any steamer a greater number of passengers than is stated in said certificate; and for every violation of this provision the master or owner is made liable to any person suing for the same to forfeit the amount of the passage money and ten dollars for each passenger beyond the number allowed. If any passenger steamer engages in excursions, the Inspectors are required to issue to such steamer a special permit, in writing, for the occasion, in which is to be stated the additional number of passengers that may be carried. The master of every passenger steamer is required to keep a correct list of all the passengers received and delivered from day to day noting the places where received and where landed, which record is to be open to the inspection of the Inspectors and Officers of the Customs, at all times; the aggregate number of passengers is to be furnished to Inspectors as often as called for; but on routes not exceeding one hundred miles the number of passengers, if kept, is to be sufficient. Every master of any passenger steamer who fails through negligence or design to keep a list of passengers is made liable to a penalty of one hundred dollars, and such penalty and the penalty provided for taking on board more passengers than stated in the certificate, are declared to be liens upon the vessel in each case. The statute also provides that, if any vessel propelled in whole or in part by steam be navigated without complying with the terms of said title, the owners shall be liable to the United States in a penalty of \$500 for each offense, one-half for the use of the informer for which sum such vessel may be seized and proceeded against, by way of libel, in any District Court of the United States having jurisdiction of the offense. Said statute also contains numerous other carefully drawn provisions in regard to the inspection of steam vessels and the transportation of passengers and merchandise, to which it is not necessary to refer.

It will thus be seen that Congress has enacted laws which, if enforced, would prevent the overcrowding of excursion and other steam vessels navigating the waters in the vicinity of the city of New York; and I am of the opinion that under the decisions both of the State and Federal Courts, it would not be competent for the Common Council to pass ordinances, nor even for the Legislature to pass laws in relation to the same subject, intended to supersede or conflict with such acts of Congress. The general rule is, that when Congress has passed laws regulating commerce among the States, in any particular respect, any right which the State or local authorities possessed, prior to the passage of such laws, to legislate in regard to the same subject matter, is taken away. As the law upon this point had been settled by numerous decisions, I was not able at the time of the receipt of a copy of the above-mentioned resolution, to advise that any local, State, or city authority had the power to prohibit the practice of overloading excursion boats; nor could I advise that the Common Council could legally pass an ordinance that would prevent boats so overcrowded from leaving any of the piers of this city. As the overcrowding of excursion and other steam vessels navigating the waters in the vicinity of this city is, however, quite common, and is attended with great danger to the lives of passengers, I have felt desirous of suggesting some course to be taken in regard to the matter, which would tend to partially, if not entirely remedy such evil, and for this reason I have deferred my answer until I could give the matter full consideration. I am still of the opinion that the Common Council cannot lawfully legislate in relation to this matter, but it seems to me that the Common Council, if it sees fit, may properly call the attention of the Board of Police to the subject, and may properly request that Board to give such directions as will tend to diminish such overcrowding of steam vessels.

Section 6 of chapter 755 of the Laws of 1873, provides that the various members of the Police Force shall possess and exercise all the powers and perform all the duties heretofore possessed, performed, and exercised by the members of the Metropolitan Police and Police Department of the City of New York; section 29 of chapter 403 of the Laws of 1864, among other things, made it the especial duty of the Metropolitan Police Force, at all times of the day and night, to assist, advise, and protect emigrants, strangers, and travelers, in public streets or at steamboat and ship landings or railroad stations. It seems to me that, under the authority conferred by these statutes, the Board of Police may lawfully detail policemen to piers or wharves, which excursion or other steam vessels are to leave, and may direct such policemen to keep an account of the number of persons who go on board such vessels; and may further direct such policemen that, whenever the number of passengers, which any vessel is allowed to carry by the United States Inspector's certificate have gone on board, they shall notify all persons proposing to go on board that the vessel has received as many passengers as she is allowed by law to carry, and that it will be dangerous for any more persons to take passage on her at that time. It seems to me that such action on the part of the Police would tend to greatly diminish, if not entirely prevent the overcrowding of steamboats.

Moreover, as above stated, if the passengers are taken on board of steam vessels, above the number allowed by the Inspector's certificate, the master or owner of such vessel is liable to forfeit the passage money, and to a penalty of ten dollars for each passenger, and an action to recover such penalty can be brought by any person. In all cases in which it should be discovered that the number actually taken on board was excessive, the policeman who should take an account of the number might, by permission of the Board of Police, institute an action in his own name to recover such penalties; or, such action might be brought in the name of any other person, and the testimony of such policeman would be sufficient to prove the case. Such action might be brought through any attorney, or if desired, I should be entirely willing, if that duty was imposed upon me to conduct the case without expense to the plaintiff.

Moreover, any vessel carrying passengers in excess of the number allowed by the inspector's certificate is, as above suggested, liable to the United States for the penalty of \$500 for each offense, one half of which, if recovered, would be for the use of the informer. An action of this character could be brought by the District Attorney of the United States only, but I have no doubt that officer would cheerfully commence actions of this character if assured that proof would be furnished which would enable him to sustain the same. I observed by the newspapers, some days since, that the Mayor of Boston called the attention of the United States District Attorney of the district of Massachusetts to information which the Mayor had received that the sailing of the Plymouth Rock from that port, with nearly three thousand passengers, was a gross violation of the statutes of the United States. The District Attorney thereupon replied that he was informed by the local inspectors that the Plymouth Rock was authorized to carry two thousand passengers, and that he had been unable to get proof that more than two thousand had been carried, but if the Mayor would furnish such proof, he would cheerfully co-operate in the enforcement of the law. The difficulty in all cases of this character is to procure legal evidence of facts which are notorious to every one.

It would be proper, therefore, in any case where it was ascertained by the police that the number taken on board any vessel was greater than that allowed by the Inspector's certificate to lodge complaints in each case with the United States District Attorney who, I doubt not, would proceed to libel the offending steamer.

If your Honorable Body should regard the above suggestions as worthy of attention, I would advise that a resolution should be adopted requesting the Board of Police to take action in accordance therewith.

I feel quite confident that the Board of Police can, by giving directions of the character above suggested to the police, prevent the overcrowding of excursion and other steam vessels; but if, for any

reason, the Board should be unwilling to give such directions, I see no way in which any effective action can be taken by the local authorities in regard to the matter without further legislation.

I am, gentlemen, yours respectfully,
WM. C. WHITNEY, Counsel to the Corporation.

Which was referred to the Committee on Law Department.

MESSAGES FROM HIS HONOR THE MAYOR.

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

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT—CITY HALL,
NEW YORK, October 23, 1877.

To the Honorable the Common Council:

GENTLEMEN—I herewith return, without my approval, G. O. 257, "To lay gas-mains in One Hundred and Thirty-third street, between Seventh and Eighth avenues."

I am informed by the Commissioner of Public Works that a resolution of precisely the same purport as this resolution was adopted in October, 1875, and that the work has already been ordered, and the present resolution is therefore unnecessary, and I am accordingly constrained to withhold my approval.

SMITH ELY, JR., Mayor.

Resolved, That gas-mains be laid, lamp-posts erected, and street-lamps lighted in One Hundred and Thirty-third street, between Seventh and Eighth avenues, under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

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

PETITIONS AGAIN RESUMED.

By the President—

Petition of the Washington Gray Troop for an armory, as follows:

ARMORY FIRST TROOP WASHINGTON GRAYS, N. G. S. N. Y.
NEW YORK, October 18, 1877.

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

We, the undersigned officers of the Washington Gray Troop, N. G. S. N. Y., respectfully request assignment of quarters as an armory and drill-room in the building known as Nos. 108 and 110 West Twenty-fourth street.

Captain Lorenzo T. Baker.	Sergeant H. L. Dreyer.
Lieutenant W. S. Harrison.	Sergeant H. B. Kelsey.
Lieutenant A. T. Decker.	Sergeant F. A. Hovey.
Lieutenant Matthias Trimmer.	Sergeant John F. McHugh.
Sergeant David Wilson.	Sergeant O. A. Fuller.
Sergeant Moses P. Ross.	Captain J. G. Baltison.
Sergeant D. D. Eckiam.	Corporal T. R. Sayer.
Sergeant G. W. Cornell.	Corporal Charles Holsten.

Which was referred to the Committee on County Affairs.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE DEPARTMENT AND CORPORATION OFFICERS RESUMED.

The President laid before the Board the following communication from the Commissioners of Accounts:

OFFICE OF THE
COMMISSIONERS OF ACCOUNTS, No. 27 CHAMBERS ST.,
NEW YORK, October 15, 1877.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen:

GENTLEMEN—In compliance with section 112, chapter 335, Laws of 1873, the Commissioners of Accounts transmit their estimate of the expenditures required for the administration and conduct of the office of the Commissioners of Accounts of the City of New York, for the year 1878.

Very respectfully,
LINDSAY I. HOWE, } Commissioners
JOHN H. MOONEY, } of
J. WHEELER, } Accounts.

2 Commissioners, at \$3,000 each,	\$6,000 00
Clerk hire,	5,000 00
Contingencies,	200 00
	<hr/> \$11,200 00

Which was referred to the Committee on Finance.

The president laid before the Board the following communication from the Fire Department:

HEADQUARTERS FIRE DEPARTMENT, CITY OF NEW YORK,
155 AND 157 MERCER STREET,
NEW YORK, October 20, 1877.

To the Honorable the Common Council:

GENTLEMEN—I have the honor to inform you of the adoption of the following resolution at the meeting of the Board held on the 17th instant, and to request that the necessary action be taken in the matter:

"Resolved, That the Common Council be requested to authorize the placing of an additional street-lamp in front of the Headquarters' Building of this Department, and to provide for lighting the same."

Very respectfully,
VINCENT C. KING, President.

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Works.

The President laid before the Board the following communication from the Comptroller's Office of the State of New York:

STATE OF NEW YORK—COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
ALBANY, October 22, 1877.

To the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors of the County of New York:

SIR—In addition to the State tax of three and one-sixth mills directed to be levied as per circular from this office, dated October 11th, 1877, amounting to \$3,908,272.06, the Board of Supervisors of the County of New York is hereby required to raise the sum of \$1,529.32 for the compensation of the Shore Inspector, from the 1st day of October, 1877, to the 30th day of September, 1878, as authorized by the provisions of chapter 604, Laws of 1875.

Respectfully, yours,
F. P. OLCOTT, Comptroller.

Which was referred to the Committee on Finance.

Subsequently amended on motion of Alderman Morris, and referred to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment.

Also, the following:

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
ALBANY, September 17, 1840.

To the Supervisors of the County of

GENTLEMEN—Permit me to draw your attention to the 51st section of the act of the 4th April 1837, a copy of which follows:

"§ 51. It shall be the duty of the board of supervisors, at each annual meeting of the board, to carefully examine all such mortgages and securities, accounts and minutes so to be annually exhibited to them, in reference to the state in which they shall find the said moneys, and to their safety and the sufficiency of the securities taken for the payment thereof, and to give to the said commissioners such directions as to taking additional security from the borrowers as the said board of supervisors shall deem proper and necessary. And the said board shall forthwith certify, under their hands, the state in which they shall find the said moneys, and the result of such examination, and what directions they have given to the said commissioners as to their taking such additional security, and to transmit such certificate by mail to the Comptroller."

The authority given to the board of supervisors and duties enjoined upon them by the section referred to, are both important and highly responsible.

The large sum of over five millions of dollars on loan in the counties is intrusted to the supervision and guardianship of the boards of supervisors; all the individuals composing those boards have a direct interest in effectually guarding the loans, inasmuch as independent of the performance of an express duty, they and their constituents are to be benefited by the management of the loans, as the income is to be distributed among the academies and common schools of the several counties. In the execution of a trust or guardianship of that nature, it is not to be anticipated that there will be any designed omission of duty on the part of the supervisors.

The manner in which the county commissioners perform their duties forms one of the first subjects of inquiry. Do they attend closely to their duties in collecting money when due? Are their books written up in a fair intelligible hand writing? Are their accounts and papers kept in a proper order, in fact are all things so kept, as that their successors or your board can readily and fully understand them? Have they withheld, or are they withholding, money which by law ought to be paid over to the Treasurer? Or have they done, or omitted to do any act contrary to the provisions of the act under which they were appointed? They are to be governed by the law and the instructions from this office. The law you have, and that you may be fully advised of the instructions, I have forwarded your clerk a copy of a late circular to them.

Received from his Honor the Mayor, October 9, 1877, without his approval or objections thereto; therefore, as provided in section 11, chapter 335, Laws of 1873, the same became adopted.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT.

BUREAU FOR THE COLLECTION OF TAXES,
COURT-HOUSE, PARK, No. 32 CHAMBERS STREET,
October 23, 1877.

NOTICE TO TAX-PAYERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE ASSESSMENT rolls on real estate, personal property and bank stock in the City and County of New York, for the year 1877, have been delivered to the undersigned, and that the taxes thereon are now due and payable at this office.

In case of payment before the first day of November next, the person so paying shall be entitled to the benefits mentioned in the 29th section of the Act of March 30, 1850, viz: a reduction at the rate of 7 per cent. per annum from the time of payment to the first day of December, next.

MARTIN T. McMAHON,
Receiver of Taxes.

WILLIAM KENNELLY, AUCTIONEER.

SALE OF FERRY FRANCHISES.

PURSUANT TO ADJOURNMENT.

THE FRANCHISES TO RUN THE FOLLOWING ferries and a lease of the wharf property belonging to the city, if any, set apart for ferry purposes at each of said ferries, will be sold at public auction to the highest bidder, at the office of the Comptroller of the City of New York, on Thursday, October 25, 1877, at 12 o'clock, noon, for the period of five years from August 1, 1877, except as otherwise stated, namely:

Old ferry from foot of Whitehall street to Staten Island, to November 1, 1882, with the bulkhead and small pier adjacent to and west of the westerly side of Pier No. 1, East river, being the premises as now occupied by said ferry; but not to include any portion of said pier which may now be used for the accommodation of a boat-house and landing place for small boats from Governor's Island, and from public vessels of the United States and of foreign governments, nor the privilege to occupy any portion of the water on the west side of said pier, such premises to be taken in the condition which they may be in on the day of sale.

Ferry from Cortlandt street, North river, to Jersey City. Wharf property connected with the ferry from Cortlandt street, North river, to Jersey City, has been leased by the Department of Docks to the associates of the Jersey Company for ten years from May 1, 1876, at \$7,510 per annum.

Ferry from Desbrosses street, North river, to Jersey City.

Ferry from Ninety-second street, East river, to Astoria, Queens County, Long Island, for five years from November 1, 1877.

Bidders must bid for the franchise and lease of wharf property of each ferry separately, but no bid will be received unless it includes an offer for both the ferry franchise and wharf property.

The form of the lease required to be executed by the highest bidder can be seen at the office of the Comptroller. All bids will be regarded as made with reference to said form of lease, and in case the highest bidder shall neglect to execute a lease according to said form, for ten days after said sale, his bid will, at the option of the Comptroller and the Board of the Department of Docks, be rejected.

The leases will contain a covenant requiring the lessees to pay rent quarterly to the Comptroller.

The successful bidder will be required to pay to the Collector of City Revenue the sum of fifteen hundred dollars immediately after the franchise shall have been struck down to him, as security for the execution and performance of the lease, such amount to be credited on the rent when the same becomes due.

Security, satisfactory to the Comptroller, will be required for the punctual performance by the lessees of the covenants of the lease of the franchise in their behalf.

The minimum price for which the lease of said wharf property connected with the ferry from Ninety-second street, East river, to Astoria, Long Island, will be sold, has been fixed by the Board of the Department of Docks at the following sum, namely:

For bulkhead at foot of Ninety-second street, East river, and for premises at foot of Fulton street, Astoria, as now occupied for ferry purposes, at \$250 per annum.

The premises at Cortlandt Street Ferry and those connected with the ferry from Ninety-second street, East river, to Astoria, L. I., to be taken in the condition in which they were in on the 1st day of August, 1877, and all repairs and rebuilding thereof, and dredging at any of the ferries, during the term leased, to be done at the expense and cost of the lessees.

Each purchaser of a lease will be required, at the time of the sale, and in addition to the auctioneer's fees, to pay to the Department of Docks twenty-five per cent. of the amount of the annual rent bid for the wharf property, as security for the execution of the lease, and which twenty-five per cent. will be applied to the payment of the rent for such property first accruing under the lease, when executed, or forfeited if the lessee neglects or refuses to execute the lease and bond after being duly notified that the lease is prepared and ready for signature, or, in case the bid be finally rejected, will be returned to the bidder.

Lessees will be required to pay their rent for the wharf property quarterly, in advance, in compliance with a stipulation therefor in the form of the lease adopted.

The franchise and the lease of the wharf property, if any, of each ferry will be put up and sold together to the highest bidder, subject to the condition hereinafter expressed, and subject also to the right of the Comptroller and the Board of the Department of Docks to reject any or all bids, if deemed to be for the interest of the city.

The right to reject any bid, if deemed to be to the interest of the City of New York, is reserved by the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund.

By order of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund.
Dated New York, October 20, 1877.

JOHN KELLY,

Comptroller;
JACOB A. WESTERVELT,
HENRY F. DIMOCK,
JACOB VANDERPOEL,
Board of Department of Docks.

WILLIAM KENNELLY, AUCTIONEER.

CORPORATION SALE OF THE FRANCHISE OF THE FERRY FROM BULKHEAD AT THE FOOT OF WHITEHALL STREET, NEW YORK, TO STATEN ISLAND.

THE FRANCHISE OF THE NEW FERRY FROM the bulkhead at the foot of Whitehall street, New York, to Staten Island, as established by resolution of the Common Council, approved November 3, 1875, will be sold at public auction, pursuant to adjournment, on Thursday, October 25, 1877, at the Comptroller's Office, at 12 o'clock, noon, for the period extending from July 15, 1877 to May 1, 1884. The form of the lease required to be executed by the highest bidder can be seen at the Comptroller's Office.

All bids will be regarded as made with reference to said form of lease, and in case the highest bidder shall neglect or refuse to execute a lease according to said form for ten days after the sale, his bid will, at the option of the Comptroller, be rejected.

The successful bidder will be required to pay to the Collector of City Revenue the sum of fifteen hundred dollars immediately after the franchise shall have been struck down to him, as security for the execution and performance of the lease, such amount to be credited on the rent when the same becomes due.

Security, satisfactory to the Comptroller, will be required for the punctual performance by the lessees of the covenants of the lease of the franchise in their behalf.

The right to reject any bid, if deemed to be to the interest of the City of New York, is reserved by the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund.

By order of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund.
JOHN KELLY,
Comptroller.

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
NEW YORK, October 20, 1877.

PROPOSALS FOR \$4,741,700 BONDS OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED AT the Comptroller's Office until Thursday, October 25, 1877, at 2 o'clock P. M., when the same will be publicly opened, for the whole or any part of the sum of \$4,741,700 bonds of the City of New York, reissued in pursuance of chapter 756, Laws of 1873, to wit:

"Assessment Bonds of the Corporation of the City of New York," authorized by chapter 397, Laws of 1852, and chapter 580, Laws of 1872.....	\$3,439,000 00
"Assessment Fund Bonds of the Corporation of the City of New York," authorized by chapter 579, Laws of 1853.....	637,000 00
"Street Improvement Fund Bonds of the Corporation of the City of New York," authorized by chapter 579, Laws of 1853.....	241,500 00
"Department of Parks Improvement Bonds of the Corporation of the City of New York," authorized by chapter 397, Laws of 1852, chapter 607, Laws of 1867, and chapter 580, Laws of 1872....	424,200 00
Total.....	\$4,741,700 00

Said Bonds will bear interest at the rate of five per cent. per annum, payable on the first day of May and November in each year, and the principal will be paid on November 1, 1882.

The proposals will state the amount of Bonds desired, and the price per one hundred dollars thereof; and the persons whose proposals are accepted will thereupon be required to deposit with the Chamberlain the sums awarded to them respectively, together with any premiums thereon.

On presenting to the Comptroller the receipts of the Chamberlain for such deposit, the parties will be entitled to receive certificates for equal amounts of the par value of the sums awarded to them, bearing interest from the dates of payment.

Each proposal should be sealed and indorsed "Proposals for Bonds of the City of New York," and inclosed in a second envelope addressed to the Comptroller.

The right is reserved on the part of the Comptroller to reject any or all of the bids, if in his judgment the interests of the Corporation require it.

The above-mentioned Bonds will be applied exclusively to the redemption of like Bonds of the City of New York, which mature November 1, 1877, and their issue, therefore, will not make any addition to the city debt.

The holders of like City Bonds which mature November 1, 1877, may apply the amount due on such bonds, respectively, to the payment for any bonds that may be awarded them on their bids under these proposals.

JOHN KELLY,
Comptroller.

CITY OF NEW YORK,
DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE,
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
October 11, 1877.

REAL ESTATE RECORDS

THE ATTENTION OF LAWYERS, REAL Estate Owners, Monetary Institutions engaged in making loans upon real estate, and all who are interested in providing themselves with facilities for reducing the cost of examinations and searches, is invited to these Official Indices of Records, containing all recorded transfers of real estate in the City of New York from 1653 to 1877, prepared under the direction of the Commissioners of Records.

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

JOHN KELLY,
Comptroller

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

INTEREST ON CITY STOCKS.

THE INTEREST ON THE BONDS AND STOCKS of the City and County of New York, due November 1, 1877, will be paid on that day by the Comptroller, at his office in the New Court-house.

The transfer books will be closed from September 25 to November 1, 1877.

JOHN KELLY,
Comptroller.

CITY OF NEW YORK,
DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE,
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
September 19, 1877.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE,
BUREAU FOR THE COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS,
No. 16 NEW COURT-HOUSE, CITY HALL PARK,
NEW YORK, September 4, 1877.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY-HOLDERS.

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

CONFIRMED AND ENTERED AUGUST 31, 1877.

75th street, paving, from 1st to 3d avenue.
113th " " 3d to 4th "
Little 12th street, paving, from 10th to 13th avenue.
116th street, paving, with Telford-McAdam pavement, between 6th and 7th avenues, and setting curb stones and flagging sidewalks.
133d street, regulating, grading, etc., from 10th avenue to Hudson river.
136th street, grading, from Southern Boulevard to within 230 42-100 feet of Oak avenue.
80th street, setting curb and gutter stones, flagging, and laying crosswalks, from 4th to Madison avenue.
117th street, south side, flagging, from 4th to Lexington avenue.
5th avenue, east side, flagging, from 38th to 64th street.
Madison avenue, crosswalks, at 89th, 90th, 91st, 93d, and 94th streets.
124th street, sewer, between Boulevard and Hudson river.
4th avenue, sewer, east side, between 19th and 20th streets.

All payments made on the above assessments on or before November 3, 1877, 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 confirmation.

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

EDWARD GILON,
Collector of Assessments.

CITY OF NEW YORK—DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE,
BUREAU FOR THE COLLECTION OF TAXES,
COURT-HOUSE, PARK,
32 CHAMBERS STREET, October 15, 1877.

NOTICE TO TAX-PAYERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE ASSESSMENT rolls on personal property and bank stock for the year 1877 have been delivered to the undersigned, and that the taxes thereon are now due and payable at this office.

In case of payment before the first day of November next, the person so paying shall be entitled to the benefits mentioned in the twenty-ninth section of the act of March 30, 1850, viz: a reduction at the rate of seven per cent. per annum, from the time of payment to the first day of December next.

MARTIN T. McMAHON,
Receiver of Taxes.

DEPARTMENT PUBLIC WORKS.

CROTON WATER RENTS—NOTICE TO TAX-PAYERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT AN ADDITIONAL penalty of ten per cent. will be added, according to law, on all regular water rents remaining unpaid on the first day of November next.

ALLAN CAMPBELL,
Commissioner of Public Works

NOTICE OF SALE AT PUBLIC AUCTION, ON WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 24, 1877, AT 12 O'CLOCK M.

THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS OF the City of New York, under the direction of John C. Campbell, Chief Engineer of the Croton Aqueduct, will sell at public auction, on the premises, the following described buildings now standing within the flow line of the new Storage Reservoir, situated on the middle branch of the Croton river, in the town of South East, Putnam County, New York, viz:

Lot No. 1. Frame house 13 x 16, two stories, formerly owned by Thomas Bird.

Lot No. 2. Frame house 22 x 28, one-and-a-half stories, formerly owned by Nelson Smith.

Lot No. 3. Barn 16 x 20 and woodshed, formerly owned by Nelson Smith.

Lot No. 4. Frame schoolhouse.

Lot No. 5. Frame house 40 x 48, with extension 18 x 21, two stories high, formerly owned by Isaac Kelley.

Lot No. 6. Frame house 16 x 41, with extension 12 x 15, one story, formerly owned by Isaac Kelley.

Lot No. 7. Frame house 21 x 24, two stories, formerly owned by Isaac Kelley.

Lot No. 8. Barn 39 x 60, with wing 19 x 59, formerly owned by Isaac Kelley.

Lot No. 9. Two carriage-houses 12 x 30 and 24 x 24, formerly owned by Isaac Kelley.

Lot No. 10. Stable 13 x 14, ice-house 12 x 16, and corn crib 11 x 13, formerly owned by Isaac Kelley.

Lot No. 11. Barn 14 x 25, formerly owned by Frederick Knox.

Lot No. 12. Frame house 25 x 34, with additions 22 x 23 and 8 x 18, two stories, formerly owned by Adah Mead.

Lot No. 13. Barn 30 x 60, and stable 18 x 20, formerly owned by Adah Mead.

Lot No. 14. Two wood-houses 11 x 14 and 11 x 24, formerly owned by Adah Mead.

Lot No. 15. Carriage-shed 13 x 20, and corn crib 8 x 28, formerly owned by Adah Mead.

Lot No. 16. Saw and feed mill, with machinery and fixtures, formerly owned by John Wood.

TERMS OF SALE.

The consideration that the Department of Public Works shall receive for the foregoing buildings will be: first—the removal of every part of the building, excepting the stone foundation, on or before the 15th December, 1877; and second—the sum paid in money on the day of sale. If any part of any building is left on the reservoir grounds, on and after 10th December, 1877, the purchaser shall forfeit all right and title to the building or part of building so left, and also the money part of the consideration paid at the time of the sale, and the Department of Public Works may at any time, on or after 16th December, 1877, cause said building, or part of building, to be removed and disposed of at the expense of the party to whom the above conditioned sale as described may be made. The total amount of the bid must be paid at the time of the sale.

ALLAN CAMPBELL,
Commissioner of Public Works
of the City of New York.

THE CITY RECORD.

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

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, for—

No. 1. Regulating, grading, setting curb and gutter, and flagging Forty-third street, from Second to Third avenue, \$21,378.60.

No. 2. Sewer in Fifty-seventh street, between Eighth and Ninth avenues, from end of present sewer to within 35 feet of Ninth avenue, \$424.77.

No. 3. Laying crosswalks across Fourth avenue, from south side of Eighty-first street, \$262.01.

No. 4. Laying crosswalks across Fourth avenue, from south side of Seventy-fifth street, \$278.24.

OFFICE BOARD OF ASSESSORS,
No. 10 CHATHAM STREET,
NEW YORK, October 12, 1877.

JOHN R. MUMFORD,
Secretary

IMPORTANT TO PROPERTY OWNERS ON BLOOMINGDALE ROAD.

ALL PARTIES PRESENTING CLAIMS FOR damage to property, by reason of closing the Bloomingdale road, are required, in filing such claims, to produce their title deed to said property.

They are also requested to present the statement of their claims at the earliest possible day, as the Board of Assessors are engaged in the consideration of all questions of damage now before them, previous to a final adjustment and settlement of the same.

THOMAS B. ASTEN,
JOHN MULLALLY,
EDWARD NORTH,
WILLIAM L. WILEY,
Board of Assessors.

OFFICE BOARD OF ASSESSORS,
NEW YORK, May 29, 1877.

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

POLICE DEPARTMENT, CITY OF NEW YORK,
PROPERTY CLERK'S OFFICE,
300 MULBERRY STREET,
NEW YORK, Oct. 22, 1877.

OWNER WANTED BY THE PROPERTY Clerk, Police Department, City of New York, 300 Mulberry street, for a black pony, star in forehead, and a light wagon found in street, October 13, 1877.

C. A. ST. JOHN,
Property Clerk.

POLICE DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY NEW YORK,
300 MULBERRY STREET,
PROPERTY CLERK'S OFFICE, ROOM 39,
NEW YORK, September 28, 1877.

OWNERS WANTED BY THE PROPERTY Clerk of the Police Department, 300 Mulberry street, Room 39, for the following property now in his custody without claimants:

Boats, cart, wagon, lot rope, revolvers, furniture, male and female clothing, silver watch, small amount of money taken from prisoners and found on street.

C. A. ST. JOHN,
Property Clerk.

LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT

THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE WILL MEET in Room No. 16, City Hall, every Monday, at 3 o'clock P. M.

PATRICK KEENAN,
WILLIAM L. COLE,
SAMUEL A. LEWIS,
JOHN I. MORRIS,
JOSEPH C. PINCKNEY,
Committee on Finance.

THE COMMITTEE ON LAW DEPARTMENT will meet every Monday, at 2 o'clock P. M., in Room No. 16, City Hall.

SAMUEL A. LEWIS,
GEORGE HALL,
HENRY E. HOWLAND,
Committee on Law Department.

THE COMMITTEE ON STREETS WILL MEET every Friday, at 1 o'clock P. M.

BRYAN REILLY,
JAMES J. SLEVIN,
LEWIS J. PHILLIPS,
Committee on Streets.

THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS WILL meet in Room No. 16, City Hall, every Wednesday, at 2 o'clock P. M.

THOMAS SHELLS,
WILLIAM JOYCE,
WILLIAM SALMON,
STEPHEN N. SIMONSON,
JOSEPH C. PINCKNEY,
Committee on Public Works

HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK,
No. 301 MOTT STREET,
NEW YORK, October 9, 1877.

AT A MEETING OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH of the Health Department of the City of New York, held at its office on the ninth day of October, 1877, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That, under the power conferred by law upon the Health Department, the following additional sections and amendments of the Sanitary Code, for the security of life and health, be and the same are hereby adopted and declared to form a portion of the Sanitary Code:

Section 189. Whenever a nuisance in any place at or upon any premises in the City of New York, shall have been found or declared by resolution of the Board of Health to exist, and an order shall have been made directing the owner or lessee of such premises to make suitable and necessary repairs or improvements, or to abate the said nuisance, such repairs or improvements shall be made, and such nuisance shall be fully abated in the manner directed by the Board of Health, within five days after notice thereof.

Section 190. All sinks, basins, and stationary tubs in every hotel, lodging, tenement, or boarding-house in the City of New York, shall be provided with proper stretch traps directly under each sink, basin or stationary tub, so connected with the waste or soil-pipe, and so constructed as directed or approved by the Board of Health, and with the traps so adjusted as to prevent the escape therefrom of foul odors and gases.

Section 191. All privy vaults in the yard of any house in the City of New York, within twenty feet of any dwelling, shall be ventilated by means of an eight-inch earthenware pipe, laid at least six inches below the surface of the yard, from the said vault to the nearest wall of the building of the greatest altitude at or upon said premises, and there connected with a vertical metallic shaft of like diameter extending not less than two feet above the roof of such building. And every privy vault in the City of New York shall be ventilated in this way, unless a permit in writing specially excepting such vault from the requirements of this ordinance be granted, and it be otherwise ordered by the Board of Health.

Section 192. Privy-vaults shall be ventilated and shall be constructed or repaired; and manure-vaults shall be covered, provided with drains, and built or repaired in the City of New York in accordance with directions from and orders made therefor by the Board of Health.

Section 193. The waste or soil pipe in every tenement or lodging house in the City of New York shall be ventilated by extending the same by means of a pipe of the same size to a height of not less than two feet above the roof of the building, or pursuant to the terms of a permit in writing from the Board of Health.

Resolved, That section 86 of the Sanitary Code be and is hereby amended by adding thereto the following, "unless in accordance with the terms of a special permit in writing from this Board."

[L. S.] CHARLES F. CHANDLER,
President.

EMMONS CLARK,
Secretary.

ELECTION NOTICE.

OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE COMMON COUNCIL,
No. 8 CITY HALL,
NEW YORK, October 1, 1877.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, PURSUANT TO the provisions of section 1, chapter 503, Laws of 1875, being an act to amend chapter 675, Laws of 1872, entitled "An act in relation to elections in the City and County of New York, and to provide for ascertaining by proper proofs the citizens who shall be entitled to the rights of suffrage thereat," that at the General Election to be held in this State, on the Tuesday succeeding the first Monday of November next (November 6), the following municipal officers are to be elected in the City and County of New York, viz:

Six Aldermen, to be voted for by the electors of the City at large:

Three Aldermen, to be voted for in the Fourth Senate District, composed of the First, Second, Third, Fourth, Fifth, Sixth, Seventh, Tenth, Eleventh, and Twelfth Wards of the City of New York;

Three Aldermen, to be voted for in the Fifth Senate District, composed of the Eighth, Ninth, Tenth, Eleventh, and Twelfth Wards of the City of New York;

Three Aldermen, to be voted for in the Sixth Senate District, composed of the Tenth, Eleventh, and Twelfth Wards of the City of New York;

Three Aldermen, to be voted for in the Seventh Senate District, composed of the Twelfth, Thirteenth, and Fourteenth Wards of the City of New York;

Four Aldermen, to be voted for in the Eighth Senate District, composed of the Twelfth, Thirteenth, and Fourteenth Wards, and the territory comprised within the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards of the City of New York;

A Register, in place of Patrick H. Jones, and

Two Justices of the Marine Court, in the places of George Shea and James P. Sinnott.

To be voted for by the electors of the City at large.

FRANCIS J. TWOMEY,
Clerk Common Council.